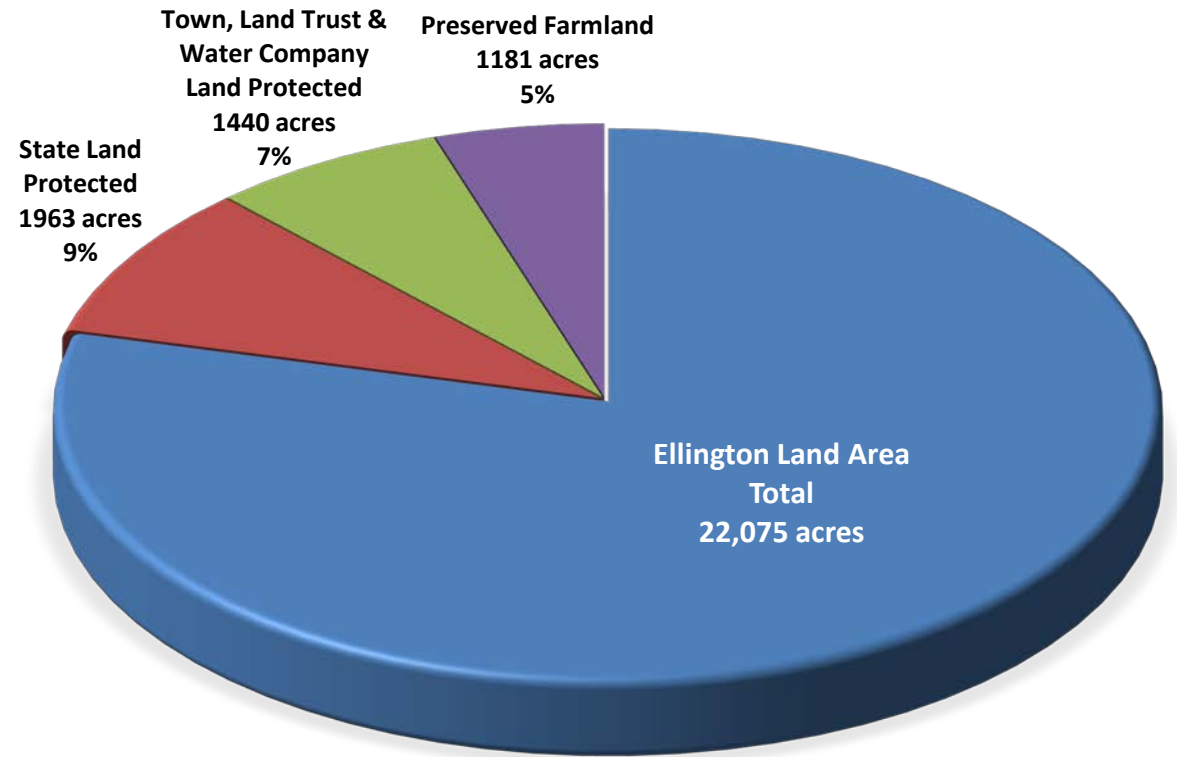


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OPEN SPACE SNAPSHOT



TOTAL LAND AREA IN ELLINGTON: 22,075 ACRES

**TOWN, LAND TRUST, WATER COMPANY & STATE LAND PROTECTED
AS OF AUGUST 2024: 3,403 ACRES**

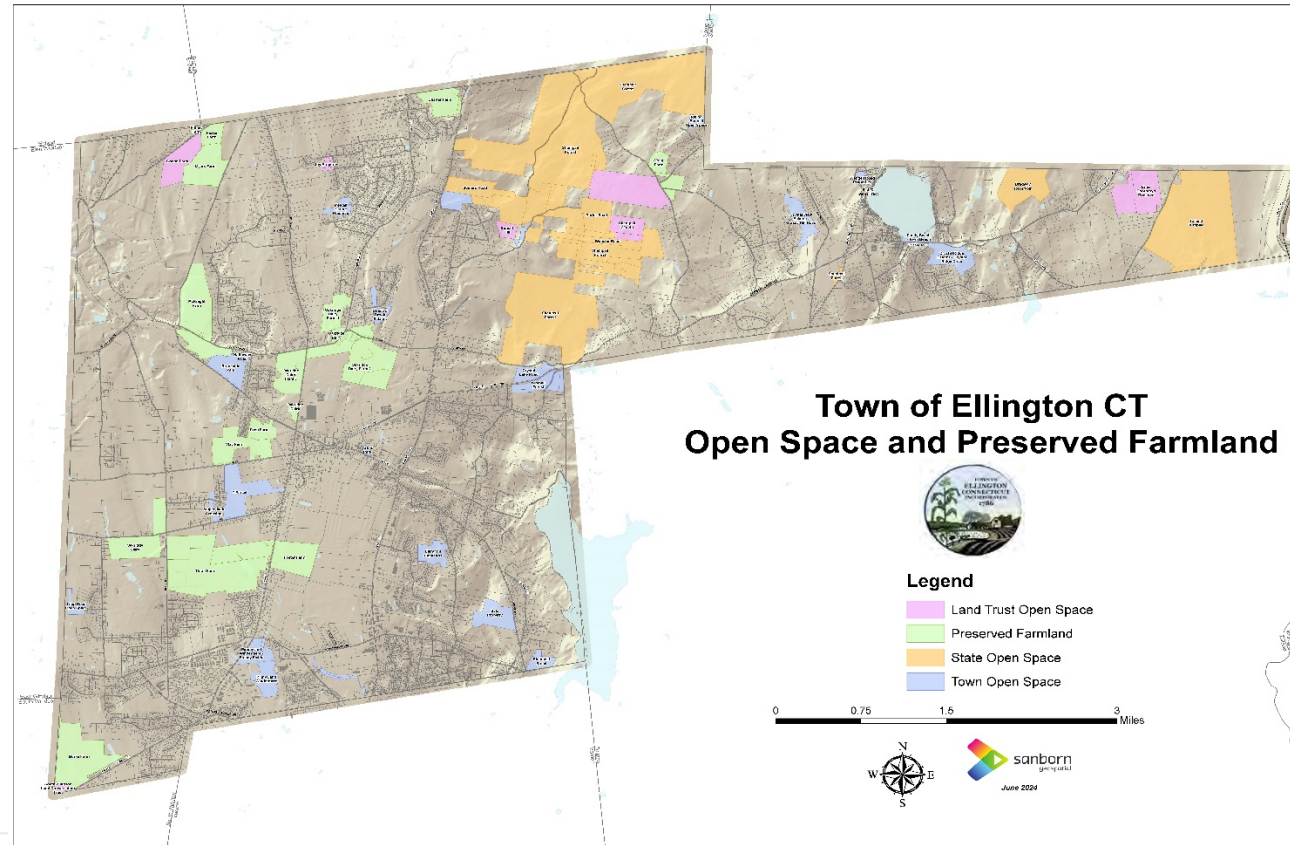
PRESERVED FARMLAND AS OF AUGUST 2024: 1,181 ACRES

Why Conserve?

Open space provides many benefits for Connecticut's citizens. Pleasant views help to preserve community character. Forested areas reduce pollution by filtering the air and water. Protected areas provide opportunities for passive recreation and provide habitat for wildlife. Open space acts as a balance against the negative aspects of development.

Impact

According to the Cost of Community Services study from March 2018, for every \$1 in tax revenue for residentially developed land it costs \$1.13 in services but for open space land only \$0.27.



For an interactive version of this map, please visit <https://ellingtonct.mapgeo.io/>

Preservation Goals

1. Preserve working farms
2. Protect Ellington's Natural Resources and Provide Natural Linkages
3. Preserve and Enhance Recreational Assets

Public Access

The following open space properties include public access:

- Arbor Park
- Batz Property
- Boothroyd & Bellante Preserve
- Crystal Ridge Trail
- Highlands Trail
- Hockanum River West Road Trail
- Kimball Forest
- Metcalf Trail
- Pinney Street Fields
- Sandy Beach
- Shenipsit State Forest
- Sunset Hill Trail
- Tedford Memorial Park
- Windermere Trails

How to Help

To find out how you can get involved with protecting Ellington's natural resources, please contact the Ellington Planning Department at (860)870-3120 or stop by the Town Hall Annex at 57 Main Street.