



Land Conservancy preserves and maintains the scenic qualities of open space, the protection of natural habitats and the preservation of agricultural land. It is separate from the village government but supportive to its operations.

Some Important Benefits to the Waite Hill Land Conservancy

- Maintaining open vistas enjoyed by all.
- Open space helps to maintain the low-density population that has exempted the village from EPA's Phase II Water Regulations.
- Undeveloped land helps to prevent undesirable water run-off.
- The 251-acre preserved watershed intersected by Smith Road and bordered by one mile of the main branch of the Chagrin River provides an exceptional habitat for fauna and flora as well as a spectacular setting for guided walks. Its three ponds and accompanying marshes provide an excellent filtering and settling for water prior to entering the Chagrin River.
- Ponds and marshes are an important resting area for migratory birds crossing Lake Erie.
- Large open fields provide important nesting areas for Redwing Blackbirds, Meadow Larks, and Bobolinks in spring and summer. Later they provide hay for local farmers.
- Fifteen acres east of Hobart Road (formerly Augustus property) protect some of the largest trees in Waite Hill Village.

