

Summary of ACE Conservation Efforts

Funding, Costs and Grants since 2000:

ACE appropriations:	\$ 11,667,243
<i>(does not include FY15 appropriation of \$520,759)</i>	
Easement acquisition costs (what we paid):	\$ 11,743,390
<u>Closing costs (appraisals, title insurance etc.):</u>	<u>\$ 218,883</u>
Net easement acquisition costs:	\$ 11,962,273 (\$1,406/acre)
Grants:	\$ 2,210,855 (VOF, OFP, VLCF)
Donations:	\$ 22,500 (PEC)
<u>Income adjustment (from income grid):</u>	<u>\$ 832,256</u>
Totals Savings:	\$ 3,065,611 (26% of easement cost)

Total easement cost (before grants, donations & adjusted values): \$15,027,884 (\$1,766/acre)

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- 106 applicants
- acquired easements on 44 properties
- protected 8,508 acres
- protected over 4,000 acres of “prime” farm and forestland
- protected lands with over 35,000 feet along state roads
- protected lands with over 21,000 feet along a scenic highway or entrance corridor
- protected nearly 1,000 acres of mountaintop
- protected over 90,000 linear feet of streamside with buffers
- eliminated 484 development lots
- 29/44 properties have “tourism” value
- 11/44 properties in a Rural Historic Districts
- 26/44 properties adjoin permanently protected land
- 16/44 lie in the watershed of a drinking supply reservoir
- 33/44 are working family farms
- 26/44 were paid 100% of easement value; 36/44 were paid at least 94% of easement value

Notes:

VOF = Virginia Outdoors Foundation

OFP = Office of Farmland Preservation

VLCF = Virginia land Conservation Foundation

PEC = Piedmont Environmental Council