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Spring/Summer 2019 Newsletter

Two new protected properties continue important NFLT projects

“It certainly is exciting”, says Nation Land Ford Land Trust Chairman Bernie Ackerman. The excitement Bernie is referring to is the execution of two new conservation easements that help promote NFLT’s conservation progress.

Debbie Stuck continues the support of the **Stuck family** with donation of a 350 acre easement southwest of York. Debbie and her husband Bob have now placed easements on 1,150 acres of beautiful countryside. The protected acres help to form a greenbelt around York that preserves the southern approach to the City.



L to R: Bernie Ackerman, Robert Stuck, Deborah Stuck and Steve Hamilton

NFLT’s Blackjacks/Brattonsville Focus area also got a boost with a 314 acre donation from **David Anderson** on property south of Rock Hill. The property has been in the Anderson family for several generations. Working with the S.C. Conservation Bank, NFLT was able to find a conservation solution that met the family’s needs.



L to R: Steve Hamilton with David Anderson in front of a centuries old oak tree

Our Conservation Partners

The Stuck and Anderson conservation easements were made possible with support from **York County Forever** and the **S.C. Conservation Bank**. These two programs help the conservation world run smoothly. Make sure you show your support.

Christmas Gift

Late last year, NFLT received an exceptional land gift of 154 acres, from **Greenway Waste Solutions** of Rock Hill. This piece of property, which borders Fishing Creek, is off of Vernsdale Rd. South of Rock Hill. The board decided to name the property **The Murray White Preserve** after our long time Chairman and founding member. A Land Use Management Plan is currently being developed for the property.



Changes at NFLT

Over the past couple of months there have been some changes in the operations of the Land Trust. We hope to continue to have the most efficient land conservation organization in the Carolinas. After a successful stint as chairman of the Board, Steve Hamilton is our new Executive Director. Steve replaces Brittney Brown who moved over to staff York County Forever.

“I was looking for a new challenge since I sold my environmental business”, says Steve. “Promoting land conservation is a nice second career. Steve graduated from Penn State with a BS in Environmental Resource Management and served as Mayor of Tega Cay for 8 years.



Bernie Ackerman will serve as the chairman of the NFLT Board. Bernie is the founder of BNA-CPA and has served on our Board of Directors since NFLT’s founding.

“We have such strong growth that we need equally strong conservation.” says Bernie. “We are going to build on our beginnings to foster a new era of land conservation in our community.”

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