

Volunteer Easement Monitor

Overview

UVLT's volunteer Easement Monitors enjoy walking conserved properties and help us meet one of our most fundamental obligations – the annual inspection of conserved lands. We provide training for Land Stewards at least once annually.

Responsibilities

- Meet with landowner, talk about easement, and past or future activities.
- Walk boundaries as necessary.
- Locate, photograph, and flag corner markers if not previously completed.
- Visit sites of past violations as follow-up.
- Visit boundary areas adjacent to very populated/busy abutting properties.
- Photograph any new (possible) violations and mark location on map.
- Complete monitoring visit report
 - Label and date all photographs record photo points on survey or baseline map.
 - Include narrative or map of course taken during monitoring visit.
- File original with UVLT and return all documents.

Items to bring on field visit (some items below may be borrowed from UVLT)

- Monitoring Field File from UVLT
- Topographic map and/or copy of topo map with conservation parcel boundaries drawn
- Survey map or UVLT conservation map (with correct scale)
- Compass
- GPS unit (with back-up batteries)
- Flagging tape (to highlight boundaries and / or corner points)
- Camera (check to make sure you have film or disc space, and extra batteries)
- Tape recorder or notepad and writing utensils
- Field tape measure
- Water and snack
- Rain/cold weather gear
- Bug repellent/head nets
- Binoculars, Cell Phone (optional)