Stewardship on a Shoestring

The Role of Land Trusts

November 30, 2011

What We Do

- Save Land
- Land Stewardship
- Connecting People to Nature

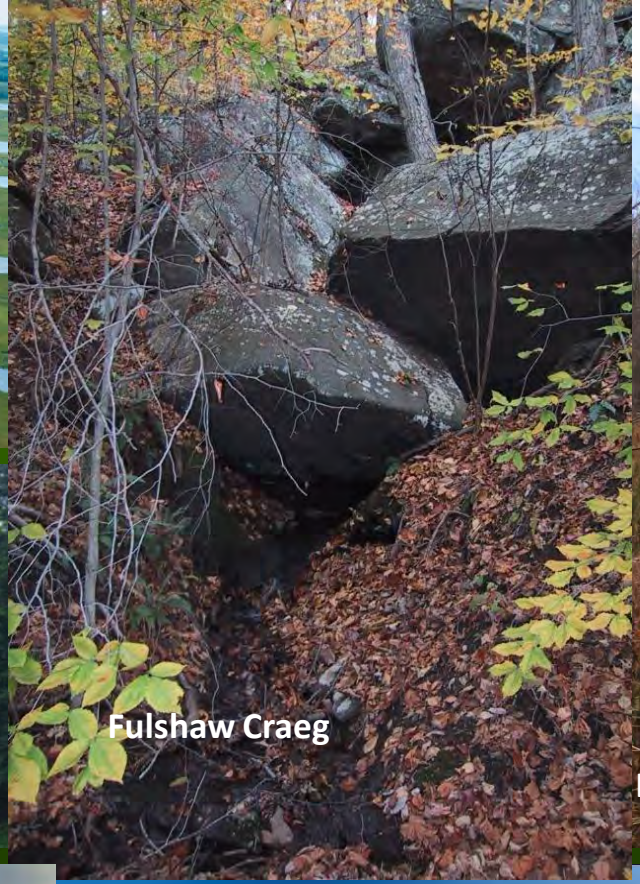
Own and manage almost 22K acres at 40 Preservers

Conservation Easements on 272 properties/18,900 + acres

Assist townships and other conservancies protect important landscapes through acquisition, stewardship and planning


Glades Wildlife Refuge


Bear Creek
Preserve


Fulshaw Craeg


Hildacy Farm Preserve


Gwynedd Wildlife Preserve


Stroud Preserve

What Do Land Trusts Bring To The Table?

- We are not “Big Government”
- We offer alternative avenues of financial support
- We are technically savvy in open space planning, protection, and management

The Center for Conservation Landowners

working with landowners
to rediscover and restore
the natural features on their land

The CCL Offers

Stewardship Planning
Implementation Assistance
Education and Outreach
Stewardship Coaching

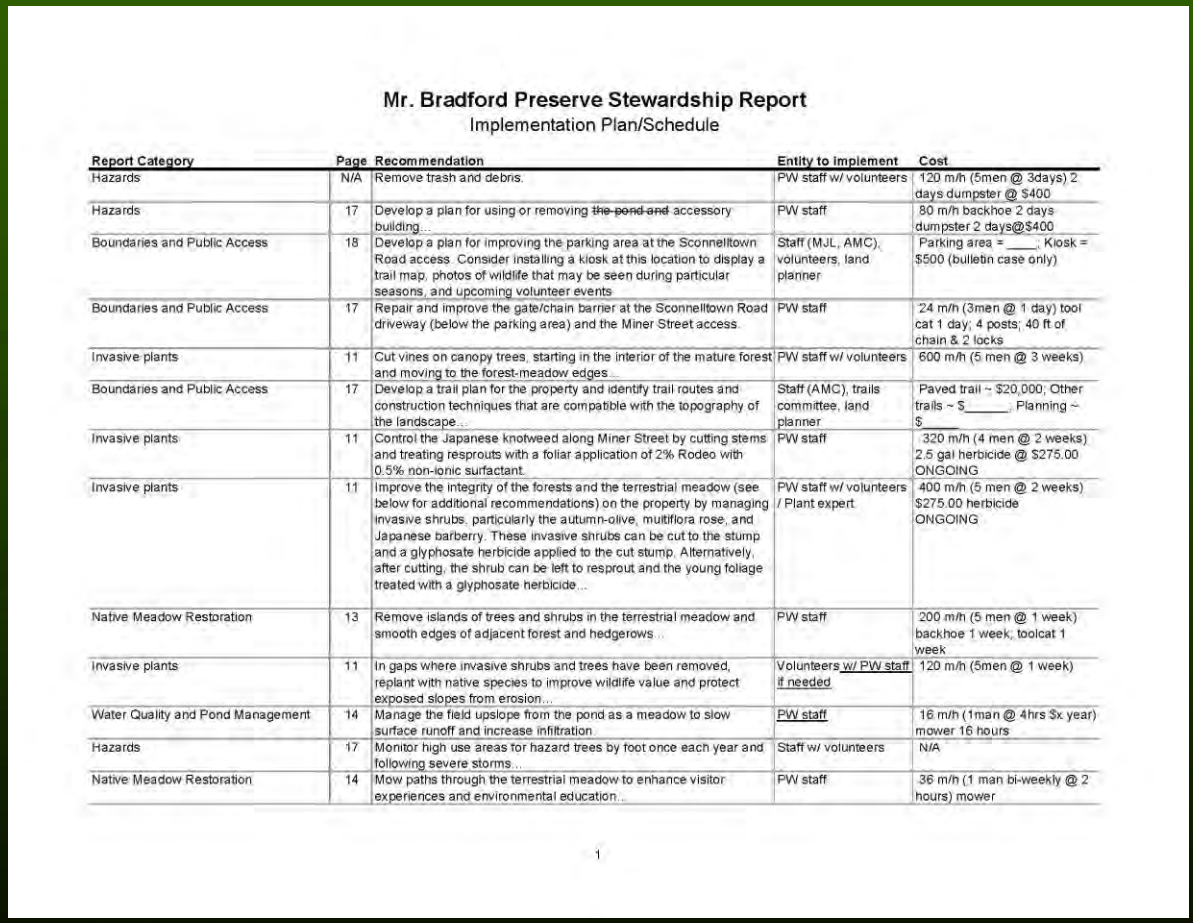
East Bradford Township, Chester County PA

- Stewardship Assessment

- Inventory, Mapping, Issues, Tasks and Priorities
- Natural Area vs. Park Planning
- Grants and Funding Sources

Township's Implementation of Stewardship Report

Chart listing report recommendations
Schedule
Capital budgeting
Prioritization



Mr. Bradford Preserve Stewardship Report
Implementation Plan/Schedule

Report Category	Page	Recommendation	Entity to Implement	Cost
Hazards	N/A	Remove trash and debris.	PW staff w/ volunteers	120 m/h (5men @ 3days) 2 days dumpster @ $400
Hazards	17	Develop a plan for using or removing ~~the pond and~~ accessory building…	PW staff	80 m/h backhoe 2 days dumpster 2 days@$400
Boundaries and Public Access	18	Develop a plan for improving the parking area at the Sconnelltown Road access. Consider installing a kiosk at this location to display a trail map, photos of wildlife that may be seen during particular seasons, and upcoming volunteer events	Staff (MJL, AMC), volunteers, land planner	Parking area = ____; Kiosk = $500 (bulletin case only)
Boundaries and Public Access	17	Repair and improve the gate/chain barrier at the Sconnelltown Road driveway (below the parking area) and the Miner Street access.	PW staff	24 m/h (3men @ 1 day) tool cat 1 day; 4 posts; 40 ft of chain & 2 locks
Invasive plants	11	Cut vines on canopy trees, starting in the interior of the mature forest and moving to the forest-meadow edges…	PW staff w/ volunteers	600 m/h (5 men @ 3 weeks)
Boundaries and Public Access	17	Develop a trail plan for the property and identify trail routes and construction techniques that are compatible with the topography of the landscape…	Staff (AMC), trails committee, land planner	Paved trail ~ $20,000; Other trails ~ $_____; Planning ~ $_____
Invasive plants	11	Control the Japanese knotweed along Miner Street by cutting stems and treating resprouts with a foliar application of 2% Rodeo with 0.5% non-ionic surfactant.	PW staff	320 m/h (4 men @ 2 weeks) 2.5 gal herbicide @ $275.00 ONGOING
Invasive plants	11	Improve the integrity of the forests and the terrestrial meadow (see below for additional recommendations) on the property by managing invasive shrubs, particularly the autumn-olive, multiflora rose, and Japanese barberry. These invasive shrubs can be cut to the stump and a glyphosate herbicide applied to the cut stump. Alternatively, after cutting, the shrub can be left to resprout and the young foliage treated with a glyphosate herbicide…	PW staff w/ volunteers / Plant expert	400 m/h (5 men @ 2 weeks) $275.00 herbicide ONGOING
Native Meadow Restoration	13	Remove islands of trees and shrubs in the terrestrial meadow and smooth edges of adjacent forest and hedgerows…	PW staff	200 m/h (5 men @ 1 week) backhoe 1 week, toolcat 1 week
Invasive plants	11	In gaps where invasive shrubs and trees have been removed, replant with native species to improve wildlife value and protect exposed slopes from erosion…	Volunteers w/ PW staff if needed	120 m/h (5men @ 1 week)
Water Quality and Pond Management	14	Manage the field upslope from the pond as a meadow to slow surface runoff and increase infiltration.	PW staff	16 m/h (1man @ 4hrs $x year) mower 16 hours
Hazards	17	Monitor high use areas for hazard trees by foot once each year and following severe storms…	Staff w/ volunteers	N/A
Native Meadow Restoration	14	Mow paths through the terrestrial meadow to enhance visitor experiences and environmental education…	PW staff	36 m/h (1 man bi-weekly @ 2 hours) mower

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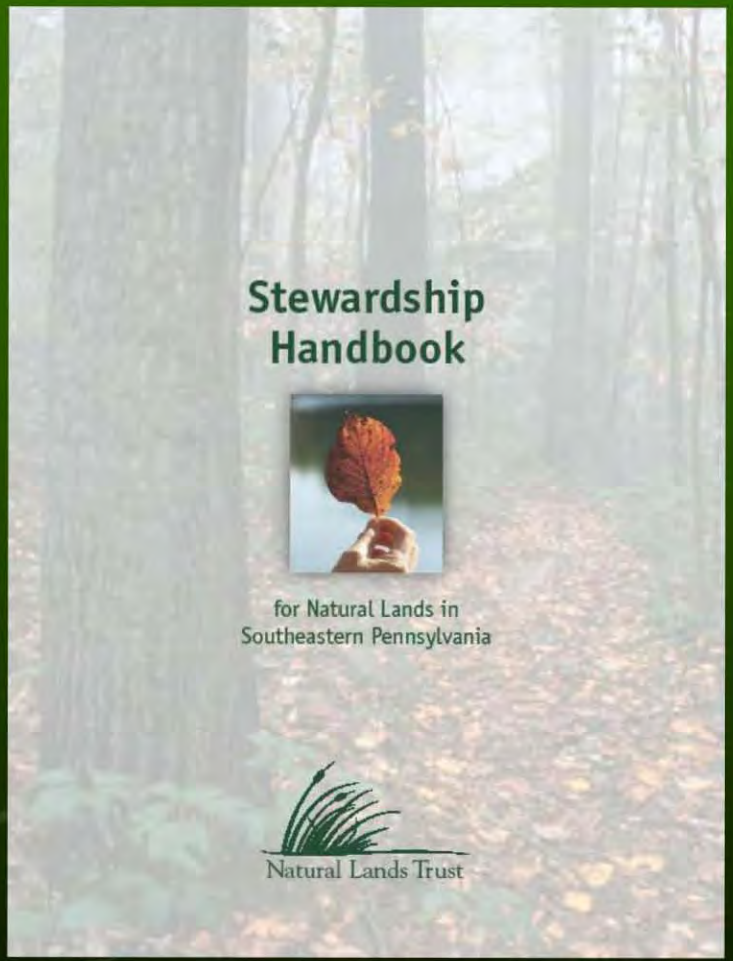
Upper Dublin, Montgomery County, PA

Resources for Landowners



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