

## Bradford Dairy Farm

80 Acres

### Sparta Township

- Preserved in 2007
- This farm supports a 1,000+ head dairy farm in Sparta Township.
- Bradford Dairy Farm is a fourth generation family operated dairy farm. Most of the milk is transported to Country Fresh in Wyoming, MI for processing.
- This was the first farm preserved with grant funding from the State of Michigan farmland preservation PDR grant program.
- Landowners contributed \$40,000 toward the preservation of this farm.
- Other Support from: Michigan Agricultural Preservation Fund, Grand Rapids Community Foundation, Steelcase Foundation, Urban Cooperation Board.
- Development Rights Cost: \$3,300 per acre



Photo of the Bradford farm  
by Kendra Wills of MSU  
Extension in 2007.