Conservation Easement LANDOWNER NEWSLETTER

Spring 2024

2024 Annual Site Visits

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Site visits will be conducted in one or more of the following ways, depending on the location, size, last ground visit date, and extent of changes on the property:

- Remote/satellite imagery may be used year round, with a preference during leaf-off.
- Site visits via drone (such as the example below), boat, or on foot may occur throughout the year during regular business hours.

If you or your representative would like to accompany staff during the visit or to make other special arrangements, contact Melissa

melissa@landtrust.org or 231.344.1004

Spring is nearly upon us, bringing green sprouts, blooms, bird song, and field work. Little Traverse Conservancy will be hitting the ground soon to visit your property and over 330 other conservation easement properties. Last year, LTC added 11 conservation easements to our portfolio. With the annual increase of protected lands, it becomes increasingly important to keep databases, records, and communication about activities related to vour conservation easements current. Please update Little Traverse Conservancy on your contact info, and changes to your property by completing a questionnaire at: landtrust.org/cesurvey

Conservation Easements by County as of December 31, 2023

COUNTY	ACRES	EASEMENTS
Charlevoix	4,515.5	86
Cheboygan	10,379.5	71 🚪
Chippewa	4,595.7	23
Emmet	8,029.0	134
Mackinac	1,110.0	20
TOTAL	28,630.7	334

Looking for new ways to get outside?



Do you enjoy exploring new trails? Mountain biking? Birding? Getting your kids or grandchildren outside? With over 300 nature preserves and reserves, one professionally created biking trail and two more under construction. Little **Traverse Conservancy offers** a multitude of opportunities to enjoy beautiful northern Michigan. Visit www.landtrust. org for more information on nature preserves, reserves, community field trips, and summer programs for kids!



Plan on pruning oak trees?

The best time to do it is from late October until March to help avoid spreading oak wilt. For more information about oak wilt and helping prevent the spread of this devastating fungus, visit: **michiganoakwilt.org misin.msu.edu**

Looking for information on forest management, invasive species, shoreline greenbelts, native plant species or other natural resource topics?

Some land management resources can be found at landtrust.org/landowner-resources/additional-resources

Let's Stay Updated! Please contact us if:

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- There is a change of ownership of your conservation easement property,
- You plan on exercising reserved rights requiring pre-approval or notification,
- Your contact information changes,
- You have any questions.

For an opportunity to update LTC on your contact information and also plans or activities on your property related to your conservation easement, you can access a brief questionnaire on our website at: **landtrust.org/cesurvey**

If you would prefer a paper questionnaire, or prefer it to be emailed, please let Melissa know at melissa@landtrust.org or 231.344.1004 and one will be sent to you.