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# Shoreland Restoration Cost~Share



## What is a Buffer?

A buffer is a strip of undisturbed native vegetation at the edge of a lake, stream, or wetland. These buffer strips help to protect these natural water resources from erosion, runoff, and associated pollution. This is done by filtering the water and soaking it into plant roots and/or the groundwater system.

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**Are you....**  
**Losing precious shoreland to erosion?**  
**Tired of shoeing geese off your property?**  
**Concerned about water quality?**  
**If so, consider a shoreland buffer project!**

**I would love to, but I'm not sure I can afford it.**

The Prior Lake—Spring Lake Watershed District has a cost-share program for shoreland restoration projects so people like you can get some \$ to help enhance the functionality of your landscape and protect our lakes.

## **What kind of projects are eligible?**

- Lakeshore restorations (full or partial shoreline)
- Streambank Restorations
- Buffer Plantings (for runoff management)

## **I wouldn't even know where to start!**

No problem! The PLSLWD provides free technical assistance to anyone that needs it. Just contact our office for more info!

## What are the benefits of shoreland restoration?

Shoreland restoration has many benefits, including:

- Controlling shoreline erosion,
- Protecting lakes by filtering runoff,
- Providing habitat for wildlife,
- Detering geese,
- Providing privacy,
- And reducing long-term maintainence.
- Pollution Treatment

### Why is this Important?

- Shoreline restorations are important because so many people around the lake are losing their shoreline due to mowing. Native vegetation can help to prevent erosion and keep our shorelines where they

## How much funding is available?

The District will supply 50% of your funds up to \$1,200 on a reimbursement basis. These funds can be used for material costs such as: plants, erosion control, mulch and stakes.

## How to apply

If you're interested in the program, please contact the District for an application. When you apply, we will need: a restoration plan, a species list, and a breakdown of cost and materials. Applications are accepted throughout the year until available funds are exhausted.

## For further info

Please contact: Mike Kinney, District Administrator

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A local shoreland restoration project.

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**Contact the PLSLWD office to get more information on cost-share benefits!**