

*The Johnson Hill Land Ethics Studio was retained under the U.S. EPA Brownfield Assessment Demonstration Pilot - BP 9759960-0 program to assist the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians with the creation of a vision for two brownfield properties.*

One of the properties is the current home of the tribe's Pow Wow Grounds. The other is the tribe's only waterfront parcel, located on the eastern shore of Manistee Lake. Both sites offer excellent opportunities for the tribe to expand its operations and create value from their existing land holdings. Both sites are also environmentally contaminated brownfield sites that require significant environmental remediation before the tribe can fully implement their redevelopment strategies.

The Johnson Hill Land Ethics Studio conducted an in-depth site analysis of the two properties, met with tribal officials, conducted a two day, on-site workshop, and developed master plans for both sites. The workshop focused on developing and refining goals for the redevelopment effort.



After initial consensus was reached, the design team helped facilitate a physical plan to accommodate those goals. Plan improvements at the Manistee Lake site included a new marina, new operations buildings, and a native plants nursery. At the Pow Wow site, a new cultural center as well as camping facilities, additional retail space, and an improved trail system were recommended.



## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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