



THE KINNICKINNIC RIVER LAND TRUST

WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY TO PROTECT THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND SCENIC BEAUTY OF THE KINNICKINNIC RIVER WATERSHED

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Kinnickinnic River Land Trust, Inc. Seeks National Accreditation Notice of Public Comment Opportunity

The **Kinnickinnic River Land Trust, Inc. (KRLT)**, incorporated in 1993 as a non-profit community-based land trust, is pleased to announce it is applying for national accreditation through the **Land Trust Accreditation Commission (LTAC)**. As part of this application there is an opportunity for the public to comment on the **KRLT**. A public comment period is now open.

According to Brent Johnson, **KRLT** Board Secretary and Governance Committee Chair, "The **KRLT** Board of Directors is pleased to be among the first 100 land trusts in the country to seek accreditation. We believe that receiving accreditation from the **LTAC** will greatly enhance the long-term success of **KRLT**'s mission to work with the community to protect the natural resources and scenic beauty of the Kinnickinnic River Watershed."

LTAC, an independent program of the **Land Trust Alliance**, conducts an extensive review of each applicant's policies and programs. The **LTAC** reviewers will be thoroughly assessing how **KRLT** is managed and how well it adheres to nationally accepted land trust standards and practices. These standards address the ethical and technical operation of a land trust. For the full list of standards see <http://www.landtrustaccreditation.org/getting-accredited/2008-indicator-practices> .

The Commission invites public input and accepts signed, written comments on pending applications. Comments will be accepted online or by fax and must relate to how **KRLT** complies with national quality standards.

To learn more about the accreditation program and to submit a comment, visit <http://www.landtrustaccreditation.org/current-applicants/action-public-comment> . Comments may also be faxed or mailed to the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, Attn: Public Comments: (fax) 518-587-3183; (mail) 112 Spring Street, Suite 204, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Comments on KRLT's application will be accepted through September 15, 2008.

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