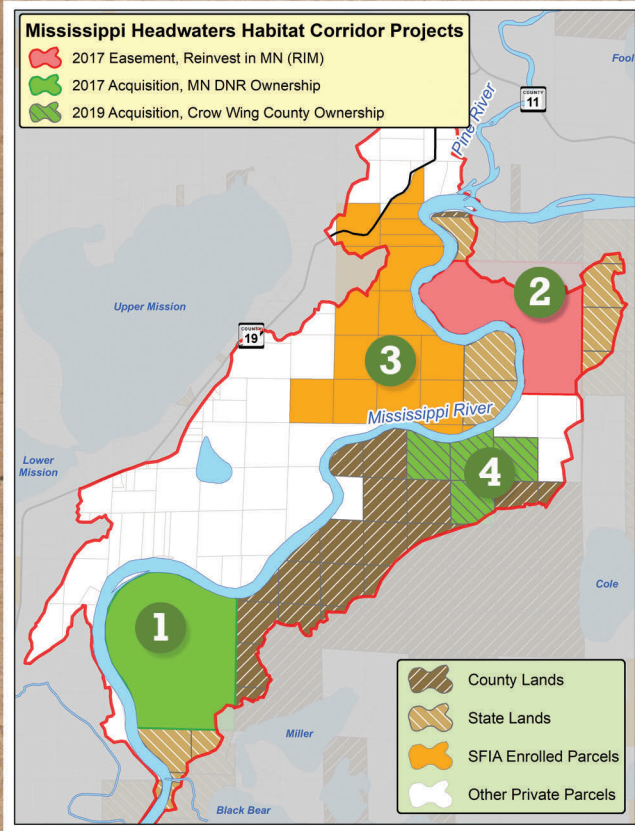


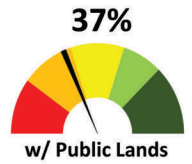
Project Spotlight

Mississippi River Targeted Easements & Acquisition

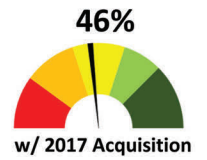


PROGRESSION OF PROTECTION

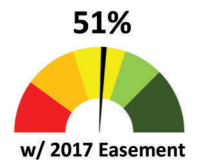
In this project spotlight, you can follow the progression of protection as lands are enrolled in conservation programs, easements, or purchased. The map to the left shows parcels along the river, the numbers show the timeline of protection steps. It begins with the watershed hovering at 37% protection.



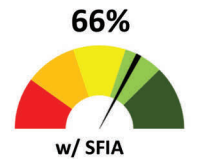
1 2017 Land acquisition along the riverbank. MN DNR Ownership. Protection climbs from 37% to 46%.



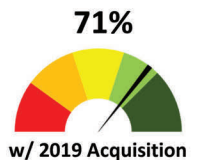
2 2017 Land enrolled in RIM. (Reinvest in MN) Protection jumps from 46% to 51%.



3 Land parcels enrolled in SFIA. Sustainable Forest Incentive Act. Protection climbs from 51% to 66%.



4 2019 Land acquisition by Crow Wing County Protection has nearly reached the target goal of 75% protection.



CONSERVATION TEAMWORK

It takes a coordinated conservation team of many to move the needle, including SWCDs, Counties, NGOs, State & Federal Government Agencies, and engaged landowners.

