

Programmatic Investment Summary

PROJECT NAME			
Convening-- "The State of Conservation Easement Information Management in the U.S."			
<i>CON 2008-002</i>			
ALIGNMENT WITH THEORY OF CHANGE			
Forest Retention	Value Streams	Community Capacity	
X			
TYPE OF PROJECT			
Knowledge	Pilot/Demonstration	Operational	Policy
X			
PROJECT OVERVIEW AND OUTCOMES			
<p>About two-dozen land trust and federal agency leaders convened in Washington, DC to discuss the potential for a collaborative database that would feature all (public and private) conservation easements in the U.S.</p> <p>Meeting's purposes/desired Outcomes were to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gain a shared understanding of key works underway, to gather critical information, and to develop up-to-date systems to manage/track conservation data, especially conservation easements, and make the data easily available to a variety of users; • Identify gaps/opportunities, and next steps to speed/further such work that will benefit all key parties and interests. 			
PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS			
<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolve privacy issues surrounding conservation easement size and location data that might potentially be available on the web. • Identify potential mechanisms for ongoing support for gathering, maintaining and servicing the data. • Identify ways to incorporate this work with that of other organizations currently developing conservation GIS layers 			
FUNDS COMMITTED			
Endowment Commitment	Leverage via Endowment	Endowment Spending to Date	Leverage Outside Endowment
\$5,000	-	\$4,350	-
GRANTEES			
Not applicable		Not applicable	
CHRONOLOGY			
Date Approved By Board	Date Agreement Signed or Launched	Project/Initiative Life	Status
November 2007	2-11-2008	2-11-2008 Closed 1 st Quarter	Complete