



## **Key Land Purchase Enhances Sugar River Corridor in Dane County**

The Natural **Heritage Land Trust** recently assisted Dane County in purchasing 382 acres of land on the Sugar River between Verona and Paoli. The land includes about 2.5 miles of the Sugar River as it winds between Highway 69 and Paoli.

The land will be open to the public for hiking, canoeing, fishing, and hunting. In the next few years the county will create canoe put-ins, parking areas, and trails on the property.

It is the county's second-largest acquisition of land for conservation and its largest acquisition that includes river frontage. The owner of the land—The Bruce Company—was willing to sell the acreage for conservation purposes.

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