STRATEGIC PLAN

Elements Approved 
by the Board of Directors 
As of August 1, 2002

MISSION STATEMENT

The Nushagak/Mulchatna – Wood/Tikhich Land Trust is a non-profit organization dedicated to stewardship of the unique character, traditions and culture of the watersheds of Nushagak Bay and the Togiak National Wildlife Refuge. The Trust works cooperatively with interested organizations and willing landowners to protect the special features of their lands, to acquire land or conservation easements, to provide education and to promote awareness of habitat protection issues.

VISION

- Protection of Land, Subsistence Activities, Habitat, Lifestyle, Experience, Business, No Enhancements
- Concern about Timeliness, Impact of Development, Lack of Options for Sellers, Density of Development
- Desire to Influence Land Use, Future Development, Land Disposition

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board should be a compatible group of individuals who when working together bring the following assets to the Land Trust:

- Diversity
- Mixture of local and non-local backgrounds, but a strong local component
- Influence and experience with foundations and sources of funding
- A strong interest in preservation of the region
- A mix of Native corporation, commercial recreation providers, local village interests and interested non-residents
- Fundraising experience

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• A link to people who come into the area for commercial or recreational purposes
• A passion for conservation work
• Credibility
• Trustworthiness
• A commitment of time and energy
• A strong interest in preserving subsistence
• Ties with people whose interests the Trust hopes to protect
• Professional skills
• Valuable contacts

ACQUISITION CRITERIA

The following criteria shall guide a determination by the Land Trust to accept or purchase an interest in a Native allotment or other parcel of property:

• Within the area served by the Trust
• Located within a documented sensitive area (e.g. salmon spawning beds, caribou calving area).
• Located in a place where the acquisition will preserve or protect an area much larger than the parcel itself
• Located at a public access or important public use area
• Located in an area where considering the use of neighboring land development would compromise the value of the area (e.g. neighboring land is wilderness, public use, historical, etc.)
• Identified by the Togiak National Wildlife Refuge as a parcel of concern
• Identified by State of Alaska as a parcel of concern
• Identified by an Alaska Native corporation as a parcel of concern
• Identified by a contributing member of the Trust as a parcel of concern
• Identified by the Nushagak/Mulchatna Watershed Council as a parcel of concern.
• Owner is asking no more than appraised value
• Owner’s asking price is reasonable
• Owner is willing to contribute something as part of the sale (e.g. conservation easement over another parcel, contribution for stewardship of parcel)
• Contribution for stewardship of parcel is available from other sources

STEWARDSHIP FUND

The Land Trust will maintain a fund to hold and generate income to monitor and defend easements, land and other assets and provide, if necessary, for legal defense costs. Five percent (5%) of all unrestricted revenue received by the Land Trust shall be dedicated to the Stewardship Fund. The Land Trust will seek to obtain a minimum contribution of $15.00 per acre with a minimum of $1000 and a maximum of $5000 to accompany any donation, purchase of land, easement or other interest.