

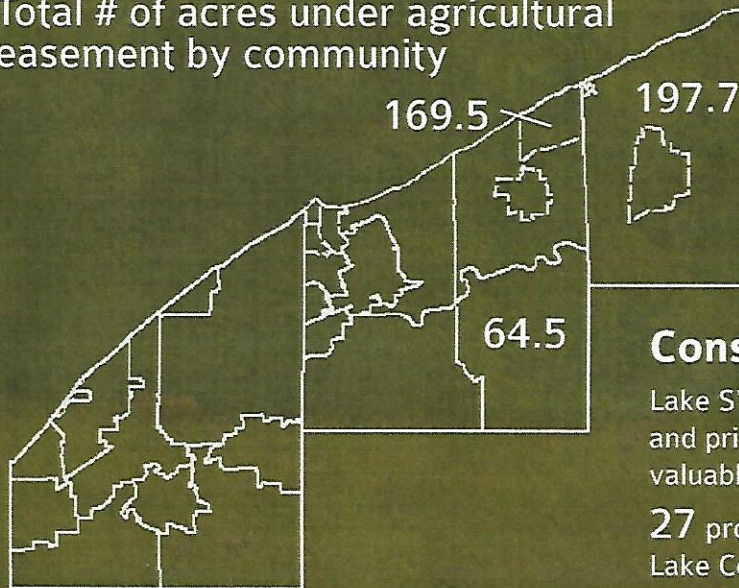
Permanent Land Preservation

Agricultural Easements

The District received funding from the Ohio Department of Agriculture Local Agricultural Easement Purchase Program in 2017 and will preserve 66 acres of farmland in Madison Township with frontage on the Grand River. The program provides funding through state and federal programs to purchase conservation easements from owners of quality farmland. This allows farmland to stay in agricultural use in perpetuity.

9 farms and **431.7** acres have been preserved in Lake County.

Total # of acres under agricultural easement by community



Conservation Easements

Lake SWCD holds conservation easements for both public and privately owned properties. These properties are valuable natural areas and are preserved in perpetuity.

27 properties and **2113** acres have been preserved in Lake County.

Total # of acres under conservation easement by community



The county's **3544.7** acres of protected property prevents:

425 tons of Sediment, **7.6** tons of Nitrogen and **1.3** tons of Phosphorus from entering our streams annually.



Lake SWCD holds easements that protect specialty crop land (top), nursery land (middle) as well as natural areas (bottom).