

FARMING

Oxbow, Inc. owns 1400 acres of land in the floodplain and leases 490 acres of that land to farmers for planting agricultural crops. There are three major benefits that Oxbow receives from operating with leased land.

- 1) The leases provide income that is used for the operating expenses of Oxbow, Inc.
- 2) The 490 acres of crop land is 490 acres free of invasive species.
- 3) All farmers are required to either leave a portion of their crop unharvested to provide winter food for migratory birds and local mammals.

In 1937 the entire area of the floodplain was an agricultural field. Now, even though a major Interstate Freeway bisects the property, the land is a mix of second growth timber, purposely planted tree groves, prairie, and small shallow lakes next to major rivers. The result is a mixture of habitats that provide food, homes, and resting places for hundreds of species of animals and plants.

For more information, visit www.oxbowinc.org or call 812-290-2941.

For assistance in the event of an emergency, please call 911 (make sure you advise you are in Indiana) or the Dearborn County Sheriff's Dispatch at (812) 537-3431.