



How You Can Participate

- Share and republish your organization's maps, stories, and photos
- Use LandScope's maps to guide, inform, and promote your conservation work in the watershed
- Help expand and replicate this landscape-scale effort beyond the Chesapeake

Moving Forward

- Partners, map data, and editorial content will continue to grow, spanning a wide spectrum of conservation priorities and values
- This joint effort will expand and evolve based on input from users and partners



Project Partners

LandScope Chesapeake is a partnership effort involving the following states that includes many participating state and federal agencies and non-governmental organizations:

- State of **Delaware**
- State of **Maryland**
- State of **New York**
- Commonwealth of **Pennsylvania**
- Commonwealth of **Virginia**
- State of **West Virginia**

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*The shared conservation priority system
for the Chesapeake Bay watershed*

WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH LANDSCOPE CHESAPEAKE?



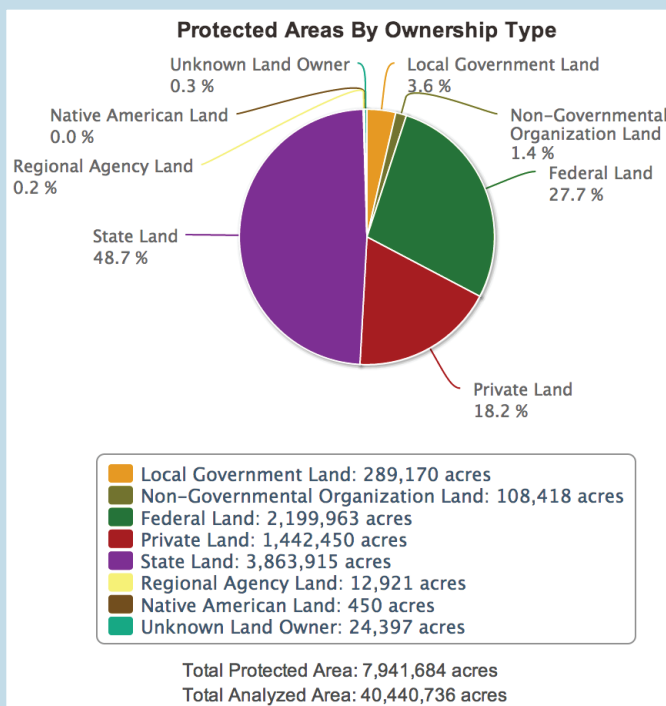
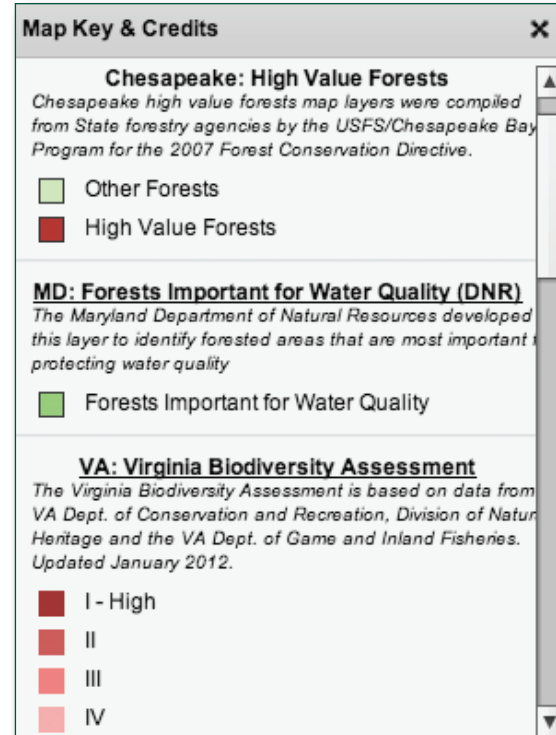
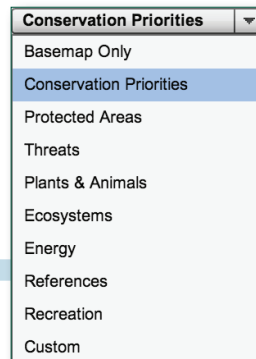
The Chesapeake Bay watershed is one of the most extraordinary places in America. The nation's largest estuary and its network of tributaries hold tremendous **ecological, cultural, economic, historic, and recreational value** for the region and its citizens.

Conserving the Chesapeake region's special places provides a suite of benefits, connect us to its landscapes, and deepen our sense of place. It shapes our cultural identity and motivates us to be stewards of the land. **People protect the places they love.**

HOW TO USE LANDSCOPE CHESAPEAKE

1 Find & Map Strategic Priorities for Collaborative Conservation Action

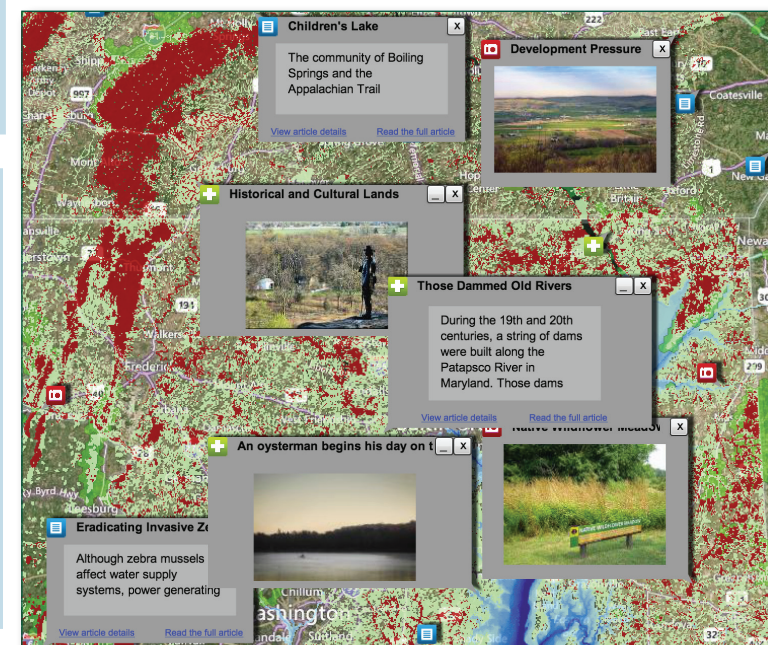
LandScope Chesapeake provides easy access to authoritative maps showing conservation priorities and other related features across the watershed. Find the values that matter to you, create maps that visualize key lands and waters, and then mark them up and share them to focus attention and catalyze partnerships for protection.



2 Track & Report Our Progress Toward Land Protection Goals

Generate reports at county, state, and watershed scale using the most accurate and comprehensive watershed-wide dataset of the Bay's protected lands. LandScope's tools allow you to report on the percentage of protected lands or analyze ownership and land cover types in your area of interest.

Create your own on-demand progress reports and analyses by visiting landscope.org/explore/map_reports.



3 Share Conservation Success Stories, Videos & Pictures

While using the LandScope map viewer, you can also browse an expanding collection of place-based stories, photos, and videos you'll find "pinned" to the map.

Help us highlight the beauty and importance of the places you're protecting and how protecting them can make a difference for fellow residents of the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

SHARED CONSERVATION VALUES



A Resource Serving Common Goals

LandScope Chesapeake can help inform and inspire strategic conservation. This free, publicly accessible platform enables practitioners and citizens to work together toward shared land protection goals.

With LandScope you can:

- Assemble maps, images, and stories of the places that matter to you most and the values they support, like
 - Working lands and waters
 - Recreational priorities
 - Historic and cultural areas
 - Scenic vistas
 - Wildlife habitat
 - Clean water
 - Protected lands
- Reveal how and where other groups' conservation priorities and values align with yours
- Find partners who can join you in protecting important places in the watershed and expanding public access and enjoyment of them



Photos (from top to bottom) 1. The tribes mentioned in Capt. John Smith's records still call the Chesapeake Bay watershed home (Shisler, NPS). 2. Orchards and vineyards at Carter's Mountain, Albemarle Co., Va. (Jack Looney). 3. Outdoor recreational spots like the C&O Canal offer abundant opportunities for families to hike and learn about history (Chris Spielmann, NPS). 4. The watershed supports over 2,700 species of plants and animals, like the brook trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*), which rely on healthy lands and waters (USFWS-Northeast Office).

Advancing Collaborative Conservation

In 2009, landscape conservation partners from across the Chesapeake Bay watershed gathered to explore ways to support further collaboration. They identified the need for a system that shares landscape priorities and conservation goals watershed-wide.

This need became incorporated into a strategy for implementing the President's Executive Order for Protecting and Restoring the Chesapeake Bay Watershed. Since then, NatureServe, the National Park Service, U.S. Geological Survey, states, and other partners have been working to build and implement this system, now known as LandScope Chesapeake.

