

Housatonic Valley Association Stakeholder Notification/Public Notice

The land trust accreditation program recognizes land conservation organizations that meet national quality standards for protecting important natural places and working lands forever. The Housatonic Valley Association (HVA) is pleased to announce it is applying for renewal of accreditation. A public comment period is now open.

The Land Trust Accreditation Commission, an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance, conducts an extensive review of each applicant's policies and programs. HVA is proud to have been one of the earliest conservation organizations in our area to achieve accredited status. Participation in the program is part of our commitment to the high level of professionalism required for success in our vision and long-term organizational sustainability.

The Commission invites public input and accepts signed, written comments on pending applications. Comments must relate to how HVA complies with national quality standards. These standards address the ethical and technical operation of a land trust. For the full list of standards see <http://www.landtrustaccreditation.org/help-and-resources/indicator-practices>.

To learn more about the accreditation program and to submit a comment, visit www.landtrustaccreditation.org, or email your comment to info@landtrustaccreditation.org. Comments may also be mailed to the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, Attn: Public Comments, 36 Phila Street, Suite 2, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866.

Comments on HVA's application will be most useful by April 30, 2024.