

# *Regenerative Stormwater Conveyance (RSC) at CTH KR Roadway Expansion: Finding Win-Win*

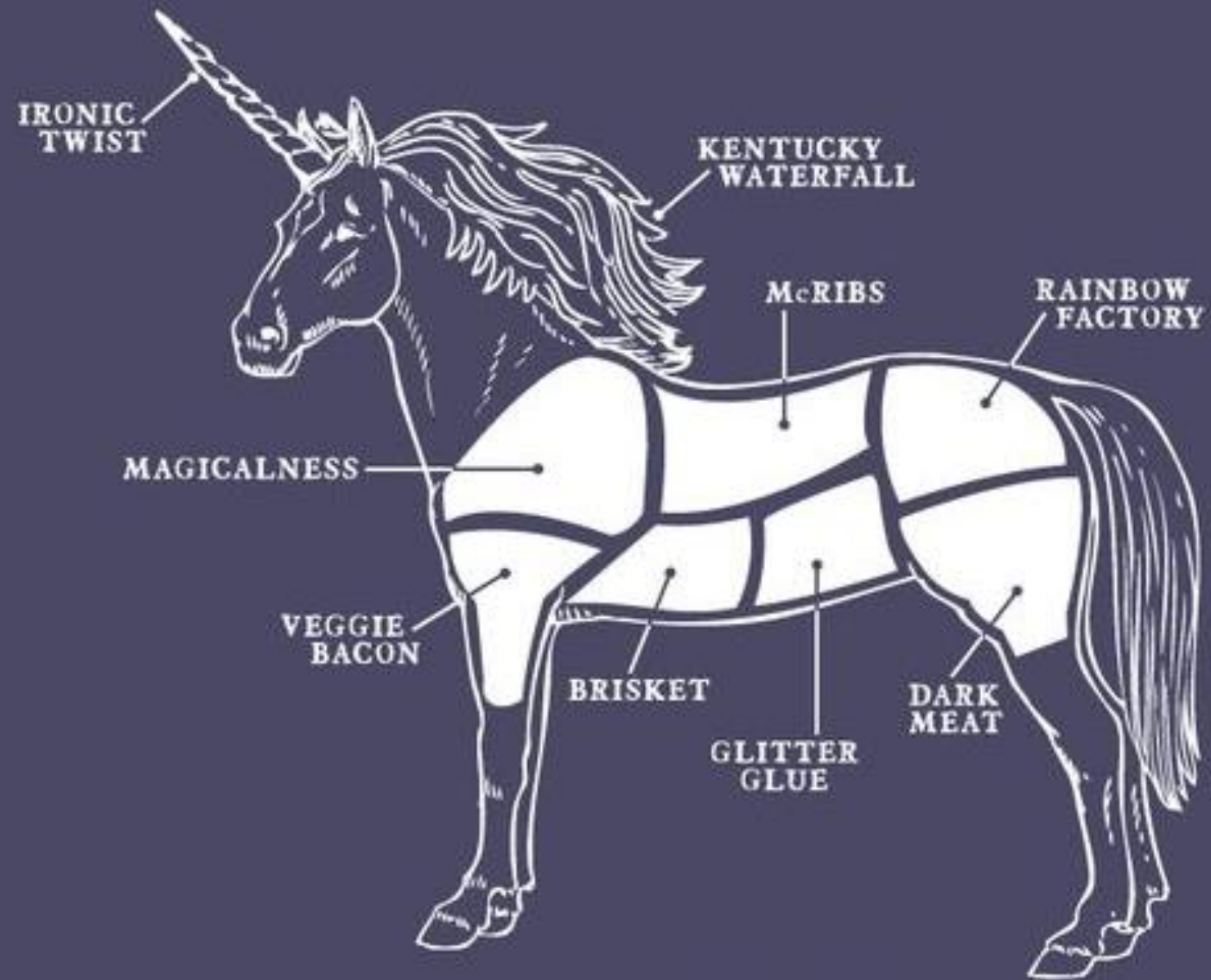
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**IMPAIRED!**



PROBLEMS



Oak Creek	Oak Creek	0	13.32	14500	River	Milwaukee	Chronic Aquatic	Chronic Aquatic	303d Listed
Unnamed	Waxdale Creek	0	2.91	2300	River	Racine	Unknown Pollutant	Chronic Aquatic	Pollutant Removed
Hoods Creek	Hoods Creek	0	9.7	3100	River	Racine	Unknown Pollutant	Degraded Biological	Proposed for List
Root			7.2	4300	River	Milwaukee, Racine	Total Phosphorus	Low DO	303d Listed
R			8.2	2900	River	Racine	Total Phosphorus	Impairment Unknown	303d Listed
C			8.32	14500	River	Milwaukee	Total Phosphorus	Degraded Biological	303d Listed
Upper				7100	Lake	Milwaukee,	Total Phosphorus	Impairment Unknown,	303d Listed
South				6100	Lake	Milwaukee	Total Phosphorus	Impairment Unknown	303d Listed
West			4.3	4500	River	Racine	Total Phosphorus	Low DO	303d Listed
R			6.69	2900	River	Milwaukee,	Total Phosphorus	Low DO, Degraded	303d Listed
Hu			4.4	3500	River	Racine	Total Phosphorus	Degraded Biological	303d Listed
P			4.5	1300	River	Kenosha	Total Phosphorus	Degraded Biological	303d Listed
R			5.8	2900	River	Milwaukee, Racine	Total Phosphorus	Low DO, Degraded	303d Listed
P			0.5	1300	River	Kenosha	Total Phosphorus	Degraded Biological	303d Listed
R			0.48	2900	River	Milwaukee, Racine	Total Phosphorus	Degraded Biological	303d Listed
U			1.18	6300	River	Milwaukee,	Total Phosphorus	Impairment Unknown	Proposed for List
U			7.3	6200	River	Milwaukee,	Total Phosphorus	Impairment Unknown	Proposed for List
U			0.9	4840	River	Racine	Total Phosphorus	Impairment Unknown	Proposed for List
R			8.86	5100	River	Milwaukee	Total Phosphorus	Degraded Biological	Proposed for List
U			9.2	3385	River	Milwaukee, Racine	Total Phosphorus	Impairment Unknown	Proposed for List
Lak				20	Great Lakes Beach	Milwaukee	E. coli	Recreational	303d Listed
Lak				20	Great Lakes Beach	Kenosha	E. coli	Recreational	303d Listed
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Lak				20	Great Lakes Beach	Racine	E. coli	Recreational	303d Listed
Lak				20	Great Lakes Beach	Milwaukee	E. coli	Recreational	Water Delisted
Lak				20	Great Lakes Beach	Kenosha	E. coli	Recreational	Delist
R			8.82	2900	River	Racine	PCBs	Contaminated Fish	303d Listed
P			4.5	1300	River	Kenosha	PCBs	Contaminated Fish	303d Listed
U			7.8	15550	River	Milwaukee	Fecal Coliform	Recreational	TMDL Development
Root			7.2	4300	River	Milwaukee, Racine	Sediment/Total	Low DO	303d Listed
North			2.23	1900	River	Kenosha, Racine	Sediment/Total	Degraded Habitat	303d Listed
West			4.3	4500	River	Racine	Sediment/Total	Low DO	303d Listed
U			9.1	2300	River	Racine	Sediment/Total	Degraded Habitat	303d Listed
R			6.69	2900	River	Milwaukee,	Sediment/Total	Low DO	303d Listed
R			5.8	2900	River	Milwaukee, Racine	Sediment/Total	Low DO	303d Listed
P			6.69	1200	River	Kenosha	Chloride	Chronic Aquatic	303d Listed
R			6.69	2900	River	Milwaukee,	Chloride	Chronic Aquatic	303d Listed
C			8.32	14500	River	Milwaukee	Chloride	Chronic Aquatic	303d Listed
Unnamed	North Branch Oak	0	5.7	14900	River	Milwaukee	Chloride	Chronic Aquatic	Proposed for List
North Branch Pike	North Branch Pike	5.23	7.87	1900	River	Racine	Chloride	Chronic Aquatic	Proposed for List
Pike River	Pike River	0	1.45	1300	River	Kenosha	Chloride	Chronic Aquatic	303d Listed

THESE PROBLEMS GET US TO THE EPA'S 303D LIST

303D LISTED WATERS IN THE ROOT-PIKE BASIN

# OPPOSING FORCES

- “A **one acre** wetland, one foot deep, can hold approximately **330,000** gallons of water.”\*
- **90%** of the Pike River’s wetlands are altered or gone.<sup>1</sup>

\* Source: Brian K. Miller, Purdue University

- <sup>1</sup> Source: Pike River Nine Key Element Watershed Restoration Plan (2013)





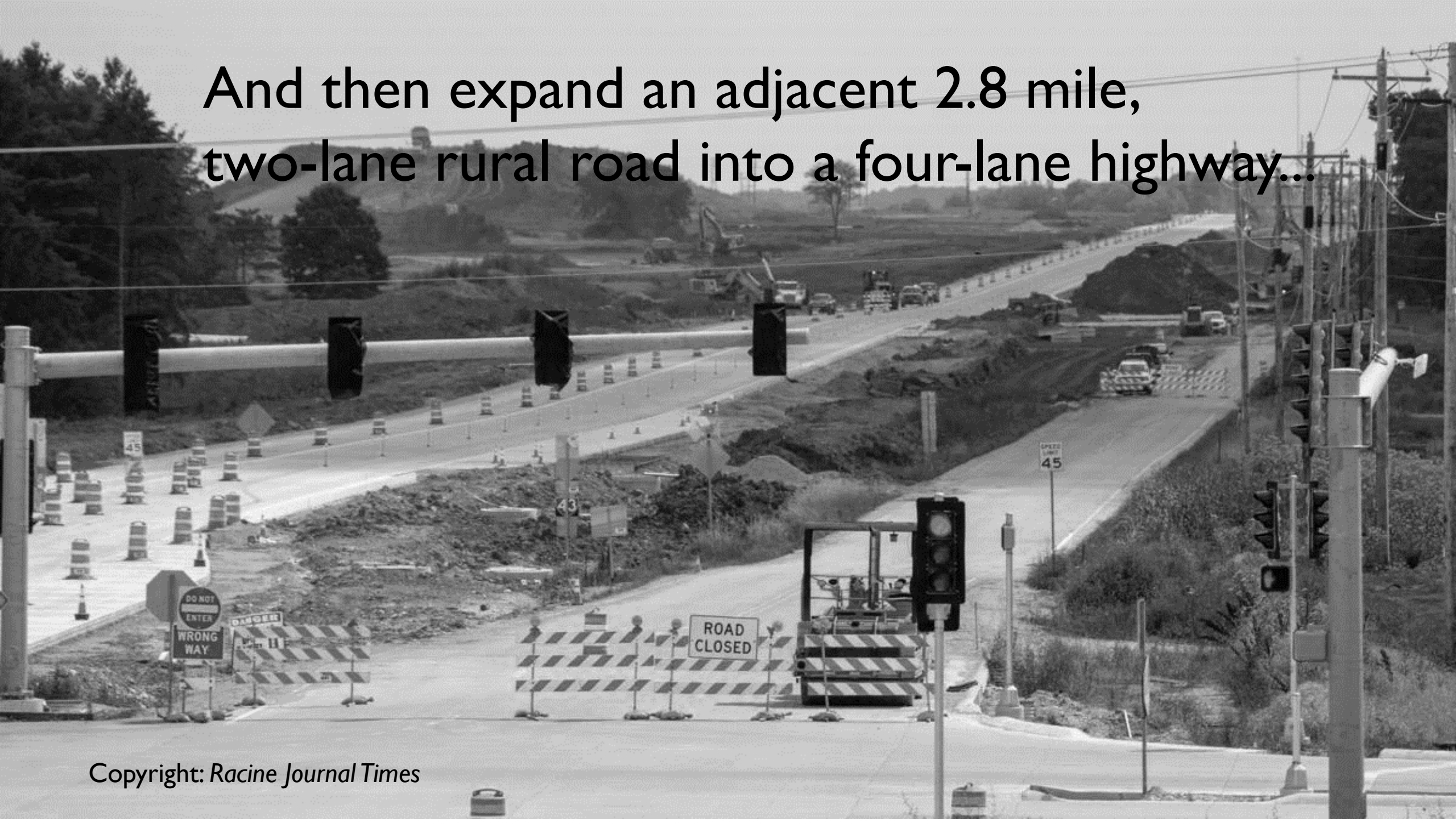
## The Restored North Branch of the Pike River

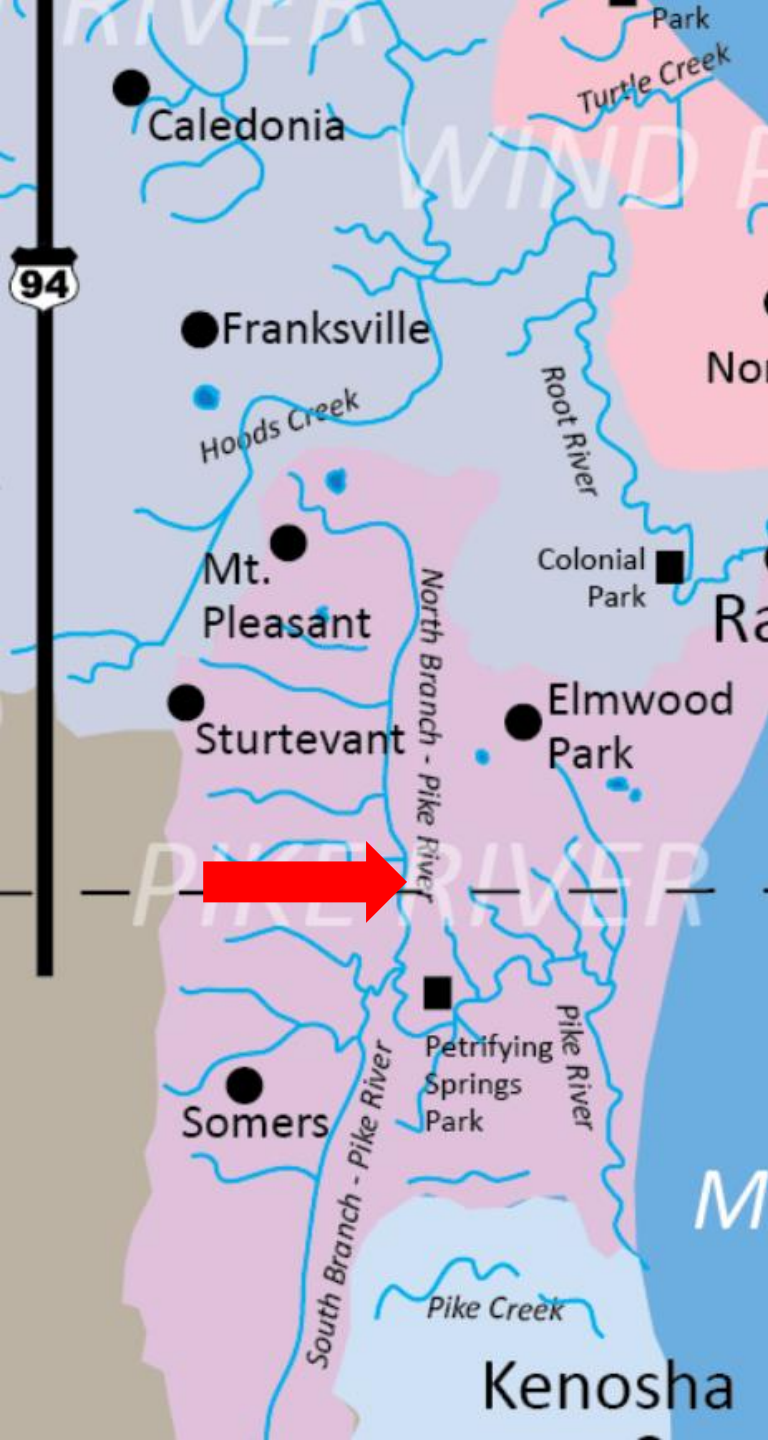


Now, add the largest development  
in North America (1500 acres)...



And then expand an adjacent 2.8 mile,  
two-lane rural road into a four-lane highway...





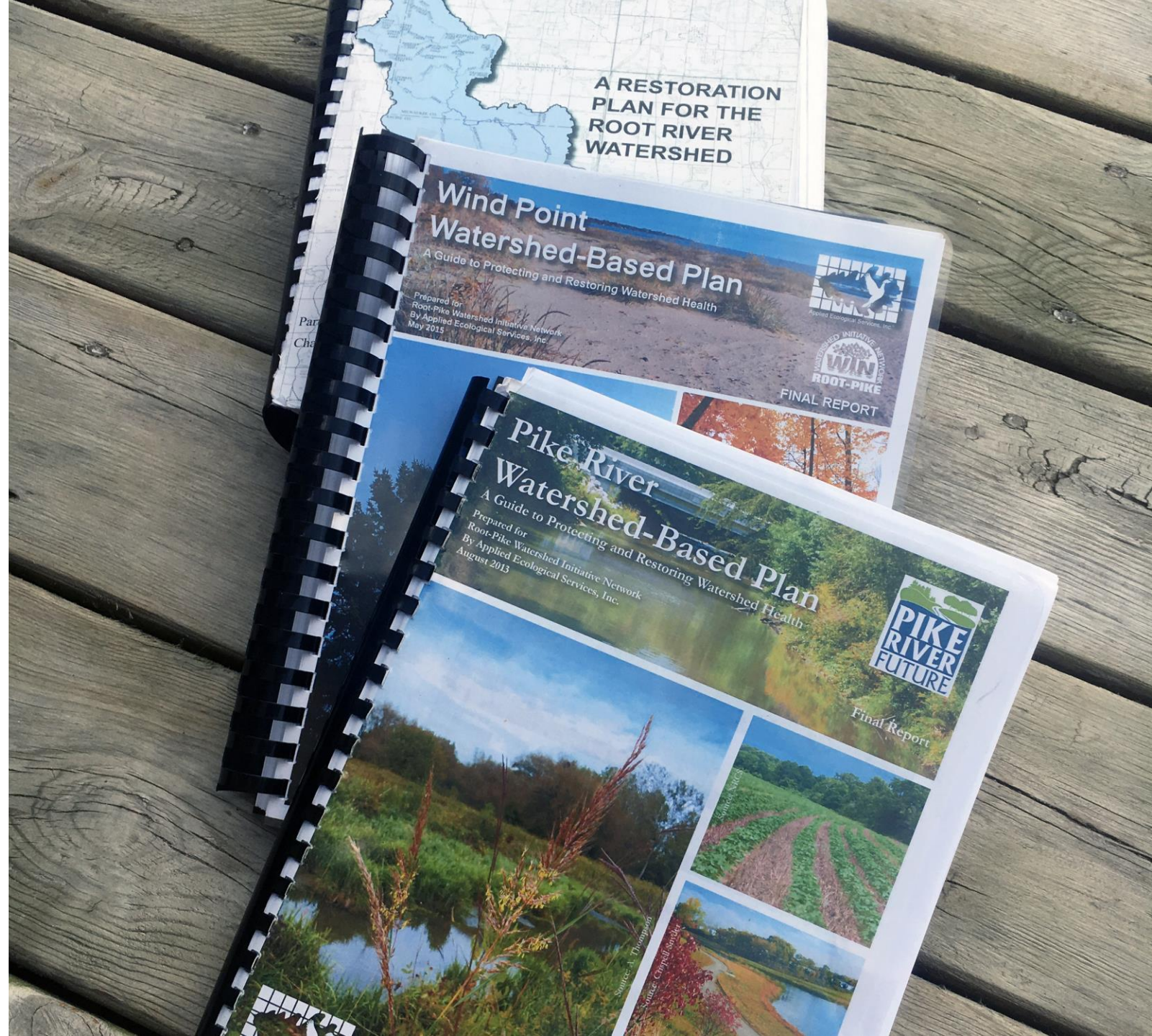
7.5 Miles of Stream  
and Buffer Restored



# OUR RESPONSE

Champion \$1 Million  
for Three Community-based  
Watershed Restoration Plans

- 1) Pike River
- 2) Root River
- 3) Wind Point





Reduced Flooding

Reduced Pollutants

Increased Habitats

Increased Property Values

Enhanced Community Brand



“THE STORM WATER SANDWICH”

# BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND



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ECONOMICS AND ENVIRONMENT

### DOT, DNR, Kenosha County and Root-Pike WIN Restore North Branch While Expanding CTH KR

The expansion of highway KR yielded some unexpected benefits this week as a local and state entities got together to find a WIN/WIN for Foxconn transportation, Kenosha County... and the environment. The DOT looked at some innovative new approaches and is working with a local non-profit to exceed the requirements of water quality. In a statement today....

CTH KR

STH 31

Proposed DOT  
Stormwater Pond

CAN WE BE MORE INNOVATIVE?

