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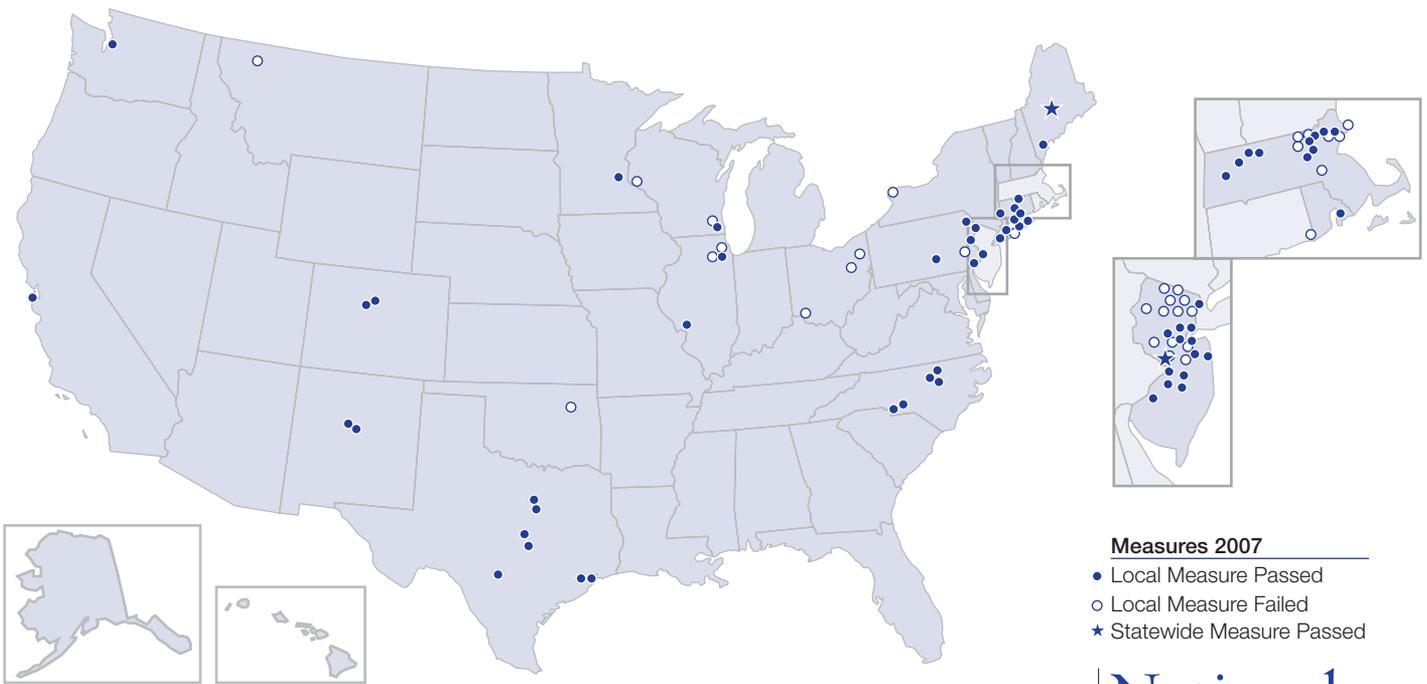
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Measures 2007

- Local Measure Passed
- Local Measure Failed
- ★ Statewide Measure Passed

In 2007, voters across the country approved 64 of 98 conservation finance ballot measures, a 65 percent approval rate. These measures will generate \$2 billion in new funding to protect natural areas, lands that protect drinking water supplies, and working farms. They will also create new parks in our growing suburban areas and our urban centers. The approval rate during this off-year election did lag behind the historic 75 percent approval rate, and that dip may stem from economic uncertainty and a real estate slowdown, especially in the Northeastern United States.

Successful measures of note included statewide bonds in Maine (\$17 million) and New Jersey (\$200 million) that will provide a vital infusion of funding to those states' land conservation programs, the Land for Maine's Future and the Garden State Preservation Trust.

Other 2007 ballot measure highlights included:

- This year's largest measure for land conservation was a sales tax extension in **Suffolk County, New York**, which will generate nearly \$600 million to protect drinking water supplies and farmland on Long Island.
- In **Bucks County, Pennsylvania**, voters approved an \$87 million bond with 74 percent of the vote.
- All seven local spending measures for parks and conservation succeeded in **Texas**, continuing that state's voters' nearly unblemished record (88 percent) of approving conservation ballot measures.
- **Oyster Bay, New York**, approved a \$60 million bond with 73 percent support. This measure is the town's third successful open space bond this decade.
- **Mecklenburg County, North Carolina**, approved nearly \$34 million in new conservation funding with 64 percent of the vote. A similar measure failed in 2005.
- **Hoboken, New Jersey**, voters approved the city's first open space tax, which will generate \$10 million for parks and open space.

- Voters in **Boulder County, Colorado**, extended their open space sales tax for another 20 years. Boulder's original open space sales tax was passed in 1967, making 2007 its 40th anniversary.
- **Ellington, Connecticut**, voters approved a \$2 million bond for farmland preservation with an overwhelming 80 percent support.

The 2007 elections demonstrated the continuation of a growing movement by local communities to preserve working farmland in their "backyards." This trend has been particularly strong in the Mid-Atlantic and New England regions. Nearly half of the November 6 ballot measures (23 of 55) were from the Mid-Atlantic or New England regions and included significant funding to protect working family farms, a source of healthy, local produce. These measures will create more than \$1 billion for farmland preservation. Nationwide, between 1999 and the present, voters have approved to nearly triple the amount of funding approved that supports farmland preservation, from \$420 million to \$1.1 billion.

All of the results enumerated in LandVote 2007 and previous editions of LandVote are catalogued in The Trust for Public Land's LandVote Database. In the database, TPL has now compiled data on more than 2,000 ballot measures dating back to 1988. The database can highlight important voter trends in support of land conservation. Since 1988 voters have approved nearly \$46 billion dollars to fund the protection of open space, parks, wildlife habitats, watersheds, farms, and ranchlands. In 2008, the country will likely eclipse the \$50 billion mark.

And who are these tens of millions of voters? They are Democrats and Republicans. They come from Maine and New Mexico and Hawaii. They come from large counties and small, big cities and tiny towns. They are black and white, Asian and Latino. They are old, young, and middle-aged. The one thing they all share: the courage of their convictions to open up their wallets and make an investment in the future to support land conservation.

National Overview

Abbreviations and Symbols Used

Co.	County
Bor.	Borough
Twp.	Township
PD	Park District
CPA	Community Preservation Act Massachusetts
①	Municipal Measure
1	County Measure
★	Statewide Measure

Frequently Asked Questions

How is conservation funding calculated by LandVote?

LandVote only tracks conservation measures considered by voters: ballot measures.

LandVote tracks two major types of conservation ballot measures. The first type are ballot measures that authorize sales, property, income, and other taxes to pay for conservation. These are often called “pay as you go” funding sources. When a ballot measure authorizes a new tax, LandVote counts the estimated revenue generated for the duration of the tax. When the tax is not limited to a specific term, a duration of 20 years is used to generate the figure. In all cases the total funds generated over the life of the measure are conservatively estimated and do not reflect likely increases in the tax base. When a ballot measure increases an existing open space tax, LandVote counts only the value of the added increment.

A second type of ballot measure is the *bond measure*, a ballot question that authorizes the use of bonded indebtedness (general obligation bonds) for the purpose of financing capital improvements such as land conservation. In tabulating results, LandVote counts the face value of the bonds authorized, rather than the much higher value of repaying the bonds in the future. Bonds usually extend for 20 or 30 years.

How does LandVote estimate all the amounts from ballot measures in 2007?

LandVote tabulates local and state conservation ballot measures in two ways: 1) the total measure funding for land acquisition and restoration and all other purposes, and 2) the open space funding for land acquisition and protection. Both sets of figures document and help explain the substantial voter support that exists for conservation and the voters’ willingness to pay for conservation.



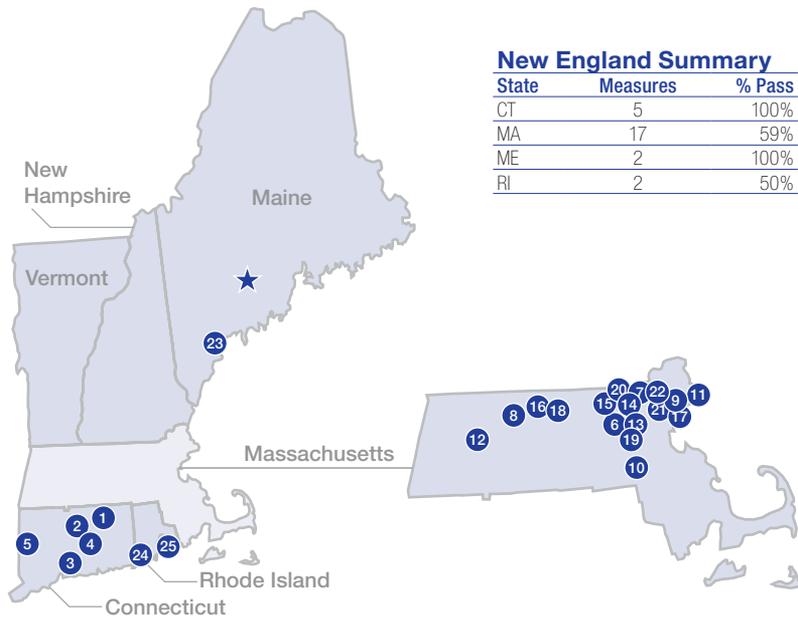
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Year	Number of Measures	Percent (est)	Total Funds Authorized (est)	Conservation Funds Authorized (est)
1988	40	30	\$1,028,841,321	\$628,864,511
1989	30	30	\$1,204,777,480	\$4,138,805,000
1990	90	71	\$4,867,148,737	\$3,027,862,027
1991	71	59	\$2,341,216,719	\$1,761,581,294
1992	174	144	\$7,014,208,984	\$5,894,410,034
1993	300	93	\$2,428,821,890	\$2,176,863,236
1994-2008	210	170	\$11,418,898,134	\$9,189,181,895

Across the country, dozens of state and local governments vote each year to raise public funds in support of land conservation. The TPL LandVote Database is the premier source of information about these ballot measures. The database brings together a 20-year, comprehensive history for all conservation-related ballot measures since 1988.

- The latest statistics and election results and always available online
- Easy to use and fully searchable
- Instantly generate your own custom reports and charts
- Use Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technology to map ballot measure locations and trends

Access the TPL LandVote Database and Mapping System at www.landvote.org.

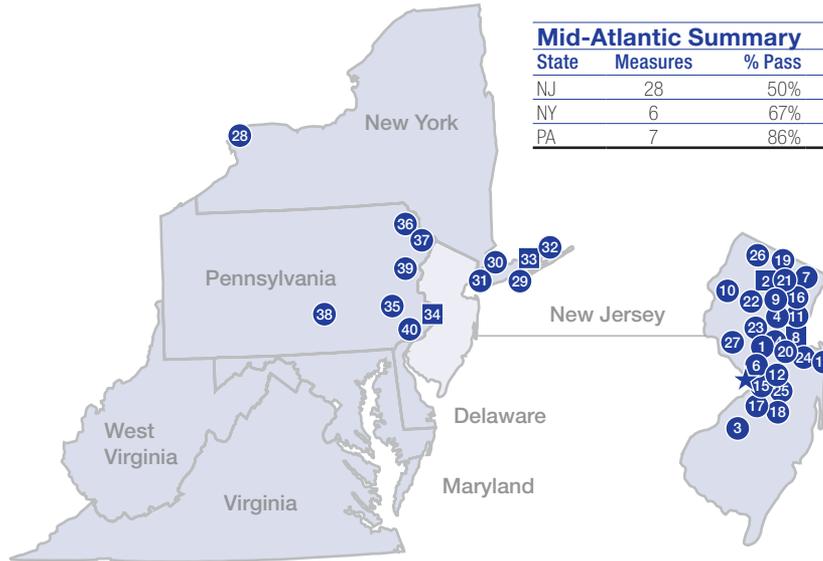


New England Summary			Funds Approved	
State	Measures	% Pass	Total Measure	Open Space
CT	5	100%	\$14,350,000	\$14,350,000
MA	17	59%	\$35,908,206	\$21,027,068
ME	2	100%	\$40,500,000	\$22,000,000
RI	2	50%	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000

New England Region

New England Region Election Results 2007						Funds Approved		
State / Jurisdiction	Date	Status	Yes	No	Description	Total Measure	Open Space	
1 CT	Ellington	Nov. 6	Pass	80%	20%	Bond for farmland preservation	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
2 CT	Glastonbury	Nov. 6	Pass	71%	29%	Bond for the purchase of development rights	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
3 CT	Middlefield	Apr. 10	Pass	88%	12%	Bond for the purchase of a ski area to preserve for recreation and open space	\$2,850,000	\$2,850,000
4 CT	Middletown	Nov. 6	Pass	76%	24%	Bond for the preservation of open space	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
5 CT	Sherman	June 9	Pass	55%	45%	Bond for open space and farmland acquisition	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000
6 MA	Bolton	May 14	Fail	42%	58%	CPA, 3% property tax surcharge		
7 MA	Chelmsford	Apr. 3	Pass	54%	46%	CPA, .5% property tax surcharge increase	\$3,951,466	\$1,317,155
8 MA	Deerfield	May 7	Pass	52%	48%	CPA, 3% property tax surcharge	\$3,167,400	\$1,055,800
9 MA	Essex	May 14	Pass	54%	46%	CPA, .5% property tax surcharge	\$681,600	\$227,200
10 MA	Franklin	Nov. 6	Fail	41%	59%	CPA, 3% property tax surcharge		
11 MA	Gloucester	Nov. 6	Fail	50%	50%	CPA, 1% property tax surcharge		
12 MA	Goshen	May 5	Pass	53%	47%	CPA, 3% property tax surcharge	\$907,160	\$302,387
13 MA	Hudson	May 14	Pass	73%	27%	CPA, 1% property tax surcharge	\$5,668,800	\$1,889,600
14 MA	Littleton	May 12	Pass	65%	35%	CPA, 1% property tax surcharge	\$2,361,360	\$778,120
15 MA	Lunenburg	May 19	Fail	38%	62%	CPA, 3% property tax surcharge		
16 MA	Phillipston	May 7	Pass	64%	36%	CPA, 3% property tax surcharge	\$576,580	\$192,193
17 MA	Salem	Nov. 6	Fail	47%	53%	CPA, 1% property tax surcharge		
18 MA	Templeton	May 7	Pass	54%	46%	CPA, 3% property tax surcharge	\$1,885,060	\$628,353
19 MA	West Boylston	Apr. 3	Pass	50%	50%	CPA, 2% property tax surcharge	\$3,108,780	\$1,036,260
20 MA	Westford	Jan. 9	Fail	38%	62%	Proposition 2 1/2% override to enable the purchase of Graniteville Woods		
21 MA	Winchester	Mar. 27	Fail	45%	55%	CPA, 1.5% property tax surcharge		
22 MA	Winchester	Mar. 13	Pass	79%	21%	Hamilton farm debt exclusion	\$13,600,000	\$13,600,000
23 ME	Falmouth	Nov. 6	Pass	69%	31%	Bond for the preservation of open space	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
★ ME	Maine	Nov. 6	Pass	63%	37%	Bond for the Land for Maine's Future program	\$35,500,000	\$17,000,000
24 RI	North Kingstown	Apr. 24	Fail	46%	54%	Bond for the purchase of 300 acres to be used as open space		
25 RI	Portsmouth	Nov. 6	Pass	57%	43%	Bond for open space preservation and restoring recreational areas	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000

Mid-Atlantic Region



Mid-Atlantic Summary			Funds Approved	
State	Measures	% Pass	Total Measure	Open Space
NJ	28	50%	\$362,591,228	\$362,591,228
NY	6	67%	\$664,000,000	\$634,000,000
PA	7	86%	\$122,650,000	\$122,650,000

Mid-Atlantic Region Election Results 2007

State / Jurisdiction	Date	Status	Yes	No	Description	Funds Approved	
						Total Measure	Open Space
1 NJ Bedminster Twp.	Nov. 6	Fail	33%	67%	2 cents per \$100 property tax increase for an open space trust fund		
2 NJ Bergen Co.	Nov. 6	Fail	46%	54%	2 cents per \$100 property tax increase for an open space trust fund		
3 NJ Berlin Bor.	Nov. 6	Pass	56%	44%	Bond for the purchase of open space	\$2,600,000	\$2,600,000
4 NJ Chatham Bor.	Nov. 6	Pass	61%	39%	1 cent per \$100 property tax extension for the preservation of open space	\$4,069,760	\$4,069,760
5 NJ Clifton	Nov. 6	Fail	39%	61%	¾ of 1 cent per \$100 property tax for the preservation of open space		
6 NJ Clinton Twp.	Nov. 6	Fail	30%	70%	1 cent per \$100 property tax increase for open space, recreation, and maintenance		
7 NJ Demarest Bor.	Nov. 6	Pass	59%	41%	5-year, 1 cent per \$100 property tax increase for open space preservation	\$563,000	\$563,000
8 NJ Essex Co.	Nov. 6	Pass	50%	50%	.5 cent per \$100 property tax increase for the recreation and open space trust fund	\$80,000,000	\$80,000,000
9 NJ Franklin Lakes Bor.	Nov. 6	Fail	31%	69%	5-year, .5 cent per \$100 property tax increase for the preservation of open space and farmland		
10 NJ Frelinghuysen Twp.	Nov. 6	Fail	38%	62%	2 cents per \$100 property tax increase for a farmland and open space trust fund		
11 NJ Hoboken	Nov. 6	Pass	61%	39%	2 cents per \$100 property tax to establish an open space trust fund	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
12 NJ Hopewell Twp.	Nov. 6	Fail	43%	57%	5-year, 1 cent per \$100 property tax increase for the preservation of open space and development of trails		
13 NJ Loch Arbor Village	Nov. 6	Pass	60%	40%	1.5 cents per \$100 property tax increase to establish an open space trust fund	\$213,752	\$213,752
14 NJ Maplewood Twp.	Nov. 6	Pass	51%	49%	.5 cent per \$100 property tax increase for open space and recreational land	\$2,047,932	\$2,047,932
15 NJ Moorestown Twp.	Nov. 6	Pass	68%	32%	20-year, 1 to 6 cents per \$100 property tax for the preservation of open space, farmland, and recreational lands	\$23,172,600	\$23,172,600
16 NJ Morristown	Nov. 6	Fail	48%	52%	1 cent per \$100 property tax increase for the preservation of open space		
17 NJ Mount Laurel Twp.	Nov. 6	Pass	69%	31%	20-year, continuation of 2 cents per \$100 property tax for open space until 2042	\$13,291,521	\$13,291,521
18 NJ Mount Laurel Twp.	Nov. 6	Pass	70%	30%	20-year, continuation of 2 cents per \$100 property tax for open space until 2039	\$13,291,521	\$13,291,521
★ NJ New Jersey	Nov. 6	Pass	54%	46%	Bond for open space, farmland preservation and watershed protection	\$200,000,000	\$200,000,000
19 NJ Oakland Bor.	Nov. 6	Fail	39%	61%	5-year, 1 cent per \$100 property tax increase for the preservation of open space		
20 NJ Oradell Bor.	Nov. 6	Fail	42%	58%	1 cent per \$100 property tax increase to establish a municipal open space trust fund		
21 NJ Paramus Bor.	Nov. 6	Fail	39%	61%	5-year, 1 cent per \$100 property tax increase to establish an open space trust fund		
22 NJ Peapack-Gladstone Bor.	Nov. 6	Fail	49%	51%	1 cent per \$100 property tax increase for the preservation of open space and farmland		

23	NJ	Rockaway Twp.	Nov. 6	Pass	55%	45%	Up to 2 cents per \$100 property tax increase for the establishment of an open space trust fund	\$11,695,840	\$11,695,840
24	NJ	Shrewsbury Bor.	Nov. 6	Pass	55%	45%	Continuation of 1 cent per \$100 property tax for the open space trust fund	\$1,592,502	\$1,592,502
25	NJ	Upper Freehold Twp.	Nov. 6	Pass	52%	48%	2 cents per \$100 property tax increase for open space and farmland preservation	\$52,800	\$52,800
26	NJ	Vernon Twp.	Nov. 6	Fail	32%	68%	5-year, 2 cents per \$100 property tax for farmland and open space preservation		
27	NJ	Washington Twp.	Nov. 6	Fail	45%	55%	2 cents per \$100 property tax increase for open space and recreational land		
28	NY	Amherst	Nov. 6	Fail	38%	62%	Bond for the purchase of open space, habitat, and farmland		
29	NY	Brookhaven	Nov. 6	Fail	39%	61%	17-year, 2% transfer tax for the preservation of open space and farmland		
30	NY	Oyster Bay	Nov. 6	Pass	73%	27%	Bond for the acquisition of parks and open space	\$60,000,000	\$30,000,000
31	NY	Red Hook	May 1	Pass	51%	49%	2% transfer tax for the preservation of open space and recreational lands	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
32	NY	Southold	Nov. 6	Pass	71%	29%	Bond for farmland and open space preservation	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
33	NY	Suffolk Co.	Nov. 6	Pass	56%	44%	17-year, .25 cent sales tax extension for the acquisition of land to protect drinking water sources	\$595,000,000	\$595,000,000
34	PA	Bucks Co.	Nov. 6	Pass	74%	26%	Bond for open space preservation	\$87,000,000	\$87,000,000
35	PA	Heidelberg Twp.	Nov. 6	Fail	49%	51%	.1% earned income tax increase for open space		
36	PA	Jackson Twp.	May 15	Pass	74%	26%	.25% earned income tax increase for the acquisition of open space	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000
37	PA	Milford Twp.	May 15	Pass	62%	38%	Bond issue to purchase open space	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
38	PA	Plainfield Twp.	Nov. 6	Pass	60%	40%	.25% earned income tax increase to purchase farmland	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000
39	PA	Upper Mount Bethel Twp.	May 15	Pass	68%	32%	.25% earned income tax increase for the preservation of open space, farmland, and recreational lands	\$5,650,000	\$5,650,000
40	PA	West Pikeland Twp.	Nov. 6	Pass	61%	39%	.25% earned income tax increase for open space and farmland preservation	\$11,000,000	\$11,000,000

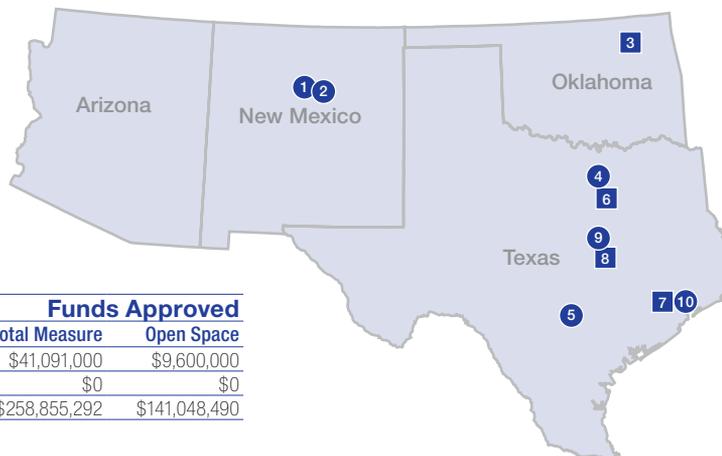


Southeast Summary			Funds Approved	
State	Measures	% Pass	Total Measure	Open Space
NC	5	100%	\$188,240,000	\$128,578,721

Southeast Region

Southeast Region Election Results 2007							Funds Approved		
State	Jurisdiction	Date	Status	Yes	No	Description	Total Measure	Open Space	
1	NC	Belmont	Nov. 6	Pass	69%	31%	Bond for parks and recreation including land acquisition	\$12,000,000	\$2,700,000
2	NC	Fuquay-Varina	May 8	Pass	79%	21%	Bond to purchase parks and recreational lands	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
3	NC	Mecklenburg Co.	Nov. 6	Pass	64%	36%	Bond for the purchase of open space	\$35,640,000	\$33,990,000
4	NC	Raleigh	Oct. 9	Pass	72%	28%	Bond for park acquisition and greenway improvements	\$88,600,000	\$39,888,721
5	NC	Wake Co.	Oct. 9	Pass	71%	29%	Bond for open space preservation	\$50,000,000	\$50,000,000

Southwest Region



Southwest Summary			Funds Approved	
State	Measures	% Pass	Total Measure	Open Space
NM	2	100%	\$41,091,000	\$9,600,000
OK	1	0%	\$0	\$0
TX	7	100%	\$258,855,292	\$141,048,490

Southwest Region Election Results 2007							Funds Approved	
State / Jurisdiction	Date	Status	Yes	No	Description	Total Measure	Open Space	
1 NM Albuquerque	Oct. 2	Pass	66%	34%	Bond for parks and recreation capital improvements including land acquisition	\$37,491,000	\$6,000,000	
2 NM Village of Los Ranchos de Albuquerque	Mar. 13	Pass	65%	35%	Bond for the purchase of open space and trails	\$3,600,000	\$3,600,000	
3 OK Tulsa Co.	Oct. 9	Fail	48%	52%	7-year, 4/10 of 1% sales tax increase for the Arkansas River Corridor Development Plan			
4 TX Allen	May 12	Pass	71%	29%	Bond for parks and recreation including parkland acquisition	\$17,250,000	\$8,000,000	
5 TX Cedar Park	Nov. 6	Pass	58%	42%	Bond for parks and recreation purposes including park and trail acquisition	\$17,980,000	\$10,980,000	
6 TX Collin Co.	Nov. 6	Pass	68%	32%	Bond for the acquisition of parks and open space	\$17,000,000	\$17,000,000	
7 TX Harris Co.	Nov. 6	Pass	52%	48%	Bond for park acquisition and improvements	\$95,000,000	\$38,000,000	
8 TX Hays Co.	May 12	Pass	68%	32%	Bond for parks and open space	\$30,000,000	\$30,000,000	
9 TX San Antonio	May 12	Pass	69%	31%	Bond for park improvements including some open space and park acquisitions	\$79,125,292	\$34,918,490	
10 TX Seabrook	Nov. 6	Pass	60%	40%	Bond for the purchase of land to expand Pine Gully Park	\$2,500,000	\$2,150,000	



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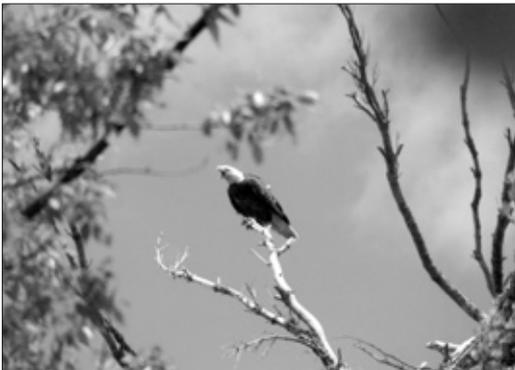
Midwest Region



Midwest Summary			Funds Approved	
State	Measures	% Pass	Total Measure	Open Space
IL	5	60%	\$203,000,000	\$203,000,000
MN	1	100%	\$2,790,000	\$2,790,000
OH	3	0%	\$0	\$0
WI	2	0%	\$0	\$0

Midwest Region Election Results 2007

State / Jurisdiction	Date	Status	Yes	No	Description	Funds Approved	
						Total Measure	Open Space
1 IL Kane Co. Forest Preserve District	Apr. 17	Pass	64%	36%	Bond for the acquisition and preservation of open space	\$85,000,000	\$85,000,000
2 IL Kendall Co. Forest Preserve District	Apr. 17	Pass	68%	32%	Bond for the preservation of open space, habitat, recreational areas, trails, and watersheds	\$45,000,000	\$45,000,000
3 IL McHenry Co. Conservation District	Apr. 17	Pass	57%	43%	Bond for the preservation of open space, wildlife habitat, recreational areas and water quality	\$73,000,000	\$73,000,000
4 IL Nunda Twp.	Apr. 17	Fail	50%	50%	Bond for the acquisition and preservation of open space		
5 IL Roselle PD	Apr. 17	Fail	47%	53%	Bond for the purchase of open space		
6 MN Mendota Heights	Apr. 24	Pass	54%	46%	Bond issue to purchase golf course to maintain as recreational land	\$2,790,000	\$2,790,000
7 OH Granville Twp.	Feb. 6	Fail	42%	58%	Bond to purchase 579-acre property to preserve as open space and parkland		
8 OH Montgomery	Nov. 6	Fail	16%	84%	20-year, 1.25 mill property tax increase for the acquisition and maintenance of parks and open space		
9 OH Stark Co. PD	May 8	Fail	42%	58%	6-year, 1 mill replacement levy for parks, open space acquisition and maintenance		
10 WI Mukwonago	Apr. 3	Fail	36%	64%	20-year, 50 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value property tax to begin a purchase of development rights program		
11 WI Washington Co.	Apr. 3	Fail	37%	63%	10-year, land preservation program to protect farmland, water resources, and natural areas		



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Rocky Mountain Region



Rocky Mountain Summary			Funds Approved	
State	Measures	% Passed	Total Measure	Open Space
CO	2	100%	\$152,500,000	\$152,500,000
MT	1	0%	\$0	\$0

Rocky Mountain Region Election Results 2007							Funds Approved	
State / Jurisdiction	Date	Status	Yes	No	Description	Total Measure	Open Space	
1 CO Boulder Co.	Nov. 6	Pass	59%	41%	20-year, extension of .10% sales tax for open space preservation	\$77,500,000	\$77,500,000	
2 CO Longmont	Nov. 6	Pass	52%	48%	13-year, .2 cent sales tax extension for open space, habitat protection, parks and trails	\$75,000,000	\$75,000,000	
3 MT Whitefish	Oct. 10	Fail	43%	57%	Bond to expand a beachfront and park			

West Region

West Summary			Funds Approved	
State	Measures	% Passed	Total Measure	Open Space
CA	1	100%	\$46,683,000	\$46,683,000
WA	1	100%	\$105,000,000	\$84,000,000



West Region Election Results 2007							Funds Approved	
State / Jurisdiction	Date	Status	Yes	No	Description	Total Measure	Open Space	
1 CA Santa Clarita	Jul. 10	Pass	63%	37%	30-year, \$25 assessment on property owners for the creation of the Santa Clarita Open Space and Parkland Preservation District	\$46,683,000	\$46,683,000	
2 WA King Co.	Aug. 21	Pass	59%	41%	6-year, 5 cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for open space and trail acquisitions and for the Woodland Park Zoo	\$105,000,000	\$84,000,000	

The Conservation Almanac



What is the Almanac?

Across the country, state and local governments are developing policies that support land conservation. The Trust For Public Land's Conservation Almanac is the definitive source of land conservation information, providing critical background for elected officials, policymakers, the media, citizen activists, and researchers.

The Almanac provides a comprehensive, state-by-state analysis by compiling baseline acreage, annual land conservation activities and growth trends from 1998–2005, and by summarizing policies and programs that underpin land conservation in each state. In compiling data, a conscientious effort was made to include only lands that could be categorized as permanently protected.

Questions to be Addressed:

“With the new money being created for land conservation, what kind of impact are we making?”

“What are other places doing to achieve their conservation goals?”

“Are there any benchmarks to inform our work?” *“What Federal funds are available?”*

“What policies and programs might help us make progress in reaching our conservation objectives?”

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