

Another big conservation easement has led to a milestone for a local group. The Mississippi Valley Conservancy worked with former congressional Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert to put his Crawford County farm into a permanent conservation easement. That four hundred acres means the MVC has gone over 14 thousand acres that have been conserved in a nine county region. Pretty big deal, says MVC director, Tim Jacobson

The Hastert farm is about five miles north of Prairie du Chien. It's a working farm and the Hasterts will continue to own it.