



## Fitzgerald Road Preservation Project (Lind-McGeachie Preserve) Monitoring Report

**Project Operator Name:** Natural Land Institute

**Project Name:** Fitzgerald Road Preservation Project

**Project Location:** Lind-McGeachie Preserve, 6100 Fitzgerald Road, Rockford, IL 61102

**Deadline to Submit to CFC** (*triennial on the date of the first Verification Report*): February 1, 2026

1. Has the contact info for the Project Operator changed? If so, please provide new contact info.

No

2. Have there been changes in land ownership of the Project Area?

No

3. Have there been any changes in the Project Design?

No

4. Have there been any changes in the implementation or management of the Project?

No

5. Have there been any significant tree or canopy losses? Are there any areas of canopy change, growth or loss, that are important to note? (Provide any Google Earth Imaging or photos to show no significant changes).

The regional area surrounding the Project Area experienced a derecho in July 2024. After examining the tree canopy in the attached aerial images, there is no significant tree canopy loss.

6. Please estimate the number of acres of significant soil disturbance since the previous monitoring report. Examples include plowing and removal of topsoil. For the purposes of these reports, areas of soil exposed by trees tipping over are not counted as areas of significant soil disturbance.

Zero

7. Any other significant elements to report?

No

8. Please provide a photo of staff in, or the public using, the forest. (This is optional.)



OAKtober hike at Lind-McGeachie Preserve, October 26, 2024

Signed on January 15th in 2026, by Alan Branhagen, Executive Director, for the Natural Land Institute.

  
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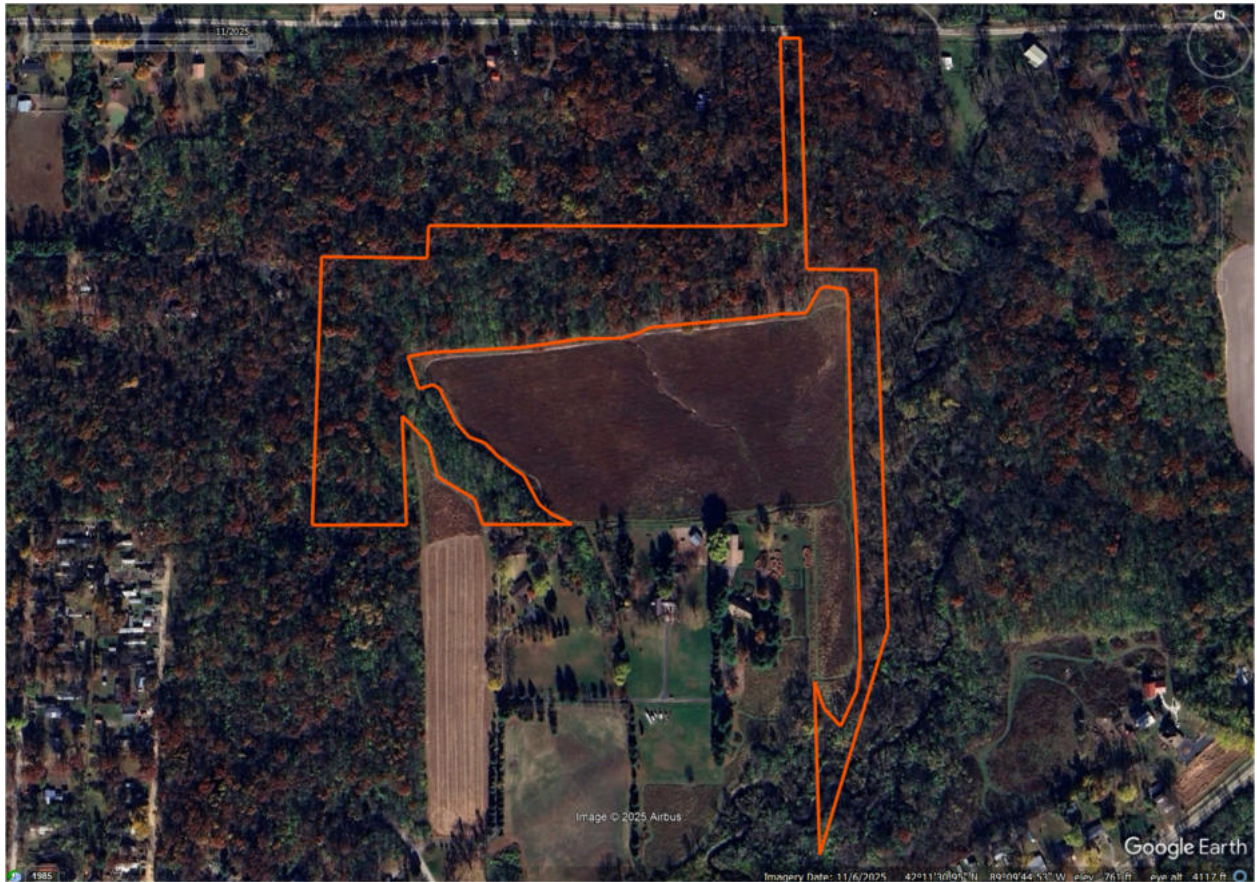
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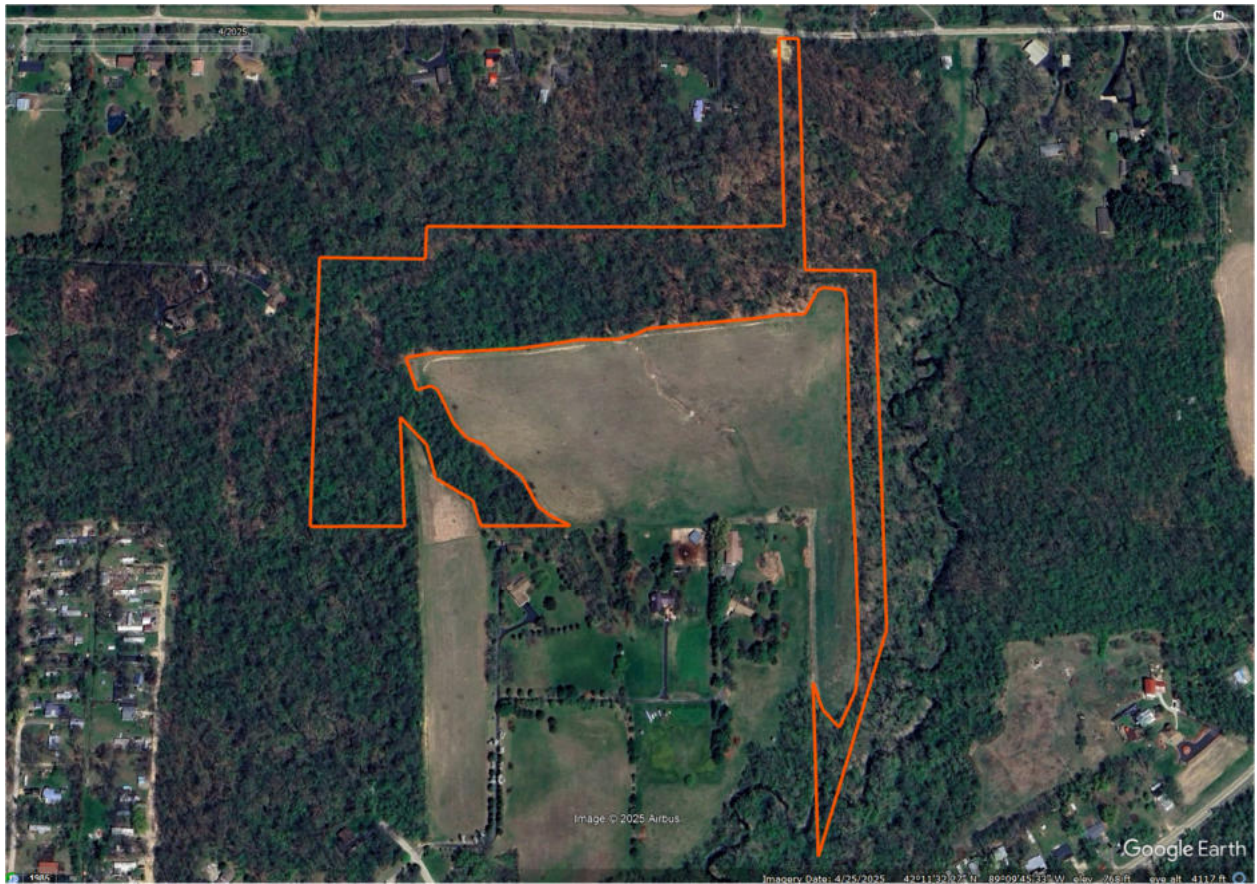
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## Attachment



Aerial Imagery from November 6, 2025 source: Google Earth Pro



Aerial Imagery from April 25, 2025 source: Google Earth Pro