ACRES Land Trust - Land Categories

ACRES own property in three categories:

1. **Nature Preserves** are created to protect natural areas. ACRES permanently protects its nature preserves by guaranteeing to never develop or transfer them. Nature Preserves often contain unique natural features or rare, threatened or endangered plants and animals.

2. **Protected Lands** are areas worthy of protection for reasons other than their natural features. Protected Lands are also given protection against development or transfer – ACRES’ name will always remain on the deed. Typical protected land uses include agricultural, managed forests / tree farms, recreational areas, and hunting or fishing properties.

3. **Investment Properties** are offered no protection and are intended to be sold by ACRES for financial gain. ACRES will consider any type of land for use as investment property.

Income from Protected Lands or Investment Properties will be used to manage Nature Preserves and offset expenses associated with Protected Lands and Investment Properties (property taxes, drainage assessments, timber stand improvement, tile repair, etc.)