



WOODSTOCK LAND CONSERVANCY
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Protect 25 Acres of Wetland at Israel Wittman Sanctuary

You can help us acquire 25 acres of irreplaceable freshwater wetland adjacent to WLC's largest preserve—protecting it forever from development—by donating today. We have until October 30, 2026 to raise \$100,000 to complete the purchase. **Wetland parcels like this rarely become available.**



THE DETAILS

- 25 acres of freshwater wetland just north of Israel Wittman Sanctuary in the Town of Saugerties.
- Approximately 85% wetland, including emergent marsh and shrub swamp.
- Closing deadline: October 30, 2026. Permanent conservation is the only guarantee. **Regulations change; WLC's commitment won't.**

CONSERVATION VALUES

- Wetlands mitigate flooding, protect clean water, and provide sanctuary during drought.
- Freshwater wetlands are among the most carbon-dense ecosystems in the Northeast.
 - Supports NYS Species of Greatest Conservation Need, including two species of salamander, as well as River Otter, American Mink, Beaver, Wood Duck, American Woodcock, and Great Egret.
- Creates a 1.5-mile north-to-south protected habitat corridor, growing IWS from 210 to 235 acres.
- Combined with the adjacent 43-acre DEC Highwoods Multiple Use Area, creates nearly 300 contiguous acres of protected land.
- Part of the Hudson Valley Core Forest, ranked in the top 5% of the Forest Condition Index.

WLC's 2020 Strategic Conservation Plan ranked this parcel in the highest priority category for protection for Climate Resilience.

TRAIL CONNECTIVITY & EDUCATION

Israel Wittman Sanctuary is open to the public, with three walkable, bikeable trails through mixed hardwood and coniferous forest. A fourth trail is already in the works. This acquisition will allow WLC to expand wetland education programming at the sanctuary.

YOUR GIFT'S IMPACT

- \$500**—Funds our biological inventory of the new parcel
- \$1,000**—Supports boundary surveying and mapping
- \$5,000**—Contributes directly to the purchase price
- \$10,000**—Protects approximately 5 acres of wetland habitat in perpetuity

Any amount—Every gift brings us closer to the October 30 closing date

Any funds raised above \$100,000 will be added to WLC's general land acquisition fund.

HOW TO HELP

- Give online: Scan the QR code
- Give by check: Payable to Woodstock Land Conservancy, memo "IWS Wetland Acquisition," mail to P.O. Box 864, Woodstock, NY 12498
- Questions? Contact Andy Mossey at andy@woodstocklandconservancy.org or (845) 679-6481

