46/46
Counties with completed projects

400K+
Acres Conserved



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600+
Completed Projects

SOUTH CAROLINA
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Cumulative totals showing the Bank's statewide impact since inception



Read more about Aiken County's Boyd Pond Park Addition on p. 17.

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Title 48 Chapter 59
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MISSION

To improve the quality of life in South Carolina through the conservation of significant natural resource lands, wetlands, historical properties, archaeological sites, and urban parks.

CONSERVATION OBJECTIVES

- Wildlife Habitat
- Water Quality
- Forest Lands
- Farmland
- Scenic Vistas
- Historical and Archaeological Sites
- Hunting and Fishing Opportunities
- Public Outdoor Recreation

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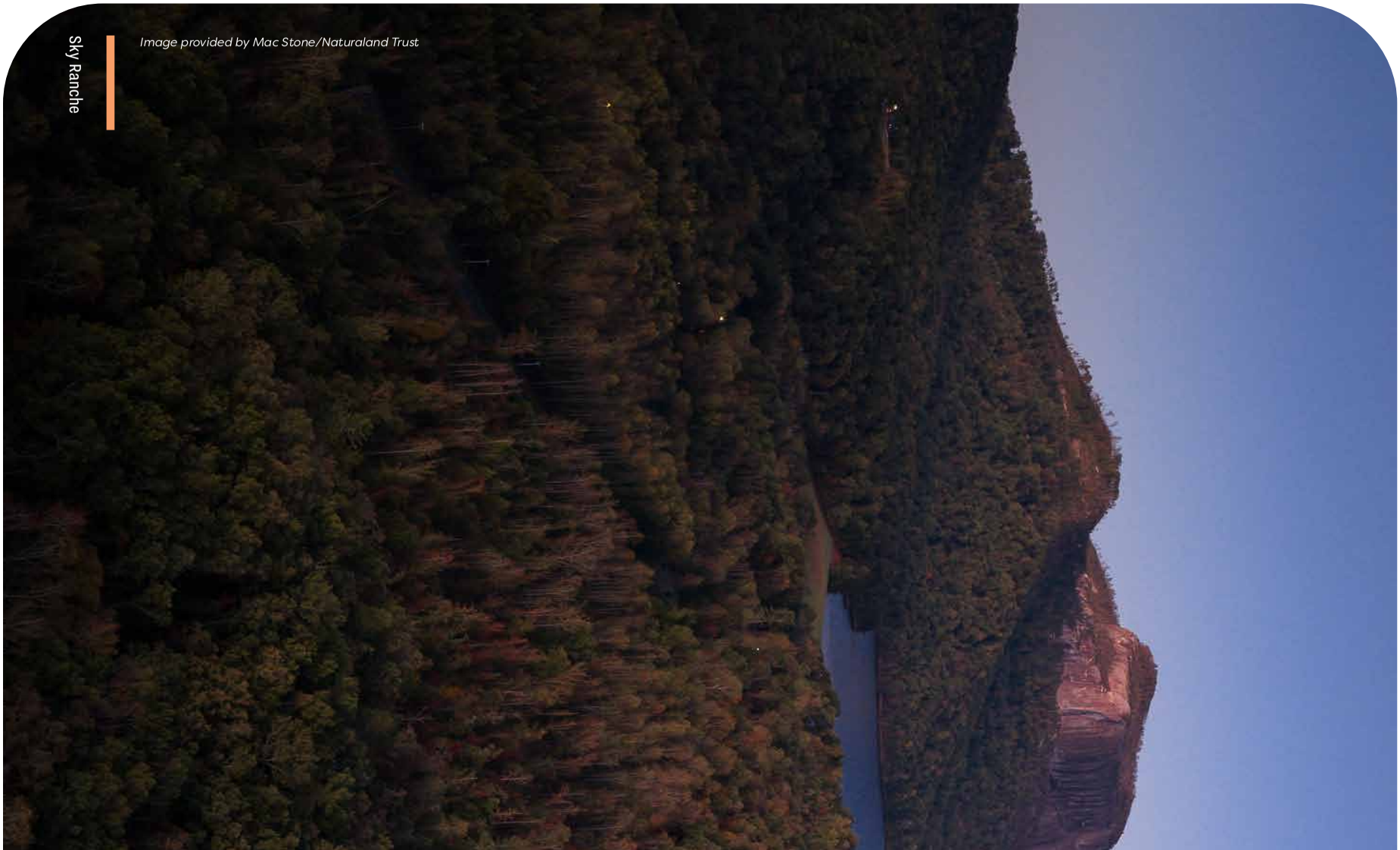
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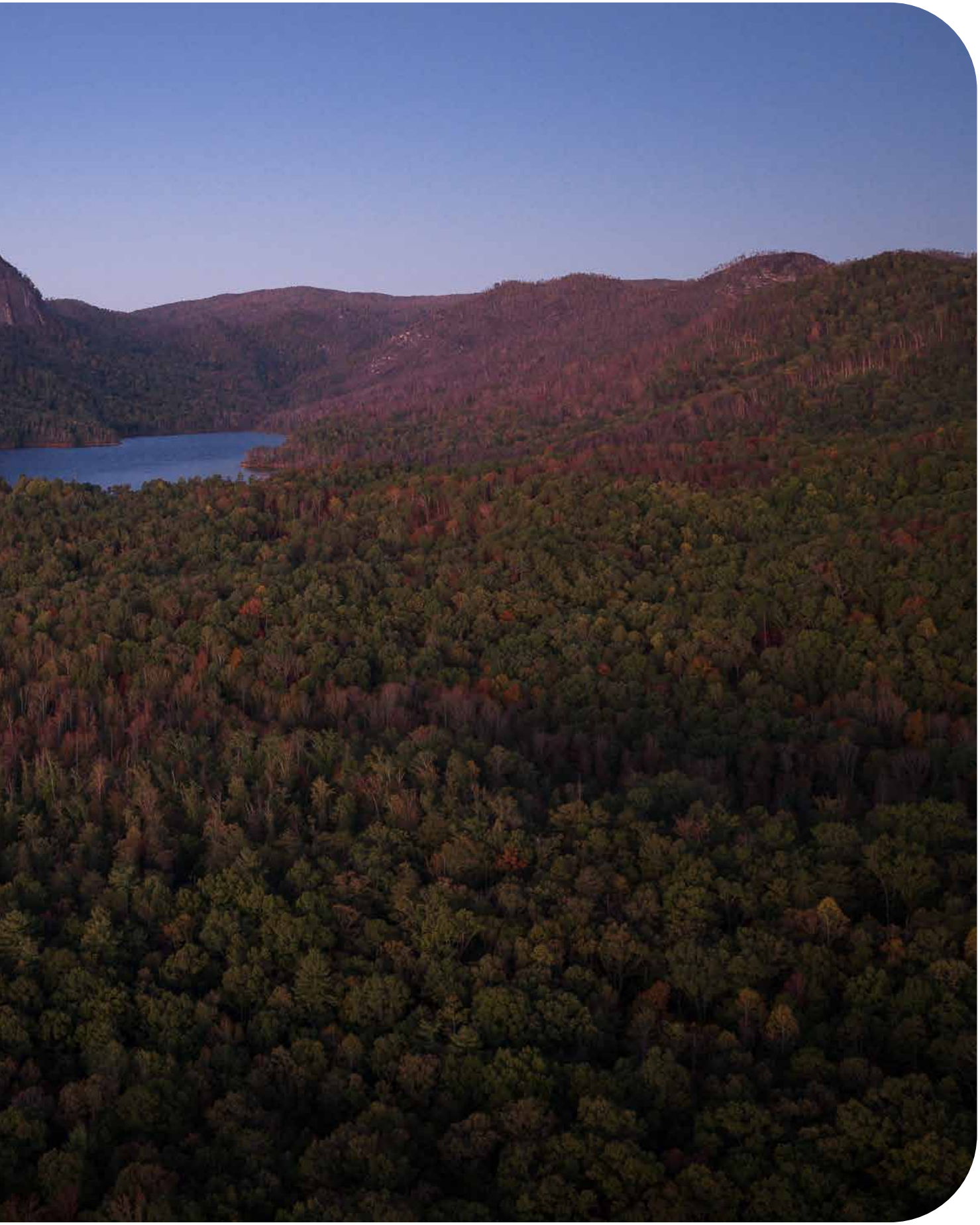
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A Year of Advancing Strategic Land Conservation



Sky Ranche

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A Year of Purpose and Progress

During the past year, the Conservation Bank surpassed an important milestone. Since its creation, the Bank has helped protect more than 440,000 acres across South Carolina through more than 630 conservation projects. These protected lands preserve clean water, working farms and forests, outdoor recreation, scenic landscapes, military readiness, flood resilience, wildlife corridors, historic resources, and the rural character that remains central to South Carolina's identity.

That legacy continued to grow during Fiscal Year 2025–2026. Over the course of the year, the Bank closed 89 conservation projects protecting nearly 33,000 acres across South Carolina. On the following pages, you'll find highlights of these projects and the partnerships that made them possible. Together, they demonstrate how land conservation continues to strengthen communities, support landowners, and protect the natural and cultural resources that define our state.

Conservation Bank grants continue to leverage significant federal, local, nonprofit, and private investment, allowing state funding to protect substantially more land than state dollars alone could achieve.

The year also brought strong public recognition of conservation successes across the state. From property dedications expanding the Bunched Arrowhead Heritage

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Preserve Complex in the Upstate, to the celebration of the Aiken Gopher Tortoise Preserve Expansion in the Midlands, and the dedication of Old Beech Hill State Forest in the Lowcountry, these and other significant conservation milestones demonstrated how land protection supports recreation, resilience, agriculture, economic vitality, and quality of life for South Carolinians.

A Landmark Legislative Achievement

A major milestone came during the 2026 legislative session with the passage of the South Carolina Protected Lands and Conservation Coordination Act. The Act recognizes conservation of natural resources as an important state interest, establishes a long-range benchmark for protected lands, and strengthens coordination among state resource agencies. For the Conservation Bank, this legislation affirms a principle that has guided our work from the beginning: public dollars are most effective when partners work together, leverage resources, and pursue projects that provide the greatest public benefit.

That spirit of partnership was also visible at the State House during South Carolina Land Legacy Leaders Day, when conservation professionals, land trust leaders, board members, and advocates gathered in Columbia to celebrate voluntary land conservation and engage with members of the General Assembly. The event reflected growing recognition that land protection is not a niche issue. It is tied to economic development, agriculture, tourism, flood mitigation, quality of life, and the legacy we leave to future generations.


Image provided by Cara Chancellor/The Nature Conservancy



Duck Creek - Saluda Bluffs

Image provided by Mac Stone/Naturaland Trust

Strong Governance and Board Leadership

The Bank also welcomed new board leadership while continuing to benefit from members whose broad expertise, diverse perspectives, and shared passion for conservation help guide our work. Through thoughtful review of grant applications and careful stewardship of public funds, the Board ensures that conservation investments remain mission-driven, transparent, and fiscally responsible.

As this year closes, the Bank is also preparing for a leadership transition. Director J. Raleigh West III's tenure concludes an important chapter in the agency's history, having strengthened relationships with land trusts, local governments, state agencies, and legislative leaders while expanding the Bank's visibility and impact statewide.

Looking Ahead: A Strong Future for Conservation

The future of the South Carolina Conservation Bank is strong. The Bank is prepared to enter its next chapter with a proven mission, dedicated Board, capable staff, trusted partners, and growing public recognition that voluntary land conservation is essential to South Carolina's prosperity and quality of life.

The Conservation Bank remains grateful to the General Assembly and the many partners whose commitment makes this work possible. Together, we are protecting the places that define South Carolina for generations to come.



Reedy Cove at Twin Falls

Image provided by Mac Stone/Naturaland Trust

BY THE NUMBERS

Through strategic partnerships with other government programs and private philanthropists, the Conservation Bank is able to leverage its grant awards to achieve the highest "bang for the buck". This collaborative approach ensures that taxpayer dollars are used efficiently and effectively to protect South Carolina's most treasured landscapes and preserve our natural heritage for future generations.

The following facts and figures illustrate how the Bank fulfills these objectives. One effective strategy involves awarding reimbursable grants, which allow some or all of the awarded funds to be returned and reinvested in future conservation efforts. This approach helps sustain ongoing and long-term project funding.

For FY 2026, the Conservation Bank granted **$75,782,998** to conserve **89** projects totaling **32,950** acres at an average cost of **$2,299** per acre.

76%

of FY26 Conservation Bank grant dollars awarded protected Public Parks and Preserves through Fee Simple Acquisitions

FEE SIMPLE ACQUISITIONS:

33
Total Projects

16,748
Acres Conserved

$57,527,252
Grants Awarded

$106,883,244
Fair Market Value

24%

of FY26 Conservation Bank grant dollars awarded protected Farms & Forests through Conservation Easements

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS:

56
Total Projects

16,202
Acres Conserved

$18,255,746
Grants Awarded

$60,805,500
Conservation Easement Value



Image provided by Mac Stone/Naturaland Trust



Read more about Greenville County's Pipsissewa Passage projects on page 13.

1. Altamont Pass

Naturaland Trust / 88 acres / Greenville / $1,000,000

Altamont Pass preserves the largest remaining unprotected parcel adjacent to Paris Mountain State Park, preventing development on a vulnerable ridgeline and protecting wildlife corridors, scenic views, and heavily used public recreation space.

2. AM-PM Farm

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 419 acres / Laurens / $1,500,000

Focused on a direct-to-consumer model, this property acts as an agricultural hub supporting local agribusinesses and preserves farmland in a rapidly developing region.



Big Garvin Creek Farm

Image provided by Upstate Forever

3. Big Garvin Creek Farm

Upstate Forever / 253 acres / Anderson / $317,000

This property protects prime farmland adjacent to one of the largest agricultural research stations and strengthens a broader land conservation vision within a historic farming community.

4. Boones Creek Expansion

Naturaland Trust / 1 acre / Oconee / $20,000

The Boones Creek Expansion buffers a rare Oconee bell population and honors a grassroots conservation effort that protected a significant portion of the Jocassee–Keowee watershed.

5. Caesars Headwaters

Naturaland Trust / 26 acres / Greenville / $820,000

This project protects the pristine headwaters, springs, and seeps of the Middle Saluda River, safeguards rare Blue Ridge biodiversity and intact hardwood forest habitat, and preserves a critical scenic and ecological gateway along the escarpment near Caesars Head State Park.

6. Cedar Hill Farm

Spartanburg Area Conservancy / 313 acres / Spartanburg / $300,000

Cedar Hill Farm enhances water quality by buffering the Enoree River and protects wildlife habitat in a new conservation focus area.

7. Duck Creek - Saluda Bluffs

Naturaland Trust / 30 acres / Pickens / $400,000

Duck Creek adds to the 1,092-acre South Saluda WMA and protects nearly half a mile of scenic frontage along Highway 11.

8. Duck Haven

Upstate Forever / 147 acres / Pickens / $250,000

Situated on the Saluda River, Duck Haven provides essential habitat for tricolored bats and wintering waterfowl.



Echols Farm

Image provided by Upstate Forever

9. Echols Farm

Upstate Forever / 73 acres / Anderson / $175,000

Echols Farm protects water quality of Lake Hartwell and prime soils in a County designated agricultural district.

10. Frohlich Farm

Open Space Institute Land Trust, Inc. / 184 acres / Spartanburg / $3,465,000

Frohlich Farm creates a new passive park in Spartanburg County with trails, open fields, and creek access in an emerging recreation focused area along the Saluda Trail.



Keese Family Farm

Image provided by SC Farm Bureau Land Trust

11. Keese Family Farm

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 557 acres / Oconee / $812,000

This farm preserves scenic views along the Cherokee Foothills Scenic Highway and protects prime agricultural land in the Piedmont region.

12. Lemaster Grain and Cattle

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 379 acres / Cherokee / $860,000

This property safeguards significant creek frontage and active farmland within a historic agricultural community.

13. Little Rock Mountain

Naturaland Trust / 53 acres / Pickens / $256,400

Rising dramatically above Scenic Highway 11, this striking granite outcrop marks the final ridgeline before the Southern Blue Ridge Escarpment near the Jocassee Gorges Wilderness Area.

14. Long Branch Conservation

City of Greenville / 17 acres / Greenville / $100,000

This project is a critical step in a multi-phase effort to conserve additional acreage around Greenville's popular Unity Park to restore wetlands, enhance biodiversity, and provide additional low-impact public access opportunities.

15. Meadow Woods Farm

Spartanburg Area Conservancy / 124 acres / Union / $160,000

Meadow Woods Farm protects nearly one mile along the Tyger River, upland wildlife habitat, and scenic vistas from Hwy 49. This project also expands efforts to buffer the surrounding Sumter National Forest.

16. Moore Farm at Horsepen Creek

Upstate Forever / 111 acres / Greenville / $780,000

Moore Farm is one of the last remaining stretches of greenspace within the Town of Simpsonville and is expected to remain in agricultural use through a lease to next-generation farmers.

17. Ninety Six Creek

Upstate Forever / 69 acres / Greenwood / $78,000

This project supports sustainable timber production and protects unique waterfowl habitat in the Upstate, just four miles from the Ninety Six National Historic Site which played a critical role in the Revolutionary War.

18. Piedmont River Park

Naturaland Trust / 6 acres / Greenville / $33,000

This park is part of a broader conservation effort to create a public greenspace along the Saluda River in the historic mill community of Piedmont.



Pipsissewa Passage II

Image provided by Mac Stone/Naturaland Trust

19–20. Pipsissewa Passages

19. Pipsissewa Passage II / Naturaland Trust / 15 acres / Greenville / $350,000

20. Pipsissewa Passage III / Naturaland Trust / 8 acres / Greenville / $150,000

These projects expand Paris Mountain State Park, improving public access and protecting scenic vistas along State Park Road.

21. Reedy Cove at Twin Falls

Naturaland Trust / 3 acres / Pickens / $20,000

This acquisition enhances public access to Twin Falls, a well-known waterfall in the heart of the Eastatoee Valley.



RML Timber

Image provided by Upstate Forever

22. RML Timber

Upstate Forever / 1,219 acres / Laurens / $872,625

This highly productive working forestland near Sumter National Forest helps prevent forest fragmentation and protects high-quality soils.

23. Santuc Farm

Upstate Forever / 387 acres / Union / $340,800

Santuc Farm expands the Sumter National Forest focus area and preserves a highly productive working farm.

24. Sky Ranche

Naturaland Trust / 130 acres / Greenville / $1,105,000

Sky Ranche protects intact mountain forest and cold water headwater streams feeding the South Saluda River, and expands the footprint of conserved lands associated with the Mountain Bridge Wilderness corridor.

25. Stevenson Century Farm

Upstate Forever / 133 acres / Anderson, Oconee / $200,000

This Century Farm strengthens a critical agricultural corridor in a rapidly developing area, adds to nearby protected lands, and safeguards water quality on a tributary upstream of a vital drinking water source.

26. Table Rock State Park - Hutto Tract

SCPRT / 5 acres / Pickens / $78,000

This addition expands Table Rock State Park, preserves the scenic corridor along the Cherokee Foothills Scenic Highway, and protects the viewsheds of Lake Oolenoy and Carrick Creek.

27. Terry Creek Confluence

Naturaland Trust / 4 acres / Greenville / $30,000

This acquisition builds upon a larger conservation initiative in the North Saluda watershed to restore a degraded trout stream ecosystem.

28. Thomason Farm

Upstate Forever / 219 acres / Laurens / $378,000

This project protects a Century Farm with prime soils, anchoring the heritage of a historic agricultural community.

29. Tokeena Angus

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 99 acres / Oconee / $160,000

This project's connectivity to the Tokeena Angus Cattle Farm—listed on the National Register of Historic Places—and other conserved lands reinforces a historically vital agricultural corridor.

30. Wheeler Farm

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 887 acres / Cherokee / $744,000

This working farm protects prime soils and scenic vistas in South Carolina's rolling Piedmont region.

31. Whiten Farms

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 156 acres / Oconee / $375,000

This working farm builds upon the conservation footprint in the historic Oakaway agricultural community.

32. Back Swamp

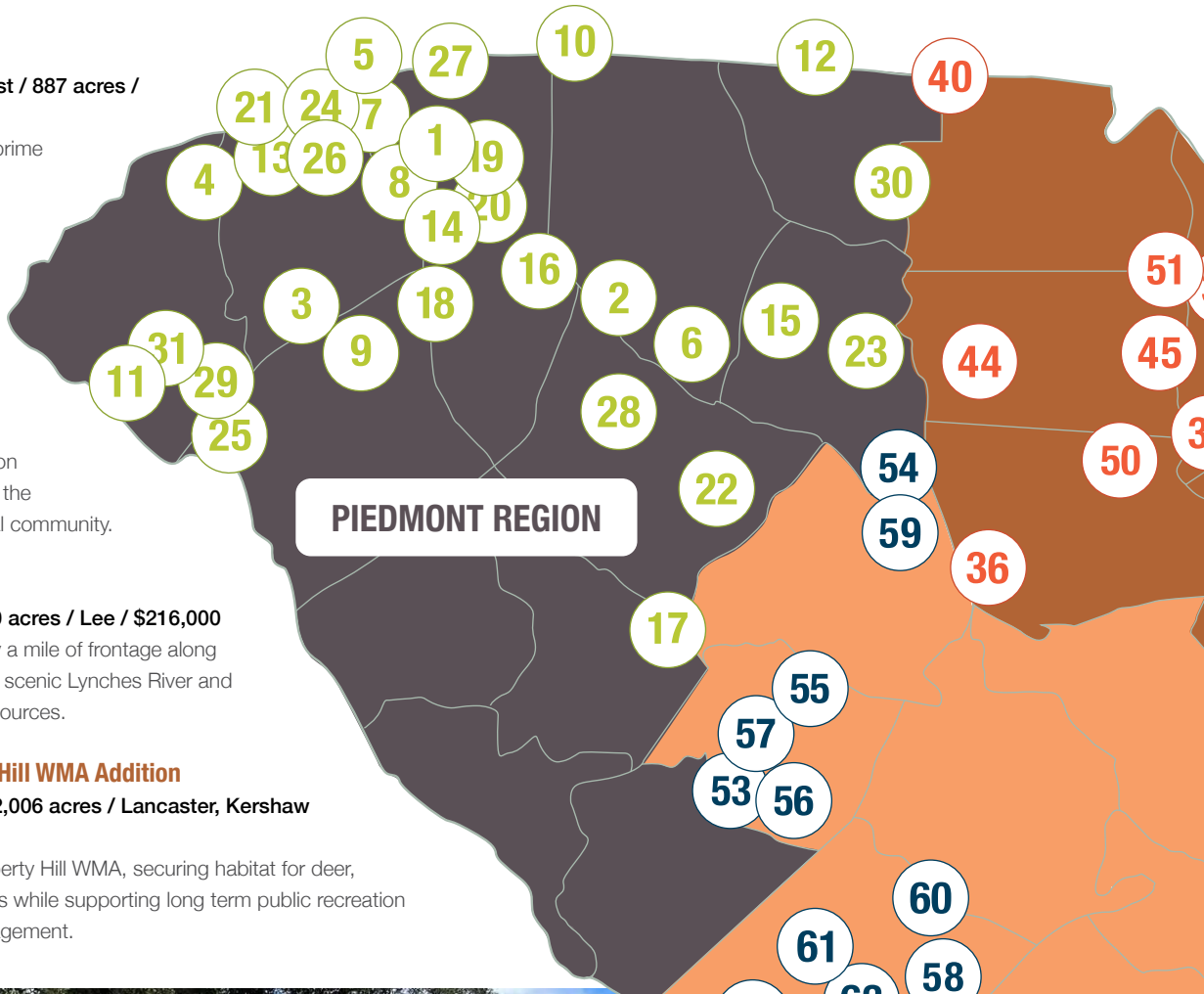
Congaree Land Trust / 420 acres / Lee / $216,000

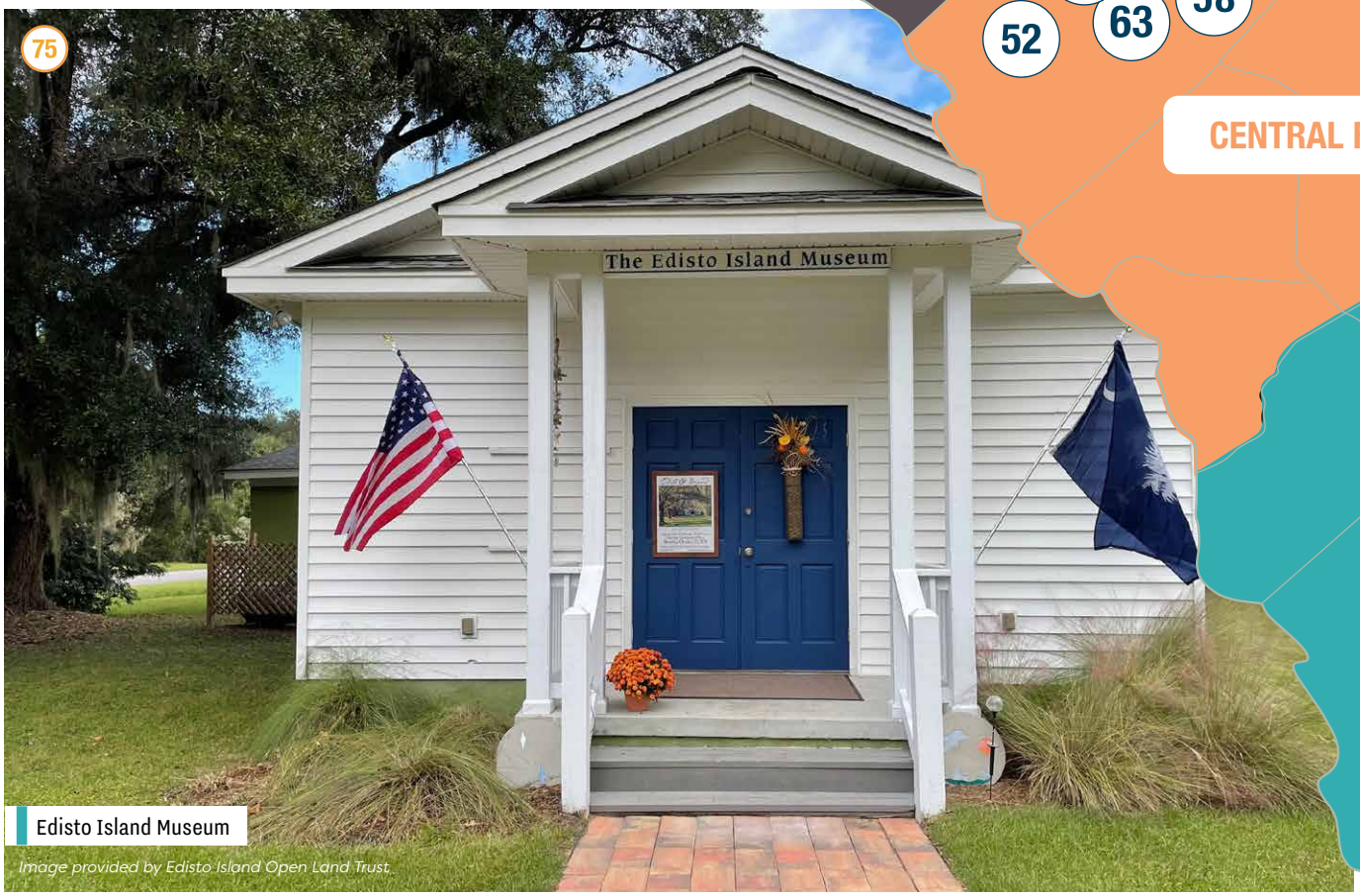
This property features nearly a mile of frontage along South Carolina's designated scenic Lynches River and protects valuable natural resources.

33. Blue Heron - Liberty Hill WMA Addition

The Conservation Fund / 2,006 acres / Lancaster, Kershaw / $6,566,000

This project expands the Liberty Hill WMA, securing habitat for deer, turkey, quail, and bald eagles while supporting long term public recreation and sustainable forest management.





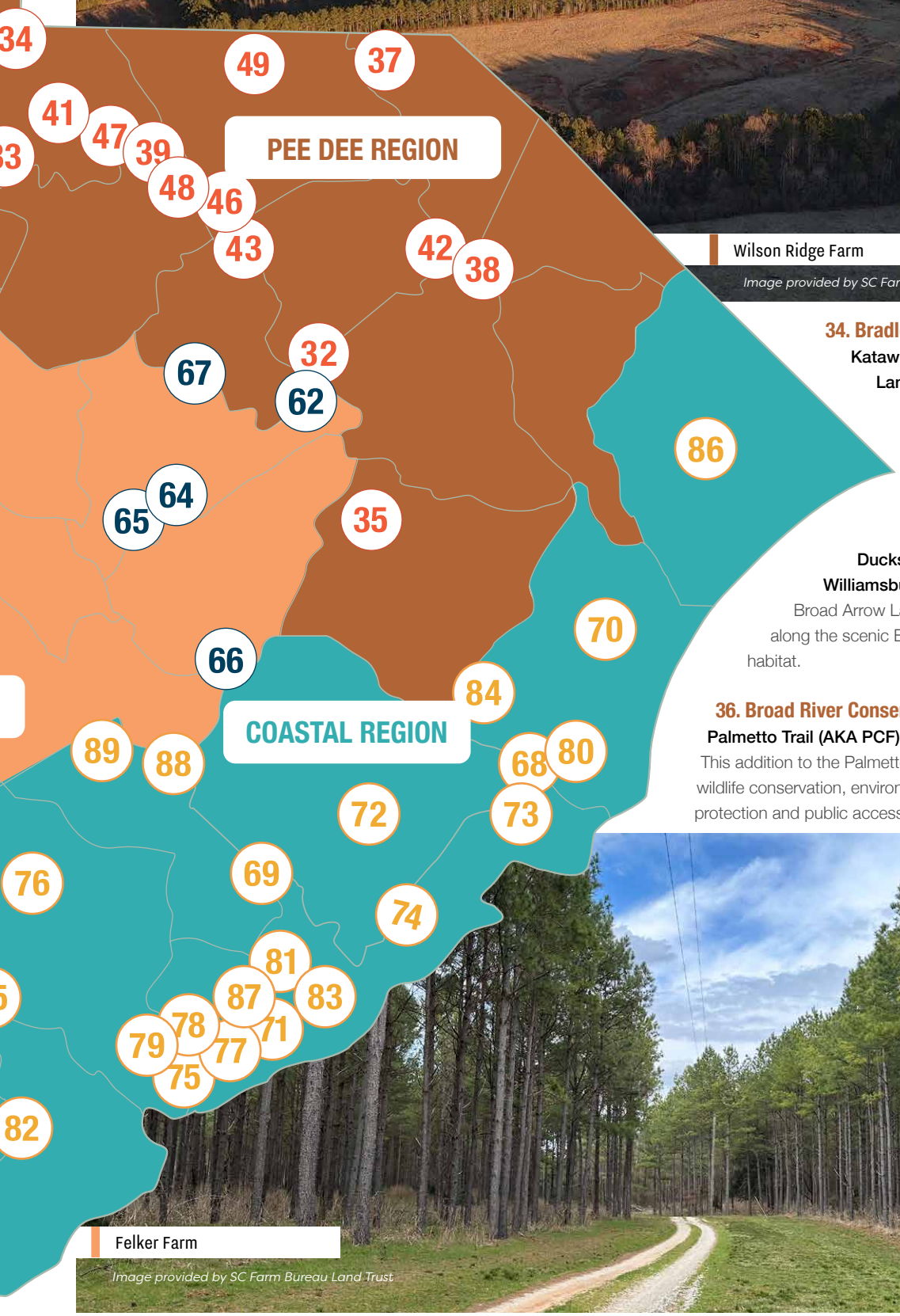
Edisto Island Museum

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Wilson Ridge Farm

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34. Bradley Property

Katawba Valley Land Trust / 43 acres / Lancaster / $91,200

The Bradley Property expands Lancaster's conservation corridor by protecting the riparian habitat and wetlands on Cane Creek.

35. Broad Arrow Landing

Ducks Unlimited / 904 acres / Williamsburg / $800,000

Broad Arrow Landing extends the protected corridor along the scenic Black River and conserves vital wildlife habitat.

36. Broad River Conservation @ Alston

Palmetto Trail (AKA PCF) / 109 acres / Fairfield / $725,000

This addition to the Palmetto Trail's Alston Trailhead supports wildlife conservation, environmental education, floodplain protection and public access along the Broad River.

Felker Farm

Image provided by SC Farm Bureau Land Trust



Cattails Tree Farm Extension

Image provided by Pee Dee Land Trust

37. Cattails Tree Farm Extension

Pee Dee Land Trust / 264 acres / Marlboro / $176,000

This property combines productive agricultural land and forested areas, offering over a mile of frontage along the Great Pee Dee River and enhancing connectivity to the surrounding conserved landscape.

38. Duck Ponds

Open Space Institute Land Trust, Inc. / 8,460 acres / Darlington, Florence / $16,000,000

Duck Ponds conserves over 8 miles of riverfront along the Great Pee Dee River and expands the Pee Dee focus area. It will also support ecological research in partnership with Francis Marion University's Freshwater Ecology Center.

39. Evergreen - Little Lynches River Tract

Pee Dee Land Trust / 151 acres / Kershaw / $138,450

Evergreen - Little Lynches River Tract and nearby Kirkwood Farm and Red Fern (see projects 47 & 48) are working lands that together build on the Little Lynches River Focus Area, helping to safeguard timber resources throughout the Midlands and protect vital wildlife habitat.

40. Forest View

Open Space Institute Land Trust, Inc. / 590 acres / York / $4,850,000

The acquisition of Forest View expands the historic landscape surrounding the Revolutionary War battlefield at Kings Mountain and will be made available to the public for outdoor recreation and education as an extension of Kings Mountain State Park.

41. Jamari at Hanging Rock

American Battlefield Trust / 160 acres / Lancaster / $522,500

The Jamari Tract protects core battlefield lands associated with the Revolutionary War Battle of Hanging Rock and will expand the South Carolina Liberty Trail for history-based tourism.

42. Jeffers Tract

Pee Dee Land Trust / 36 acres / Florence / $20,000

Rooted in the Back Swamp community's agricultural legacy dating back to the 1800s, this working timberland strengthens landscape-scale conservation by connecting to nearby protected properties.

43. KAFA Lynches River Tract

Congaree Land Trust / 130 acres / Lee / $35,250

This property improves water quality with frontage along the Lynches Scenic River and supports sustainable timber and wildlife management.

44. Keller Tracts

Congaree Land Trust / 272 acres / Chester / $129,100

This property adjoins existing protected land and lies within a wood basket region, contributing to the protection of vital timber resources and supporting the continuity of sustainable forestry practices.

45. Kidd Family Farm

Katawba Valley Land Trust / 296 acres / Chester / $264,100

This project protects working farmland and forest lands within the Rocky Creek watershed, a tributary of the Catawba River.

46. King Family Lynches Tract

Pee Dee Land Trust / 546 acres / Kershaw / $305,000

This project protects extensive river frontage at the confluence of the Lynches and Little Lynches Rivers, securing bottomland forest, productive soils, and a key link in a growing Pee Dee watershed conservation corridor.



Red Fern Farm

Image provided by Pee Dee Land Trust

47–48. Kirkwood Farm & Red Fern Farm

47. Kirkwood Farm / Pee Dee Land Trust / 373 acres / Kershaw / $264,618

48. Red Fern / Pee Dee Land Trust / 302 acres / Kershaw / $264,000

These projects, along with Evergreen-Little Lynches River Tract (see project 39) are working lands that together build on the Little Lynches River Focus Area, helping to safeguard timber resources throughout the Midlands and protect vital wildlife habitat.

49. Sellers Tract

Pee Dee Land Trust / 222 acres / Chesterfield / $20,500

This project protects a productive working forest in the heart of the Pee Dee region's timber economy.

50. Shelton Wood

Congaree Land Trust / 219 acres / Fairfield / $94,500

The Shelton Wood project safeguards diverse habitats, streams, and wildlife while ensuring long-term ecological stewardship in one of SC's primary timber markets.

51. Wilson Ridge Farm

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 424 acres / Chester / $640,000

This working farm contains prime farmland soils, well-managed pasture, timber and wildlife habitat and protects a significant rural viewshed along Hwy 21, making it an important landscape for long-term agricultural and ecological conservation.

52. Boyd Pond Park Addition

Aiken Land Conservancy / 25 acres / Aiken / $220,000

This project expands upon the popular Boyd Pond Park and conserves mature longleaf pine habitat, preserving remnants of the area's historic turpentine industry.



Eidson Family Timberland

Image provided by Upper Savannah Land Trust

53. Eidson Family Timberland

Upper Savannah Land Trust / 695 acres / Saluda / $175,000

This SC Century Farm, dating back to 1850, conserves a working timber property near the Sumter National Forest.

54. Felker Farm

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 248 acres / Newberry / $225,000

This property, adjacent to Sumter National Forest, protects prime soils and water quality along the Tyger River.

55. Flat Grove Farm

Upper Savannah Land Trust / 232 acres / Saluda / $223,500

Flat Grove Farm preserves a multigenerational family-owned agricultural property near Saluda that features prime farmland, headwater streams and the historic Bonham House.

56–57. Gillian Farms

Upper Savannah Land Trust

56. Bodie Rd / 171 acres / Saluda / $256,000

57. J. Paul Rd / 42 acres / Saluda / $95,000

These properties protect working farmland along the 'The Ridge' in Saluda County.

58. Keadle Bridge Addition

Aiken Land Conservancy / 431 acres / Aiken / $1,378,752

The Keadle Bridge Tract conserves bottomland hardwoods and Edisto River frontage, linking Aiken State Park to the Aiken Gopher Tortoise Heritage Preserve and protecting habitat for rare species.

59. Lever Farms

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 116 acres / Newberry / $187,500

Lever Farms is a century-old, family-run operation with high-quality soils and a diversified mix of produce, livestock, and agritourism uses that together support long-term agricultural viability and the preservation of working farmland.

60. Mayadinya-in-the-Pines CE

Aiken Land Conservancy / 76 acres / Aiken / $34,825

This upland sandhill habitat supports numerous state-listed species of concern and contributes to regional biodiversity.



McGovern Tract CE

Image provided by Aiken Land Conservancy

61. McGovern Tract CE

Aiken Land Conservancy / 21 acres / Aiken / $31,200

This tract protects mature longleaf pine habitat just outside downtown Aiken and includes the 1785 Dawson-Vanderhorst House, listed on the National Register of Historic Places and believed to be the oldest structure in the area.

62. Mims Farm

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 341 acres / Sumter / $475,000

Located less than a mile from I-95, Mims Farm preserves the scenic farmland and buffers Pudding Swamp, a tributary of the Black River.

63. The Pond CE

Aiken Land Conservancy / 30 acres / Aiken / $16,500

This property protects and enhances a remnant of declining longleaf pine sandhill ecosystem and a historic grist mill site where the waters of the impoundment flow through the dam.

64–65. Tindal Farm

64. Georges & Roberts / Lord Berkeley Conservation Trust / 165 acres / Clarendon, Sumter / $200,000

65. Mooneyham / Lord Berkeley Conservation Trust / 179 acres / Clarendon / $230,000

Tindal Farm conserves important agrictulural land and expands the protected landscape surrounding Manchester State Forest.

66. Walnut Grove Plantation

Lord Berkeley Conservation Trust / 779 acres / Orangeburg / $1,305,500

Once owned by General Francis Marion's nephew, this property borders the Santee Cooper Wildlife Management Area and plays a key role in safeguarding Lake Marion's water quality and colonial-era heritage.

67. Winkles Farm

SC Farm Bureau Land Trust / 330 acres / Sumter / $331,578

Winkles Farm conserves prime soils, 1.5 miles of streambank along Cowpen Swamp, and the rural scenic viewshed of Sumter County.

68. AC II

Lowcountry Land Trust / 1,129 acres / Charleston / $610,000

The AC II Tract protects high priority forested wetlands and upland forest in the Santee Basin, strengthening one of the largest undeveloped estuaries on the Atlantic Coast and safeguarding downstream water quality.

69. Ashley River - Barry Tract

Lowcountry Land Trust / 67 acres / Dorchester / $100,000

This project transforms a historic property within the Ashley River Historic District into a welcoming public park with scenic river access, enhancing wildlife habitat and cultural heritage through strong federal and local partnerships.

70. Beneventum

Pee Dee Land Trust / 190 acres / Georgetown / $342,000

This historic plantation protects a mile of scenic views along the Black River while preserving both cultural legacy and ecological integrity of the property.

71. Betsy Kerrison Nature Trail Phase V

Kiawah Island Conservancy / 11 acres / Charleston / $600,000

This addition connects and enhances the existing phases of the Betsy Kerrison Nature Trail while preserving the corridor's natural character and ecological value.

72. Blessing

Open Space Institute Land Trust, Inc. / 628 acres / Berkeley / $7,400,000

Dating back to 1682, this historic rice plantation will become a county park along the East Branch of the Cooper River, celebrating the area's cultural and ecological heritage.

73. Carolina Seafood Hwy 17

Lowcountry Land Trust / 15 acres / Charleston / $150,000

This community greenspace conserves the scenic entrance into the historic Town of McClellanville and helps achieve the multiphased initiative dedicated to ensuring a sustainable commercial seafood industry.

74. Coakley Chapel Park

Lowcountry Land Trust / 6 acres / Charleston / $300,000

This project permanently preserves historic Gullah Geechee cultural landmarks and creates a community-owned open space that safeguards water quality, biodiversity, and Hamlin Beach's enduring cultural heritage.

75. Edisto Island Museum

Edisto Island Open Land Trust / 10 acres / Charleston / $40,000

This property protects views along the Edisto Island National Scenic Byway and enhances access to the Museum, which highlights the Island's rich history.

76. H & H Farm

Open Land Trust / 534 acres / Colleton / $444,000

H & H Farm contributes to longleaf pine restoration and protects critical wildlife habitat within the ACE Basin.

77. Historic Store Creek Corner

Edisto Island Open Land Trust / 3 acres / Charleston / $590,000

Historic Store Creek Corner will create a future community park along the National Scenic Byway on Edisto Island, featuring historic structures, a public dock on Store Creek, and open space for outdoor recreation.

78–79. Maxcy Farm

Edisto Island Open Land Trust

78. Conservation Easement / 48 acres / Charleston / $185,000

79. Nature Preserve / 52 acres / Charleston / $400,000

As part of the broader 100-acre conservation initiative, these projects will establish a new community park and preserve significant frontage along the Edisto Island National Scenic Byway.

80. Montgomery Tract

Lowcountry Land Trust / 312 acres / Charleston / $302,000

The Montgomery Tract safeguards forested wetlands and upland forest in the Santee Basin, reinforcing a vast network of protected lands and protecting water quality flowing to the South Santee River.



Newground

Image provided by Lowcountry Land Trust

81. Newground

Lowcountry Land Trust / 58 acres / Charleston / $180,000

This working farm is located on Wadmalaw Island, where it provides scenic vistas and anchors the southern corner of Charleston's urban growth boundary.

82. North Widgeon

Open Land Trust / 9 acres / Beaufort / $250,000

This property adjoins the Widgeon Point County Park, preserving scenic views along the Broad River and protecting wildlife habitat within the Lemon Island corridor.

83. Oscar's Place

Lowcountry Land Trust / 50 acres / Charleston / $80,000

This property conserves vital natural resources and scenic views along the entrance of a rural sea island that's facing intense development pressure, while enhancing ecological connectivity to nearby protected lands.

84. Pee Dee Basin RMS Initiative

SC Forestry Commission / 900 acres / Georgetown / $3,300,000

This property is the cornerstone of the 62,220-acre conservation initiative aimed at safeguarding South Carolina's forest industry within the designated Northern Coastal Forest Landscape Planning (FLP) Focus Area; its integration into Wee Tee State Forest will expand public access while protecting timber resources, wildlife habitat, and cultural heritage.



Pocotaligo Station (Buckfield)

Image provided by Open Space Institute Land Trust, Inc.

85. Pocotaligo Station (Buckfield)

Open Space Institute Land Trust, Inc. / 1,742 acres / Beaufort / $4,597,600

This project establishes a new state forest, enhancing and linking nearly 3,000 acres of existing public lands within the Port Royal Sound Watershed.

86. River Oaks

Open Space Institute Land Trust, Inc. / 699 acres / Horry / $950,000

River Oaks protects an ecologically rich stretch of the Waccamaw River and expands the Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve. The property supports habitat for wood storks, sturgeon, and more than 150 species of conservation concern, strengthening one of the most biologically diverse river corridors in the Southeast.



The Freeman-Anderson CE

Image provided by Kiawah Island Conservancy

87. The Freeman-Anderson CE

Kiawah Island Conservancy / 5 acres / Charleston / $25,000

The Sarah Lee Freeman-Anderson Biodiversity and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Easement provides vital wildlife habitat, protects water quality within a high-priority conservation corridor, and preserves long-standing generational land with deep historical significance.

88. The Knight Tract

Lowcountry Land Trust / 266 acres / Dorchester / $800,000

The Knight Tract will become a new county park that safeguards the headwaters of the Ashley River, with over a mile of frontage along Coldwater Branch, and extends the neighboring 15,000-acre conservation corridor.

89. Utsey Tract

Lowcountry Land Trust / 297 acres / Dorchester / $500,000

The Utsey Tract, located in the ACE Basin near St. George, permanently protects working forestland, productive farmland soils, and wetlands, while supporting regional connectivity, scenic views, and downstream water quality.

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COST INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN PUBLICATIONS; EXCEPTIONS.

(A) All agencies using appropriated funds shall print on the last page of all bound publications the following information:

(1) total printing cost: $3,282

(2) total number of documents printed: 500

(3) cost per unit: $6.56

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