### RIPARIAN BUFFERS

Clean Water and Other Benefits

OR: Getting in Touch with Your Inner Creek Kid AND

**Your Farmer Practicality** 



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#### **CONEWAGO LANDOWNER SURVEY**

- •91% of farmers believe it is their personal responsibility to help protect water quality.
- •87% of farmers believe that using recommended land management practices improves water quality.
- •Only 11% of farmers believe that using such practices will have little impact on water quality.

# CONEWAGO FARMERS HAVE A TREMENDOUS CONSERVATION ETHIC











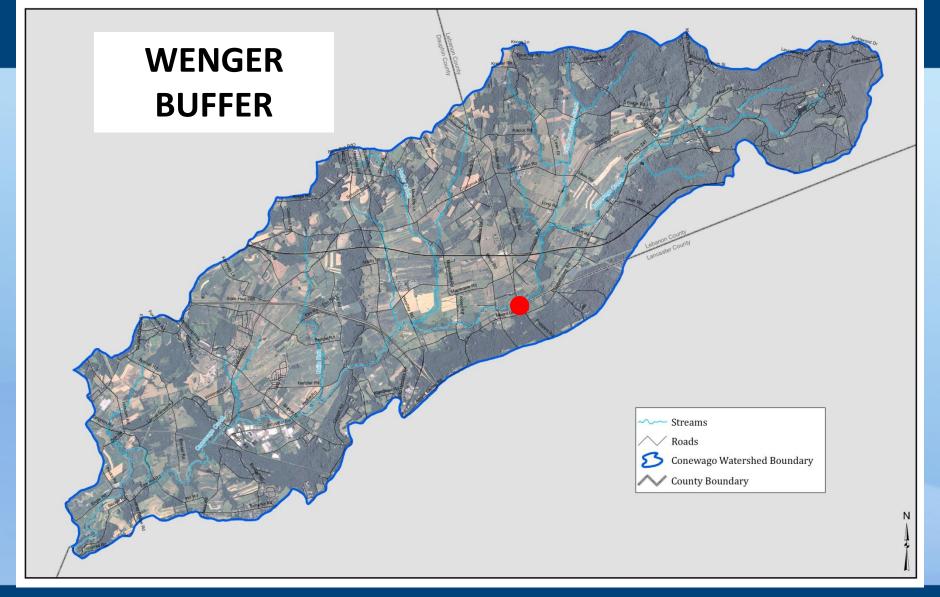












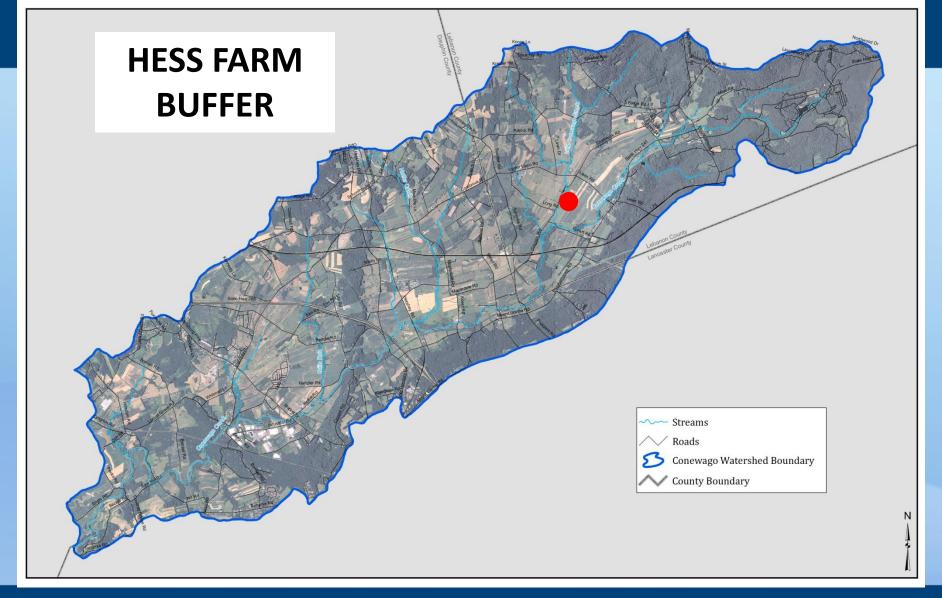














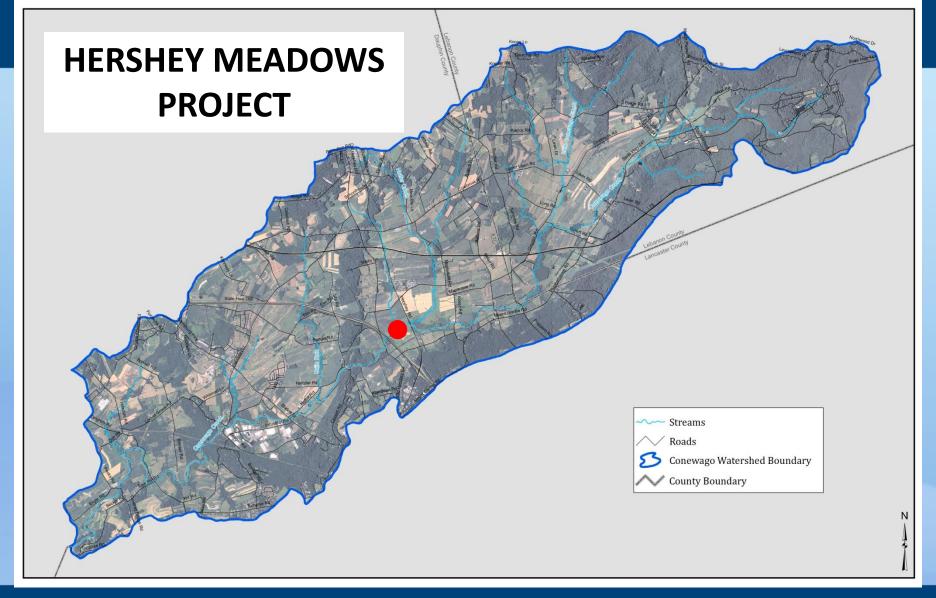


















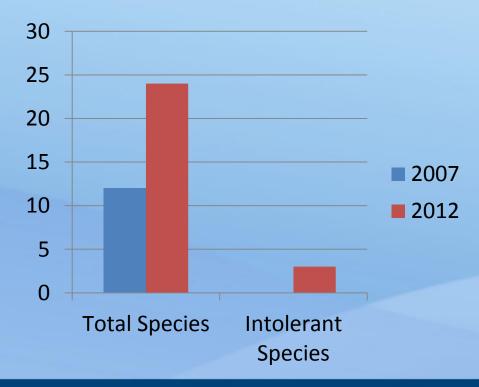








## **HOW DO THE FISH LIKE IT?**

















# Before





# BUFFER MAINTENANCE NECESSARY FOR SUCCESS

Cost share for buffer maintenance available in the Conewago through the Initiative





