

Conservation Stewardship Collaborative Project Summary

Project Title: Legislative & Policy Initiatives in Support of Land Conservation and Stewardship

Goal: Ensure that the conservation community has a presence and voice in the State House and influences legislation and policy discussions to support land conservation and stewardship of protected lands in RI.

Brief Description: The Rhode Island Land Trust Council (RILTC) represents the conservation community on state policy and legislative matters passing through the State House that impact land conservation. This covers a variety of issues and includes bond funding and legislation to promote new acquisitions as well as legislation and policies to promote sound stewardship of protected lands and to ensure that they remain protected. This CSC project provided funding to maintain active vigilance in the State House to ensure that the interests of the conservation community were represented and that the network of conserved lands was protected from legislative activities that would compromise their conservation values.

Deliverables: The annual report for this project can be reviewed at <http://www.ricsc.org/Projects/2009/Summary.htm>

Project Status: The project was completed in 2009.

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