

Protected Land in Dutchess County and Surrounding Areas

47,965 Acres Protected by Dutchess Land Conservancy

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Voluntary Land Preservation By Private Landowners Through Conservation Easements

Conservation Easements protect valuable farmland and open space, while keeping land in private ownership. Land protected by conservation easements stays on the local tax rolls.

Since 1985, Dutchess Land Conservancy has worked with 454 private landowners to preserve nearly 48,000 acres of land with conservation easements. Over half of our conservation easements are on farmland. We also protect forests, wetlands, and critical wildlife habitat.

