Best Practices for Your Shoreland

Many properties are doing really well according to recommendations. Others need a little help while still others are so highly developed that a significant amount of restoration is needed. Protection is important because not every lake or property can be restored to meet recommendations. However, every owner can do something to improve overall management of their property to help the lake. Best management practices (BMPs) are actions that you can take to reduce your impact on your shoreland property. Shoreland BMPs help to protect water quality and the lake ecosystem through restoring the natural characteristics and improving problem areas.

A well designed shoreland landscape should protect and enhance shoreline and near-shore habitat areas too. It can balance lake access, views, and aesthetics with shoreline stabilization and habitat restoration.

Visit www.mishorelandstewards.org to access good shoreline maintenance practices to protect your lake. There are interactive property assessment surveys to take. You will be rated and be given information how to improve. You may pass an hour or two without watching the snow storm outside your window. Enjoy.

Mi Shoreland Stewards organization interacts with Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council. Paradise Lake is registered with them.