

EIGHTEEN MILE CREEK HEADWATERS PROPERTY

DESCRIPTION

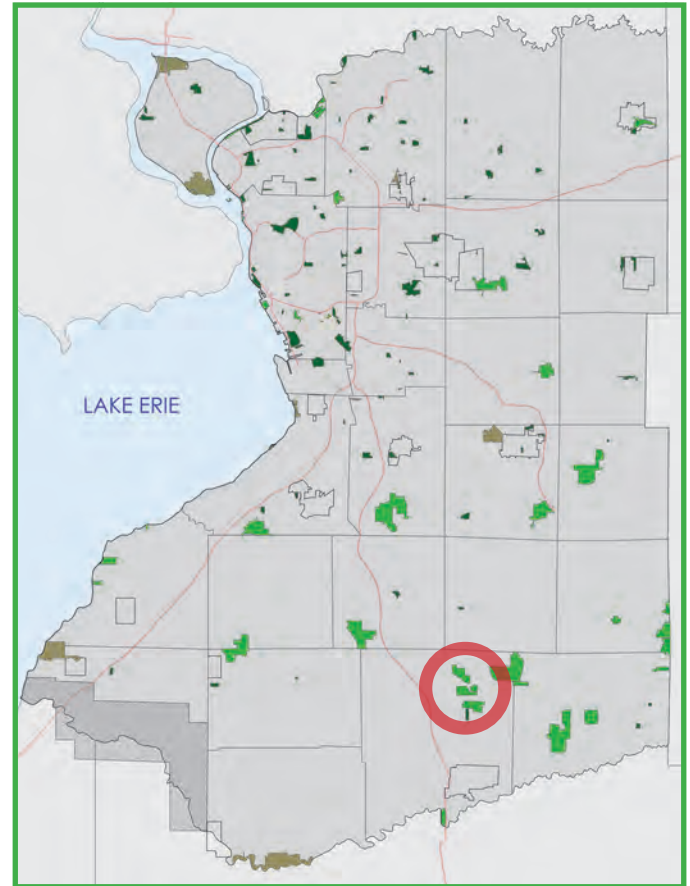
Eighteen Mile Creek Headwaters Property is approximately a 223-acre community forest located in the Town of Concord off of Sharp Street. The 18 Mile Creek forest consists of a mature mixed hardwood forest overlying a glacial moraine aquifer that feeds a trout stream. Because of this location, the forest filters fresh water, creating a healthy and supportive living environment for local trout populations and other wildlife. Protecting this forest secures a key connection to over 1,000 acres of headwater forest, creating connected landscapes of open space to benefit the public. The property provides habitat for more than 150 species of birds, 30 species of trees and 14 types of shrubs.

LOCAL CONTEXT

Nearby Forestry Lots include Forestry Lots #8, #9, and #13.

CONSERVATION VALUES

- Preservation of this property is very important due to forests and wetlands on the property which provide critical habitat for land and waterbirds that use the Niagara River watershed, a region designated as a nationally important area for birds.
- Preserving this public land and forest ensures the ability to better enhance and protect the region's plentiful drinking water.



Park Location Map: Eighteen Mile Creek Headwaters Property is located in the Town of Concord.



Headwaters of Eighteen Mile Creek (Image Credit: Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper)

PARK SPECIFIC PRIORITIES

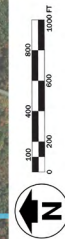
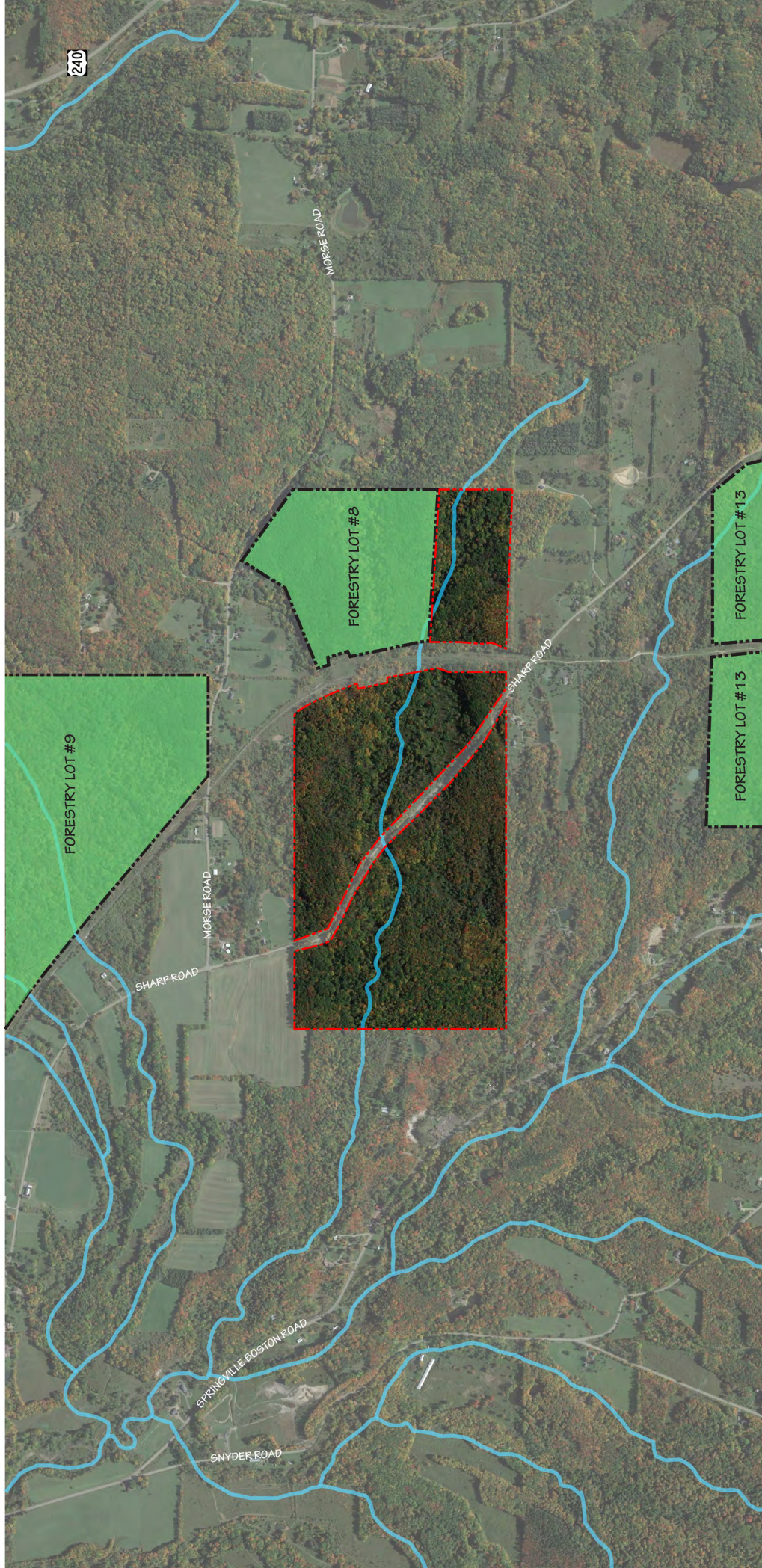
- **Monitor and remove invasive species from site** to prevent spreading of unwanted plants, and to preserve the unique native species found on-site.
- **Prioritize the preservation of the natural habitat;** especially rare tree/plant species, wetland areas, and habitats of wildlife.



MASTER PLAN

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Legend:

- Potential Major and Minor Park Gateway Locations
- Destination
- Natural Features
- Playground
- Existing Trails
- Park Boundary