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More on Lakescaping

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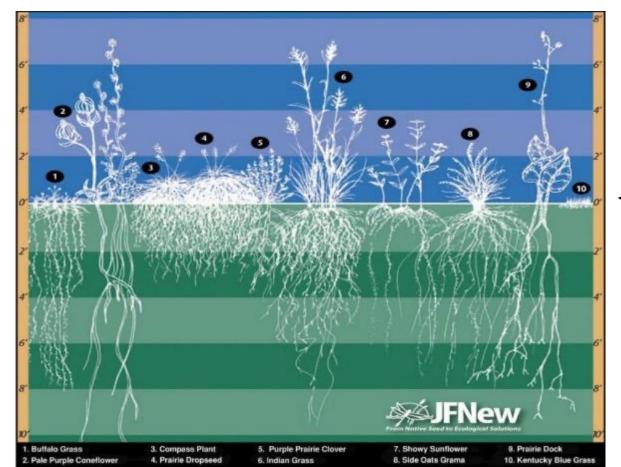
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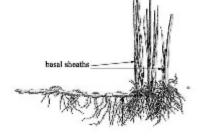
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Stable shorelines require Native Plant, trees and Shrub Root systems

Example: Hardstem bulrush has rhizomatous roots. Tend to seek different water depths and produce tough root systems to hold soil and diffuse wave energy so less wave energy hits the shoreline.







← 8 ft



Graphic: VT Lakewise

"Begin with the end in mind"

Stephen Covey

What do you want your landscape to do?

- Wildlife
- Erosion Control
- Protect water quality
- Recreational use
- Aesthetics/Privacy
- Create a Sense of Place







Protection Technique: Keep Natural Vegetation

Photos: Jane Herbert

Strategy: No Mow – See what comes up then add Little Long Lake



Photos: Julia Kirkwood

Before - 2001





Little Long
Lake
Summer
2019



"Cues to Care"

 Include artwork, bird house, or benches

Not everyone can do everything, but everyone can do something.

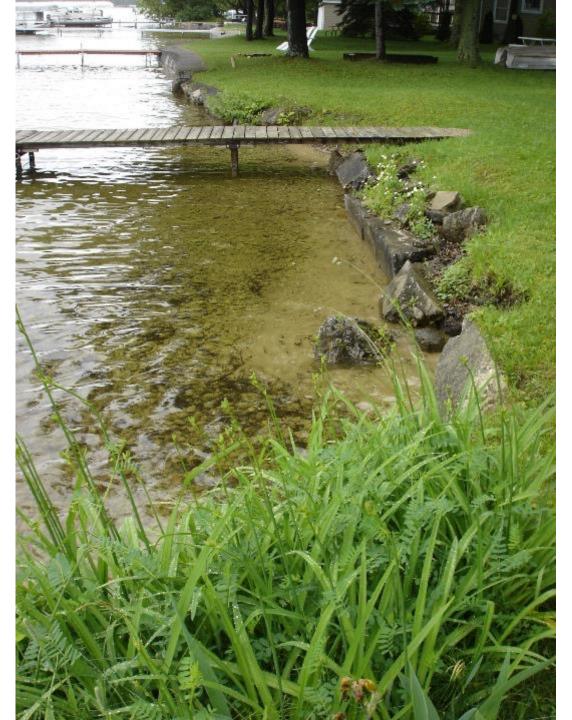






Following summer

1st year: planted fall





Before: Seawall replacement on Intermediate Lake

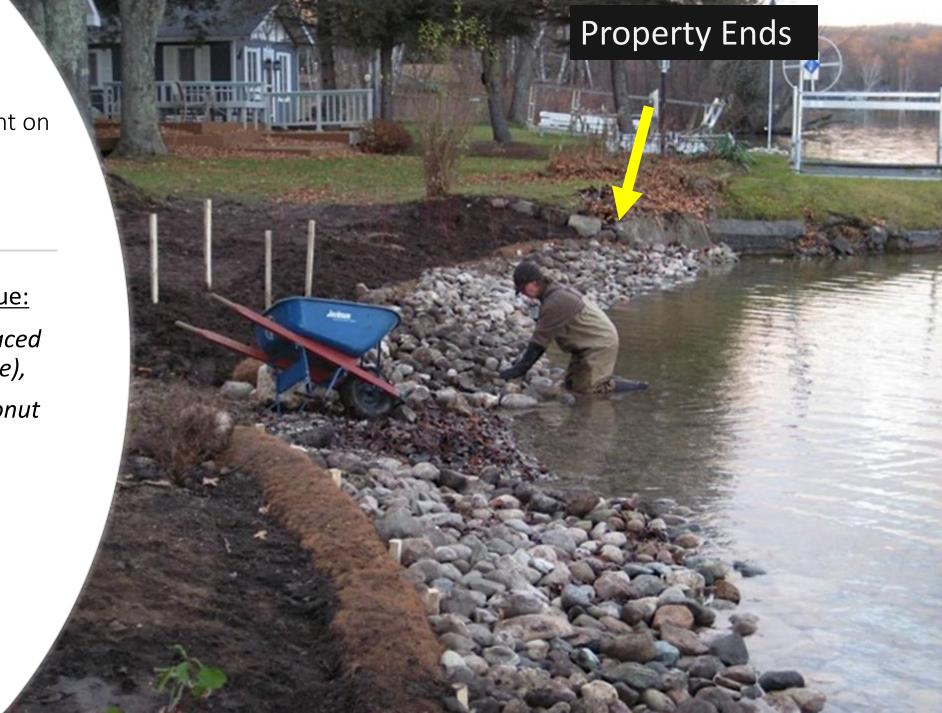
Large lake in NW MI

Photos: Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council

During: Seawall replacement on Intermediate Lake Large lake in NW MI

Bio-engineering Technique:

- Field stone (sized and placed correctly at a 4H:1V slope),
- Coir fiber log (rolled coconut fiber)
- PLANTS



Intermediate Lake site: 10 years later



- Next landowner installed rip rap - NOT using bioengineering design.
- NOTICE the waves. Bioengineered site the waves break over sooner than the Rip rap site. Less energy is hitting the Bioengineered shoreline.



Ice Problem?

"Ice is a problem on my shoreline, so I need a seawall!"

Notice: even with large boulders the ice still manages to push the shoreline up and back. And no root structure.



No problem!

Create a natural "ice ramp"

Note: this site still needs some vegetation for long term sustainability



Pickerel Lake Site Before: 2013

Large lake with a 2-mile fetch at this site.

Ice push and mowing to the edge



Pickerel Lake Site Before: 2013



Pickerel
Lake 2014:
1 week
after
installation

Note:

After only 1 week the sand is filling in the spaces between the rock



Pickerel Lake 2014: 2 months after installation





Pickerel Lake 2018 Late summer Where's the Rock?



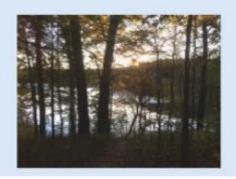
Coir Fiber Log TRAINING

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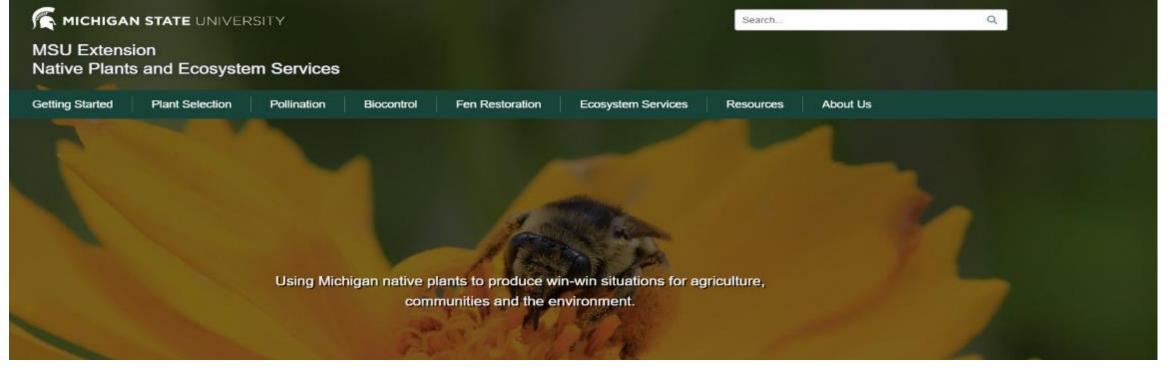
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Plant Search

Search by name:

Search.

Select a Region:

Region Information Link

- Northern Lower Peninsula
- Southern Lower Peninsula
- Upper Peninsula

Soil Moisture

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- Medium
- Wet

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Teaching Tools

Getting Started

Plant Search Tool

Regional Plant Lists



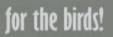


Michigan Audubon Resources



Michigan Native Plants

Michigan Native Garden Design



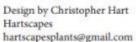


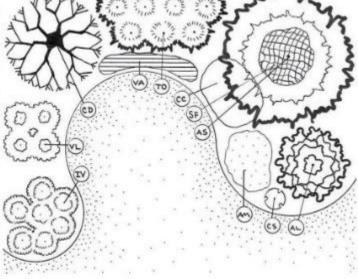












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Symbol	Scientific Name	Common Name
AL	Amelanchier laevis	Allegheny serviceberry
AM	Aronia melanocarpa	Black chokeberry
	Acer saccharum	Sugar maple
CC	Cornus canadensis	Bunchberry
CD	Crataegus douglasii	Black hawthorn
CS	Cornus sericea	Red-twig dogwood
	llex verticillata	Michigan holly
	Solidago flexicaulis	Zig-zag goldenrod
TO	Thuja occidentalis	White cedar
	Vaccinium angustifolium	Lowbush blueberry
VL	Viburnum lentago	Nannyberry

Design Notes

These species can be found in the Upper Peninsula in most counties. They prefer moist sites but are well adapted to climate changes. There are species here for sun and shade. Amelanchier, black chokeberry, and nannyberry produce purple fruits late spring through fall. White cedar provides shelter and nesting sites. A sugar maple is a larval host. Ground birds will be delighted with red-fruited bunchberry, lowbush blueberries, and zig-zag goldenrod seeds. Black hawthorn has hard, red, apple-like fruit and glossy leaves. Michigan holly provides winter and spring food for migratory birds. In autumn, yellow and fiery orange-scarlet in the maple, serviceberry, blueberries, Aronia and hawthorn will cast a glow while bunchberry scorches the ground with maroon.

Need more ideas? Check these books out!

