

Landowner Worksheet

Landowner Name: _____ Address: _____

Property Name: _____ Address: _____

Property Acreage: _____

Today's Date: _____

Your Goals as Landowner (check all that apply in each question)

(1) Which values are important to you about your property?

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| _____ place to live | _____ pass on to children |
| _____ place to visit | _____ preserve natural landscape and setting |
| _____ financial asset | _____ other: _____ |

(2) How are you likely to use your property in the next 20 years?

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| _____ leave as is | _____ give to children |
| _____ build house(s) | _____ other: _____ |
| _____ sell | |

(3) Why are you considering a conservation easement?

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| _____ desire to keep land open | _____ desire to protect special land features or wildlife |
| _____ tax deduction | _____ avoid family conflicts about future uses |
| _____ estate planning | _____ other (please explain below) |

(4) Which actions are consistent with your goals for the property?

- _____ create opportunities to enhance existing wildlife, scenic and/or agricultural resources as one of the primary uses of the property;

- _____ create strong conservation restrictions so that the existing wildlife, scenic and/or agricultural resources are maintained and not diminished;
- _____ protect existing resources but allow room for some development for children or other;
- _____ create restrictions to generally protect resources and get tax deduction;

(5) Are you uncertain about how you would like to use your property in the future (yes/no)?

Property Description and Conservation Values

(1) What is the acreage of your property? How many legal parcels does it consist of and what is the size of each parcel?

(2) What qualities of the property are you most interested in protecting?

(3) Which special features of the property are important to you to protect?

- _____ Homesteading and family history _____ topographical or geological
- _____ wildlife observations and resources _____ water frontage, ponds, etc.
- _____ forestry or agricultural use
- _____ other: _____

(4) Are there any benefits of adjoining lands that are especially important to you (i.e. protected open space, scenic vistas, special land feature, etc.)? If any, please briefly describe.

(5) Are there any uses, or plans for, adjacent lands that especially concern you (i.e. subdivision, condominium development, heavy commercial use, fences blocking wildlife migration, etc.)? If any, please briefly describe.

Property Ownership and Land Division (Mostly yes/no responses)

(1) Is the property owned jointly with other family members _____ or non-family partners _____?

(2) How many years have you or your family owned the property?

(3) Has the owner of record changed during that time period (i.e. from a couple to an individual, partnership or trust)?

(4) Do you contemplate changing ownership in the future? _____ If yes, why and in what way?

(5) Is your property divided (i.e. multiple lots, subdivision, etc.)? _____ If so, please briefly describe.

(6) Do you contemplate dividing your property? _____

(7) Is your property encumbered with any of the following?

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| _____ Covenants | _____ utility easements |
| _____ Deed restrictions | _____ easements of sight or record |
| _____ Mortgage | _____ Current Use |
| _____ Road easements | _____ other |

(8) Is the property that you are interested in protecting part of a larger adjacent property holding?

Current and Future Use of Property

(1) Do you now, or plan in the future to use your property for any of the following?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial or industrial use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> home-occupancy business | <input type="checkbox"/> long-term leasing |

(2) Do you now, or plan in the future, to manipulate your property in any of the following ways?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> wetland enhancement or pond creation | <input type="checkbox"/> fishery or wildlife habitat enhancement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> watercourse channeling | <input type="checkbox"/> tree or vegetation clearing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> grading | <input type="checkbox"/> mining or graveling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> road building | <input type="checkbox"/> creating landing pad or airstrip |
| <input type="checkbox"/> trail building | <input type="checkbox"/> till for cultivation |

(3) Do you now, or plan in the future to use your property for any of the following recreational activities?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> walking | <input type="checkbox"/> horseback riding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> skiing | <input type="checkbox"/> photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> snowmobiling | <input type="checkbox"/> large group tours |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fishing | <input type="checkbox"/> hunting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> commercial recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> camping |

Buildings

(1) Briefly list the number and approximate size of existing building (If these are numerous, NLI staff can determine information through a site visit and aerial photographs.

Principal residences:

Guest houses:

Non-residential buildings (i.e. detached garages and barns):

Ancillary structures (i.e. tennis courts, swimming pools, outdoor gazebos, barbecues facilities, etc.):

(2) Please briefly describe your future building plans, if any:

Miscellaneous

(1) Did you find this questionnaire helpful in working through or summarizing your thoughts regarding current and future planning for your property?

(2) Please add any additional comments about your property that you wish to share with us. Thank you for your time and interest in completing this worksheet.