



Preservation Trust Fund Project Requirements

- The property interest, the form of which may be determined by VOF, must be **held by VOF or a locality** as specified in Virginia Code §10.1-1801.1.
- The property must be **dedicated in perpetuity as open-space land under the Open-Space Land Act** (Virginia Code §§ 10.1-1700 to 10.1-1705).
- The dedication to open-space land must conform to the official comprehensive plan for the area in which the property is located.
- Should the existing tax map parcels exceed the number of parcels allowed by land protection instrument, consolidation of parcels may be required.
- Natural Resource Protection instruments must:
 - Restrict division of the property.
 - Limit impervious surface on the property, including both existing and additional improvements, to 0.25% to 0.5% of the property area depending on the size and characteristics of the property. *(Exceptions may be considered by the VOF Board of Trustees.)*
 - Protect the conservation values of the property for which a grant award was made.
 - Include a conversion/diversion clause.
- Public Access instruments must:
 - Restrict division of the property.
 - Limit impervious surface on the property, including both existing and additional improvements, to no more than 10% of the total area of the property. *(Exceptions may be considered by the VOF Board of Trustees for projects located in urban areas or for specific community needs.)* Measurement of impervious surface may be calculated using the land protection partner's standard definitions and methodology.
 - Limit the type of structures allowed on the property to those that support the public use of the property as a park.
 - Allow a right of public access.
 - Include a conversion/diversion clause.