

Chester Read Farm

Project Description: The Chester Read Farm is situated east of Oconomowoc Lake and northwest of Upper Nashotah Lake along scenic Nashotah Road – a stones-throw from the Cullen conservation easements on Upper Nashotah Lake. The property has and continues to be utilized as open space and small-scale hay production for neighboring horse stables. Portions of the property also include wooded sections featuring shagbark hickory and black walnut.

The northeast portion of the property is located within a designated isolated natural resource area and the northwest portion of the property is directly adjacent to designated environmental corridors, including the Oconomowoc Lake waterfront.

Why: The Read family generously donated a conservation easement on their property for the following reasons:

- 1.) To maintain valuable open space in an area experiencing significant development pressure.
- 2.) To assist in safeguarding the water quality of Oconomowoc and Upper Nashotah lakes.

Where: Village of Oconomowoc Lake

Size: 16 acres

Owners: The Read Family through MCR Farm LLC and GWC Farm LLC

Easement Holder: Tall Pines Conservancy

Completion: 2023



“Our family welcomes this unique opportunity to give back – in a meaningful and permanent way – to the community that has meant so much to our family for the past several generations.”

—Ross Read

