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Western New York Land Conservancy Announces Black Creek-Angelica Creek Land Protection Program

The Western New York Land Conservancy is pleased to announce a program to protect forests, fields, and farms in the towns of Allen, Angelica, Birdsall, Grove, and West Almond.

Portions of these towns fall within the Black Creek/Angelica Creek watershed, which provides drinking water for residents in these towns and the Village of Angelica. Black and Angelica creeks also flow all the way to Lake Ontario and are part of the Great Lakes system.

“Allegany County is beautiful,” says Marcus Rosten, the WNY Wildway Director of the Land Conservancy, “and its large intact forests provide space for outdoor recreation as well as wildlife. We want to help interested landowners conserve the rural character of the county by protecting water resources and forests that offer tangible benefits to all residents.”

The Land Conservancy works with landowners in two ways. They may obtain (through sale or donation) the development rights of a property from a landowner—called a conservation easement. The landowners still own and use the property, and when the landowner sells the property or passes it on, the easement remains and protects the property. Alternatively, landowners can sell or donate their land to the Land Conservancy to keep it permanently protected as a nature preserve.

The Land Conservancy is asking interested parties who own land in these five communities to contact Marcus Rosten at mrosten@wnylc.org or via telephone: (716) 687-1225 ext. 118.

Participation in this program is completely voluntary. For more information about the Land Conservancy, visit wnylc.org.

The Western New York Land Conservancy is a regional, non-profit land trust that has protected more than 7,500 acres of land with significant conservation value in our region. We envision a future in which forests, farms, meadows, and waterways are connected, cherished, and protected in Western New York. We are accredited by the Land Trust Accreditation Commission. To learn more about our mission and vision, and to read our land acknowledgement, visit wnylc.org.

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