



STORMWATER ACTION CENTER FACT SHEET

Name of Project:

Crosswinds Marsh
Wetland Interpretive
Preserve

Location:

New Boston, Michigan

County:

Wayne County

Watershed:

Merrimack River
Watershed

Website:

<https://www.landscapeperformance.org/case-study-briefs/crosswinds-marsh-preserve>



CROSSWINDS MARSH WETLAND INTERPRETIVE PRESERVE – NEW BOSTON, MICHIGAN

OVERVIEW:

One of the largest self-sustaining wetland mitigation projects in the country, Crosswinds Marsh in New Boston, Michigan is also a recreational park and wildlife refuge that is part of the Wayne County Park system.

By remediating nearby land that was historically wetland that been converted to primarily agricultural use, the park far exceeds requirements and accommodates multiple public uses, including passive recreation, fishing, and environmental learning opportunities.

BENEFITS:

- Decreased upstream and downstream flooding.
- Restored over 100 acres of historical wetland habitat that had been drained for agriculture and residential use.
- Created a variety of habitat types for over 200 species of birds, 170 species of plants, 20 fish, 30 mammals, 21 reptiles and amphibians, and 70 species of butterflies and dragonflies.

FUNDING SOURCES:

- Most likely city of New Boston, endowments, return on investments, possible grants, etc.



- Habitat Restoration

- Flood Mitigation