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WILD PLACES FOR WILD THINGS



OUR VISION

Conserve and restore some of the most biodiverse, large, wild landscapes in the world, generating sustainable economic return to local communities, with local stakeholders invested in the thriving landscape and its healthy wildlife.

OUR MISSION

WildLandscapes International is dedicated to conserving large and connected landscapes globally significant to wildlife and crucial to local communities. Our environmental conservation strategy is to empower communities, conservationists, Indigenous Peoples, ranchers, foresters, fisherfolk, and government agencies to protect habitats for wide-ranging wildlife. To meet the challenges of scale and complexity, WildLandscapes is science-based, collaborative, efficient, and entrepreneurial.

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MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR AND CHAIRMAN

Dear Conservation Advocates and Partners,

As we reflect on the events of 2022, a year filled with significant investments and strategic decision-making for WildLandscapes, we approach the future with a sense of purpose and optimism. We are proud of the progress we have made and remain confident in our ability to tackle the challenges ahead.

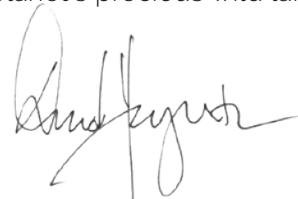
Reflecting on our journey, we achieved notable milestones in our conservation efforts over the past years. The successful completion of our project on Sanibel Island, Florida, the advancements in Alaska, and the impactful initiatives in India were all testament to our dedication and effectiveness. Inspired by these accomplishments, we recognized the unique niche that WildLandscapes can fill in the conservation arena and decided to expand our horizons.

Building upon this momentum, 2022 presented us with several significant opportunities. We secured important deals such as The Green Heart of the Everglades in Florida, Mineral Rights in Florida, and expanded conservation efforts in Kenya and India. Leveraging the financial success of 2021, we embarked on ambitious projects, such as the transformation of a 68-acre, US\$9.5 million endeavor in Sanibel Island into an 11,142-acre, US\$30 million initiative in the Green Heart of the Everglades. In Kenya, we went beyond the 20,000-acre Mutara Conservation Area and took further steps towards the creation of a massive 554,000-acre rhino corridor encompassing the entire Laikipia region through our partnership with the Laikipia Conservancies Association (LCA). Additionally, our efforts in Bear Hill, New Hampshire aimed to unite a 11,859-acre area, expanding it into a vast 14,080-acre conservation expanse.

The surplus from 2021 laid a solid foundation for our ambitious goals in 2022, providing the necessary resources for anticipated successes in 2023. We were fortunate to secure substantial financial backing, with a US\$7.1 million allocation for Bear Hill from the U.S. Congress and US\$35 million from the Florida legislature for the Green Heart project. In Kenya, our work was warmly welcomed by the LCA, and we were awarded a US\$397,271 grant from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). Similarly, a grant application to USFWS netted another US\$291,730 for our project in India.

While we acknowledge that not all our ambitious plans reached fruition by the close of 2022, we do not view this as a defeat but rather as a temporary delay. Our calculated risks demonstrate our unwavering commitment to conservation. As we write this, these projects continue to make substantial progress, and we eagerly anticipate sharing more about their successes in 2023. Looking ahead, as we celebrate our sixth anniversary, we aim to transition from our start-up status and mature into a fully-fledged organization equipped with cash reserves and the hallmarks of a thriving institution.

We want to express our sincere gratitude to our supporters and partners for standing with us during this transformative period. Together, we will overcome the hurdles and continue the vital work of preserving our planet's precious wild landscapes.



David Houghton
Director



Stuart Watson
Chairman

"As Chair of the Board, I deeply admire and support WildLandscapes for three core strengths. Firstly, the organization is actively engaged in genuine conservation work that has tangible, real-world consequences, and on an impressive scale. Secondly, its operational efficiency and the high leverage way in which funds are utilized maximize the impact of every dollar invested. Lastly, WildLandscapes' willingness to undertake complex, high-stakes projects that others shy away from fills a critical void in the conservation field. This organization, though small, achieves remarkable feats, truly epitomizing the 'pound for pound, a Navy Seal of conservation' ethos."

Stuart Watson
Chair of the Board





OUR OPERATIONAL IMPACT

WildLandscapes is committed to taking conservation initiatives to scale by forging partnerships with exceptional, forward-thinking NGOs that share our vision of landscape connectivity, encompassing both communities and biodiversity. Our focus lies in investing in rural and Native economies that are dedicated to protecting wide-ranging wildlife, strengthening livelihoods, and implementing strategies for climate change resiliency.

Traditionally, almost 90% of conservation funding available abroad has been sourced from entities such as the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. State Department, USAID, and private U.S. foundations. However, many grassroots organizations responsible for implementing impactful international conservation work often lack the capacity to access these substantial pools of U.S. funding. This gap poses a significant obstacle to sustainable grassroots conservation. This is where WildLandscapes steps in.

Through our expertise in fundraising, public finance, and landscape conservation, we strive to bridge this gap. We provide the necessary capacity and knowledge transfer across international boundaries. Drawing upon our extensive experience in ecological science, strategic ecosystem connectivity practices, land transactions, and established relationships with policymakers and administrators in the U.S. Government, we are well-positioned to significantly enhance the scalability of NGOs operating in critical global landscapes.

2022 IN NUMBERS



186,300 ACRES UNDER RESTORATION

Areas revitalized to enhance the natural habitat, supporting the regeneration of flora and fauna while benefiting local communities.

481,956

ACRES UNDER AGREEMENT



A substantial leap in our conservation efforts, with acres under legal agreement up by 1,616.41% from 2020.

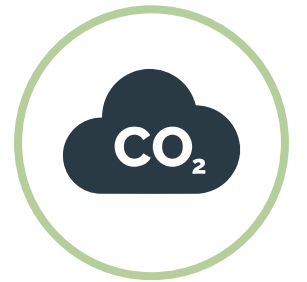


3,099,689 TOTAL VISITORS

This figure represents the cumulative number of visitors to the areas where we collaborate with partners to support protection. Thriving ecosystems in these regions contribute to a positive tourism impact, boosting local economies and job creation.

43.3 m tonnes

CARBON REDUCTION IMPACT



A tangible commitment to the environment, reflecting the quantity of carbon emissions prevented from entering the atmosphere.

OF MANAGEABLE CARBON KEPT IN THE GROUND OF THAT, 19.1 MILLION TONNES ARE IRRECOVERABLE.

MANAGEABLE CARBON is defined as the vast stores of carbon in nature that are vulnerable to release from human activity. **IRRECOVERABLE CARBON** is defined as the vast stores of carbon in nature that are vulnerable to release from human activity and, if lost, could not be restored by 2050 - when the world must reach net-zero emissions to avoid the worst impacts of climate change.

US\$43,402,107

RAISED FOR NEW PROJECTS


In our most successful year to date, US\$35 million has been secured for the **Green Heart of the Everglades** project, thanks to close collaboration with partners and the dedicated efforts of Florida Senate President, Kathleen Passidomo.



OUR GLOBAL IMPACT




USA - ALASKA
New Visitor Center for Fairbanks
 In 2022, the Alaska Sustainable Ecotourism Project secured an agreement to acquire 45.3 acres for a new National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center at the intersection of Arctic, Kanuti, and Yukon Flats Refuges. This center will serve as a hub for ecological education, promoting responsible enjoyment of the land, and plans for land acquisition are set for completion in 2023 or 2024.




USA - FLORIDA
The Green Heart of the Everglades
 In Florida, the project to establish a permanently protected wildlife corridor encompassing 469,399 acres made significant strides in 2022. This initiative connects essential ecosystems and contributes to broader conservation goals, including water quality preservation, carbon reserve shielding, environmental justice for Indigenous tribes, and protection of diverse regional flora and fauna.

LATIN AMERICA
Coming soon!
 WildLandscapes is expanding into Latin America, leveraging years of conservation experience in Kenya and India. Starting in 2023, our new Latin America Program Director, Marta Prat Guitart, will explore projects and partnerships to protect vital wildlife habitats from Mexico to Argentina, encompassing species such as jaguars, ocelots, tapirs, and migratory birds.



USA - NEW HAMPSHIRE
 The Bear Hill Conservancy, within New Hampshire's Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge, focuses on protecting 14,080 acres of northern hardwood forest, serving as a vital habitat for native wildlife and a buffer against climate change. The collaboration between WildLandscapes, Federal, state and local governments, and consulting agencies has secured significant funding, facilitating the conservation of this region's biodiversity and connection of critical wildlife corridors.

ASIA - BHUTAN TO BURMA
 The Bhutan to Burma Corridor WildLandscapes, in partnership with Aaranyak, is advancing the "B2B Corridor" to create a transboundary network connecting protected areas from Bhutan to Burma. With a focus on grassroots conservation and capacity-building, the project aims to extend wildlife corridors while promoting community-driven conservation. In 2022, the collaboration secured a grant to expand this co-model into the 25,000ha Diffolu River Basin, further empowering local communities and protecting vital passages for species such as the Bengal tiger.



AFRICA - KENYA
Ukanda Wa Vifaru Project
 This initiative aims to conserve a 554,000-acre landscape, with a focus on protecting the Critically Endangered Eastern black rhino, preserving biodiversity, and contributing to potential carbon sequestration. The project's goals also include enhancing community livelihoods for over 75,000 individuals through ecotourism, education, healthcare, and local business opportunities, as well as improving overall safety and environmental sustainability in the region.



AFRICA - SOUTH AFRICA
The Renosterveld Ecosystem
 In collaboration with the Overberg Renosterveld Conservation Trust and others, WildLandscapes has made significant progress towards the preservation of the largest remaining parcel of Critically Endangered Eastern Rûens Shale Renosterveld, known as 'Plaatjieskraal'. This effort more than doubles the total conserved acreage of renosterveld, protecting one of Earth's most endangered vegetation types. While the deal is not yet finalized, it is set to close in 2023, with future plans to purchase adjoining farms.

THE BEAR HILL CONSERVANCY

Coloring the Map Green



Bear Hill Conservancy (Bear Hill) is located in the Mascoma River Division of Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge (Conte Refuge), in the Upper Valley of New Hampshire, USA. Permanently protecting 14,080 acres of the region's rich northern hardwood forest presents a unique opportunity to secure a critical movement corridor for wildlife, conserve treasured old-growth forests and productive wetlands, provide public access to the outdoors, promote the careful use of renewable resources, and grow the state's economy.

Bear Hill is a landscape of vital importance, providing invaluable habitat for the American black bear, wood turtle, brook trout, and hundreds of species of migratory birds. This region serves as the study area of renowned bear ecologist, Dr. Ben Kilham, who rehabilitates orphaned bear cubs and releases them onto the property. Bear Hill's strategic location adjacent to several protected areas connects a corridor for both wildlife movement and outdoor recreation, bridging gaps between major conservation lands, with the Appalachian National Scenic Trail running through the property. Recognized by the New Hampshire Wildlife Action Plan as the highest-ranking conservation priority, Bear Hill's rich limestone-based soils, high biodiversity, and adjacency to the Connecticut River watershed, along with the carbon stored in its vast forest expanses, make it an essential buffer in the fight against climate change.

At WildLandscapes, we are committed to the conservation of these vital ecosystems. Working in collaboration with Bear Hill Conservancy Trust, Moosewood Ecological Services, Redstart Consulting, and Kilham Bear Center, we have assisted the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) in acquiring both fee title and conservation easements on the property so that it can be managed as part of Conte Refuge. Prior to 2022, USFWS acquired easements on two units of Bear Hill, with Phase I (752 acres) facilitated by the National Wildlife Refuge Association and Phase II (1,470 acres) by WildLandscapes. We currently have the remaining 11,859 acres of Bear Hill under agreement with the landowner, comprising Phase III of the project.

In 2022, our dedicated team at WildLandscapes worked closely with the Friends of Conte Refuge to advocate for the Refuge in Washington, DC, making concerted efforts to meet with legislators. This collaboration proved successful, resulting in US\$17.2 million appropriated for the Conte Refuge Complex across Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut. Senator Jeanne Shaheen and Representative Annie Kuster played vital roles in allocating these funds in the FY23 Omnibus Appropriations Bill from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). Out of the \$17.2 million in funding for Conte Refuge, US\$7.1 million has been committed to Bear Hill. WildLandscapes, together with USFWS, also secured an additional US\$1,066,450 from the Migratory Bird Conservation Fund, which was granted in early 2023.

\$7.1m in federal funds appropriated to close Phase III

In 2022, WildLandscapes reached another significant milestone, working with the Appraisal and Valuation Services Office at the Department of the Interior to complete the appraisal on all units of Bear Hill. This effort culminated in a final calculation for the value of the land and the easements, and most importantly, an agreed-upon price with both the landowner and the USFWS. Our 2022 achievements in finalizing the appraisal, establishing the price, and securing funding have laid a solid foundation for a series of closings in 2023. At the forefront are the fee simple acquisition of Unit B (306 acres) and an easement acquisition on Unit J (2,636 acres), planned for closure in early 2023. The total funding required to complete Phase III of Bear Hill (11,859 acres) is just over US\$16 million. With US\$7.1 million from LWCF secured in 2022 and more than US\$1 million to be allocated in early 2023 from the Migratory

Bird Conservation Fund, the remaining need for this project is approximately US\$7.9 million. We have already identified several sources for this funding and will be actively working on securing it in 2023.

Furthermore, we made progress in 2022 on developing a management plan for Bear Hill. This complex document is required for any land that will be managed by USFWS, and it must undergo a series of approval processes before official adoption. In collaboration with USFWS, Moosewood Ecological Services, and Redstart Consulting, we are drafting a preliminary version of the plan for initial review in 2023. The majority of the forest will be managed with a hands-off strategy that benefits species favoring old-growth conditions, such as wood thrush, eastern wood-pewee, and northern goshawks.

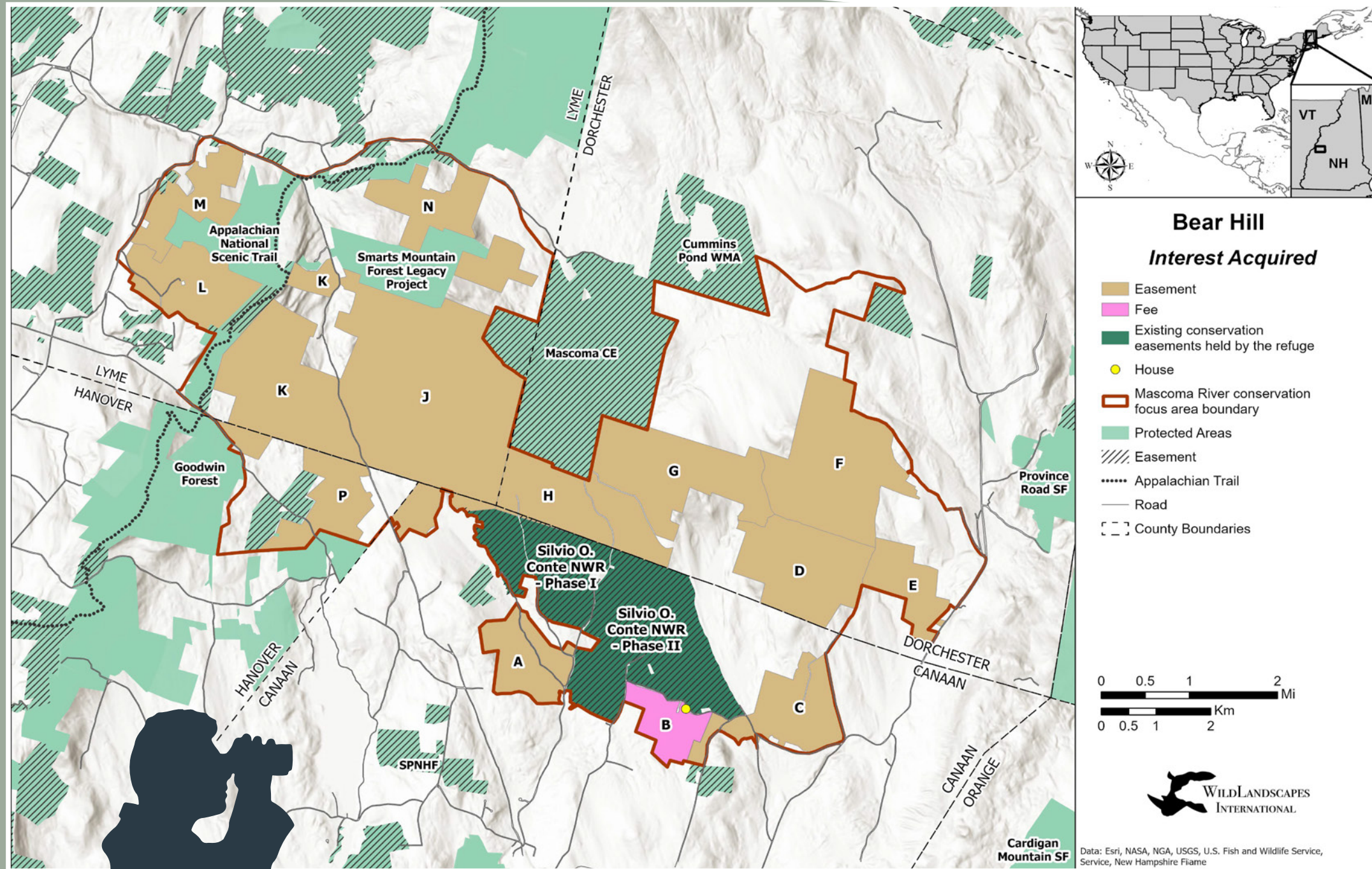


The remainder of the land, including wetlands sustained by a thriving beaver population, will be managed for early-successional conditions that favor Canada warblers, American woodcock, and American black ducks. Upon completion, this project will protect the habitat of over 1,000 plant and animal species.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to David Roby, the landowner of Bear Hill, who was honored in 2022 with the Landowner Appreciation Award of Excellence from the New Hampshire Fish and Game Commission. Mr. Roby's recognition stems from his outstanding conservation ethic and land stewardship efforts, which have led to the protection of thousands of acres of wildlife habitat.

Our partnership with the Friends of Conte Refuge flourished in 2022. Besides advocating for increased funding for the Refuge during our trips to Washington, DC, we also worked with Markelle Smith, the Director of Friends of Conte, to develop and support legislation designed to protect the Connecticut River and its watershed, which includes Conte Refuge. Similar legislation

exists for other large bodies of water like the Delaware River and the Chesapeake Bay, and it is an opportune time to institute additional protections for the Connecticut River and the surrounding land. Friends of Conte is taking the lead on this effort, with continued support from WildLandscapes.



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VOICES FROM THE FIELD

"Working with WildLandscapes on the Bear Hill project has been a valuable and exceptionally beneficial partnership for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge, wildlife, and outdoor enthusiasts. As Wildlife Refuge Managers, we are tasked with the challenge of managing public lands within a consistently changing landscape due to changes in climate, land use, and demographics. This project exemplifies the crucial importance of habitat preservation, biodiversity, and climate resilient conservation can be accomplished when partners coordinate and collaborate on a landscape scale. These strategic and timely investments helps maintain and even increase the quantity and quality of wildlife habitat and our treasured and traditional outdoor recreation opportunities.

Bear Hill stands out as a highly climate resilient area, making it an essential asset as we anticipate the changes brought on by climate shifts. Its diverse landscape, with tremendous diversity in topography and opportunities to connect these attributes in a robust and sustainable manner to magnify the benefits that promotes an ideal environment for species migration, emigration, and adaptation—a significant advantage in the face of challenges related to changes related to environmental, economic, and population considerations.

WildLandscapes has a deep understanding of the National Wildlife Refuge System and the processes involved in wildlife conservation. This keen awareness facilitates a seamless partnership and ensures that our efforts on the ground are impactful, meaningful, and beneficial. Thanks to their expertise and experience, we were able to fast-track the Bear Hill project, taking significant steps towards reversing land ownership fragmentation, thwarting further habitat fragmentation, and enhancing critical habitat conservation which benefits wildlife resources, environmental quality, and outdoor recreation.

The Bear Hill project epitomizes the spirit of conservation partnership. With numerous organizations, including Federal agencies, NGOs, State agencies, and private entities, all coming together to protect and conserve this critical habitat, we are inspired by the collective commitment towards achieving our common goal. We have been thrilled to be part of this transformative initiative, and we commend WildLandscapes for their dedication to conservation. The Bear Hill project will undoubtedly leave a lasting legacy in safeguarding our natural heritage, ensuring a sustainable future for generations to come."



Steve Agius, Wildlife Refuge Manager, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge.



Andrew C. French, Wildlife Refuge Manager, Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge (CT, MA, NH, & VT), Springfield Urban Wildlife Conservation Partnership (MA), John Hay National Wildlife Refuge (NH), Stewart B. McKinney National Wildlife Refuge (CT), New Haven Urban Wildlife Conservation Partnership (CT), and Great Thicket National Wildlife Refuge (CT).

THE GREEN HEART OF THE EVERGLADES

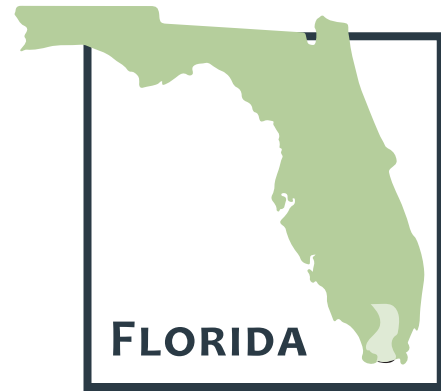
Conserving a Large Block of Core Habitat in Florida

We stand on the threshold of a significant milestone. In 2022, we achieved considerable progress toward one of our most far-reaching objectives: the creation of a permanently protected, continuous wildlife corridor in the Sunshine State. As the year concluded, our **Green Heart of the Everglades** project gained momentum, reflecting its vital role in biodiversity conservation, ecosystem restoration, carbon storage, and Indigenous heritage in Florida. Upon completion, our comprehensive approach will yield extensive impacts, such as:

- ◆ Preserving water quality for the diverse ecosystems of South Florida, benefiting millions of living beings, including humans.
- ◆ Shielding underground carbon reserves by inhibiting new fracking and other extractive drilling techniques, thus contributing to climate change mitigation.
- ◆ Upholding environmental justice for the Miccosukee and Seminole Tribes, along with the preservation of their Indigenous heritage.
- ◆ Protecting the habitats of Florida panthers, black bears, various orchid species, venerable old-growth cypress trees, and other regional flora and fauna.

As 2022 ended, we reached agreements and entered into contracts with private landowners to achieve the following:

- ◆ **11,142 acres for fee simple acquisition:** In collaboration with Family Lands Remembered, we are assisting the State of Florida in acquiring this unprotected parcel with the intention of permanently conserving its natural beauty and value.

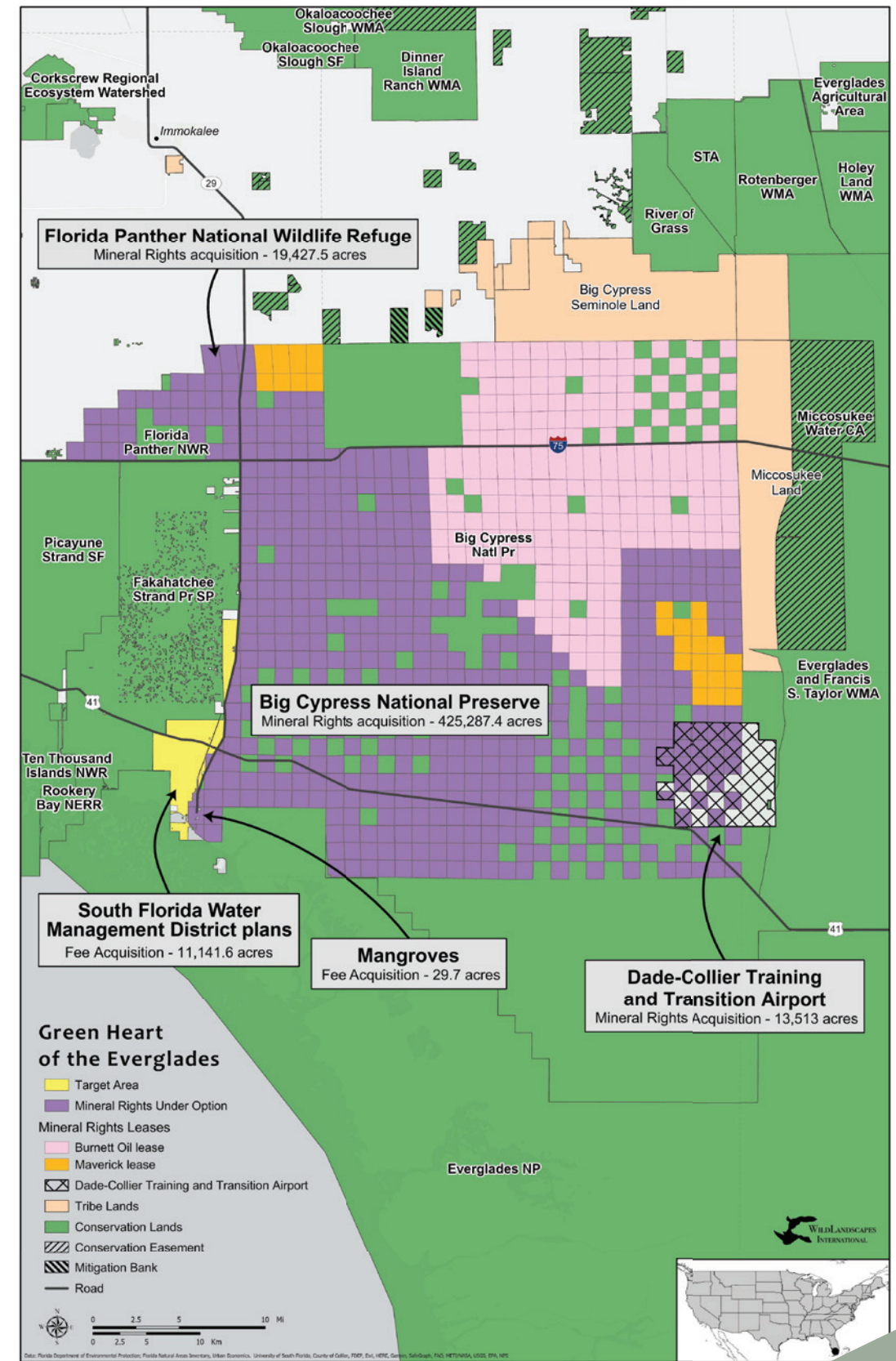


- ◆ **458,228 acres of oil, gas, and mineral rights:** Our endeavor is to purchase the oil, gas, and mineral (OGM) rights currently held by the Collier Resource Company in Big Cypress National Preserve and the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge. Once acquired, these rights will be placed into permanent federal protection.

469,399 ACRES TOTAL

This land is the missing link needed to permanently protect and connect Everglades National Park, Fakahatchee Strand Preserve State Park, and Big Cypress National Preserve. Gratitude goes out to all our partners in conservation on this project:

- ◆ The Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida
- ◆ Seminole Tribe of Florida
- ◆ U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)
- ◆ National Park Service (NPS)
- ◆ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- ◆ Family Lands Remembered
- ◆ City of Everglades
- ◆ Florida Department of Environmental Protection
- ◆ Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
- ◆ South Florida Water Management District





Curtis E. Osceola, Chief of Staff,
Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida

VOICES FROM THE FIELD

"My name is Curtis E. Osceola, and I serve as the Chief of Staff for the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida. As custodians of our motherland and the Everglades, this project holds immense importance for us and aligns with our duty to protect and preserve these sacred lands for future generations.

The Green Heart of the Everglades Project seeks to safeguard the mineral rights beneath Big Cypress National Preserve, transitioning them from private hands to Tribal control for conservation purposes. Our Tribe has long opposed any outside interference in this vital Preserve, as we have experienced the profound impact that oil and gas exploration can have on the delicate ecosystem and water table of South Florida.

Working alongside WildLandscapes and other partner NGOs, I play a crucial role in advocating for this initiative. Organizing parties, strategizing with elected officials and private entities, and collaborating within the Tribe and the state are part of my responsibilities to find a path forward for this complex and vital project.

The project's significance extends beyond the Miccosukee Tribe; it encompasses the entire state of Florida. Protecting the Everglades and Big Cypress not only preserves natural habitats but also safeguards water resources, estuaries, marine life, and hatcheries, impacting all South Floridians and beyond.

WildLandscapes brings vision, insight, and organization to the table, identifying stakeholder interests and finding ways to meet them through administrative actions or legislation. Their expertise has united divergent parties towards a common cause, fostering collaboration and creating a unique opportunity for Tribes to work together.

For us, this endeavor is not just a moral responsibility; it is a legal and cultural calling to protect the lands that have protected us. The Everglades and Big Cypress have shielded us from annihilation and ensured our survival. As we look back at the past 130 years and the impacts of mismanaged resources, we are determined to fix what has been done and restore the natural beauty and integrity of our motherland.

This project is an existential fight, not just for the Miccosukee Tribe but for the entire state. It represents our commitment to preserve the Everglades and Big Cypress National Preserve in their original state for future generations. Our collaboration with WildLandscapes marks a crucial turning point, and we firmly believe that together, we can achieve remarkable accomplishments and set a precedent for cross-sector leadership in conservation.

Working alongside WildLandscapes, we are resolute in achieving this significant endeavor. By focusing on preservation and sustainable practices, we can guarantee that the Green Heart of the Everglades continues to beat strongly, safeguarding the beauty and richness of our natural heritage for generations to come."

GREEN HEART OF THE EVERGLADES: LAND ACQUISITION FOR A REGION OF UNPARALLELED ECOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Surrounded by state and federally protected lands, this 11,142-acre parcel bridges an unprotected gap in the map of protected areas. Spanning an ecotone from pine flatwoods with cypress domes to marshes and mangroves, it ends at Chokoloskee Bay. The diverse ecosystems mean the land provides vital habitat to over 400 species, including 26 rare or endangered ones such as the Florida panther, Florida manatee, and American crocodile.

This land is a key link for enhancing the vision of the Florida Wildlife Corridor. Recognized as a top priority in the state's Critical Lands and Waters Identification Project (CLIP), an esteemed conservation biology assessment model, it's been considered vital for south Florida's ecological wellbeing but was never acquired due to its large size and complexity of the ownership pattern. Nevertheless, WildLandscapes made this acquisition attainable, and it is now close to completion after years of persistent effort.

The plan required acquiring both land and mineral rights for the South Florida Water Management District. A special US\$35 million appropriation was included in the FY22 Florida Legislative Appropriations Bill's General Revenue Fund. This allocation, together with our partner, Family Lands Remembered, enabled the purchase of the 11,142 acres, valued at US\$ 29.85 million. This funding was a cross-cutting, bipartisan effort led by Florida Republican Senate President Kathleen Passidomo. The deal is set to close in Summer 2023.

The true strength of this endeavor lies in the multilateral support from diverse stakeholders, including Indigenous peoples, government agencies, local sports enthusiasts, and environmental groups. Our unique ability to bridge divides, find common ground, and navigate intricate negotiations empowers us to achieve what may seem insurmountable. We are eager to forge ahead with our most significant project to date.



PURCHASING THE DRILLING RIGHTS TO SECURE VITAL HABITAT IN BIG CYPRESS NATIONAL PRESERVE AND FLORIDA PANTHER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

We are pleased to announce collaboration with the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida to protect 458,228 acres of oil, gas, and mineral rights (OGM rights) beneath vital core habitat in Big Cypress National Preserve (Big Cypress) and the Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge. This partnership reflects our shared commitment to ecosystem resilience, community well-being, biodiversity protection, and preserving cultural heritage.

Safeguarding these rights will halt future oil and gas exploration and extraction in the area, preventing significant risks to the hydrology and water quality of the Big Cypress Basin, a vital watershed of the Greater Everglades Ecosystem. Billions have been invested in Everglades restoration, and allowing petroleum exploration that injects hydrochloric acid into the subsurface limestone that holds the region's drinking water would jeopardize all of the progress made to date. The addition of new roads and pump jacks could compromise the land's ability to withstand hurricanes and absorb the impacts of flooding and sea-level rise. An oil or chemical spill in the Everglades would be catastrophic, with cascading effects extending as far out as the fish rookeries of Florida Bay. Moreover, the release of carbon reserves stored in sensitive wetland soils would contribute to climate change. Protecting these lands enhances global climate security and preserves the region's carbon reserves.

Big Cypress's value extends beyond its ecological importance; it stands as a place of profound cultural significance. As ancestral lands for the Miccosukee and Seminole Tribes, our concerted efforts work towards the preservation of invaluable cultural sites, often jeopardized by the looming shadow of fossil fuel extraction. Our collaboration includes a wide spectrum of efforts, including discussions around Tribal co-

stewardship to manage essential aspects such as wildland fire control, water resources, wildlife protection, invasive species management, and law enforcement. These measures further reinforce the Tribal rights that are encoded in Big Cypress' founding legislation, demonstrating a holistic perspective that integrates environmental and cultural considerations.

Our journey reflects broad consensus and milestones, with the Miccosukee Business Council's Resolution 16-22 and lobbying efforts throughout 2022 as a testament to our commitment. Partnerships with environmental and sportsmen's groups have formed a unique coalition working towards a common goal.

Our role is to facilitate acquiring the OGM rights from the Collier Resources Group, allowing placement under federal jurisdiction using a parks conservation strategy. This process empowers the National Park Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to acquire the rights directly, ensuring indefinite land protection. We are also supporting the Tribes in exploring co-stewardship or co-ownership with the Department of Interior and Bureau of Indian Affairs.

These efforts underscore our dedication to conservation. In 2023, we anticipate significant progress towards a lasting legacy of conservation, environmental stewardship, and cultural preservation.



THE UKANDA WA VIFARU PROJECT

Empowering Communities for Conservation

Our overarching vision for the Ukanda Wa Vifaru Project in Kenya is to conserve a seamlessly connected landscape spanning 554,000-acres, with the Critically Endangered (IUCN Red List) Eastern black rhino as the keystone species alongside numerous umbrella species. We align closely with one of the core objectives of The Recovery and Action Plan for the Black Rhino in Kenya: to increase the Eastern black rhino population in Kenya from the current 938 rhinos to over 2,000 by 2037. Our role is to act as a liaison to unite divergent stakeholders and to provide the support necessary to connect isolated rhino conservancies; specifically Ol Pejeta in the south and Lewa and Borana in the east, to the central anchor of Ol Jogi, and Loisaba in the north (see map).

This work is not solely about the rhino. The Ukanda Wa Vifaru is much more than a conduit to connect increasingly isolated wild habitats for a keystone species. It is a means to amplify community resources and establish enduring wellbeing for both wildlife and people alike. By safeguarding the rhinos, we catalyze broader ecosystem conservation and pave the way for umbrella species to bring prosperity and peace to communities.

We believe that, at its core, conservation must provide tangible benefits for those who call these regions home. Our community-driven strategy aims to bring the rewards of conservation into sharp focus for the people within these biodiversity hotspots. For example, completion of this project will bring huge growth to the safari and ecotourism industries, thereby bolstering livelihood opportunities. Furthermore, collaborative security strategies will continue to keep poaching at bay, despite its rapid rise in other areas globally. Security for wildlife means improved security for the entire landscape. This makes local communities safer, reducing instances of livestock theft and mitigating human-wildlife conflict.

US\$397,271 United States Fish and Wildlife Service Grant Funding Secured for Laikipia Conservancies Association



ABOUT THE REGION

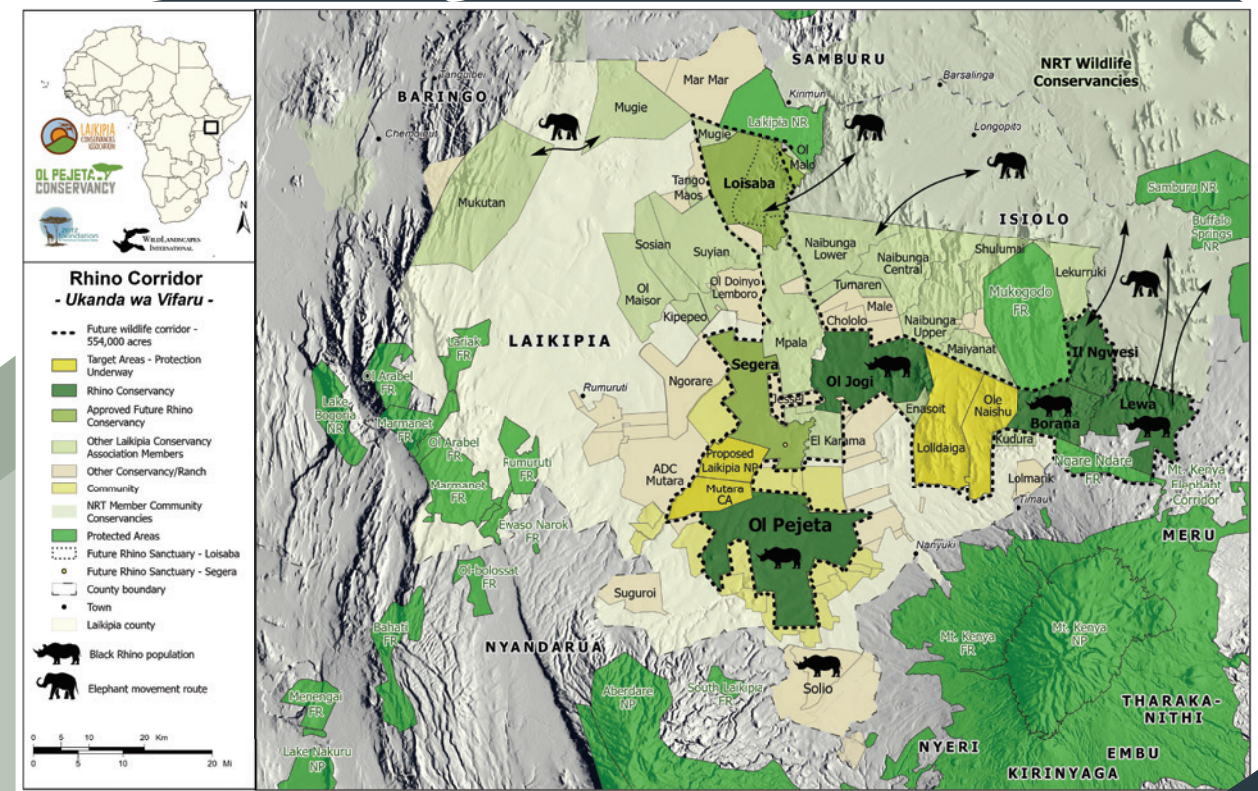
The Laikipia-Meru-Samburu ecosystem, situated in central Kenya, stands as one of the country's vital wildlife landscapes. The region is home to an impressive 43% of Kenya's critically endangered Eastern black rhino population and 80% of its Southern white rhinos. It also sustains Kenya's second-largest African elephant population—exceeding 7,000 – and substantial populations of apex predators such as lions, leopards, cheetahs, and wild dogs.

Moreover, Laikipia is a sanctuary for a wide array of ungulates, housing over 60% of the global populations of endangered species like Grevy's zebra and reticulated giraffe. It also supports Lelwel hartebeest, endangered Beisa oryx, gerenuk, and a bird community of over 400 species.

PARTNERS

To accomplish our vision, WildLandscapes engages closely with a network of conservation groups who cumulatively protect millions of acres of habitat, including:

- ◆ Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS)
- ◆ The Association of Private Land Rhino Sanctuaries (APLRS)
- ◆ The Laikipia Conservancy Association (LCA), including a working relationship with the following members:
 - ◆ Ol Pejeta Conservancy (110,000 acres)
 - ◆ Segera Conservancy (50,000 acres)
 - ◆ Ol Jogi Conservancy (58,000 acres)
 - ◆ Loisaba Conservancy (56,000 acres)
 - ◆ Borana Conservancy (32,000 acres)
 - ◆ Il Ngwesi Conservancy (40,000 acres)
 - ◆ Mugie Conservancy (46,000 acres)



LIVELIHOOD STRENGTHENING

The well-being and cultural heritage of the Kenyan people are intrinsically linked to local wildlife. Our mission is to sustain and nurture this relationship. In our Laikipia-based conservancies, community members are not merely residents but critical stakeholders in the conservation process. Initiatives led by our partners—Ol Pejeta, Ol Jogi, Borana, and Lewa—positively impact over 75,000 individuals by enhancing access to essential services such as education, healthcare, and water, as well as promoting energy-efficient technologies, livestock markets, and women-led enterprises. These programs are crafted based on substantial input from the community and are subject to ongoing adjustments to ensure they remain aligned with community needs and aspirations. Regular consultations with village Elders and elected officials allow our partners to better comprehend the community's requirements, preferences, and long-term objectives.

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO DATE:

- ◆ Secured a total grant of US\$1,477,080 from the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) for the Mutara Conservation Area (20,000 acres) managed by Ol Pejeta Conservancy.
- ◆ Through achievements made possible by the INL grant, Mutara Conservation Area has been approved by Kenya Wildlife Service as suitable for the translocation of a founder population of black rhinos.
- ◆ Building capacity for the LCA to align the needs and priorities of 28 conservancies across Laikipia into one voice, including US\$397,271 in funding from USFWS African Elephant Conservation Fund.
- ◆ Securing historical elephant migratory routes across Laikipia and ensuring connectivity between Mugie and Mukutan.



2022 LAIKIPIA IMPACT SUMMARY

INVESTING IN PARTNERSHIPS

In 2019, 28 conservancies across the landscape joined forces to create the Laikipia Conservancies Association (LCA). Their collective aim was to augment individual impacts and express a unified voice advocating a comprehensive conservation plan. This year, WildLandscapes strengthened our commitment to the region by partnering with the LCA. Together, we successfully secured a grant of US\$397,271 from the USFWS African Elephant Conservation Fund. This fund is devoted to enhancing connectivity to preserve vital elephant migratory routes and to building capacity for the LCA.

One major concern for LCA members is the need to mitigate human-wildlife conflict, specifically with elephants. To address this issue, our efforts concentrated on devising strategies that would both preserve traditional migration routes for elephants and minimize interactions with human populations. This dual focus ensures that elephants can traverse the landscape freely while reducing potential conflicts with local communities.

The latter portion of the grant, dedicated to capacity building for the LCA, was directed towards aligning the organization's goals and requirements. These funds have been instrumental in supporting LCA's operational needs, including staff salaries and transportation expenses. This financial aid facilitated necessary field visits by LCA staff to the conservancies for assessments and enabled representation at local government meetings, reinforcing the collective voice of the LCA.

WildLandscapes is eager to continue our collaboration with the LCA, with a view to fostering unity among the Laikipia conservancies and enhancing knowledge transfer and cooperation

among members. Through our collective voice and vision, the LCA will nurture and expand a robust network of conservancies across the region. Our partnership promises to yield long-term social and ecological advantages, firmly establishing conservation as a pertinent, respected, and viable land-use alternative.

INL GRANT EXTENSION FOR MUTARA

We have successfully secured an extension of US\$394,105 to the existing US\$1,082,975 grant from the U.S. State Department of Law Enforcement and Narcotics (INL) for Ol Pejeta. This extension will enable the continued safeguarding of the Mutara Conservation Area. It contributes to the ongoing efforts to enhance connectivity between Ol Pejeta and the greater Laikipia conservancies landscape, and prepares Mutara for the safe translocation of Eastern black rhinos.

PLANTING TREES ON OL PEJETA

The Adventure Travel Conservation Fund (ATCF) generously contributed US\$10,000 to support a tree-planting initiative on Ol Pejeta. The project involved planting indigenous trees in specific elephant exclusion zones, areas previously impacted by herbivores and in need of rehabilitation, as well as fruit trees within local communities. Unfortunately, the initiative faced initial delays due to severe droughts, but it has since been successfully completed. A total of 7,000 acacia seedlings were planted within the Ol Pejeta exclusion zones, and 1,150 fruit trees were distributed to community farmers. Adding to the community engagement, school children were given the responsibility of planting and caring for two acacia trees each within their community, fostering a sense of ownership and long-term investment in their growth.



VOICES FROM THE FIELD

"Ol Pejeta Conservancy has been on a remarkable journey of conservation and ecological sustainability, focusing mainly on the protection of rhinos and the complex ecosystem that supports them. My experience of 18 years at Ol Pejeta, from starting as a research assistant to becoming the Head of Conservation, has been both enlightening and challenging. The growth has been tremendous; from 40 rhinos to more than 200, and from 25 lions to over 90. This positive growth is a testament to our consistent efforts and dedication.

However, with growth comes challenges. Increasing populations demand more space and other essential resources. Unfortunately, the emerging issues related to climate change, such as increased frequency of dry spells and erratic weather patterns have brought new hurdles. Rivers that never dried are now beginning to dry up, rangelands are degrading faster with excessive use. Overall, suitable spaces are constricting as wildlife continue to congregate on these few and fragmented lands - this worries me. The tasks at hand are daunting, but the tangible gains we have made in the last 18 years are very encouraging. Pulling together to find viable and sustainable solutions to these issues is crucial.

WildLandscapes has been a critical partner in our mission and in addressing the above challenges. Their commitment to secure additional spaces for conservation of the black rhino in Kenya is timely and welcome. Their immense support in making Mutara Conservancy available for conservation have been invaluable. Through their funding we have been able to undertake infrastructure development, delivery of critical ranger resources such as uniforms, rations and upskilling. Their contributions have facilitated our readiness for hosting rhinos on Mutara. Their support on wildlife management and ecological monitoring has helped us better understand the population trends and dynamics for informed conservation decisions and we truly appreciate this.

We find ourselves at a critical juncture where collaboration among private, corporate, and government entities is essential. Our common goal which is preservation of nature must remain. WildLandscapes' support has been timely, invaluable and manifests the true spirit of conservation."



Samuel Mutisya, Head of Conservation,
Ol Pejeta Conservancy

THE BHUTAN TO BURMA CORRIDOR

EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES FOR CONSERVATION

In our work at WildLandscapes, we prioritize partnerships with grassroots organizations that align with our commitment to integrated landscape connectivity, involving both local communities and biodiversity conservation. We help these community-driven NGOs take their projects to scale through capacity-building and funding because we recognize that indigenous populations hold invaluable knowledge on how to sustainably achieve this mutual vision. We firmly believe that the future of conservation lies in the hands of the people who inhabit these landscapes. This ethos is exemplified in our partnership with Aaranyak, based in Assam, India.

An important area where Aaranyak works is known as the Karbi Anglong Hills, south of the renowned Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve. This area is an incredible biodiversity hotspot, boasting an impressive array of over 376 plant species, 106 non-timber forest products, 300+ bird species and 90+ butterfly species. It is also home to a rich diversity of larger endangered wildlife, including rare and endangered species such as the Asian elephant; the greater one-horned rhinoceros; and the Bengal tiger. These species do very well in the National Park, however when the monsoons come and the park floods, much of the wildlife escape to the forested hills to the south, where they come in contact with the local communities. That's where Aaranyak comes in.



Aaranyak works closely with rural communities to expand their livelihood options while alleviating pressure on natural resource use. Entrepreneurial projects that emphasize traditional knowledge and practice, such as garment weaving, combined with numerous other small-scale interventions empower women, promote self-sufficiency, and reduce reliance on deforestation – nurturing a healthier habitat for all living things in the area. What makes this project remarkable is that it extends beyond a single village. It is part of the long-term goal that WildLandscapes and Aaranyak share: the creation of a vast, uninterrupted, transboundary network of community conservation corridors that connect protected areas from Bhutan to Burma, known as the "B2B Corridor".

WildLandscapes supported Aaranyak in 2022 through helping them secure a US\$291,730 three-year grant from USFWS. The award will be used to expand their co-model of conservation and community development into the neighboring 25,000ha Difolu River Basin. This expansion will contribute to the protection of two vital wildlife

US\$291,730 USFWS three-year grant successfully secured!

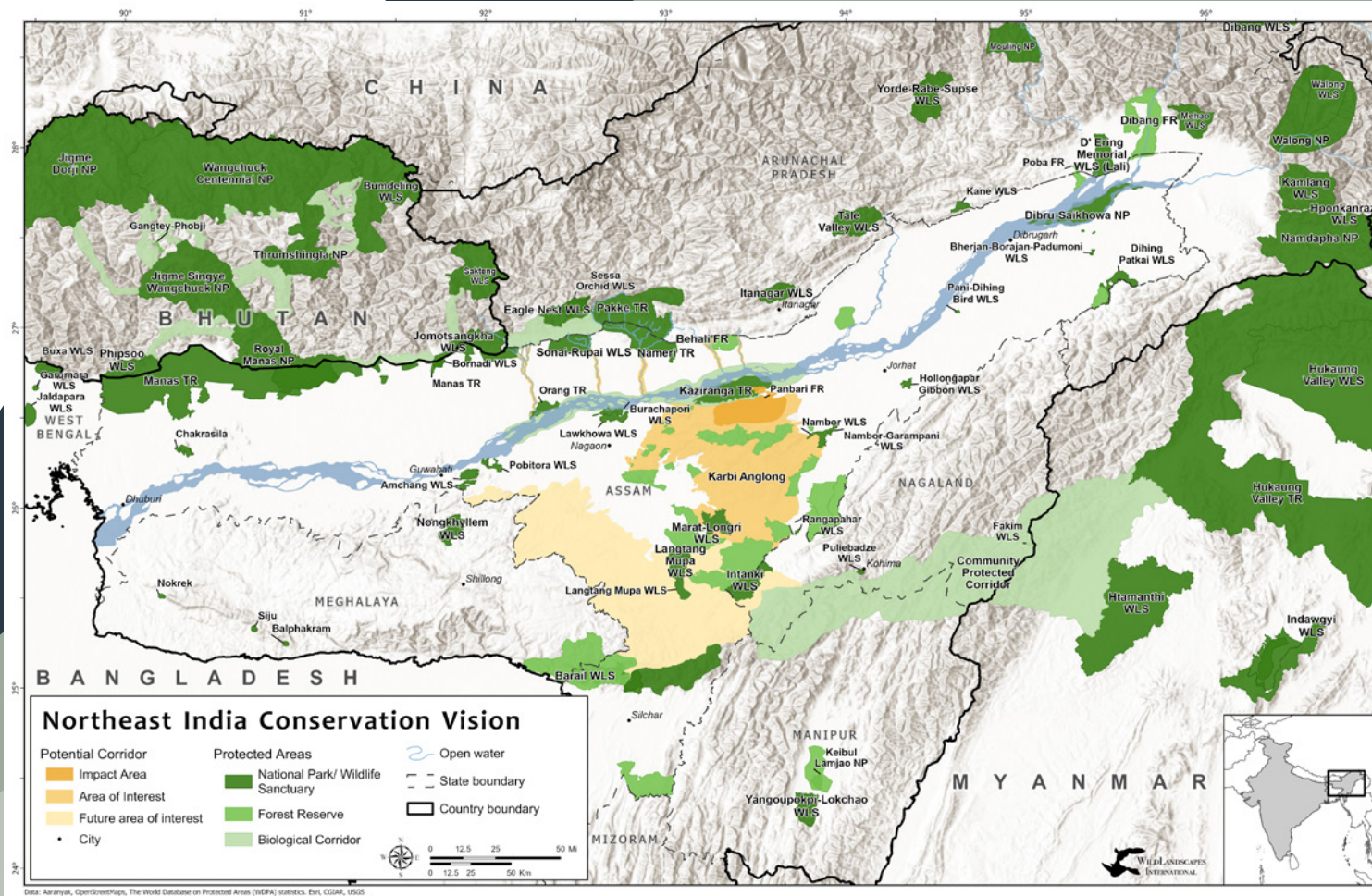
corridors: the Panbari and Haldibari corridors, which, together, incorporate most of the wildlife movement to and from Kaziranga, and offer a route towards Nagaland/Burma for animals seeking new territory.

Our collaboration with Aaranyak in 2022 laid the groundwork to ensure the safe passage of species like the Bengal tiger across Assam, Nagaland, and into Burma. By addressing poaching threats and human-wildlife conflicts, we are making tangible strides towards this essential conservation goal.



PARTNERS

- ◆ Aaranyak
- ◆ U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service





VOICES FROM THE FIELD

"My name is Firoz Ahmed, and I serve as a Conservation Scientist for Aaranyak, an organization in Assam, India, that translates to "belong to forest" or "of the forest." I have been connected with Aaranyak since 1993 – 94 as a student volunteer and then managing conservation projects from 1999. This journey that began in the forests, supporting and helping the forest guards, has defined my connection with nature and ignited my passion for conservation.

My work is mainly concentrated on research and conservation. My research mind was sharpened through both undergraduate and post-graduate work. Today, I work on applied research with Aaranyak, gathering vital information to understand the conservation scenario and tackle the problems threatening our biodiversity and natural resources. This work often involves working closely with communities and government agencies to improve poorly managed and known protected areas.

On the conservation front, I operate at various levels, working with species, communities, and various government agencies. Currently, my focus is on collaborating with indigenous people in northeast India to create sustainable natural resource management practices. I aim to foster harmony with nature rather than conflict, all while preparing for the challenges of climate change.

My commitment to this region is deeply personal; I was born and raised here and have chosen to dedicate my life to its people and landscapes. As part of Aaranyak, I strive to conserve nature and support the local communities.

Though my typical day now revolves around management tasks like phone calls, emails, and budget planning, the joy of going to the field remains unparalleled. I cherish my time with communities, forests, and wildlife, absorbing the sounds of nature, and occasionally taking a swim in the river or fishing.

A defining moment came in 2013 when David Houghton, WildLandscapes Founder and Director, visited our office. His vast experience impressed me, and our subsequent meetings led to the development of the B2B concept. The B2B, standing for Bhutan to Burma, is a significant corridor initiative that aims to create a continuous path where animals like tigers, elephants, or bears can travel from Bhutan through Assam into Burma. This bold project symbolizes our mission to reconnect and preserve critical wildlife habitats.

Our collaboration with WildLandscapes means a lot, and I am honored to serve on their Advisory Board. WildLandscapes International (WLI) has been instrumental in supporting Aaranyak by generating resources, providing impactful maps, and enhancing our grant proposals. Our collaboration is achieving attention from donors, and I believe that together we can realize our goals, including the ambitious B2B project.

This lifelong commitment to conservation is more than a professional obligation; it's a calling. Working alongside Aaranyak and WildLandscapes, I am steadfast in achieving this significant endeavor, ensuring the richness of our natural heritage endures for generations to come."

M. Firoz Ahmed, PhD, Conservation Scientist, Aaranyak

CONSTRUCTING A NEW VISITOR CENTER FOR FAIRBANKS

NURTURING SUSTAINABLE ECOTOURISM



The Alaska Sustainable Ecotourism Project made significant progress in 2022. We conducted a second land appraisal for the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, and after intense debate and discussion, succeeded in uniting a diverse group of stakeholders to agree on a land valuation. By facilitating dialogue and mediating conflicts, we achieved consensus on 45.3 acres to be acquired for the construction of a National Wildlife Refuge educational Visitor Center. This Center will serve as a connection point for the

Arctic, Kanuti, and Yukon Flats Refuges, offering ecological education to broaden awareness about conservation and instruct the public on responsible land enjoyment. As a final step in our commitment, the land purchase has been transferred to the Conservation Fund. In an act of goodwill, the Fund will hold the land until the United States government is able to acquire it. Plans are underway to complete this land acquisition in 2023 or 2024.

Agreement secured for a Visitor Center at the intersection of Arctic, Kanuti and Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuges!



LAUNCHING OUR LATIN AMERICA PROGRAM

WE ARE EXPANDING OUR CONSERVATION EFFORTS INTO THE REGION



WildLandscapes is excited to announce that we are expanding our work into Latin America. After several years of strengthening partnerships and implementing conservation in Kenya and India, we want to make our skills and experiences available to the western hemisphere, one that we—as a U.S. based organization—are physically and ecologically tied to. At the start of 2023, our Conservation Ecologist and longest-standing

staff member, Marta Prat Guitart, will step into a new role as our Latin America Program Director. She will be exploring projects and partnerships in globally important landscapes from Mexico to Argentina and beyond. These landscapes are home to a wide range of wildlife species including jaguars, ocelots, tapirs, maned wolves, primates, sea turtles, caimans, macaws and a large list of migratory birds. 2023 is sure to bring many exciting updates.



SAVING THE RENOSTERVELD ECOSYSTEM

CONSERVING ONE OF EARTH'S MOST ENDANGERED VEGETATION TYPES



This year we made significant progress towards the preservation of the largest remaining parcel of Critically Endangered Eastern Rûens Shale Renosterveld. In partnership with the Overberg Renosterveld Conservation Trust, we have successfully raised the necessary funds for the eventual purchase of a 1,425-acre farm known as 'Plaatjieskraal.' Once completed, this acquisition will be added to the existing 'Haarwegskloof' Nature Preserve, more than doubling the total land acreage under conservation and safeguarding Renosterveld, one of the most endangered vegetation types on the planet. Our efforts have brought us many steps closer to realizing this vital conservation goal, and we continue to work diligently towards finalizing the purchase.

The Cape Floral Kingdom in South Africa, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is home to over 9,000 vascular plant species; 69% of which are endemic. This is twice the number of species that occurs in America's most biodiverse state, Alabama, packed into an area half its size. The majority make up the 'fynbos', fire-dependent shrubs which grow on nutrient poor soils and often have highly specific pollinators—mammal, insect or bird. Proteas are the best known type of fynbos and are highly popular in the world's flower markets. In a system so highly specialized and range-restricted, it is not unusual to have rare species or vegetation types; however, in the Cape Floral Kingdom, the renosterveld plant community has lost 95% of its former range and make up to modern, industrial agriculture. Renosterveld is

renowned for the fact that many species may only be found on a single hillside. The remaining 5% in South Africa's Cape is all that is left worldwide.

TO DATE WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED:

- ◆ The 1,425 acres Plaatjieskraal farm secured under agreement in 2022.
- ◆ WildLandscapes in collaboration with the Overberg Renosterveld Conservation Trust, World Land Trust, IUCN, and WWF are raising the funds necessary for the purchase.
- ◆ WildLandscapes' proposal to The World Land Trust contributed US\$203,000.
- ◆ WildLandscapes and Overberg Renosterveld Conservation Trust proposal to IUCN contributed US\$95,000 (€ 87,000).

The purchase of this farm will double the size of the Renosterveld preserve. The deal is expected to close in the summer of 2023. After closing, our next efforts will focus on purchasing two adjoining farms to ensure that as much of this unique vegetation type as possible is conserved for generations to come.



Funds secured to purchase Renosterveld Habitat!



Odette Curtis-Scott

FINANCIALS

In 2022, WildLandscapes International secured total revenue amounting to US\$1,741,648.72, fueling various conservation endeavors and ambitious projects. Our expenses for the year, totaling US\$1,905,656.38, were allocated towards distinct categories: Partner Support, which refers to funds directed to our international conservation partners for on-the-ground implementation, and Programs, encompassing efforts towards implementing, facilitating, strategizing, and securing projects and funding. Additionally, Administration expenses constituted only 8.92% of our total expenditure. This minimal administrative cost reflects our commitment to efficiency, ensuring that we prioritize spending on meaningful conservation efforts.

This year was an important strategic investment period for WildLandscapes to continue growing our conservation efforts and impacts. Across programs, we had a net operating income deficit, however, the decisions made were strategic, calculated risks, setting the stage for anticipated progress in 2023 and our continued dedication to our mission.

As we transition into a more mature organization, optimism surrounds our ability to continue the essential work of preserving our planet's invaluable wild landscapes. We express sincere gratitude to all our supporters and eagerly anticipate achieving new milestones in the coming year.

	2021 (US\$)	2022 (US\$)
REVENUE		
Contributions	1,172,931.04	1,112,309.09
Government Grants	293,908.00	579,339.63
Non-government Grants	144,000.00	50,000.00
TOTAL	1,610,839.04	1,741,648.72
EXPENSES		
Organization/Partner Support	935,697.00	757,648.55
Programs	699,332.97	991,927.93
Administration and Support	99,912.29	156,079.90
TOTAL	1,734,942.26	1,905,656.38
NET OPERATING INCOME	(124,103.22)	(164,007.66)

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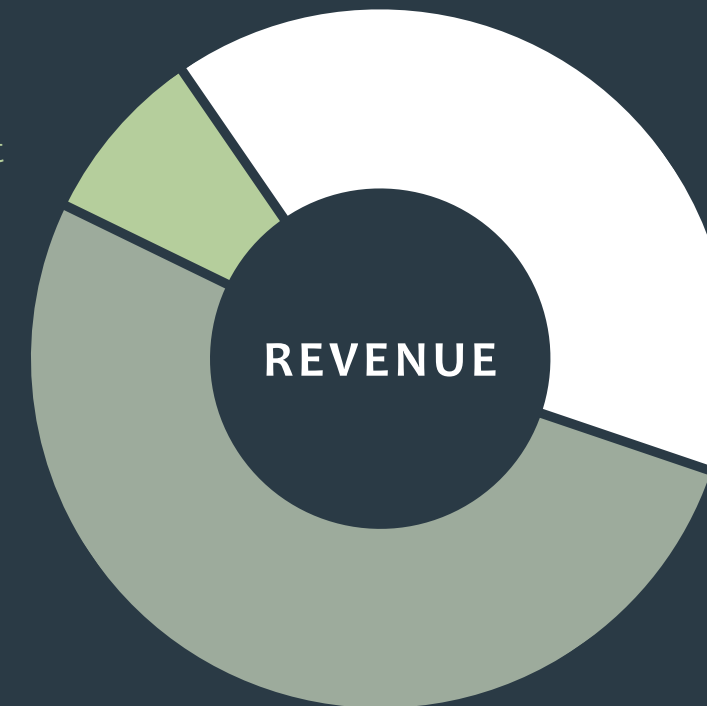
Non-Government Grants

33%

Government Grants

64%

Contributions



8%

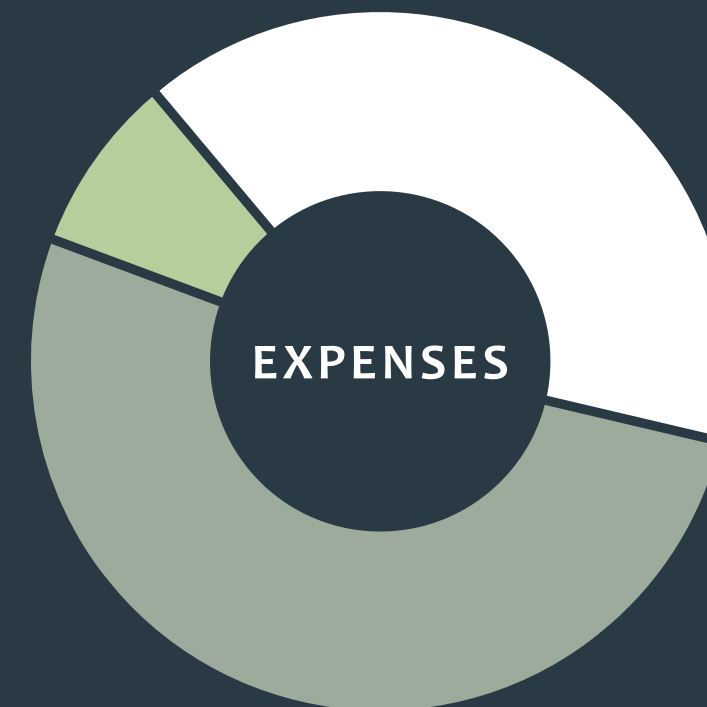
Administration and Support

40%

Organization /Partner Support

52%

Programs



PARTNERS IN PRESERVATION:

THE INDIGENOUS CUSTODIANS GUIDING OUR CONSERVATION EFFORTS



Rio The Photographer



Vanessa Stephen



Lisette Morales McCabe



Jan Aitken



Vanessa Stephen



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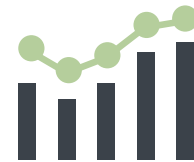
At WildLandscapes International, we recognize and value the numerous ways supporters may contribute to our mission of preserving and protecting natural environments. Your donation contributes to land and water protection, biodiversity conservation, ecosystem restoration, and community empowerment.

Here are the various avenues through which you can help:



ONLINE DONATIONS

Make a one-time gift or set up a recurring monthly donation securely through our website.



GIFTS OF STOCK

Contribute stocks or securities, a method that may provide potential tax benefits.



PLANNED GIVING

Leave a lasting legacy by including WildLandscapes in your will or estate plan.



GIFT A DONATION

Inspire others about conservation by making a donation in their name.



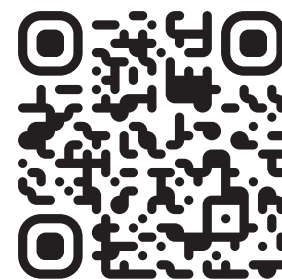
CONSERVATION EASEMENT

If you own land in biologically significant areas and are interested in selling a conservation easement to state or federal agencies, we can facilitate this acquisition.



EMPLOYEE MATCHING GIFTS

Utilize your employer's gift-matching program to double the impact of your donation.



For a more comprehensive understanding of these opportunities or to explore other ways to support our vital work and our partners' conservation efforts, please visit our website at www.wildlandscapes.org or contact our Deputy Director, Elodie Sampere, at esampere@wildlandscapes.org.

Your participation in any of these avenues is invaluable to us, our partners, and directly fuels the success of our collective conservation endeavors.

A SPECIAL THANKS

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all those who have supported WildLandscapes International over the past year. Your commitment and contributions have been vital in our ongoing conservation efforts.

We would like to acknowledge our individual and family donors, whose generosity has consistently furthered our cause. Our partnership with U.S. agencies has been paramount, providing essential funding that empowers our mission. Additionally, we are deeply thankful to the various foundations that have facilitated our work.

A special recognition goes to our Board of Directors and Board of Advisors. Their guidance, expertise, and steadfast support have shaped the direction and success of our organization.

Equally vital to our success are our partners on the ground. Their dedication, skill, and determination to carry out this important work in the most effective way possible have been instrumental in translating our mission into tangible results. Their efforts on the frontlines of conservation make a difference every day, and we are proud to work alongside them in our shared pursuit of a more sustainable world.

Together, these contributions create a collaborative network that has had a tangible and meaningful impact on the landscapes we strive to protect. Through unity and shared purpose, we continue to work towards a sustainable future, safeguarding our precious ecosystems for generations to come.

Thank you for being an essential part of the WildLandscapes International community. Your continued partnership and support are central to our ongoing success.

LOOKING INTO 2023

In 2023, we remain committed to building on our achievements by advancing key conservation and organizational growth initiatives.

- ◆ Finalizing the simple fee acquisition of 11,142 acres in Florida.
- ◆ Expanding the Kenya corridor nationwide, with a strategic focus on Tsavo in partnership with the Association of Private and community Land Rhino Sanctuaries (APLRS).
- ◆ Progressing with the Miccosukee and Seminole Tribes to finalize title and evaluation for 458,228 acres in Big Cypress National Preserve and Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge.
- ◆ Prioritizing acquisitions and funding for Bear Hill conservation in New Hampshire, targeting wildlife corridors and exemplary ecosystems.
- ◆ Investing in staff to expand reach in Asia and Latin America, and deepen capacity in federal grants, development, and communications.



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