



Cozy Nook Farm

Project Description: Cozy Nook Farm is located in the town of Delafield along Hwy. 18, in an area of high development pressure, and has been owned by the family since 1957. The farm is well-known in the community for its annual Fall Market and Christmas Tree sales. These events provide a unique opportunity for area families to visit a working farm and interact with the 75 cows who call the land home, including many cherished Brown Swiss and Guernsey. More than 80% of the site is underlain by soils classified by the Natural Resources Conservation Service as prime farmland or farmland of statewide importance.

Why: The Oberhaus Family preserved their farm and sold their development rights:

- 1.) To preserve the history and agricultural legacy of their family farm.
- 2.) To protect valuable open space within the community.
- 3.) To be an example to other area farmers who might be interested in protecting their farm for future generations.

Where: Town of Delafield, Waukesha County

Size: 139-acres are permanently protected under conservation easement

Owners: The Oberhaus Family

Easement Holder: Tall Pines Conservancy

Partners: This project was made possible through the generosity of the Oberhaus Family, support from Tall Pines Conservancy donors and a grant from the Wisconsin Farmland Protection Partnership Project. The partnership is funded by USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) with extensive support from American Farmland Trust.

Completion: 2024

“We believe God put us here to grow food to feed the world and are excited to give the next generation the opportunity to do the same.”

—Tom Oberhaus

