

## WVLT seeks National Accreditation

*Public comment period is now open*

The land trust accreditation program recognizes land conservation organizations that meet national quality standards for protecting important natural places and working lands forever. Western Virginia Land Trust is pleased to announce it is applying for accreditation. A public comment period is now open.

The Land Trust Accreditation Commission, an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance, conducts an extensive review of each applicant's policies and programs. WVLT has been working toward accreditation for over three years. It has proven to be very helpful in ensuring WVLT meets the high standards developed by our national association the Land Trust Alliance.

The Commission invites public input and accepts signed, written comments on pending applications. Comments must relate to how the Western Virginia Land Trust complies with national quality standards. These standards address the ethical and technical operation of a land trust. For the full list of standards see:

[www.landtrustaccreditation.org/getting-accredited/indicator-practices](http://www.landtrustaccreditation.org/getting-accredited/indicator-practices).

To learn more about the accreditation program and to submit a comment, visit [www.landtrustaccreditation.org](http://www.landtrustaccreditation.org). Comments may also be faxed or mailed to the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, Attn: Public Comments, 112 Spring Street, Suite 204, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866, fax (518) 587-3183. Comments on Western Virginia Land Trust's application will be most useful by June 14, 2010.