Sample Land Trust Open Space Selection Criteria Checklist

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1. Site Information  
   Owner\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Map/Parcel\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Acreage\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. PROPERTY DESCRIPTION\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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3. APPLICABLE SELECTION CRITERIA:  
   The Sample Land Trust uses the following criteria when selecting open space for protection by purchase, donation or easement. Each property is evaluated on its own merits.   
     
   € Is in a priority area identified in the Sample Land Trust Acquisition Plan.  
     
   € Is close to existing protected open space and would broaden the area of   
    protected land and/or enhance a trail and habitat corridor.  
     
   € Protection would offer significant relief from potential development that would be   
    inconsistent with the small town rural character of our community or with the Town Plan of  
    Conservation and Development (POCD).   
     
   € Offers scenic views from existing or potential trails or from public roads.  
     
   € Contains desirable habitat for plant or animal species  
     
   € Will support trails and other appropriate passive recreational activities.   
     
   € Provides at least one point of permanent public access from a public road.   
     
   € On-site off-street parking is feasible.  
     
   € Is important for protecting water quality or supporting natural control of flooding in the  
    Sample River watershed (e.g. wetlands, riparian buffers, alluvial soils).  
     
   € Has been reasonably determined to be free from hazardous wastes.  
     
   € Supports reasonable physical access and does not present significant stewardship  
    or monitoring challenges.
4. POTENTIAL REMEDIATION REQUIREMENTS  
   €Invasive infestation €Open wells or cisterns €Erosion €Existing structure  
   €Dumping/trash to remove €Encroachments €Development of parking €Other  
   DESCRIBE: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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5. SUMMARY  
     
   After assessing this property against our land acquisition criteria:  
     
   €The property substantially meets the selection requirements.  
     
   €The property substantially meets the selection requirements and has remediation  
    requirements that can be resolved with reasonable effort and expense.   
     
   €The property meets important selection requirements but additional investigation  
    is recommended.  
     
   €Property does not meet the selection criteria nor is it likely to on further investigation, no  
    further action recommended.  
     
   €Property does not meet normal selection criteria but has unique characteristics which warrant   
    further consideration and potential exception (describe below)  
     
   Comments: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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