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Land Trust

## Donges Bay Gorge Natural Area



### RENOVATIONS & RESTORATION

#### WITH YOUR SUPPORT

Located along Lake Michigan in the city of Mequon, WI, Donges Bay Gorge Natural Area is 23 acres. This preserve contains steep lake slopes, beach frontage, an undulating upland lake bluff, upland woods and a ravine that extends through the property. OWLT is restoring historically and regionally scarce vegetation communities to both increase biodiversity and improve wildlife habitat to greater support the Lake Michigan Migratory Flyway.

Contractors, OWLT stewardship staff, OWLT volunteers, and OWLT Youth Stewardship Program members – including OWLT stewardship interns and Great Lakes Community Conservation Corps young adults, will make improvements to the preserve.

Activities include enhancing the parking lot and trails, performing upgrades to the pool house, removing invasive species, and planting trees/shrubs to create resilient, high quality nearshore habitat.

Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership (LNRP) partnership in this project is a valued collaborator to the project, leveraging in-kind services valuing \$38,000 for re-sprout treatment, ravine brush removal, and woody plantings.

# Protect Today. Preserve Forever.

## OVERALL LARGE-SCALE PROJECT OUTCOMES

### ENHANCEMENTS

#### Outcome 1:

Improved and protected habitat across 23 total acres of land. Through native plant installation and adaptive management of invasive species, biodiversity and native habitats will be enhanced and protected. Plant up to 200 native trees and shrubs of various sizes and species.

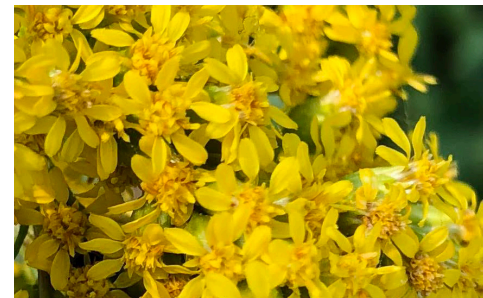
#### Outcome 2:

Enhancements to community engagement opportunities through the creation of public access points, interpretative signage, improved trail access, and updates to the pool house.



### MISSION STATEMENT

*To protect and steward land and water  
for the benefit of all.*



### Donges Bay Gorge Preserve Renovations

### Schedule

Costs: \$82,770.00

Parking Area Re-sprout Treatment	Summer 2021	\$ 1,600.00
Trail rerouting and maintenance; trail sign installation	Fall 2021	\$ 2,000.00
Pool house stair repairs	Fall 2021	\$ 2,000.00
Invasives species work	Fall 2021 / 2022	\$ 2,000.00
Ravine Brush Removal (High Density)	Winter 2021 / 2022	\$19,500.00
Ravine Brush Removal (Low Density)	Winter 2021 / 2022	\$11,300.00
City permits for excavating and signage	Spring 2022	\$ 270.00
Parking Area excavation/new parking lot to final grade	Summer 2022	\$13,000.00
Parking Area plant rescue and planting	Spring 2022 / Fall 2023	\$ 5,000.00
Preserve road access gate	Summer - Fall 2022	\$ 5,000.00
Woody Planting and caging	Fall 2022	\$ 4,100.00
New signage - kiosk, preserve signs, and gate/entry point	Fall 2022	\$ 5,000.00
Install new boardwalks and bridges on trails	2023	\$ 4,000.00
Pool house patio pavers - remove, regrade, replace	Summer 2023	\$ 3,000.00
Pool house upgrades - roof, gutter, and downspouts	Summer 2023	\$ 5,000.00