

the fund for north Bennington

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Policy on Conservation Land Monitoring

The Fund for North Bennington, Inc. owns more than 400 acres of conserved land in the Towns of Bennington and Shaftsbury. All of The Fund's land is subject to conservation easements held by The Vermont Land Trust or The Nature Conservancy. The Fund also holds conservation easements on more than 15 acres of land owned by others, including the Village of North Bennington.

It is the policy of The Fund to inspect annually all of its land holdings and all land subject to conservation easements held by The Fund. Inspection shall involve a Fund representative walking all trails and such other areas as are reasonably accessible.

It is the policy of The Fund to work cooperatively with representatives of The Vermont Land Trust or The Nature Conservancy in their monitoring activities on The Fund's land. If a representative of The Fund becomes aware of any possible violation of the easements held by either of these organizations, The Fund shall give prompt notice of the possible violation to the organization holding the easement. In coordination with the easement holder, The Fund shall take prompt remedial action.

In the event that a possible violation is observed of an easement held by The Fund, prompt notice shall be given to the landowner. Efforts shall be made to secure voluntary compliance. In the event that voluntary compliance is not achieved, The Fund Trustees may in their discretion exercise any legal or equitable right available to assure compliance with the terms of the conservation easement.

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