I’m honored to work with the commissioners and staff who give so much of their time to the land trust accreditation program, and with the land trusts who commit to meeting rigorous quality standards. It’s especially gratifying to hear from people like Virginia Logan, executive director of the Brandywine Conservancy & Museum of Art in Pennsylvania (renewed 2014): “Accreditation is an important touchstone for the land trust community. In establishing the highest standards and practices that best accomplish our shared conservation goals, we have also created an important symbol that assures the public of the integrity of our actions.” Well said: excellence, trust and permanence in a nutshell.

Tammara Van Ryn
Executive Director
After we were accredited I heard from several board members that making ACCREDITATION ANNOUNCEMENT and thank-you calls to donors gave them more pleasure than almost any other task they’ve been assigned. Each and EVERY DONOR WAS TRULY EXCITED about our accomplishment. On two specific calls, the donors said they were right in the midst of making decisions about year-end giving and indicated they would be INCREASING THEIR GIFTS because of the news."

—GAIL PRESLEY, Executive Director, Georges River Land Trust, ME (accredited 2014)
About the Commissioners

Nineteen commissioners and one commissioner-designate volunteer their time to govern the Commission and review applications. They come from diverse backgrounds and have extensive experience in land conservation; all agree it is a great opportunity to work with a dedicated group of conservation leaders on an effective and important program. Interested in learning more about becoming a commissioner? See www.landtrustaccreditation.org/about/commissioners.

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* Commissioner Lucinda “Cindy” Hunt-Stowell passed away in July 2014. A founding member of the Commission, Cindy was a champion of accreditation and land trusts and will be remembered for her passion and wisdom.
Thank You!

The Commission thanks the Land Trust Alliance for its support of the accreditation program through the Berkley Endowment and Together: A Campaign for the Land, as well as financial and administrative support to the Commission and assistance to land trusts preparing for accreditation. We also appreciate the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation for its support of the accreditation program.

This work would not be possible without the dedication of the commissioners, staff and the land trusts that have made the commitment to accreditation. Thank you to everyone who is part of this program.

For more information, including the complete list of accredited land trusts, see www.landtrustaccreditation.org/about.

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2014 Financial Snapshot

For a copy of our complete financials, please contact info@landtrustaccreditation.org.

### REVENUE

- Program Service Revenue: $506,589
- Contributions and Grants: $242,500
- Investment Income: $358 (not depicted)

### EXPENSES

- Program: $707,024
- Management and General: $82,081