

What is the Land Use Vision?



The Brooks Township Land Use Vision was written by local residents, officials and representatives from conservation organizations. It identifies

- The natural features that Township residents value
- Threats to these natural resources
- Steps residents can take to protect local natural resources

What are some of the unique species that live in the Newaygo Area?

Birds

Bald Eagle
Common Loon
Golden-winged Warbler
Cerulean Warbler

Fish and Reptiles

Lake Sturgeon
Pugnose Shiner
Wood Turtle

Butterflies, Moths and Other Insects

Dusted Skipper Butterfly
Frosted Elfin Butterfly
Henry's Elfin Butterfly
Karner Blue Butterfly
Ottoe Skipper Butterfly
Culvers Root Borer Moth
Spartina Borer Moth
Prairie Tiger Moth
Great Plains Spittlebug

Plants

Alleghany Plum
Black-Fruited Spike-Rush
Blue-eyed Grass
Golden Alexanders
Grooved Yellow Flax
Prairie Smoke
Side-oats Gamma Grass
Virginia Meadow-Beauty
Western Silvery Aster

What Are We Trying To Accomplish With The Land Use Vision Project?

Goal I

Promote greater participation in voluntary conservation programs.

Goal II

Develop a conservation partnership between the local schools and the community.

Goal III

Develop a stewardship ethic among Township residents of all ages.

Would you like to be involved? Call Brooks Township at 231-652-6763 for more information.

How Can You Get Involved?

Find out what you can do in and around your home through the Michigan Groundwater Stewardship Program's Home*A*Syst or Lake*A*Syst programs. Both programs are available free of charge to Newaygo County residents.

Do you have any unique or endangered plant or animal species on your property that you are interested in protecting both now and in years to come? A conservation easement for your property may be what you need to achieve your conservation goals.

Participate on a local action committees to address issues such as trash control, water quality, prairie restoration and invasive species monitoring.

Attend local meetings, voice your opinion, share information with your neighbors...these are all things you can do to make this a better community for your family, neighbors and friends.

Call 652-6763 for information.

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