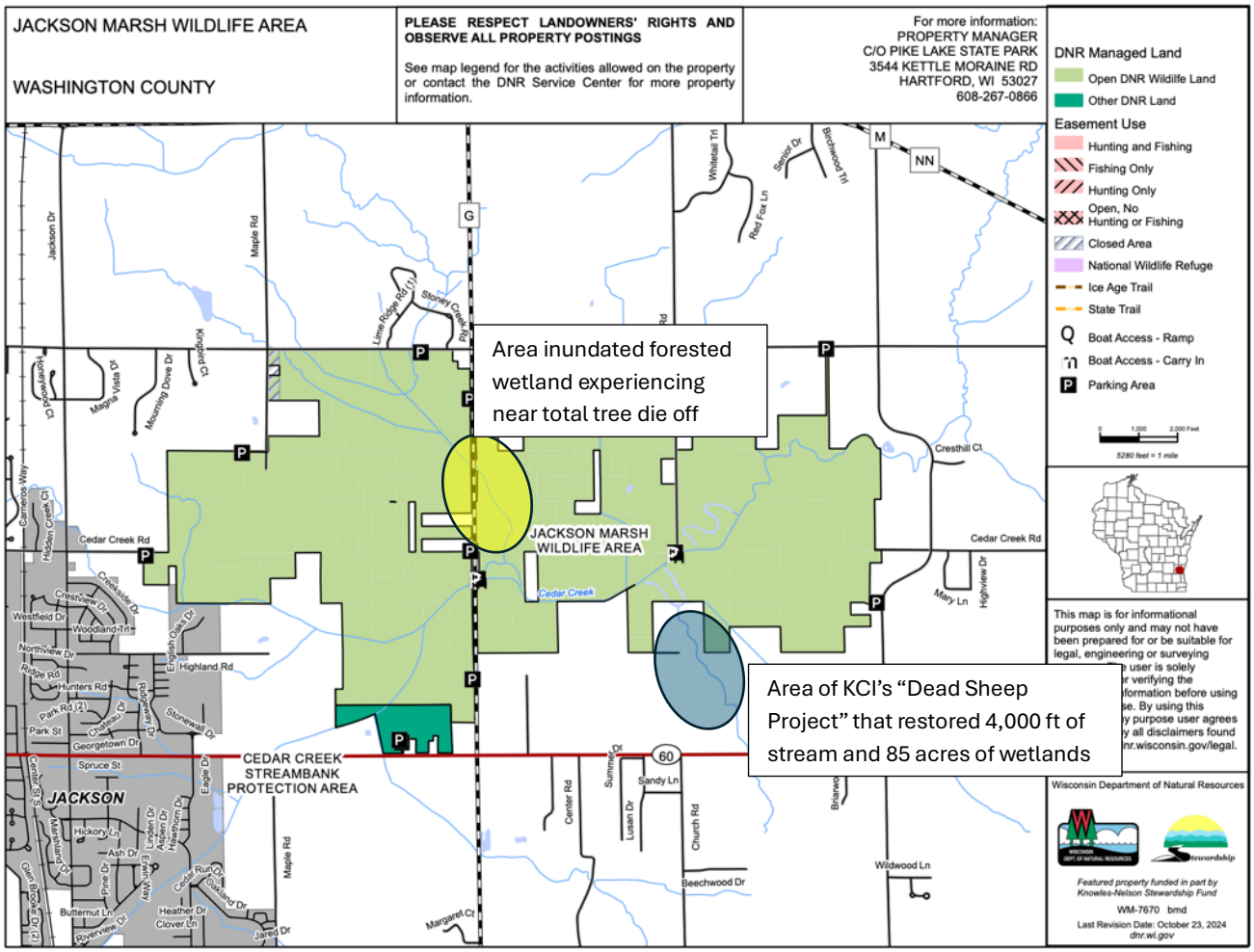
# Cedar Creek – Jackson Marsh Conservation Blueprint: Phase 1

## Project Photos

*Figure 1: Photo showing treed, elevated spoil banks on Cedar Creek*

*Figure 2: Photo of small area of forested wetland experiencing tree die off.*
*Note the trees are maple, oak and other bottomland species, not ash (to any great extent) effected by Emerald Ash Borer.*




**Remaining photos are of recently completed "Dead Sheep" stream and wetland restoration immediately adjacent to state wildlife area that reflect KCI experience and insights to this watershed.**

KCI's "Dead Sheep Project" is the first stream and wetland mitigation bank in Wisconsin approved by the US Army Corps of Engineers. It restored five natural communities and more than 84 acres of wetlands and 4,000 feet of Cedarburg Creek. Cedarburg Creek, which had been ditched and straightened in the 1950s, was reconnected to the historic flood plain and re-meandered to a natural stream course before reconnecting to Cedarburg Creek in the adjacent Jackson Marsh Wildlife area at its confluence with Cedar Creek. KCI purchased the site and worked for 2 years to complete the studies and documentation before construction began in 2023. KCI will continue to monitor and maintain the site for the coming decade.

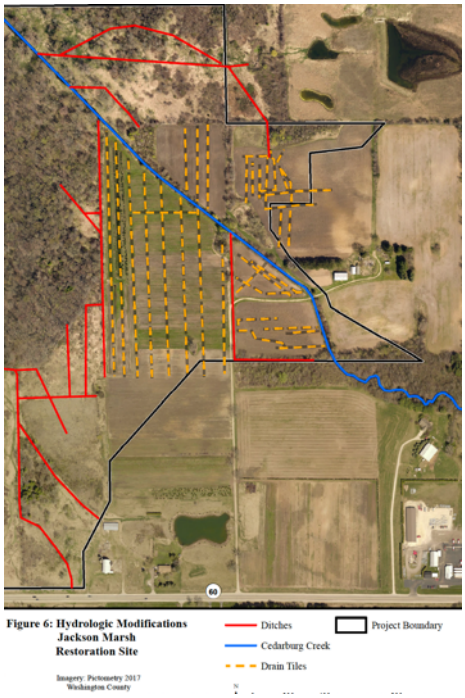



*Figure 3: Example hydrologic modifications found at KCI's "Dead Sheep Project". Note straigthened Cedarburg Creek in blue, and contrast to final meandered stream bed below.*

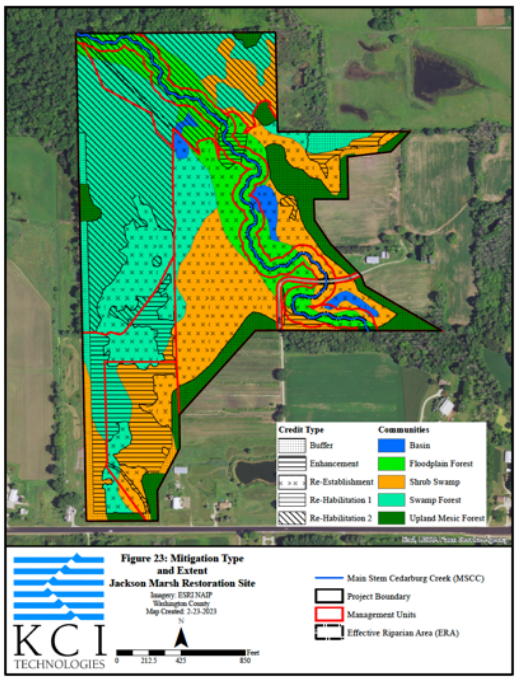



*Figure 4: Sample restoration planning document for KCI's "Dead Sheep Project".*

*Figure 5: "Dead Sheep Project" completed by KCI in Nov 2024.*

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