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Sawdust Expansion

Trumbull Twp, Ashtabula, OH

Project Details

Status: Active
Watershed: Grand River
Implementer: Cleveland Museum of Natural History

Funding Year: 2018
Award Amount: \$343,566
Tier: 3

Summary:

The Sawdust Forest Expansion Project involves the acquisition of a 66-acre Stoltz tract which includes the conservation of 5,040 linear feet of high-quality stream, 51-acres of Category 3 wetlands and 15 acres of adjacent upland buffer habitat. These wetlands include swamp forest habitat, vernal pools and high-quality seepage wetlands adjacent to the stream, which contain an abundance of Two-Lined salamanders and home to the extremely rare marsh spearwort. The tract will be conserved as part of the 395-acre Sawdust Preserve, which is home to 15 State-listed and/or globally rare species. Many of these species are forested birds that rely on large and intact un-fragmented forests, a habitat that is increasingly uncommon in Northeast Ohio.



Photo Source: Cleveland Museum of Natural History