



DAVEY
MITIGATION

COMPENSATION FOR CONSERVATION

WE HELP YOU PROTECT NATURAL RESOURCES, IMPROVE WILDLIFE HABITAT AND EARN COMPENSATION AS A LANDOWNER.

WHAT IS MITIGATION?

When a land development project—like a housing subdivision, highway widening, or other construction work—disturbs water resources, mitigation is required to compensate for the loss of that resource within the same watershed. Due to this requirement and based on characteristics of your property, your land could be suitable for a mitigation site.

WHY PROTECT WATER RESOURCES?

Naturally occurring water resources are crucial to a healthy environment for humans and wildlife. Wetlands and riparian zones provide flood control, help to prevent erosion, and filter pollutants such as sediments and nutrients. These critical functions play an important role in maintaining good water quality. In addition to these benefits, wetlands and streams serve as valuable habitat for fish and wildlife, including many rare and sensitive species. They also provide recreational, educational, and research opportunities for our communities.

FOUR GENERAL STEPS TO MITIGATION PROJECTS

1 EVALUATION & PROJECT DESIGN:

Potential mitigation projects are evaluated and approved by state and federal natural resource agencies. Project design includes the description of the methods for improving, restoring, or protecting wetlands, streams or adjacent uplands, and obtaining regulatory approval to do so.

2 CONSTRUCTION & REVEGETATION:

Wetlands are constructed, streams are improved, and ideal habitats created. Following construction, the mitigation project is planted using native trees, shrubs, grasses, and wildflowers.

3 MAINTENANCE & MONITORING:

Mitigation sites are monitored for attainment of ecological performance standards for 5 to 10 years.

4 LONG-TERM MANAGEMENT:

After the formal monitoring period, a long-term steward will be designated. The landowner may serve in this capacity or work with Davey Mitigation to select a qualified third party, typically a land trust or non-profit conservation organization. A long-term management fund is established and the long-term steward is tasked with utilizing these funds to ensure the project's ecological success.

BEFORE



AFTER



OTHER FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

HOW DOES PAYMENT WORK?

As a landowner you would be compensated either through the sale of a conservation easement or through the outright sale of your land.

WHAT IF I NEED TO SELL THE PROPERTY IN THE FUTURE?

The property can still be sold at a future date subject to the conservation easement.

CAN I STILL USE THE PROPERTY?

Mitigation sites are protected through the creation of a permanent conservation easement or environmental covenant that restricts activities that would interfere with the project's goals and purposes. However, passive recreational activities within the easement—such as hunting, birdwatching and fishing—are reserved for the landowner's enjoyment.

WHY CHOOSE DAVEY MITIGATION?

With more than a century of history serving clients, we know how to create lasting landowner partnerships and projects that stand the test of time. In fact, we've been involved in the science and practice of ecological restoration since its inception. We offer clients a host of mitigation solutions in a variety of markets, enabling connections to multiple potential revenue streams for our landowner partners. Our family of brands features local experts with various specialties, including professional wetland scientists, ecologists, engineers, and GIS professionals.

CONTACT US TODAY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT MITIGATION AND HOW DAVEY CAN HELP YOU EXPLORE MITIGATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR LAND.

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