

Town of Lansing Open Space Index & Conservation Plan Survey

The Town of Lansing is developing a community-supported Open Space Index and Conservation Plan, which will identify and highlight priority areas for potential conservation and protection and create a strategic action plan for conservation efforts in the Town.

The Town wishes to better understand community values and opinions regarding Lansing's open space areas and to identify priority locations for conservation efforts. Please complete the brief survey below to help guide the Open Space Index and Conservation Plan! The survey should take approximately 15 minutes, and a summary of the results will be shared with the Lansing Town Board and Conservation Advisory Council.

Please note that all answers to questions are voluntary. You do not have to answer all questions for your survey to be valid. Please note that your survey responses will remain confidential and will not be shared publicly.

1. How important do you think open space (farmland, forests, scenic views, water resources, etc.) is to quality of life in Lansing?

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Very unimportant Somewhat unimportant Neutral / no opinion Somewhat important Very important

2. Please provide a word or phrase you would use to describe open space in Lansing today.

3. Please provide a word or phrase that describes your vision for open space in Lansing in the future.

4. Should the Lansing Town government actively conserve open space in the Town?

Yes No opinion No

5. The following are examples of open space features in the Town:

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| a. Agricultural lands | f. Wetlands |
| b. Floodplains | g. Wildlife habitat |
| c. Grasslands and meadows | h. Woodlands and forests |
| d. Scenic views | i. Recreational spaces (parks, trails, ballfields, etc.) |
| e. Water resources (streams, creeks, Cayuga Lake, etc.) | |

Are all of these open space features equally important to conserve?

Yes No opinion No

6. If no, which open space features are most important to you? (Select up to four in no particular order):

- Agricultural lands
- Floodplains
- Grasslands and meadows
- Scenic views
- Water resources (streams, creeks, Cayuga Lake, etc.)
- Wetlands
- Wildlife habitat
- Woodlands and forests
- Recreational spaces (parks, trails, ballfields, etc.)

7. Which do you feel are the top four benefits of open space conservation?

- Climate resiliency
- Public health
- Water quality / stormwater management
- Economic benefits (e.g., increased property values)
- Habitat for wildlife / ecosystem preservation
- Quality of life
- Waterfront accessibility
- Scenic Beauty
- Sustainable development
- Creation of recreational and/or educational opportunities
- Aesthetic quality / historic character of the Town
- Other (please specify):

8. Do you support the use of tax dollars (federal, state, local) to protect natural areas?

- Yes
- No opinion
- No

9. Do you support the use of tax dollars (federal, state, local) to protect scenic views?

- Yes
- No opinion
- No

10. Are you a landowner interested in protecting your land in the future? If so, and you would like a Town representative to contact you, please enter your email and phone number below:

11. Which of the following best describes you? Select all that apply.

- Year-round resident of the Town of Lansing
- Seasonal resident of the Town of Lansing
- Property owner in the Town of Lansing
- Business owner in the town of Lansing
- Employed in the Town of Lansing
- Student in the Town of Lansing
- Resident of the Village of Lansing
- Resident of a neighboring community
- Other (please specify):

12. How long have you lived in the Town or Village of Lansing?

- 0-4 years
- 5-9 years
- 10-14 years
- 15-19 years
- 20 + years
- I don't live in the Town or Village of Lansing

13. Please select your age range:

- Under 18
- 18-24
- 25-39
- 40-54
- 55-69
- 70-84
- 85 and over

14. How many people are in your household?

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5+

15. Please indicate your household income range:

- < \$50,000
- \$50,000 - \$99,999
- \$100,000 - \$149,999
- \$150,000 - \$199,999
- \$200,000 +

16. If you would like to be contacted about the status of this project moving forward, please enter your email below: *Please note that your survey responses will remain confidential and will not be shared publicly.*

Thank you for completing the survey!

Please bring or mail your completed survey to the Lansing Town Hall (29 Auburn Rd, Lansing, NY 14882) to be recorded. If you would like to submit specific locations that you would like to see conserved in the Town, please visit the Lansing Open Space Index Interactive Map at <https://tinyurl.com/LansingOSI> .