

Shoreline Restoration Policy  
Kanabec County – October 2015

This policy is in reference to shoreline (lake and stream) restoration projects within Kanabec County. This policy is to provide consistency across the county and across various grant funded projects.

Policy Guidelines:

- 1) A 25 foot minimum vegetative buffer strip will be required on all shoreline restoration projects. The vegetative buffer strip will be planted/seeded using native plant species. A minimum of 75% of the planting area shall remain unmowed.
- 2) When rock rip-rap or hard structure erosion control is used in part of the restoration; cost-share funding will be provided at the 50% rate.
- 3) For a landowner to receive cost share for an erosion control project involving rock rip-rap. The buffer strip must be planted landward and adjacent to the rock rip-rap. Again a 25 foot minimum vegetative buffer strip of native plant species will be required.
- 4) Each site will need to be considered on a case by case basis, depending on the topography, existing vegetation, location of structures, size of lot and distance to surface waters, etc., which could reduce the length of the buffer required.

  
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Board Signature on Approval

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