

# Lyme Land Conservation Trust

## OWNED PROPERTY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### Part A – Property Description

(Complete only when there is change in steward or the property. Place one copy in property file and provide one copy to Stewardship Committee Chair)

GENERAL	
Property Log#(s):	Property/Project Name:
Location/Access:	
Report Date:	Steward:

#### Property Description

TERRAIN/HABITAT <i>(Approximate percentages)</i>			
Cultivated Field	%	Marshland – Freshwater	%
Uncultivated Field	%	Marshland – Brackish	%
Field Reverting to Forest	%	Swamp	%
Climax Forest	%	Other <i>(Specify)</i>	%
Pond	%	Other <i>(Specify)</i>	%
River/Stream	%	Other <i>(Specify)</i>	%
			100%

NARRATIVE EXPLAINING TERRAIN/HABITAT

PROPERTY UTILIZATION <i>(Circle what best describes the current utilization of this property)</i>	EXPLAIN
Rare or endangered species preservation	
Wildlife/habitat management	
Scientific/educational	
Passive recreation	
Forestry	
Agricultural	
Open space within subdivision	

**Survey Description**

<b>METHOD OF SURVEY</b> <i>(Circle what describes the method best employed in surveying this property)</i>	<b>EXPLAIN</b>
Walk	
Drive By	
Kayak/Canoe	

<b>DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY</b> <i>(Circle what best describes the effort required to survey this property)</i>	<b>EXPLAIN</b>
Easy <i>(Level/minimal incline/dry)</i>	
Moderate <i>(Some incline/wet areas)</i>	
Difficult <i>(Steep/wet/thick underbrush)</i>	
Very Difficult <i>(Extremely steep/wet/thick underbrush)</i>	

<b>TIME</b> <i>(Circle approximate time required to survey this property)</i>	<b>FREQUENCY</b> <i>(Circle recommended frequency that property should be surveyed)</i>
½ Hour	Quarterly
1 Hour	Twice Annually
1-½ Hour	Annually
2 Hours	Other <i>(Specify):</i>
2-½ Hours	
3 Hours	
More <i>(Specify):</i>	

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### Part B – Monitoring Observations

(Complete annually. Attach one copy to most recent Part A in property file and provide one copy to Stewardship Committee Chair)

GENERAL	
Property Log#(s): <b>F 29</b>	Property/Project Name: <b>Grassy Hill Preserve</b>
Location/Access: <b>N of Grassy Hill Church/parking N end near Cemetery</b>	
Inspection Date: <b>4/10/08</b>	Steward: <b>Penny Smyth</b>
Total time spent on monitoring and reporting this Property/Project:     *     hrs:	

REVIEW ITEMS	YES/ NO	EXPLAIN <i>(Number and continue below if necessary)</i>
Walk property perimeter?	Y	
Property boundaries posted?	Y	
Evidence of boundary encroachment?	N	
Is property being used in an inappropriate or damaging manner? <i>(e.g. Unauthorized utilization, trespass, parties, bikes, dogs, horses, camping/ campfires, vehicles, litter, dumping, excavation/ filling, storage, vandalism, hunting, other)</i>	N	
Is property experiencing natural damage? <i>(e.g. Non-native species, siltation, over-browsing, erosion, beaver, insect, wind, fire, flood, safety hazards, other)</i>		Non-Native species continue to be a challenge
Is property free of litter?	Y	
Trails in good condition?	Y	
Is fieldwork required?	Y	See notes
Photos on file? <i>(If not, you are encouraged to take some)</i>	Y	

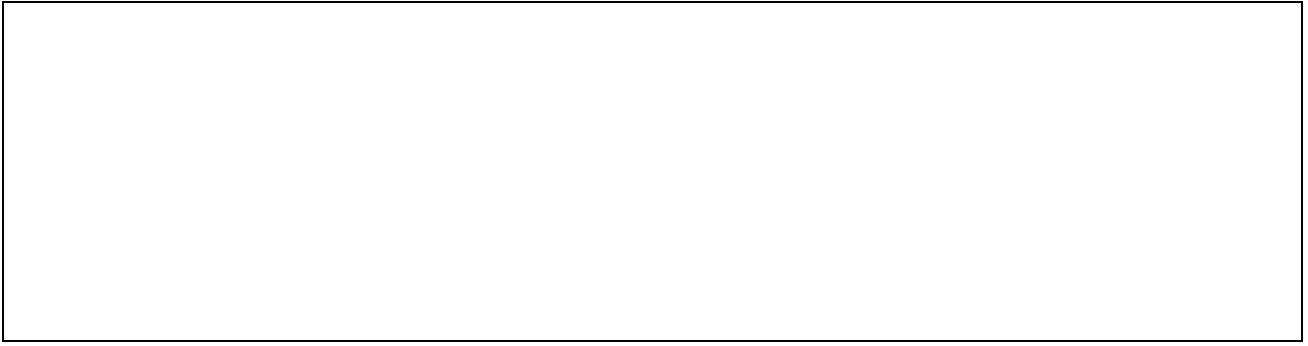
EXPLAIN PROBLEMS <i>(as a result of the reviews above)</i>	RECOMMENDED SOLUTIONS	RESOLUTION/FOLLOW-UP <i>(Date and explain)</i>
Removal of barbed wire along eastern border. Brush hog woodie vegetation.	Volunteers during work parties	Barb wire removal along pedestrian access completed 11/4/07. Brush hog
Wall repair in need of replacement barway	Get quotes for materials and assess volunteers available for labor	Anticipated completion date June 1 <sup>st</sup> .

NARRATIVE OF OBSERVATIONS

A major accomplishment this past year was the repair of feet of stone wall that was made possible by the private donations to the Grassy Hill Fund ear marked for this project. Three quotes were obtained, and Mark Evanko came in with the most favorable price. Work was completed in

3/30/08 8:30 am – 10:30 am. Early Spring Work Party with Volunteers. Gordie Krussen stopped by to review clearing of box wire around cemetery which will allow for easier clearing and maintance around cemetery to open up views for Preserve. Friends of Grassy Hill volunteers willing to assist with this project, and much progress was accomplished during the work party. Other work included picking up small rocks along the wall to allow for easier mowing at walls edge to keep down growth and invasives.

11/4/07 8:30 – 10:30 am. Fall Work Party with volunteers. Goal to maintain growth along stone wall with clearing and clipping. Placing fallen stones back on wall to make an easier mowing path up against the wall for pedestrians. Hedge hogging was helpful along wall Bitter sweet cleared from apple tree. A very successful work party which included previous owner. Some additional barb wire removed.

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