

THE CONSERVATION FOUNDATION



**The Conservation
Foundation
Organizational Snapshot**

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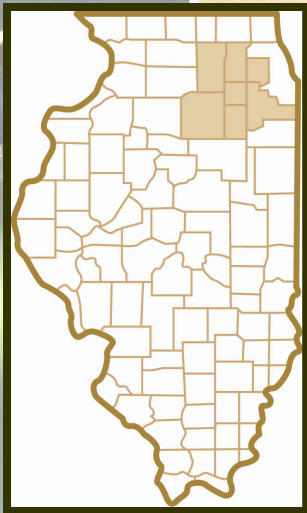
We Save Land. We Save Rivers.

The Conservation Foundation

- Not-for-profit land and watershed protection organization.
- Active in northeastern Illinois since 1972.
- Supported by over 5,000 members.
- 7 full-time and 7 part-time professional staff in 2 locations.



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Our Mission

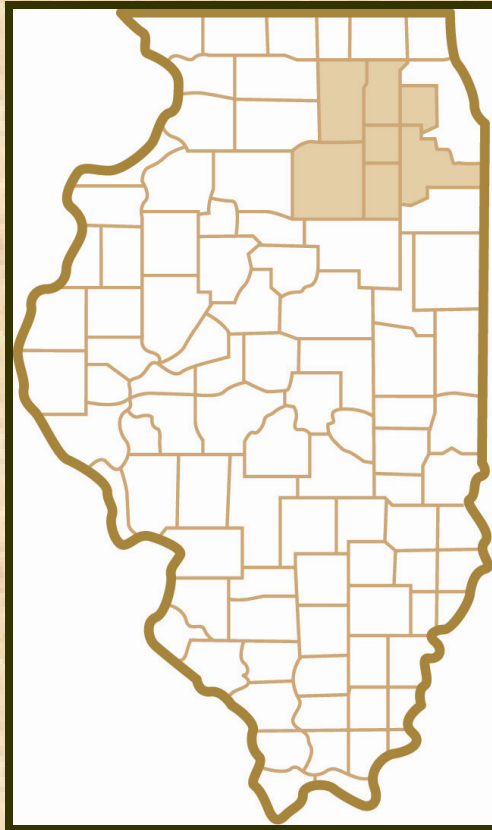
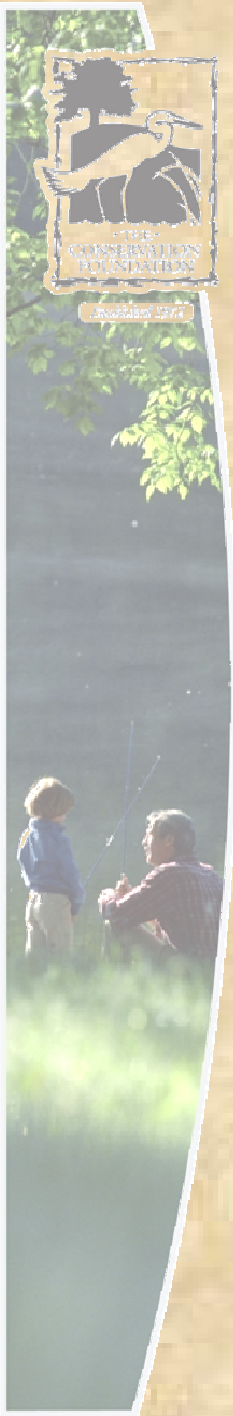
- To preserve natural areas and open space,
- To protect rivers and watersheds,
- To promote sustainable development and design,
- And to promote stewardship of our environment.



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TCF and Watershed Planning



Healthy watersheds offer many benefits:

- improved water quality
- enhanced recreation, environmental education, and economic revitalization
- wildlife habitat
- reduced flooding problems
- a safe drinking water supply.

TCF has pursued watershed planning efforts in each of our four main counties.

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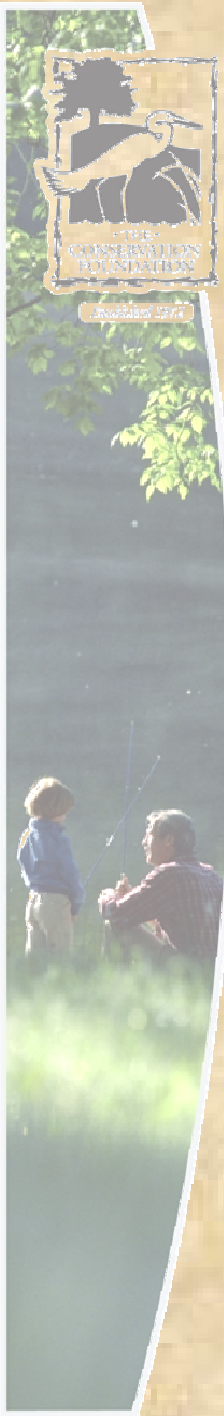
TCF and Watershed Planning *Blackberry Creek (Kane and Kendall)*



Blackberry Creek
Alternative Futures
Project; 1996

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TCF and Watershed Planning *Aux Sable Creek (Kendall and Grundy)*

Plan updated in
2008 to meet the
nine criteria for a
Watershed Based
Action Plan.

Aux Sable Creek
Watershed

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TCF and Watershed Planning *Big Rock Creek (Kane)*



In 2002, TCF gathered stakeholders in the Big Rock Creek watershed to create a vision for future development and best management practices.

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Tyler Creek (Kane)

The Conservation Foundation helped to facilitate an update to the original Tyler Creek watershed plan in 2007.



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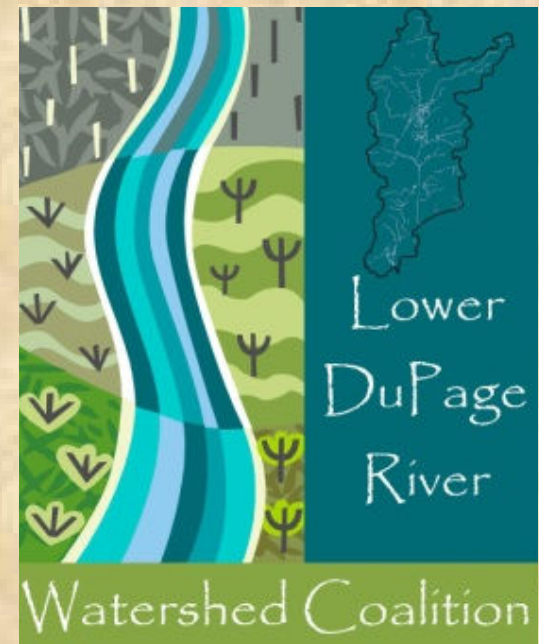
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TCF and Watershed Planning *DuPage River (DuPage and Will)*

The Conservation Foundation has been leading local efforts in the DuPage River Watershed since 1989.



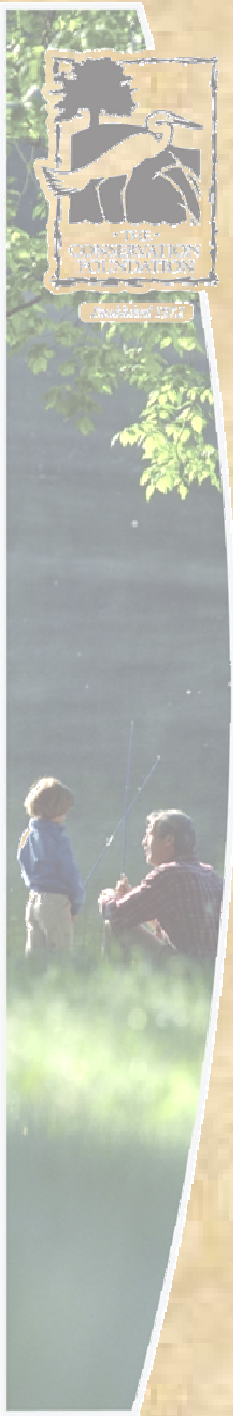
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TCF and Watershed Planning *Salt Creek (DuPage)*

The Conservation Foundation staff have participated in the Salt Creek Watershed Network since its inception.



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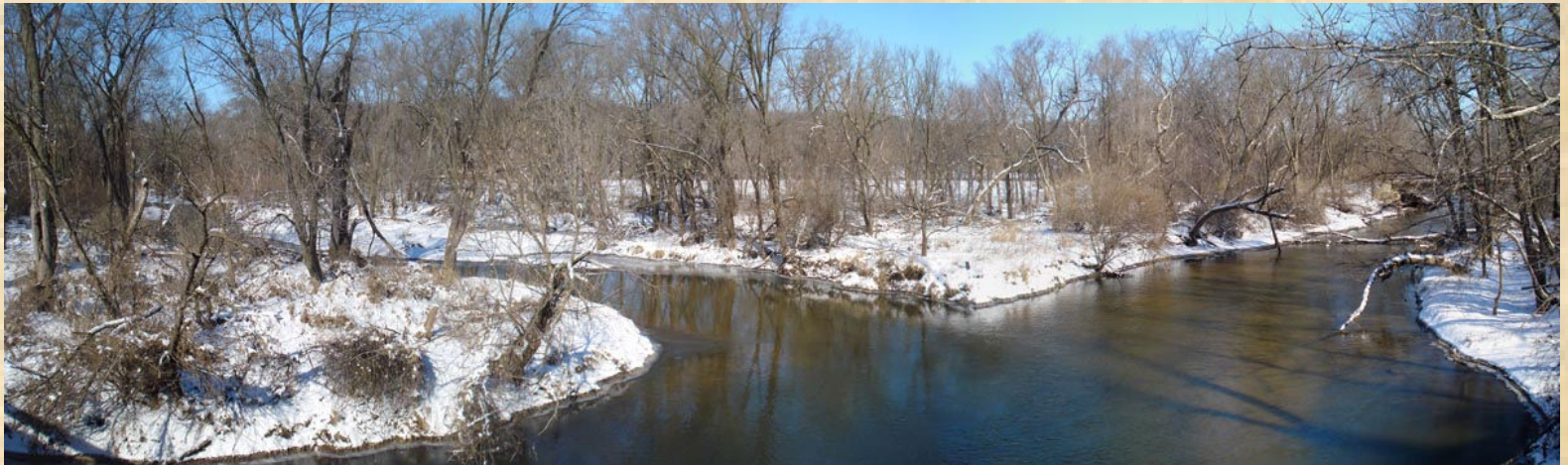


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Our Philosophy

- A bottom up approach
- Create a useful plan



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