

allows space for trees and native plants.

SHORELAND PRESERVATION

A house that is set back at least 75 feet from the water

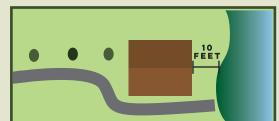
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## THE VALUE OF SHORELAND PRESERVATION



## NO SHORELAND PRESERVATION X

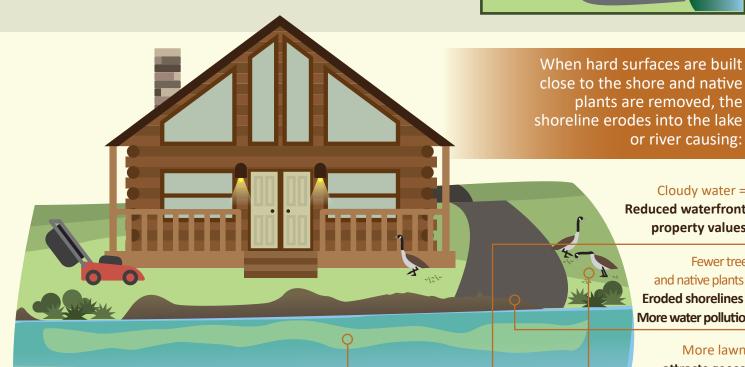
A house that is close to the water does not leave space for trees and native plants that stabilize the shoreline.



Stable shorelines = Less water pollution

More trees and native plants =

When hard surfaces are built far from the shore and trees and native plants are kept in place, the shoreline is naturally more stable allowing: Clear water = **High waterfront** property values More trees and native plants = More fish and frogs Less algae growth



close to the shore and native plants are removed, the shoreline erodes into the lake or river causing:

> Cloudy water = **Reduced waterfront** property values

> > Fewer trees and native plants =

**Eroded shorelines =** More water pollution

> More lawn attracts geese

Fewer frogs, fish, and fish species

Increased algae growth

Fish eggs suffocate when covered in eroded soil

## CONCLUSIONS

Shoreland standards make it possible to carefully develop a waterfront property, stabilize shorelines, protect the lake or river, and keep waterfront property values high.

WHAT DO SHORELAND STANDARDS ACCOMPLISH?

**Stable** shorelines

Clearer water = **Higher property values**  More food and shelter for fish and frogs

More fish and fish species

## CONCLUSIONS

Waterfront property developed without shoreland standards can cause eroded shorelines, a degraded lake or river, and reduced waterfront property values.

Complete the Shoreland Evaluation Tool to assess your waterfront property at survey.healthylakeswi.com.

For more information, check with your local zoning office.