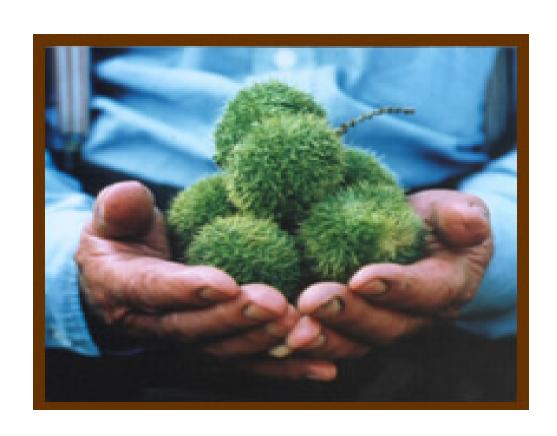
# Integrating Conservation Strategies to Preserve Places and Communities



#### South Kingstown Land Trust

In general, our strategy is to garner public trust of SKLT that will enable us to form the kinds of relationships we need to achieve our goals and objectives.



#### Specifically...we strive to

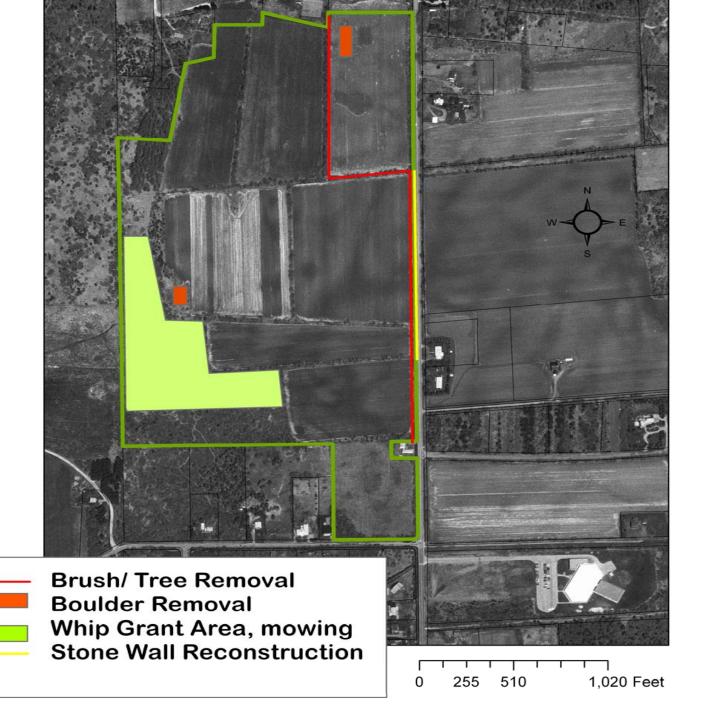
have a broad understanding for the comprehensive planning in our town.

- Preserve areas in relation to an overall plan rather than individual pieces of land.
- Work with others in the area
- Fee ownership facilitates our ability to complete such projects, easily.
- Through management, demonstrate positive stewardship values so that people will identify emotionally with our organization.

## Wall Restoration 2006-2008

A South Kingstown Land Trust Volunteer Based Project





#### Project Start-up

- In March 2006, National Grid tree crews removed all trees on the west side of Matunuck Beach Road
- Town of South Kingstown Public Services
  Dept. trims growth on stone wall.
- SKLT staff and Board members clear roots and undergrowth at foot of walls.

#### Project Start-up

 In April 2006, SKLT Staff Solicits Stone Wall Project Volunteers. In total over 20 Volunteers participate.

David Carpenter Excavating is contracted to remove trees and undergrowth on west side of wall

### Preparations







#### Stonewall Seminar

 Wall building seminar presented by Kevin Baker of Landscapes and Stonescapes, June 4, 2006.











#### Responses

- A positive response ...even for...
- Increased interest in what SKLT is doing
- Gave a way for members to be involved
- Increased membership pride
- \*Increased monetary support of efforts
- Assisted the Hale House, as heard from grantors
- Fostered conversations with the Grist Mill— SKLT as a vehicle to own the land, volunteers from another group would operate and maintain.



#### Conservation Strategy

Successful projects that build trust leads to

Relationship building which leads to

 Cooperative, collaborative opportunities to advance our goals and objectives.

