

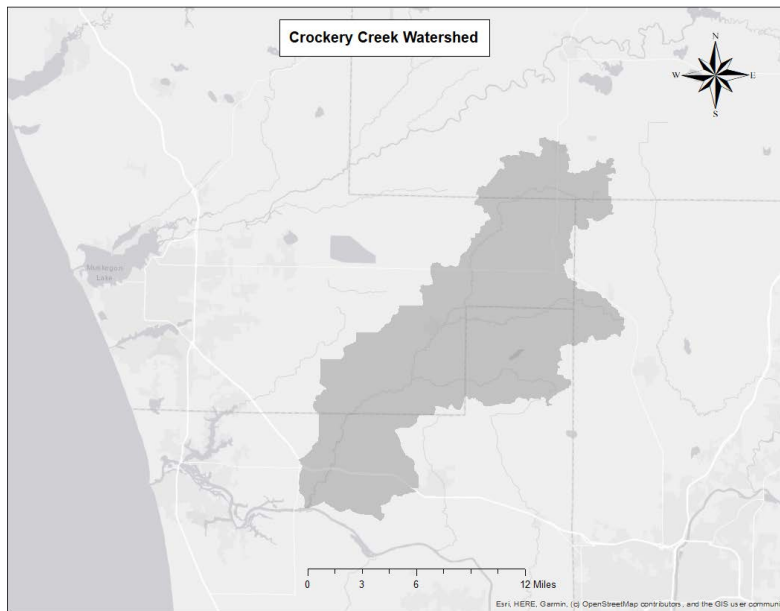
The GVSU Social Science Lab and the Ottawa Conservation District are conducting a survey to gather input from landowners in the Crockery Creek watershed about local water quality issues. Data collected from this survey will guide the Conservation District’s technical and educational efforts as they administer an award from MI EGLE to support water quality best management practices in the watershed.

The survey asks landowners about their experiences living in the area, managing water-related issues on their properties, and about concerns they have regarding local water quality. This information will help the Conservation District learn how funding for Crockery Creek watershed improvement projects can best be directed to serve the needs of the community.

The GVSU Social Science Lab is assisting the Conservation District with survey mailings, data analysis, and reporting results of this study to the public. The Lab also employs undergraduate student researchers to provide hands-on training in data management and statistical analysis.

Please help us speak for the creek! We are excited for this opportunity to document the numerous conservation efforts underway in the Crockery Creek watershed. Our data will be stronger if it includes the viewpoints of a wide range of rural residents and producers. We would be pleased to have the privilege of carrying your voices and experiences to broader audiences.

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**Project Timeline**

| Quarter 2, 2022                   | Quarter 3, 2022                | Quarter 4, 2022                    | Quarter 1, 2023                          |
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| Develop and promote questionnaire | Mail survey, process responses | Data entry and analysis, reporting | Public meetings, review and discuss data |