

OUR PARTNERS



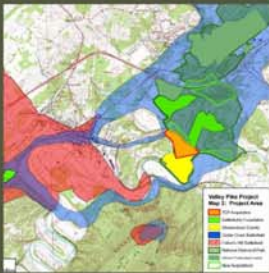
Our strength lies in our ability to partner with a wide variety of organizations. We have worked with the following partners in a variety of professional capacities.

American Battlefield Protection Program
Augusta County Community Development
Augusta County Farm Bureau
Cabbell Brand Center
Civil War Preservation Trust
Greehan, Taves, Pandak & Stoner, PLLC
The Highland Center
Highland County Chamber of Commerce
Highland Historical Society
National Park Service
Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission
APVA Preservation Virginia
The Recorder (Highland and Bath counties)
Rockbridge County Planning and Zoning
Rockingham County Community Development

Shenandoah County Agricultural Task Force
Shenandoah County Planning and Zoning
Shenandoah Forum
Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation
Shenandoah Valley Network
USDA Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program
USDA Forest Legacy Program
Valley Conservation Council
Virginia Department of Forestry
Virginia Environmental Endowment
Virginia Land Conservation Foundation
Virginia Outdoors Foundation
Virginia Transportation Enhancement Program
Virginia Water Quality Improvement Fund

PAST PROJECTS

Fisher's Hill
& Tom's Brook
Battlefields
Preservation Plan



Publications

Fisher's Hill and Tom's Brook Battlefields Preservation Plan (2005) This, the second of two plans completed for the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation, was developed in partnership with Shenandoah County and a steering committee of battlefield landowners. The plan charts the course for preservation of two major Civil War battlefields in the rapidly developing area at the intersection of interstates 81 and 66.

Cross Keys and Port Republic Battlefields Preservation Plan (2003) This, the first of two plans completed for the Battlefields Foundation, was developed in partnership with Rockingham County and a steering committee of battlefield landowners and incorporated into the county's comprehensive plan. Funders at the American Battlefield Protection Program called it the best battlefield preservation plan the staff had encountered. It also received an award for excellence from the Virginia Chapter of the American Planning Association in 2004.

Land and Virginia's Common Wealth (2000) This study examines the need for state funding of conservation land and easement acquisition. It explores existing and historic land conservation efforts in Virginia and includes a brief history of federal conservation land acquisition in the Commonwealth and descriptions of the development of state land conservation policies in Florida, Maryland, New Jersey, and Virginia.

A Preliminary Purchase of Development Rights Study for Rockbridge County (2000) The Rockbridge County Board of Supervisors commissioned this study regarding the creation of a county PDR program. The report describes what other localities in Virginia have done regarding PDR programs and compared Rockbridge County's use of available revenue sources to the use of those revenues by neighboring localities.

The McDowell Battlefield Staunton-to-Parkersburg Pike Landowner's Guide (1999) This publication describes options available to private landowners who want to protect land in Highland County and western Augusta County, Virginia. It was published by the Valley Conservation Council (VCC) in cooperation with the National Park Service American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP).

The Middlebrook-Brownsburg Corridor: A Survey of Cultural and Natural Resources (1997) This study, co-authored with Carole Nash at James Madison University, examines a pristine area of Rockbridge and Augusta counties and makes recommendations for its protection. It was published by VCC.

Land Use and Community Values (1997) This study examines the relative costs and revenues of different land uses in Augusta County, Virginia, and changes in land use that had occurred in the county since 1991. It was published by Augusta County, the Augusta County Farm Bureau, and VCC.

The McDowell Battlefield Staunton-to-Parkersburg Pike Concept Plan (1996) This plan includes an assessment of and recommendations for the protection and interpretation of lands in Highland County and western Augusta County, Virginia traversed by Confederate and Federal troops during the Valley Campaign in the spring of 1962. It was published by VCC in cooperation with the ABPP.

Land Use and Community Costs (1992) This study examined the relative costs and revenues of different land uses in Augusta County, Virginia. It was published by VCC.

Presentations

Transportation Research Board (2006) Presentation to the Board's annual planning conference on the preservation of historic landscapes using Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Philadelphia Area Consortium of Special Collections Libraries (2005) Presentation on the use of GIS in planning heritage areas and ways to implement a GIS system/project on a small scale to a conference on historic preservation.

University of Virginia School of Architecture (2005-2006) Guest lecturer on the preservation of historic landscapes.

Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities (2005) Presentation on community planning at the organization's annual conference.

American Battlefield Protection Program (2005) Presentation on land conservation in the Shenandoah Valley at the program's national biannual battlefield preservation conference.

PROFILE

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John Hutchinson has been working in conservation and land use planning for more than two decades. For more than five years, he managed the battlefield preservation program at the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation where he worked with battlefield landowners and assisted partner groups in planning cooperative conservation and preservation programs.

Before joining the Battlefields Foundation, Hutchinson, a Staunton native, worked with numerous regional and statewide non-profit organizations and corporations in Virginia. He was Director of Strategic Planning and Development for the Western Virginia Land Trust and a consultant to the Preservation Alliance of Virginia. He also worked with the Highland Center and the Highland Historical Society. He was Special Projects Coordinator for the Valley Conservation Council, where he oversaw McDowell Battlefield/Staunton and Parkersburg Pike Project for the VCC and the Highland County Chamber of Commerce.

Hutchinson is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. He received a Masters in Urban and Environmental Planning from the University of Virginia with a Certificate in Historic Preservation in 2000. He is a 1984 honors graduate of the University of the South in Seawee, Tennessee, with majors in American History and American Literature. He graduated from R. E. Lee High School in Staunton and attended Mary Baldwin College and Saint John's College in Oxford, England.