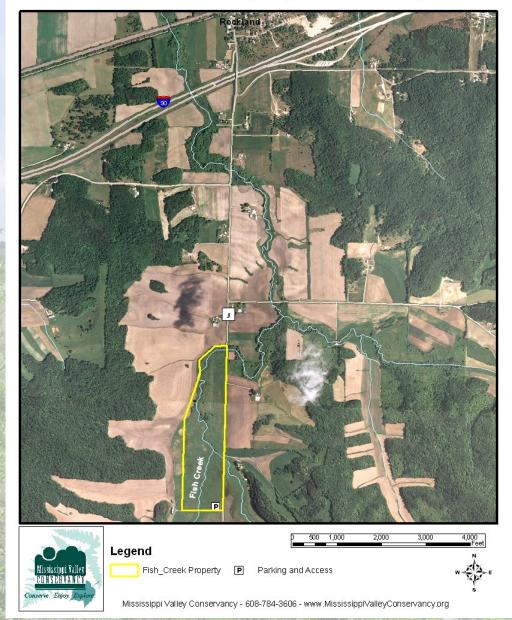
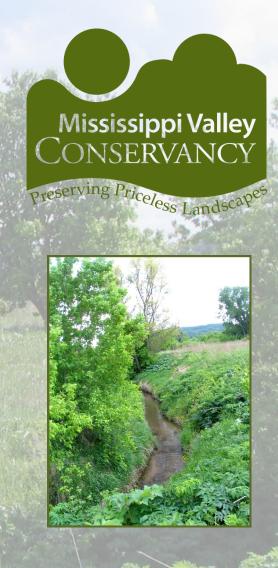
#### Fish Creek Property Locator Map





# **Fish Creek**

#### Directions

Head south out of Rockland, WI on Country Road J. Fish Creek is located at the southern bridge of the two County Road J bridges near Rockland,

WI.

#### History

The TOLD Development Corporation donated the 74 acres along Fish Creek near the town of Bangor. The preservation includes wet prairies, wetlands and a trout stream, all of which will be made available to the public for fishing and hunting. "Wetlands are incredibly important for a bunch of reasons; they provide safe drinking water as well as a home for wildlife." Tim Jacobson, executive director of the Mississippi Valley Conservancy.

Prior to the donation, TOLD invested \$250,000 in restoration to the site. The cost included land acquisition, designing and engineering of mitigation efforts, legal expenses, removal of noxious invasive plant species, plugging drainage ditches and more. Jacobson said it's unusual for the organization to receive outright donations, as it often just purchases land at a discounted price.



### Stewardship

"Donating restores wetlands provides benefits for businesses and the communities alike, but the ultimate beneficiaries are people, generations from now, who will enjoy hunting, fishing and natural scenic beauty of lands and streams that we protect today," said Tim Jacobson, executive director of MVC.



Conserve. Enjoy. Explore.

#### What Can I do at Fish Creek?

- Open to the public for hunting, fishing, canoeing, hiking, wildlife observation and snowshoeing. (See trail map)
- Hikers are encouraged to take precautions during hunting seasons.
- Provide environmental education to area school groups.
- You can help keep our preserve beautiful by carrying out your trash.

## Mississippi Valley Conservancy

Mississippi Valley Conservancy was formed by a group of local citizens that responded to growing development in the blufflands of southwestern Wisconsin by organizing a land trust to ensure conservation of the remaining special places in this region.

MVC works with willing landowners to protect our region's beautiful and natural areas for the enjoyment of current and future generations. We focus on areas of scenic, biological, agricultural and cultural importance throughout nine counties of southwestern Wisconsin (Buffalo, Trempealeau, Jackson, Monroe, La Crosse, Vernon, Crawford, Richland and Grant). Our various tools for land conservation include:

- Conservation Agreements
- Land Donations & Purchases
- Land Acquisition

You can help! Please become a contributing member by sending a tax-deductible donation to:

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