

Morris County Preservation Trust

Recommended Open Space Projects for 2010

South Branch Preserve Additions

Submitted by: Mount Olive Twp., The Land Conservancy of NJ

Type of Acquisition: Acquisition in Fee Simple

Grant Amount: \$1,622,000

Location: Mount Olive Twp.

Acreage: 241.81

Description:

This is a joint application submitted by the municipality and a non-profit. The wooded tracts are located at the end of Shop Lane, adjacent to the recently restored South Branch Headwaters Property preserved with the assistance of a county open space grant and the pending South Branch Preserve project of over 500 acres. The four tracts at the intersection of Wolfe Road and Route 46 are currently farmed and contain three quarters of a mile of South Branch Raritan River. Acquisition of these properties builds upon preservation efforts in the region to preserve the headwaters of this river, a critical drinking water supply.

