Our Wetlands at Work

Conservation incentives to keep

our water clean

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More information and RSVP at (269) 324-1600.

WHAT: An informational forum for landowners and local officials.

WHEN: Wednesday, July 17

TIME: 6:30 – 7:45 pm, tour of Love Creek Nature Center to follow.

WHERE: Love Creek Nature Center 9292 Huckleberry Road Berrien Center, MI 49102

Wetlands have long been one of Nature's most misunderstood natural resources! The true value of wetlands was not realized until more than 50 percent were drained or filled. Remaining wetlands offer many benefits such as controlling floods, filtering water and providing fish and wildlife habitat. The health of the Dowagiac River, Pipestone Creek, Hickory Creek and all the lakes and streams flowing to the St. Joseph River is dependent upon marshes, swamps, fens, bogs and all those other mucky places.

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SO, we are going to give wetlands a little love at Love Creek. <u>PLEASE JOIN US</u> to learn about:

• The state of wetlands in your area

- Incentives to protect and restore your wetlands
- A study that ranks wetlands by the functions they serve

Join us to learn about the programs, tools and financial incentives available to you as a landowner.