

Open Space Criteria Assessment

Relative Values

Farmland Preservation

Actively farmed and adjacent to protected farmland	35
Actively farmed end adjacent to an active farm (but not a protected farm)	30
Actively farmed and not adjacent to an active farm, or not actively farmed but adjacent to protected farm, and soil is agriculture class 1, 2, 3 or 4	25
Not actively farmed but adjacent to active farm; soil is agriculture class 1, 2, 3 or 4	20
Not actively farmed and not adjacent to active farm; soil is agriculture class 1, 2, 3 or 4	20

Watershed Protection

Property Includes:

Wetlands	15
Stream	15
Steep slopes (>15% slope)	10
Flood plain	10
Forest (as watershed protection)	10
Erodable soil (>5%, <15% slope)	5
Severe limitation for septic system (unless sewer service is available to property)	5
Property is within 300 feet of wetlands or stream (buffer)	15

Linkage to Other Available Public Open Space

Adjacent to existing available public Open Space, or could have an active linkage (i.e. conservation easement or trail)	35
Within 300 feet of existing Open Space	15
Within 500 feet of existing Open Space	5

Ecologically Significant Habitat

Habitat for breeding, feeding or wintering area for species of concern present on property	10
Criteria not present on property but on an adjacent property	5

Viewshed

Has public access and provide, a significant view from property	10
Property is part of a significant viewshed	5

Historic Significance

Property include structures of historical significance	15
Property located adjacent to criterion	5

Pursuant to the EAC Open Space Criteria Process

Other Factors to Consider:

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| 1) Economic: acquisition of conservation easement or restriction on future development
below or at market value - | YES <input type="checkbox"/> /NO <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2) Accessibility by roadway - | YES <input type="checkbox"/> /NO <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3) Barrier potential - | YES <input type="checkbox"/> /NO <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4) Suitability for recreation (active/passive) - | YES <input type="checkbox"/> /NO <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5) Availability of additional state and county funds - | YES <input type="checkbox"/> /NO <input type="checkbox"/> |