



## Natural Area Conservation Easement Summary Table

### Summary of Allowed, Discretionary, and Restricted Activities

**Note: NRMP means Natural Resource Management Plan.**

General Description	Examples	Potential Easement Impact	Easement Section
Agricultural Use	Crop Cultivation (corn, soybeans, alfalfa, peas)	Restricted, unless included in the NRMP as a part of a use transition, wildlife food plots, or other purposes	Section 4.3
Agricultural Use	Pasture (cattle, horses, goats, llamas)	Restricted, unless included in the NRMP, or for conservation grazing	Section 4.13
Buildings and Other Constructed Improvements	Utilities and Related Facilities (electric, gas, water, sewer, septic, telephone, cell tower, other communication services)	Allowed: Maintenance, repair, replacement, removal, and relocation of existing facilities and structures  Restricted: New utilities/improvements	Section 4.7 A
Buildings and Other Constructed Improvements	Roads and Parking Areas	Allowed: Existing facilities may be maintained or improved.  Discretionary: Widening or relocating existing facilities  Restricted: New facilities	Section 4.7 B

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Buildings and Other Constructed Improvements	Trails and Paths	Allowed: Existing facilities may be maintained and improved Discretionary: New, widened or relocated facilities, as approved in NRMP	Section 4.7 B
Buildings and Other Constructed Improvements	Fences	Allowed: Existing fences may be maintained, repaired, replaced, improved, or removed. New fences may be installed.	Section 4.7 C
Buildings and Other Constructed Improvements	Small Structures (deer stands, wildlife blinds, benches, bridges, docks, small shelters)	Allowed: Existing structures Discretionary: New structures	Section 4.7 D
Commercial Use	Commercial Use/Development (stores, offices, storage sites, for-profit businesses of any kind)	Allowed: Forest management, minimal recreational, home business, or incidental Restricted: Ingress/egress for other commercial use	Section 4.2
Industrial Use	Industrial Use/Development	Restricted	Section 4.1
Mining	Mining, Drilling, Exploring or Extraction (minerals, sand, gravel, or rock)	Restricted Allowed, if mineral rights are severed from ownership	Section 4.11
Motorized Vehicles	Trucks, Cars, Tractors, Snowmobiles, Motorcycles, All-terrain Vehicles, etc.	Allowed: for family members/guests (as long as use does not cause degradation); safety, law enforcement, maintenance	Section 4.14

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Outdoor Lighting	Permanent Fixtures	Restricted	Section 4.17
Public Access	General Public Use	Not Required unless landowner agrees	Section 4.8
Recreation	Low-impact, Non-intensive Recreational Activities (hunting, fishing, hiking, cross-country skiing, horseback riding, tent camping, nature observation)	Allowed: provided activities do not negatively impact the property	Section 5.3
Residential Use and Development	Future Construction of Homes and Associated Structures	Restricted: all constructed improvements	Sections 4.4 and 5.2
Residential Use and Development	Subdivision	Discretionary: Only per pre-determined division, specified and depicted in the easement deed	Sections 4.4 and 5.2
Signs	Commercial Signs (billboards, outdoor advertising)	Restricted	Section 4.13
Signs	Information Signs (boundary, directions interpretation, landowner, name of Grantee, funders, and allowed activities)	Allowed, with approval by Grantee and Grantor	Section 4.13
Topographic Changes	Ditching, Draining, Re-contouring, Filling or Excavating Soil	Allowed, if incidental to other allowed activities Restricted, unless included in the NRMP	Section 4.7
Vegetation Management	Timber Resources	Allowed: Selective harvesting, use as fuel and other small scale uses, in accordance with NRMP	Section 4.12 A

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Vegetation Management	Plant Products (nuts berries, fruits, specialty crops, vegetables, ornamentals)	Allowed: Selective harvesting, and other small scale uses, in accordance with NRMP	Section 4.12 A
Vegetation Management	Harmful or Invasive Species	Allowed: Prevention and management Restricted: Introduction	Section 4.12 B
Vegetation Management	Pesticides and Herbicides	Allowed, if there is a threat to human or ecological health Restricted, unless included in NRMP	Section 4.12 C
Waste	Mixed Municipal Solid and Industrial Waste, Unserviceable Vehicles, Equipment, Hazardous or Toxic Substances	Restricted	Section 4.15
Water	Alteration of Rivers, Streams, Creeks, Lakes, Ponds, and Wetlands	Restricted, unless included in NRMP	Section 4.9
Water	Stormwater (from easement exception areas and adjoining properties)	Allowed: Volumes and flows from existing sources Restricted: New/increased volumes or flow	Section 4.9