

**C**ONSERVATION EASEMENTS are voluntary, legal agreements between a landowner and a land trust or government agency that permanently limits uses of the land in order to protect its conservation values.



### Application

Conservation easements offer flexibility. If the donation benefits the public by permanently protecting important conservation resources and meets other federal tax code requirements, it can qualify as a tax-deductible charitable donation.

### Additional Resources

Please see the links below for more information regarding the following:

#### Fact Sheets:

Texas Land Trust Council: [Conservation Easements, Texas Landowners](#) 

Texas Agricultural Land And Trust: [Introduction to Conservation Easements](#) 

West Virginia Division Of Forestry: [Conservation Easement Fact Sheet](#) 

**Maintenance:** [Conservation Easement Agreement](#) 

Conservation easements are intended to maintain the natural habitat, activities (including mowing, clearing vegetation, tree removal, herbicide application, utility installation, pest control, road or structure construction) shall be prohibited.