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OSI PARTNERSHIP WITH WEST POINT CADETS CREATES NEW TRAIL BRIDGE AT SCHUNNEMUNK STATE PARK

Thanks to an Open Space Institute partnership with the U.S. Military Academy at West Point (USMA) and NYS Parks, Schunnemunk State Park in New York's Orange County features a new trail bridge. For the last five years, USMA Cadets have been putting their civil engineering education to real-world use by designing and building park trail bridges at area state parks. The latest of these projects was a recently opened bridge and showcases the Cadets' skill and ingenuity with a modern design inspired by both their military service and the large-scale artwork at the nearby Storm King Art Center.

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EXTREME MAKEOVER: TRAIL AND BRIDGE EDITION

The Open Space Institute gathered with U.S. Congressman Pat Ryan, Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger, the Wallkill Valley Land Trust, and supporters to celebrate the opening of the new Plattekill Creek Bridge and a revitalized 5.5-mile section of the popular Wallkill Valley Rail Trail in New Paltz, NY.

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OSI EXPANDS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE IN SOUTH CAROLINA

A former rice plantation has a new life as part of South Carolina's Waccamaw National Wildlife Refuge, thanks to the Open Space Institute's conservation efforts. The Hasty Point property will host educational programming and historical interpretation honoring the enslaved workers who lived and labored there.

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CREATING A NEW NATURE PRESERVE IN NEW JERSEY

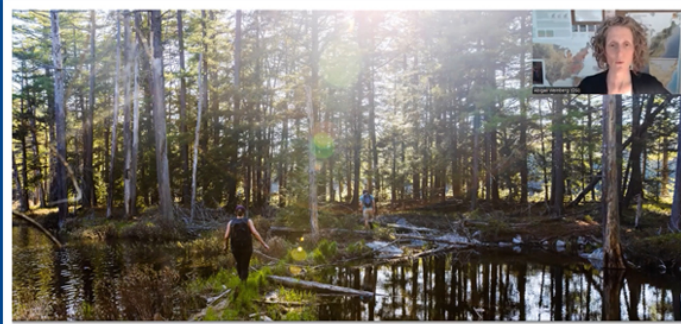
New Jersey has a new nature preserve, thanks in part to a grant from OSI's Delaware River Watershed Protection Fund. The Millbrook Seeps Preserve, acquired by the Land Conservancy of New Jersey, contains pristine forests that filter water that ultimately flows into the Delaware River – drinking water source for the residents of Trenton, Philadelphia, Wilmington, and New York City.

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OSI PROTECTS "HANG-GLIDING CAPITAL OF THE NORTHEAST"

Building on the Open Space Institute's decades-long efforts to protect the delicate ecosystems and natural beauty of New York's Shawangunk Ridge, OSI has protected a 64-acre property that is renowned among hang-gliders and recognized by the New York Natural Heritage Program as a conservation priority for its ecological and geological importance.

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Where do we conserve forest carbon?

MAPPING TECHNOLOGY TO MAXIMIZE CARBON STORAGE

With proper land use and management, forests could capture some thirty percent of our national carbon emissions. OSI is using cutting-edge tools to help land trusts and public agencies protect forests with high capacity to sequester and store carbon. In this video, OSI's Abigail Weinberg and Neil Jordan showcase the tools – and explain why this is a critical moment for protecting land.

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CELEBRATING SUCCESS IN THE SOUTHEAST

For more than a decade, the Open Space Institute has been working to save at-risk land in the southeastern U.S. Land protected by OSI increases public access to nature, safeguards wildlife habitat, protects communities from the impacts of extreme weather, and allows exploration of the region's complex history. Dive into OSI's progress in the Southeast.

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