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Form **990-PF**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Private Foundation

or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust Treated as a Private Foundation

Note. The foundation may be able to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

OMB No 1545-0052

2012

Open to Public Inspection

For calendar year 2012, or tax year beginning 01-01-2012 , and ending 12-31-2012

Name of foundation
COASTAL LAND TRUST INC

A Employer identification number
63-0849774

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address)
6 SOUTH SUMMIT STREET NO 18

Room/suite

B Telephone number (see instructions)
(251) 928-1655

City or town, state, and ZIP code
FAIRHOPE, AL 36532

C If exemption application is pending, check here ▶ ☐

G Check all that apply ☐ Initial return ☐ Initial return of a former public charity ☐ Final return ☐ Amended return ☐ Address change ☐ Name change

D 1. Foreign organizations, check here ▶ ☐
2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation ▶ ☐

H Check type of organization ☑ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust ☐ Other taxable private foundation

E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here ▶ ☐

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year *(from Part II, col. (c), line 16)* ▶$ 6,512,928

J Accounting method ☑ Cash ☐ Accrual ☐ Other (specify) _
(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis.)

F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here ▶ ☐

Part I **Analysis of Revenue and Expenses** *(The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))*

			(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, etc , received (attach schedule)	2,800			
	2	Check ▶ ☑ if the foundation is **not** required to attach Sch B				
	3	Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	6,503	6,503		
	4	Dividends and interest from securities				
	5a	Gross rents				
	b	Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a	Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	7,712			
	b	Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a 7,712				
	7	Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		7,712		
	8	Net short-term capital gain				
	9	Income modifications				
	10a	Gross sales less returns and allowances				
	b	Less Cost of goods sold				
	c	Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
	11	Other income (attach schedule)	6,237	6,237		
	12	**Total.** Add lines 1 through 11	23,252	20,452		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13	Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	0	0		0
	14	Other employee salaries and wages				
	15	Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16a	Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b	Accounting fees (attach schedule)	10,415	10,415		0
	c	Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17	Interest				
	18	Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	6,324	798		5,526
	19	Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion	12,032	12,032		
	20	Occupancy				
	21	Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22	Printing and publications				
	23	Other expenses (attach schedule)	104,495	28,284		76,211
	24	**Total operating and administrative expenses.** Add lines 13 through 23	133,266	51,529		81,737
	25	Contributions, gifts, grants paid	6,800			6,800
	26	**Total expenses and disbursements.** Add lines 24 and 25	140,066	51,529		88,537
	27	Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a	**Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements**	-116,814			
	b	**Net investment income** (if negative, enter -0-)		0		
	c	**Adjusted net income** (if negative, enter -0-)				

Part II **Balance Sheets** Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)

		Beginning of year (a) Book Value	End of year (b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value
Assets				
1	Cash—non-interest-bearing			
2	Savings and temporary cash investments	1,034,770	904,035	904,035
3	Accounts receivable ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
4	Pledges receivable ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
5	Grants receivable			
6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see page 15 of the instructions)			
7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ 8,620 Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ 0	6,000	8,620	8,620
8	Inventories for sale or use			
9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
10a	Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)			
c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
12	Investments—mortgage loans			
13	Investments—other (attach schedule)	280,938	125,000	125,000
14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ 513,643 Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ 172,083	353,592	341,560	341,560
15	Other assets (describe ▶)	5,139,273	5,133,713	5,133,713
16	**Total assets** (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	6,814,573	6,512,928	6,512,928
Liabilities				
17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
18	Grants payable			
19	Deferred revenue			
20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
22	Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
23	**Total liabilities** (add lines 17 through 22)	0	0	
Net Assets or Fund Balances				
	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☐ **and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.**			
24	Unrestricted			
25	Temporarily restricted			
26	Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ ☑ **and complete lines 27 through 31.**			
27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	6,553,847	6,553,847	
28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg , and equipment fund	0	0	
29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	260,726	-40,919	
30	**Total net assets or fund balances** (see page 17 of the instructions)	6,814,573	6,512,928	
31	**Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances** (see page 17 of the instructions)	6,814,573	6,512,928	

Part III **Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances**

1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	6,814,573
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-116,814
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3	0
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	6,697,759
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5	184,831
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30	6	6,512,928

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

	(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e g , real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)	(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo , day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo , day, yr)
1 a	SALE OF TIMBER	P		
b				
c				
d				
e				

	(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a	7,712			7,712
b				
c				
d				
e				

	Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) **or** Losses (from col (h))
	(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
a				7,712
b				
c				
d				
e				

2	Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7	2	7,712
3	Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		3	

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? ☐ Yes ☑ No
If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see page 18 of the instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2011	131,473	1,011,598	0 129966
2010	108,344	890,039	0 121729
2009	88,774	1,276,744	0 069532
2008	103,550	1,164,557	0 088918
2007	100,498	961,783	0 104491

2	**Total** of line 1, column (d).	2	0 514636
3	Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	0 102927
4	Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2012 from Part X, line 5.	4	1,090,188
5	Multiply line 4 by line 3.	5	112,210
6	Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).	6	0
7	Add lines 5 and 6.	7	112,210
8	Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4.	8	88,537

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See the Part VI instructions

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948—see page 18 of the instructions)

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ▶ ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1 Date of ruling or determination letter ____________ **(attach copy of letter if necessary–see instructions)**		
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ▶ ☐ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1	0
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)	2	0
3	Add lines 1 and 2	3	0
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)	4	0
5	**Tax based on investment income.** Subtract line 4 from line 3 If zero or less, enter -0-	5	0
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2012 estimated tax payments and 2011 overpayment credited to 2012 — 6a		
b	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source — 6b		
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868) — 6c		
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld — 6d		
7	Total credits and payments Add lines 6a through 6d	7	0
8	Enter any **penalty** for underpayment of estimated tax Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8	
9	**Tax due.** If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter **amount owed** ▶	9	0
10	**Overpayment.** If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the **amount overpaid** ▶	10	
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be **Credited to 2013 estimated tax** ▶	**Refunded** ▶	11	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

			Yes	No
1a	During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?	1a	Yes	
b	Did it spend more than $100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see page 19 of the instructions for definition)?	1b	Yes	
	*If the answer is "Yes" to **1a** or **1b**, attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities.*			
c	Did the foundation file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?	1c		No
d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year **(1)** On the foundation ▶ $ 0 **(2)** On foundation managers ▶ $ 0			
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ▶ $ 0			
2	Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? *If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities.*	2		No
3	Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? *If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes*	3		No
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year?	4a		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on **Form 990-T** for this year?	4b		
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? *If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T.*	5		No
6	Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	6		No
7	Did the foundation have at least $5,000 in assets at any time during the year? *If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV*	7	Yes	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ▶ AL			
b	If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? *If "No," attach explanation*	8b	Yes	
9	Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2012 or the taxable year beginning in 2012 (see instructions for Part XIV)? *If "Yes," complete Part XIV*	9		No
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? *If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses*	10		No

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities *(continued)*

			Yes	No
11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions)	11		No
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		No
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application?	13	Yes	

Website address ▶N/A

14 The books are in care of ▶ARTHUR C TONSMEIRE III Telephone no ▶(251) 928-1655

Located at ▶6 SOUTH SUMMIT STREET FAIRHOPE AL ZIP +4 ▶36532

15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of **Form 1041** —Check here ▶ ☐

and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year ▶ | 15 |

			Yes	No
16	At any time during calendar year 2012, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country?	16		No

See instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22 1 If "Yes", enter the name of the foreign country ▶

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

			Yes	No
1a	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)			
	(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (**Exception.** Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days) ☐ Yes ☑ No			
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did **any** of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53 4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 20 of the instructions)?	1b		
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ▶ ☐			
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2012?	1c		No
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))			
a	At the end of tax year 2012, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2012? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
	If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is **not** applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to **all** years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions)	2b		
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to **any** of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2012 as a result of **(1)** any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, **(2)** the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or **(3)** the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? *(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2012.)*	3b		
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a		No
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2012?	4b		No

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required *(continued)*

			Yes	No
5a	During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to			
	(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc , organization described in section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3), or section 4940(d)(2)? (see instructions) ☐ Yes ☑ No			
	(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did **any** of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53 4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)?	**5b**		
	Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here ▶ ☐			
c	If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? ☐ Yes ☐ No			
	If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d).			
6a	Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
b	Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	**6b**		No
	If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870.			
7a	At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? ☐ Yes ☑ No			
b	If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction?	**7b**		

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).

(a) Name and address	**(b)** Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	**(c)** Compensation **(If not paid, enter -0-)**	**(d)** Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	**(e)** Expense account, other allowances
See Additional Data Table				

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than $50,000	**(b)** Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	**(c)** Compensation	**(d)** Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	**(e)** Expense account, other allowances
NONE				

Total number of other employees paid over $50,000 ▶ 0

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors *(continued)*

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE".

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than $50,000	**(b)** Type of service	**(c)** Compensation
NONE		
Total number of others receiving over $50,000 for professional services. . . . . ▶		0

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc	Expenses
1 ALL ACTIVITIES ARE RELATED TO THE BASIC PURPOSE OF CONSERVING OUR NATURAL LAND AREAS AND WILDLIFE	0
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1 N/A	0
2	
All other program-related investments See page 24 of the instructions	
3	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3. . . . . ▶	0

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities.	1a	0
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	973,170
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	133,620
d	**Total** (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	1,106,790
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation). — 1e: 0		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	2	0
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	1,106,790
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	16,602
5	**Net value of noncharitable-use assets.** Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	1,090,188
6	**Minimum investment return.** Enter 5% of line 5.	6	54,509

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ▶ ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6.	1	54,509
2a	Tax on investment income for 2012 from Part VI, line 5. — 2a		
b	Income tax for 2012 (This does not include the tax from Part VI). — 2b		
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	0
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	54,509
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	0
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	54,509
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).	6	0
7	**Distributable amount** as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	54,509

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc , purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc —total from Part I, column (d), line 26.	1a	88,537
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	0
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc , purposes.	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	
4	**Qualifying distributions.** Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	88,537
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions).	5	0
6	**Adjusted qualifying distributions.** Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	88,537

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2011	(c) 2011	(d) 2012
1 Distributable amount for 2012 from Part XI, line 7				54,509
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2012				
a Enter amount for 2011 only.			0	
b Total for prior years 20___ , 20___ , 20___		0		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2012				
a From 2007. 52,430				
b From 2008. 45,720				
c From 2009. 24,937				
d From 2010. 63,842				
e From 2011. 83,641				
f **Total** of lines 3a through e.	270,570			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2012 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ $ 88,537				
a Applied to 2011, but not more than line 2a			0	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions).		0		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions).	0			
d Applied to 2012 distributable amount.				54,509
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	34,028			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2012 *(If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a).)*	0			0
6 **Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:**				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	304,598			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.		0		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount —see instructions		0		
e Undistributed income for 2011 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions			0	
f Undistributed income for 2012 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2013				0
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see instructions)	0			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2007 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions) . . .	52,430			
9 **Excess distributions carryover to 2013.** Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	252,168			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2008. . . . 45,720				
b Excess from 2009. . . . 24,937				
c Excess from 2010. . . . 63,842				
d Excess from 2011. . . . 83,641				
e Excess from 2012. . . . 34,028				

Part XIV **Private Operating Foundations** (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2012, enter the date of the ruling. . . . . . . ▶

b Check box to indicate whether the organization is a private operating foundation described in section ☐ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2012	**(b)** 2011	**(c)** 2010	**(d)** 2009	
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed					
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed					
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c					
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a "Assets" alternative test—enter **(1)** Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b "Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed					
c "Support" alternative test—enter **(1)** Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

Part XV **Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the organization had $5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see instructions.)**

1 **Information Regarding Foundation Managers:**

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than $5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))

b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest

2 **Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:**

Check here ▶☐ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

a The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail of the person to whom applications should be addressed

ARTHUR C TONSEMIRE III
6 SOUTH SUMMIT STREET
FAIRHOPE, AL 36532
(251) 928-1655

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

LETTER FORM WITH COPY OF TAX EXEMPT STATUS APPROVAL

c Any submission deadlines

NONE

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

MUST BE RELATED TO NATURAL RESOURCES

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a *Paid during the year*				
DOWNTOWN MOBILE ALLIANCE 261 DAUPHIN STREET MOBILE, AL 36602	N/A	501(C)(3) NONPROFIT	DONATION TO THE STORM DRAIN MARKER PROGRAM FOR DOWNTOWN MOBILE	2,000
WEEKS BAY FOUNDATION 11401 US HIGHWAY 98 FAIRHOPE, AL 36532	N/A	501(C)(3) NONPROFIT	SPONSOR OF FUNDRAISING EVENT	4,800
Total . . . . ▶ **3a**				6,800
b *Approved for future payment*				
Total . . . . ▶ **3b**				0

Part XVI-A Analysis of Income-Producing Activities

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated	Unrelated business income (a) Business code	Unrelated business income (b) Amount	Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514 (c) Exclusion code	Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514 (d) Amount	(e) Related or exempt function income (See instructions)
1 Program service revenue					
a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
f					
g Fees and contracts from government agencies					
2 Membership dues and assessments. . . .					
3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments			14	6,503	
4 Dividends and interest from securities. . . .					
5 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate					
a Debt-financed property.					
b Not debt-financed property.					
6 Net rental income or (loss) from personal property					
7 Other investment income.			16	6,237	
8 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					7,712
9 Net income or (loss) from special events					
10 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory. .					
11 Other revenue a					
b					
c					
d					
e					
12 Subtotal Add columns (b), (d), and (e). .		0		12,740	7,712

13 **Total.** Add line 12, columns (b), (d), and (e). 13 20,452

(See worksheet in line 13 instructions to verify calculations)

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

Line No. ▼	Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes) (See instructions)
8	THIS EXEMPT PRIVATE FOUNDATION WAS ESTABLISHED FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONSERVING OUR NATURAL LAND AREAS AND WILD LIFE ALL ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION ARE RELATED TO THIS PURPOSE

Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

			Yes	No
1	Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?			
a	Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of			
	(1) Cash.	1a(1)		No
	(2) Other assets.	1a(2)		No
b	Other transactions			
	(1) Sales of assets to a noncharitable exempt organization.	1b(1)		No
	(2) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization.	1b(2)		No
	(3) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets.	1b(3)		No
	(4) Reimbursement arrangements.	1b(4)		No
	(5) Loans or loan guarantees.	1b(5)		No
	(6) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations.	1b(6)		No
c	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees.	1c		No

d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule Column **(b)** should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting foundation If the foundation received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column **(d)** the value of the goods, other assets, or services received

(a) Line No	(b) Amount involved	(c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization	(d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements

2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527?. ☐ Yes ☑ No

b If "Yes," complete the following schedule

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

Sign Here

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer or fiduciary) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

******	2013-07-29	******
Signature of officer or trustee	Date	Title

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below (see instr)? ☑ Yes ☐ No

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Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's Signature	Date	Check if self-employed ☐	PTIN
LOUIS G RUSSELL	LOUIS G RUSSELL			P00474055

Firm's name	RUSSELL THOMPSON BUTLER & HOUSTON LLP	Firm's EIN 63-0965059
	PO BOX 70106	
Firm's address	MOBILE, AL 36670	Phone no (251)473-5550

Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation

(a) Name and address	**(b)** Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	**(c)** Compensation **(If not paid, enter -0-)**	**(d)** Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	**(e)** Expense account, other allowances
ARTHUR C TONSMEIRE III 6 SOUTH SUMMIT STREET FAIRHOPE, AL 36532	DIRECTOR 2 00	0	0	0
FRED T STIMPSON 15 HILLWOOD DRIVE MOBILE, AL 36608	DIRECTOR 0 50	0	0	0
WINTHROP M HALLETT 475 PINE CT MOBILE, AL 36608	DIRECTOR 0 50	0	0	0
ARTHUR C DYAS 182 ST FRANCIS STREET MOBILE, AL 36602	DIRECTOR 1 00	0	0	0
DAVID E MORINE 9314 GEORGETOWN PIKE GREAT FALLS, VA 22066	DIRECTOR 0 00	0	0	0

TY 2012 Accounting Fees Schedule

Name: COASTAL LAND TRUST INC

EIN: 63-0849774

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
ACCOUNTING FEES	10,415	10,415		0

TY 2012 ExplanOfLegisPoliticalActvts

Name: COASTAL LAND TRUST INC

EIN: 63-0849774

Explanation: EXPLANATION OF CONTRIBUTION TO POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEETHE FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTED $25,000 TO "ALABAMIANS FOR FOREVER WILD INC" (PAC). THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXPLANATION FOR THE EXPENDITURE:COSTAL LAND TRUST, INC. (THE TRUST) WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1983 TO PRESERVE OR AID IN THE PRESERVATION OF ALL TYPES OF WILD NATURE, TO ESTABLISH NATURE PRESERVES, AND TO PROMOTE CONSERVATION AND PROPER USE OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES, ETC. THE TRUST HAS NEVER BEFORE BEEN INVOLVED IN ANY TYPE OF POLITICAL ACTIVITIES AND PROBABLY WILL NEVER DO SO AGAIN.FOREVER WILD LAND TRUST WAS CREATED IN 1992 BY AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA. IT WAS CREATED TO SERVE AS A TOOL FOR ALABAMA'S CONSERVATION EFFORTS. THE AMENDMENT PROVIDED FOR A DEDICATED AND STEADY SOURCE OF FUNDING FROM THE ALABAMA TRUST FUND FOR A PERIOD OF 20 YEARS - FROM 1992 TO 2012. THE POPULAR LAND CONSERVATION PROGRAM WAS PUT BEFORE ALABAMA VOTERS ON NOVEMBER 6, 2012 FOR RENEWAL FOR ANOTHER 20 YEARS.THE "ALABAMIAN'S FOR FOREVER WILD, INC." WAS ESTABLISHED AS AN AWARENESS CAMPAIGN TO ALERT ALABAMAINS ABOUT THE NATURE OF "AMENDMENT NO. 1" IN THE NOVEMBER 6, 2012 ELECTION AND TO URGE SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENT. THE FEAR WAS THAT VOTERS WOULD NOT KNOW WHAT AMENDMENT NO. 1 MEANT AND MIGHT NOT VOTE AT ALL, OR THROUGH LACK OF UNDERSTANDING VOTE "NO."SINCE THE RELATED GOALS OF PRESERVATION OF NATURE, CONSERVATION, ETC. WERE COMMON THEMES WITH THE TRUST, IT FELT AN OBLIGATION TO SUPPORT THE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN OF ALABAMIAMS FOR FOREVER WILD.SEE ATTACHED INFORMATION ABOUT THE FOREVER WILD PROGRAM.

TY 2012 Investments - Other Schedule

Name: COASTAL LAND TRUST INC

EIN: 63-0849774

Category/ Item	Listed at Cost or FMV	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
WEST DAUPHIN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	AT COST	125,000	125,000

TY 2012 Other Assets Schedule

Name: COASTAL LAND TRUST INC

EIN: 63-0849774

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Fair Market Value
NATURAL LAND AREAS HELD FOR CONSERVATION	5,048,171	5,048,171	5,048,171
APCO LAKE PROJECT	55,102	49,542	49,542
RUPLE HOUSE RENOVATIONS	36,000	36,000	36,000

TY 2012 Other Decreases Schedule

Name: COASTAL LAND TRUST INC

EIN: 63-0849774

Description	Amount
NON-DEDUCTIBLE EXPENSES (STATEMENT NO 9)	25,200
NON-DEDUCTIBLE IMPAIRMENT LOSS ON PARTNERSHIP INVESTMENT	159,631

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TY 2012 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: COASTAL LAND TRUST INC

EIN: 63-0849774

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	622	622		0
NATURAL RESOURCE PRESERVATION EXPENSE	76,211	0		76,211
MISC EXP	148	148		0
OFFICE SUPPLIES	145	145		0
UTILITIES	8,917	8,917		0
INSURANCE	13,025	13,025		0
MAINTENANCE	4,239	4,239		0
TRAVEL & CONFERENCES	1,188	1,188		0

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TY 2012 Other Income Schedule

Name: COASTAL LAND TRUST INC

EIN: 63-0849774

Description	Revenue And Expenses Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
MISC INCOME	2,544	2,544	2,544
FROM WEST DAUPHIN , LLC	3,693	3,693	3,693

TY 2012 Taxes Schedule

Name: COASTAL LAND TRUST INC

EIN: 63-0849774

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
PROPERTY TAXES	5,526	0		5,526
INCOME TAXES	798	798		0

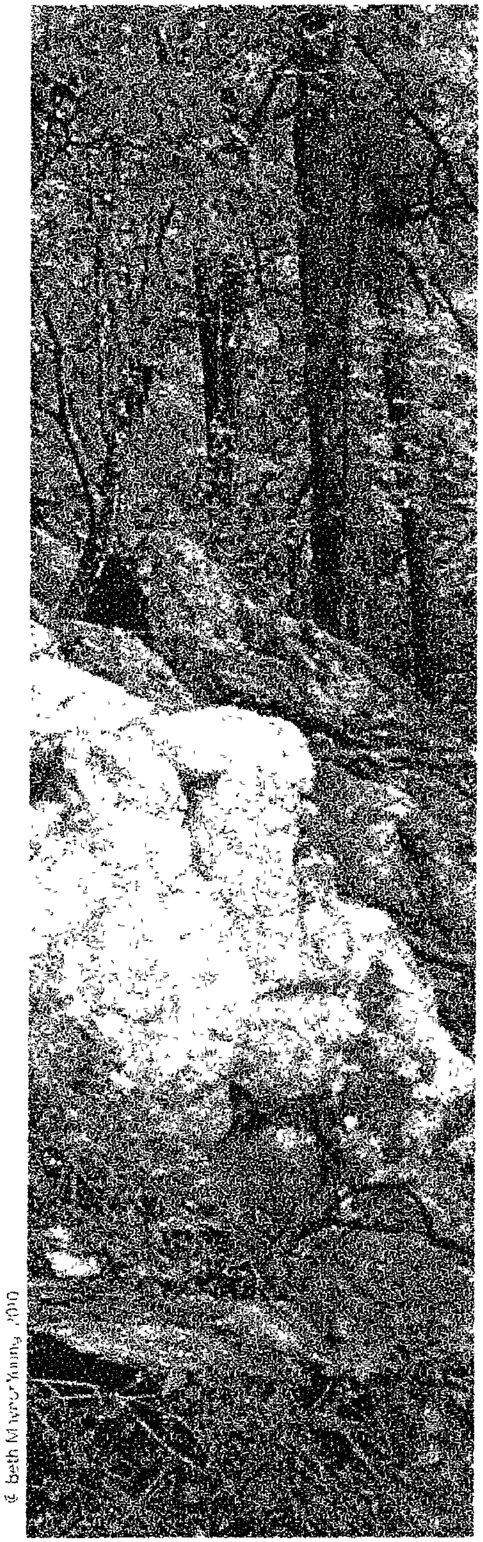
Alabama's Forever Wild Program: An Era of Land Protection

Considering the many conservation success stories in Alabama, our citizens have much to be proud of. Our state is steeped in a rich heritage that is inseparable from our natural resources. In the early 1900s Alabama was entering a new era as a state. Our forests and game were depleted, and landowners were left in desperate conditions during and after the Great Depression. The next few decades witnessed a steady and deliberate stewardship of Alabama's natural resources. It was a period of conservation. As hallmarks of our hunting traditions, deer and turkey were diligently protected and gradually relocated to new areas of the state where they could re-populate and later flourish. Public hunting areas were established through a statewide system of Wildlife Management Areas. Alabama's State Park system was initially created in the 1930s, in conjunction with the Civilian Conservation Corps, and over a 50-year period, 22 parks were developed. Many of Alabama's rivers were impounded to control flooding and generate electricity. While those efforts altered and impaired riverine habitat, they also created new reservoirs. Fisheries were established and our state became a new destination for recreational fishing.

These tremendous accomplishments continued to grow through the 1970s, much like Alabama. As we entered the 1980s, things in Alabama became different. Our metropolitan areas began to grow at a greater rate, and the face of Alabama, which had long reflected our rural heritage, slowly began to change. Once Interstate 65 was completed in 1982, linking our state from south to north, the pace of life quickened.

Alabama's citizens came together in the late 1980s to introduce the notion of establishing a new program that could serve to purchase public land for conservation. The interests were many, and within a few years, a broad coalition of supporters had mustered an effort to lead a bill through Alabama's legislative process. Its intent was strong: amend Alabama's Constitution to provide funding and structure for a dedicated land acquisition program. After some debate over previous versions submitted in 1988, 1989, and 1990, the leadership of Alabama's Legislature and then Commissioner of Conservation James Martin prevailed, and a similar bill passed through the legislature in the spring of 1991. The House vote was 94 to 3, and the Senate vote on the identical bill was 29 to 1. This history demonstrates broad consensus among Alabama's lawmakers, mirroring the will of the citizens. The bill was ratified by the people during the electoral cycle on November 3, 1992.

The results were both surprising and rewarding. By a margin of 84 percent, Alabama voters approved the passage of Constitutional Amendment 543, creating the Forever Wild Land Trust. At the time, this level of public approval was the highest ever recorded for any state legislation establishing a governmental land acquisition program. Thus, in a move to compliment sound forestry management on private lands and a flourishing wildlife management program for our many game species, Forever Wild was created to serve as a new tool for Alabama's conservation toolbox.



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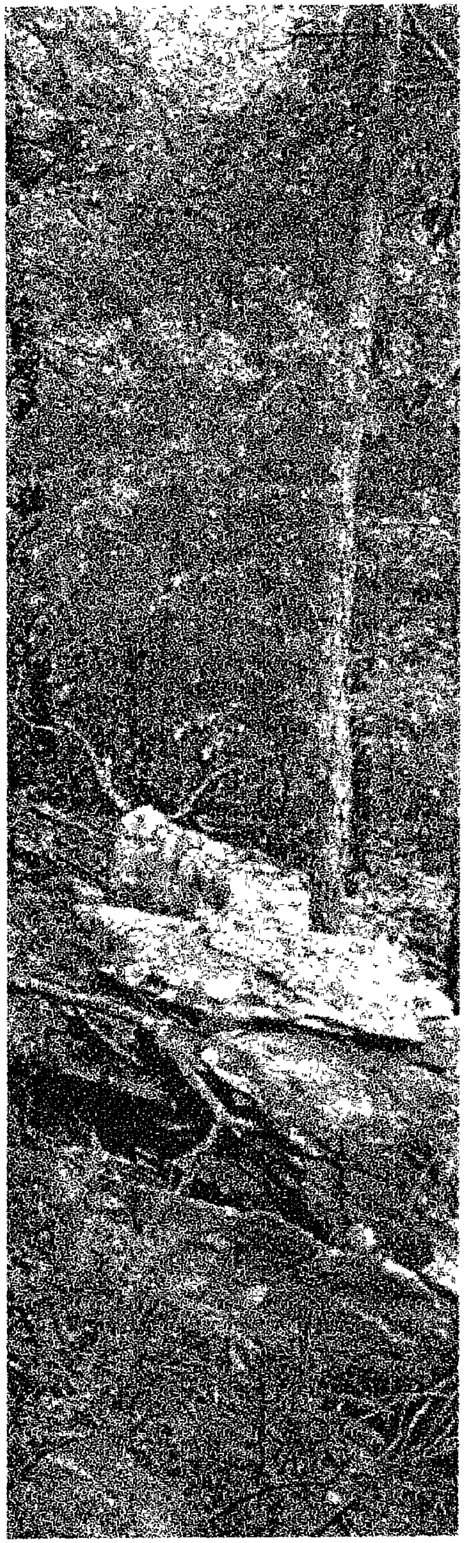

Constitutional Amendment 543 established the basic principles for a successful program. A 15-member Board of Trustees, representing established leaders of the conservation, environmental, education and business communities, serves as the governing body for the program The amendment provided for a dedicated and steady source of funding from the Alabama Trust Fund for a period extending from 1992-2012 As it passed, our citizens established a program committed to acquiring land for the purpose of supporting established conservation programs.

As the Forever Wild program began in 1992, the Board of Trustees established its administrative procedures and the criteria for evaluating land nominated to the program. This process led to the establishment of four basic categories for acquisition and eventual management by the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources·

Nature Preserves — tracts of land that are protected through acquisition, providing for the long-term stewardship of their unique habitats and the plants and animals that they support. Tracts purchased under this category are managed by the State Lands Division.

Recreation Areas — tracts of land that serve a variety of recreational pursuits, including backpacking, birding, boating, bicycling, canoeing, fishing, hiking, horseback riding, hunting, nature study and photography. Tracts purchased under this category are managed by the State Lands Division.

State Parks — tracts of land purchased to buffer existing parks, or provide for new areas serving their respective intentions. Tracts purchased under this category are managed by the State Parks Division.

Wildlife Management Areas — tracts of land purchased to secure new, or support existing Wildlife Management Areas hosting public hunting. Tracts purchased under this category are managed by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division.

During its first 17 years, Forever Wild purchased about 205,408 acres in 22 counties. The acquisitions support additions to six state parks, 13 wildlife management areas, and one long-distance hiking trail, while also creating 16 new nature preserves and recreation areas.

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Conservation Alabama - Protecting the people and places you love

How Long is Forever? Eco-groups seek to renew Forever Wild

Kathy Stiles Freeland, field coordinator for eco-group Conservation Alabama, has been busy, crisscrossing the state to, as she puts it, "preach the gospel of Forever Wild," the popular land-conservation program that will be put before Alabama voters on November 6 for renewal for another 20 years.

Forever Wild brought together people who didn't trust each other at first

"It started with two pieces of paper " That is how Kathy Stiles Freeland, the first director of The Nature Conservancy of Alabama, described how the Forever Wild program, one of Alabama's most successful conservation programs, achieved its first breakthrough.

Forever Wild should stay

The TimesDaily recommends a "yes" vote on Amendment 1 in the Nov. 6 election.

Forever in Alabama

Try as they might, Alabama lawmakers in Montgomery aren't renowned for consistently producing quality legislation. The state has the scars to prove it. So forgive Alabamians for being shocked when reminded that state government occasionally makes wise decisions. One of them happened 20 years ago when most Montgomery lawmakers supported passage of the Forever Wild amendment to the state Constitution.

Ken Hare In Depth: Forever Wild attracts strange bedfellows

It's hard to imagine an issue that would bring together such disparate groups as dedicated gun enthusiasts and tree-hugging environmentalists, conservative business executives and mountain bikers, kayakers and the League of Women Voters. But there is such an issue, and Alabama voters will have a chance to support or oppose it when they go to the polls on Nov. 6.

Alabama voters to decide on extending Forever Wild

Alabama voters will decide next month whether to continue a 20-year-old program that has allowed the state to buy 220,000 acres of public land to be used for hunting, fishing, birding and other activities.

Forever Wild should be reauthorized

Hunting, fishing and other nature-based recreation are important industries in Alabama and a unique part of the state's heritage. Public land allows people to hunt, hike and camp and maintain their connection to an important part of the state's heritage.That's why we urge the Legislature to allow the state to continue to add to its inventory of public land and reauthorize Forever Wild.

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Conservation Alabama - Protecting the people and places you love

The people say YES to Forever Wild

Conservation Alabama's statement on the historic renewal of the Forever Wild Land Trust.

Final tallies show Amendment One received 75 percent support in the statewide referendum Tuesday, meaning the Forever Wild Land Trust, the state's land protection program, will be extended another 20 years.

"This is a victory for the people of Alabama Forever Wild is a program that all walks of life in Alabama support, and we are so pleased to see the most important conservation program in the state continue another 20 years," said Executive Director Adam Snyder.

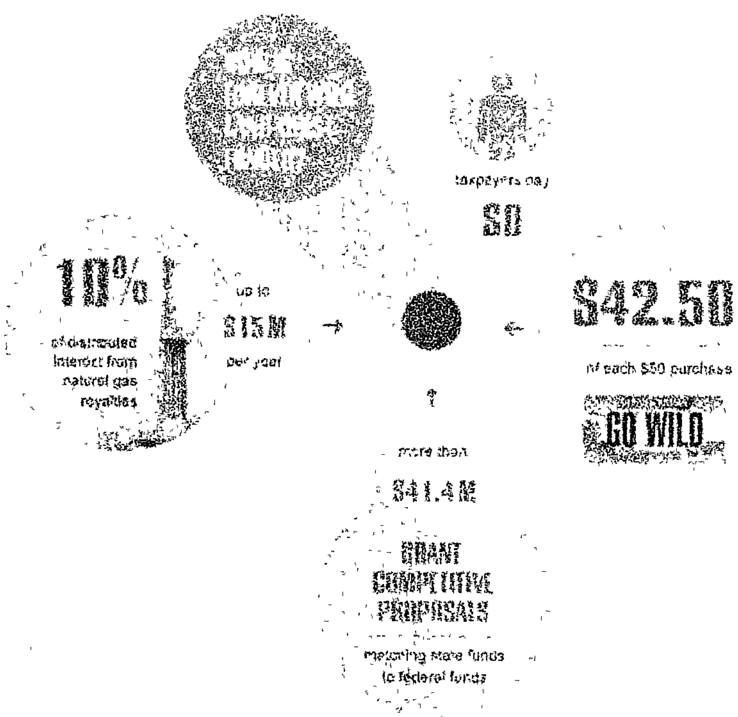
Conservation Alabama contacted nearly 750,000 people over the last five months to ask Alabamians to VOTE YES on Amendment One Conservation Alabama spent close to $150,000 on the Forever Wild grassroots campaign, equaling about 15 percent of the overall budget for the Forever Wild renewal campaign led by The Nature Conservancy and the Alabamians for Forever Wild PAC

The success of Forever Wild in preserving 227,000 acres over the last 20 years is not only found in the amount of land protected for future generations, but in the economic, recreational, and water quality benefits it provides for the state today. With the money to buy land coming from the interest earned on the royalties from the state's natural gas leases in the Gulf of Mexico, the fact that Alabama taxpayers do not pay a dime is another reason for broad support

"Extending Forever Wild makes sense for the health of our citizens, economy and environment – the triple bottom line – which is what Conservation Alabama is all about," Snyder said

Read more about Forever Wild in the press

Environmental and Fiscal Responsibility



As responsible stewards, we want to ensure that every citizen has access to public lands, and that waters wildlife and natural surroundings are conserved

And it's not just the natural resources of Alabamians that the Forever Wild Land Trust protects The same goes for financial resources That's a large part of why no taxpayer monies are used to fund FWLT land acquisitions, educational programs, or communications

Funding for the Forever Wild Land Trust is generated by the interest earned from natural gas royalties The FWLT receives 10 percent of the distributed interest, capped at $15 million for any given year Visit the State Treasurer's website for more information

Another source of funding is the Forever Wild Land Trust state license plate For $50 per year, Alabama drivers can purchase the tag, with $42 50 from each sale going toward supporting the program's mission

In addition, the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR) and partners have developed grant competitive proposals matching state funds to federal funds, securing more than $41.4

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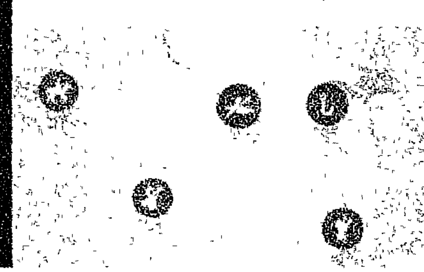

million to support FWLT land acquisitions No other state funding sources exist to leverage the power of these federal dollars

Local parks and recreation boards, as well as other programs, offer programs that often benefit from the existence of FWLT lands.

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WE HAVE SOME WILD STATS

3.66%

227,000

acres of land purchased in Alabama for public use

the trust owns

165,807

.51%

21

PROVIDES ADDITIONS TO

10 state parks

17 wildlife management areas

by constitutional amendment

Two decades after its establishment by constitutional amendment in 1992, the Forever Wild Land Trust ha purchased more than 227,000 acres of land in Alabama for public use – yet that's still a smaller percentag of public conservation land (3 66 percent) than nearly any other Southeastern state. Of this permanent lan the trust owns 165,807 acres, less than 51 percent of the total land area in Alabama A long-term recreational lease has secured additional land

The FWLT's acquisitions have also created 220 miles of recreational trails within 21 new recreation areas and nature preserves, while providing additions to ten State Parks and 17 Wildlife Management Areas

The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR) manages these lands throug its various divisions, State Lands, State Parks, and Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries The ADCNR is not General Fund Agency, and relies on revenues from license sales (hunting and fishing) and park visitor fee to support its public service operations

Without relying on taxpayer money, these coastal wetlands, forests, wildlife habitats and other natural are have been protected so that future generations can enjoy them

Creating Opportunities for Growth

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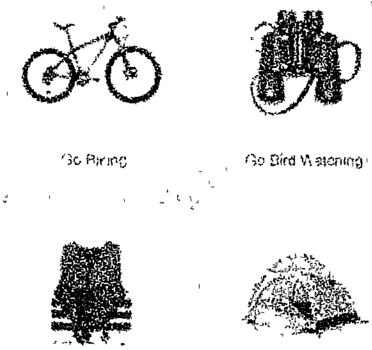

Go Biking

Go Bird Watching

Go Boating

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Mobile-Tensaw Delta

Blakeley

Weeks Bay

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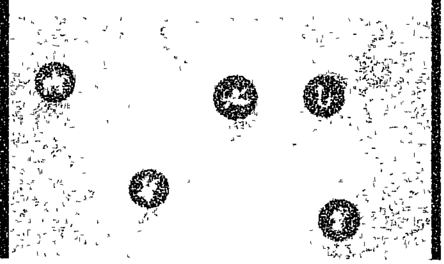

State Parks and Wildlife Management Areas have existed in Alabama since the 1940s However, to provid for greater habitat conservation and public recreational opportunities, the Forever Wild Land Trust Prograr created state-owned Nature Preserves and Recreation Areas

The Forever Wild Land Trust believes in public hunting access for all Alabamians But nearly 143 000 acre of leased public hunting land have been removed from the WMA system since 1992, with more lost yearly The only funding method to replace these large tracts is the FWLT. Currently, the Board is focusing on acquisitions in central and north Alabama

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Q Does the Forever Wild Land Trust divert taxpayer money that could go to other state programs?

A: No The FWLT is not funded through any taxpayer or General Fund dollars. Most funding is generated interest from natural gas royalties

Q Can the Forever Wild Land Trust take private land away from owners?

A Constitutional Amendment 543, which introduced the Forever Wild Land Trust, specifically states that la can only be purchased from willing sellers and the program has no condemnation powers

Q Does the Forever Wild Land Trust hurt local communities by taking land off the tax rolls?

A: While the program pays no ad valorem taxes to local governments, the revenues are more than made u for by sales taxes generated by visitors who take advantage of the lands' recreational opportunities Many the Forever Wild Land Trust's projects have been initiated and supported by local government.

Q Does the Forever Wild Land Trust allow public hunting?

A: Yes In fact, 98 percent of FWLT Land is open to some form of public hunting, and the program has ma hunting available even as many private lease lands have been withdrawn from the Wildlife Management A system

Q Does the Forever Wild Land Trust buy up family farms, reducing food production?

A. The program has never purchased a family farm, and wild game on FWLT land is an economical food source

Q. How much public conservation land does Alabama have?

A: The average amount of public conservation land in the Southeastern U.S. is 12 percent Alabama's pub conservation land makes up only 3 66 percent of the total land area in the state. The majority of that public land is owned by the federal government. FWLT tracts comprise less than .51 percent

Q: How is land acquired by the Forever Wild Land Trust?

A: Individuals can nominate particular tracts of land for purchase, after a review process the Forever Wild Land Trust may then make an offer to buy that tract at the current fair market value.

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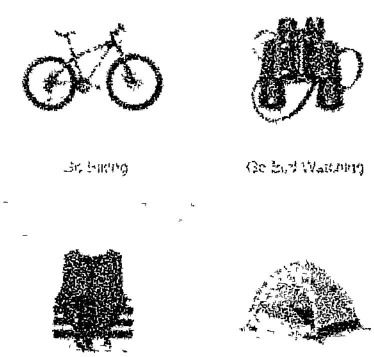

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