

Belle Vista Bluff Project Summary

Project Name	Belle Vista Bluff
Eligible Greenbelt Recipient	Lowcountry Open Land Trust
Street Address of Property Location	Quigley Road Meggett
Acquisition Type	Conservation Easement
Total Acreage	61
Total Match	\$927,000
Total Greenbelt Funds	\$255,000



Project Description

The Belle Vista Bluff project is located on Gibson Creek in Meggett and is comprised of two parcels totaling 61 acres of diverse land types, including open fields, marsh, forested wetlands, and evergreen upland and mixed upland forests. The majority of the acreage remains in traditional rural use and, as such, supports wildlife habitat and helps protect water quality. Belle Vista Bluff has approximately 8,500 feet of primarily forested frontage on Gibson Creek.

Compliance with Greenbelt Plan

- Assists in meeting the goals of the Greenbelt Plan's system components in the following manner:
 - 43 acres toward meeting the goal of protecting 16,240 acres of rural greenbelt lands
 - 18 acres toward meeting the goal of protecting 5,610 acres of Lowcountry wetlands
- Meets the following components of the Greenbelt Plan's definition of greenbelts:
 - Lowcountry natural resources
 - Productive landscapes
 - Scenic corridors
- Meets three purposes of the Greenbelt Plan:
 - Preservation of natural resources
 - Protection of scenic landscapes
 - Protection of public health, safety and welfare
- Addresses wishes of public by:
 - Protecting lowcountry natural resources, which is the second most important type of greenspace identified by citizens.
- Citizens ranked conservation/preservation as their highest priority for greenspace in the West County area.