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French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust Preserves Seibert Property in Charlestown Township

Phoenixville, Pa., May 17 — French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust has preserved forever 19.7 acres in Charlestown Township, northern Chester County, through a conservation easement on property owned by Thomas and Marjorie Seibert. The Seibert Property is visible to the public from 400 feet of frontage along Pikeland Road, which is designated as a scenic road in the Charlestown Township Open Space Plan. The easement was funded by Charlestown Township.

“Thanks to the Seibert’s generosity, their property will continue to provide, maintain and improve water quality in the Pickering Creek Watershed,” noted Pam Brown, French & Pickering Conservation Director.

The more than 8 acres of contiguous woodlands within the property will continue to provide habitat to numerous land and aquatic animals and perpetuate and foster the growth of a healthy and unfragmented forest or woodland.

The biologically diverse meadow and grassland habitat, including native species, will continue to provide nesting and denning sites for a variety of fauna, as well as cover and forage for species dependent on flowering and seed producing plants.

French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust is grateful for the Seibert’s generosity and for the opportunity to protect this biologically valuable and beautiful property.

About French & Pickering Creeks Conservation Trust

Land Preservation

Since its establishment in 1967, French & Pickering has protected more than 13,000 acres in northern Chester County through purchases, conservation easements and public/private partnerships. The non-profit organization works with landowners, townships, foundations and the state and county to purchase and monitor conservation easements, create parkland and preserve environmentally sensitive land.

Public Access to Preserved Lands

Now more than ever, outside recreational opportunities are important to our mental and physical health. These French & Pickering properties are open to the public and contain miles of marked hiking trails and scenic views:

The Great Marsh Preserve in East Nantmeal Township is over 550 acres of woodland wildlife habitat. This valuable natural space houses many species of birds and mammals and is an important source of clean water for the Great Marsh ecosystem.

The Thomas P. Bentley Nature Preserve in East Nantmeal and Warwick townships is a 108-acre site that includes the ruins of the Warwick Iron Furnace and the Exceptional Value south branch of the French Creek.