

Dane County Managed Grazing Program



Managed Grazing Overview

- 2018-2019: 13 active grazing projects/contracts
 - 5 in the Yahara Watershed; approximately 320 acres
 - 8 outside the watershed; 370 acres



SARE Partnership Grant

(Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education)

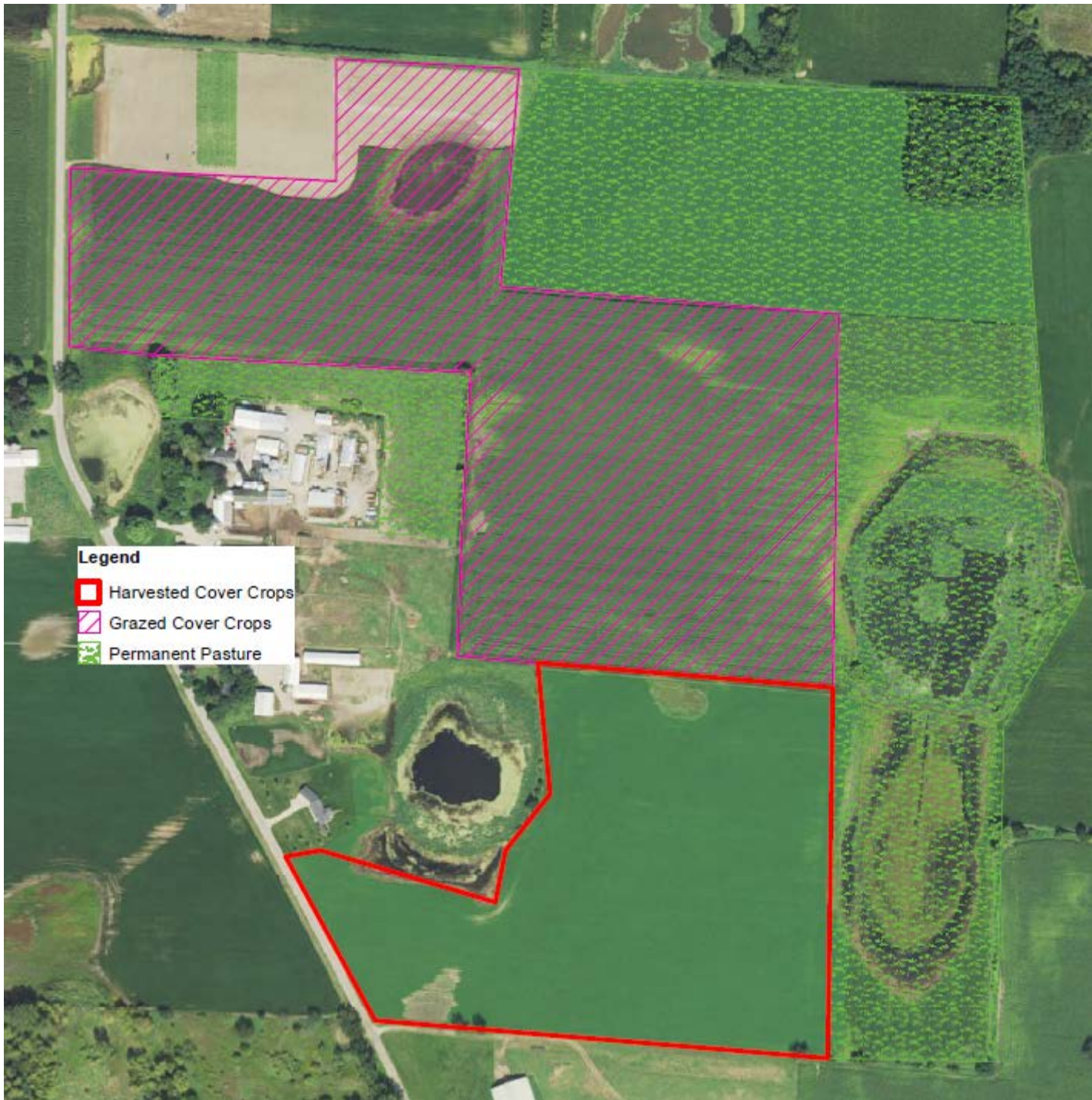
- **“Building sustainable relationships around the use of grazing cover crops on dairy and livestock farms in Southern Wisconsin”**
 - 4 participating Dane County farmers, 5 mentor farmers
 - Budget supports peer-to-peer learning



Grazing Cover Crops

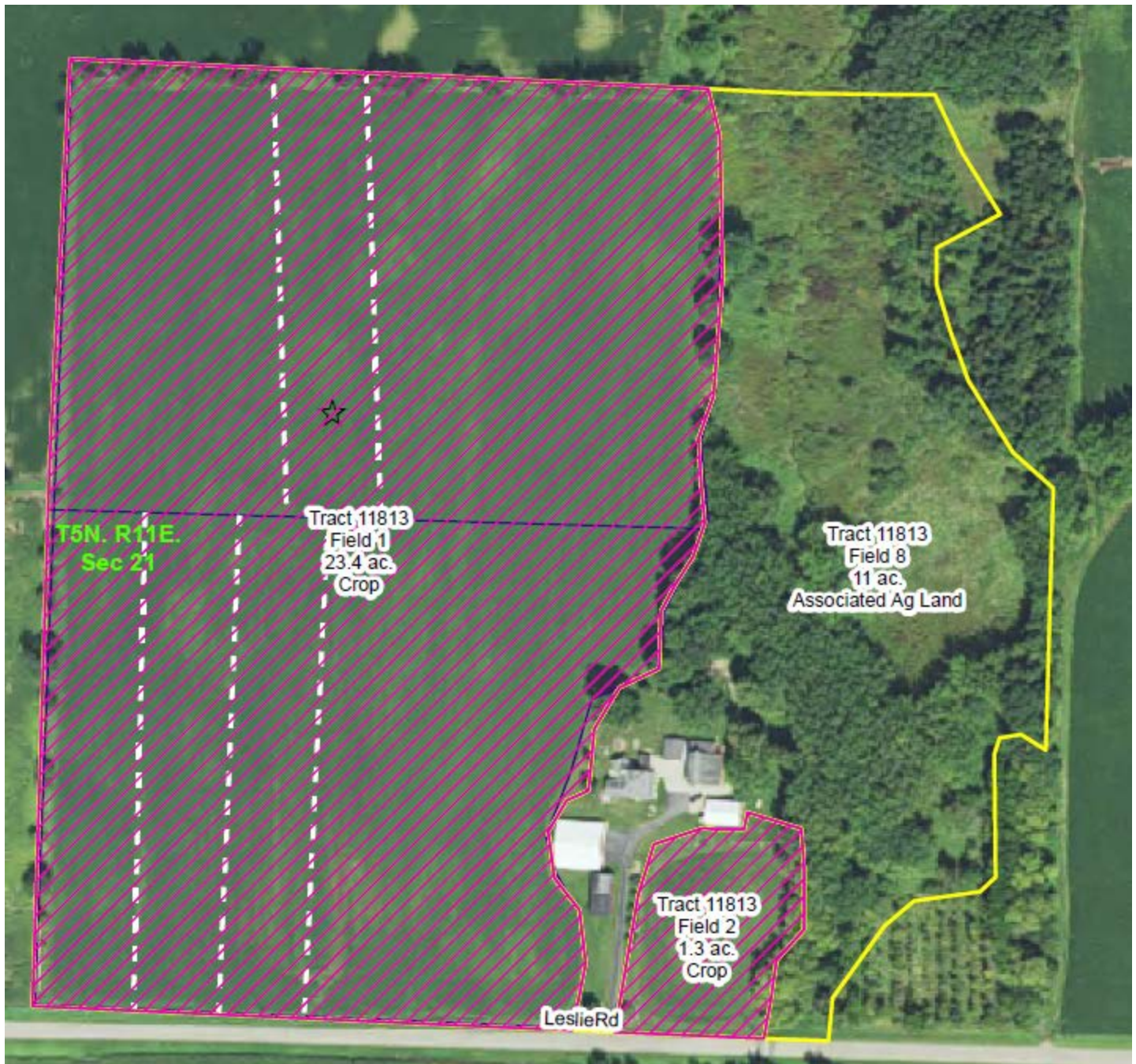
- **Cereal rye flown onto corn silage September 2018**
- **Living Root**
- **Increased infiltration**
- **Reduced nutrient loss**
- **Economic win**





Permanent Pasture





Outreach and Funding Sources

- Pasture Walks
 - Formal
 - Very little funding needed (cookies)
- Farmer “dates”
 - Informal
 - Pay farmers for their time (SARE)
- Workshops
 - Formal or informal
 - Pay speakers (SARE)
- Field Days
 - Formal
 - Pay speakers (SARE)

