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COMPREHENSIVE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT PLAN

for the Barnegat Bay-Little Egg Harbor Watershed

LAND USE OBJECTIVES

Objective 1: Promote and support open space acquisition, planning, and management for people and nature.

Objective 2: Promote and support resilient and sustainable land use practices (*e.g.*, soil restoration, low-impact development, shoreline restoration, and dredged material management) to increase resiliency of vulnerable communities.

Objective 3: Incorporate CCMP goals and objectives into regional, county, municipal, and other policies, plans, and regulations where applicable to support BBP related priorities.

Objective 4: Assess status and trends in land uses, land cover, and landscapes, especially those directly impacted by climate change and sea level rise (e.g., inundated and regularly flooded lands), and improve understanding of the impacts of land uses and land management practices on the Barnegat Bay and its watershed.

Objective 5: Increase education and outreach efforts focused on: a) promoting land acquisition, protection, and management; b) implementing sustainable land use practices across both developed and undeveloped landscapes; c) integrating CCMP priorities, including climate change and sea-level rise, into regional, state, local, & municipal planning, and d) reducing land use impacts on natural resources throughout the watershed.

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Land Use Objective #1:

Promote and support open space acquisition, planning, and management for people and nature.

Ocean County supports this objective through its Natural Lands Trust Fund Program

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Ocean County Natural Lands Trust Fund Program

In November 1997, an open space tax referendum was approved by Ocean County voters establishing the Ocean County Natural Lands Trust Fund.

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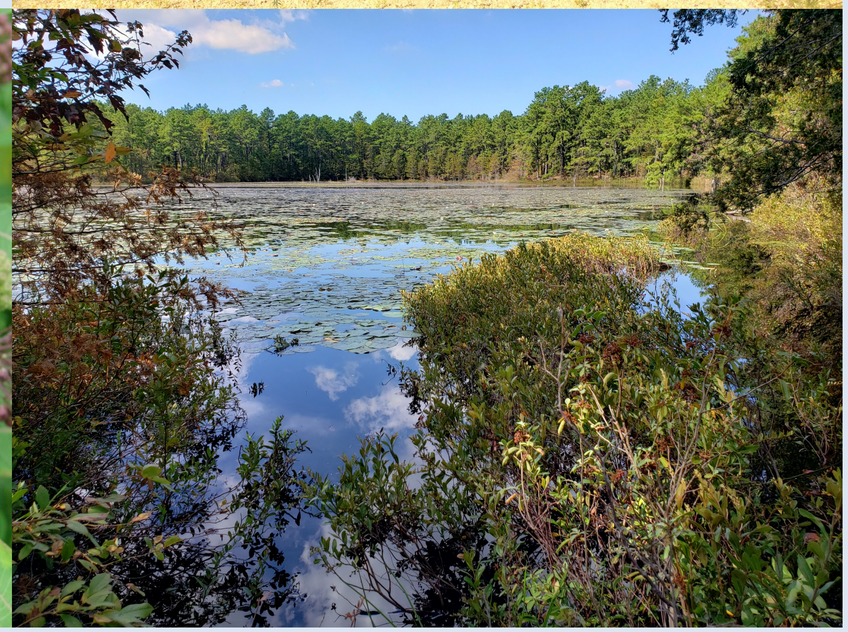
Acquisition

Priorities include:

1. Stream corridors and other flood prone areas.
2. Aquifer recharge areas.
3. Buffer areas surrounding potable well fields.
4. Environmentally sensitive areas.
5. Active farms and lands with prime agricultural soils.



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Stewardship
Maintenance, Restoration, Enforcement