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Bostwick Creek TRM Progress

The first year(2021) of the Bostwick TRM Grant consisted primarily of public outreach, landowner meetings, and project planning. The second year(2022) involved the design and install of streambank stabilization, grassed waterways, grade stabilization structures, stream crossing and cover crops. The Third Year(2023) continued to build on the momentum of grade stabilization structures, grassed waterways and streambank stabilization. We also added an additional practice of Underground Outlet to our BMP list. The Department of Land Conservation (DLC) to date has been able to plan and install 26 structural BMP's (13 in 2023) and 22 soft practices (7 in 2023). Water quality sampling continued Bostwick Creek. The WDNR performed fish surveys on Bostwick Creek where the streambank projects are installed. We anticipate doing follow up habitat surveys in 2024 to quantify improvements made. We have taken soil samples at BMP locations to estimate the amount of phosphorus and sediment reduced from the installed BMP's. We have partnered with NRCS and TU to help fund the projects. As more practices are being installed, more landowners are asking about the TRM grant and future of the Bostwick watershed. 2024 will involve finalizing the Bostwick Creek TRM grant and applying to Bostwick Phase II TRM Grant.

