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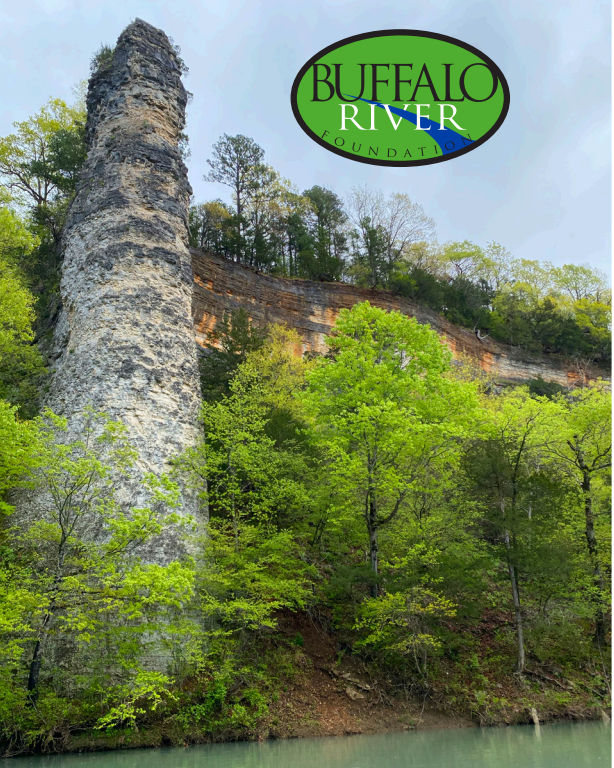
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Buffalo River Foundation is busy!

In the past few months we filed two conservation easements in the Cozahome area, as well as closing an acquisition near Maumee--all of which border the National River boundary. We are now moving forward with easements on 40 acre tracts in Murray Valley and Cozahome, as well as an easement on a beautiful 400 acre tract on Beech Creek above Boxley Valley. Each of these projects requires a baseline report, title history, and legal document preparation.

Contribute today to keep these projects moving forward!



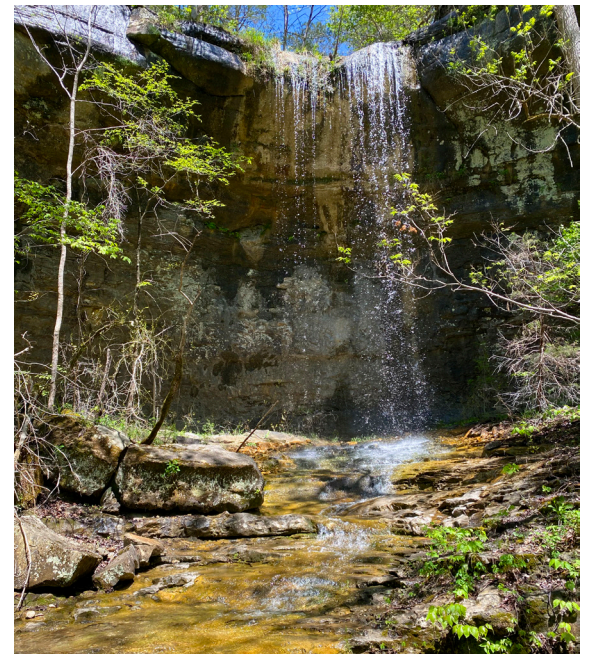
What is a land trust?

A land trust is a nonprofit entity which works with landowners to conserve private properties through conservation easements and acquisitions. BRF is fairly unique amongst land trusts because it is dedicated solely to conserving the watershed of our Nation's first National River.

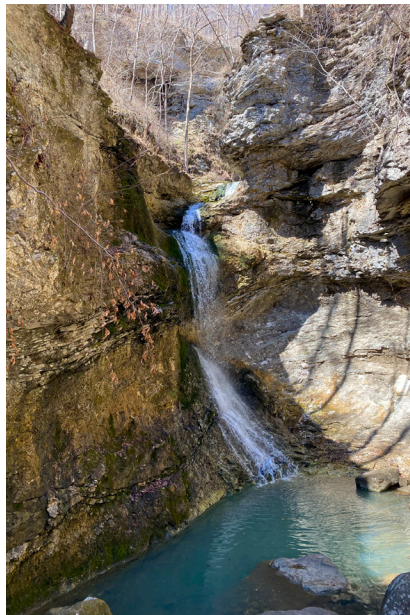
What is a conservation easement?

Conservation easements are the primary tool BRF uses to conserve private property. A landowner donates the conservation easement to the Buffalo River Foundation, but retains ownership of the property. The easement then governs some aspects of the use and development of the property.

For example, easements protect conservation values, like mature timber, scenic views, or riparian areas, while restricting activities that can degrade water quality, like mining. We file the conservation easement at the county courthouse, and it stays with the land forever.



Waterfall near Maumee and the recently acquired Schoolhouse Ridge Property.

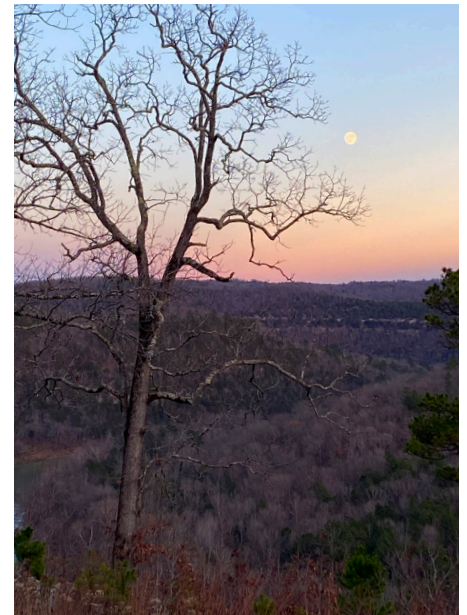


Waterfall at Lost Valley

When does BRF acquire property?

We are very selective when determining if BRF should acquire a property. For example, BRF purchased the Roberts Tract in 2018 because it was an inholding (inside the boundary of the National River), and its acquisition allowed the Buffalo River Trail to open between Highways 65 and 14.

BRF also purchased properties of high conservation value where the landowner wanted to sell a property bordering the National River boundary, like the Boxley 40 or recently completed Schoolhouse Ridge projects. A few landowners donate their properties to BRF as a charitable, tax-deductible gift.



Moonrise at Buffalo Point Overlook

Protect Schoolhouse Ridge and the Scenic Integrity of the Buffalo River



Pictured is Maumee Bluff. Schoolhouse Ridge is above Maumee Bluff.



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Newly Available Property Needs Protection

The Schoolhouse Ridge Property is for sale. It's one of the closest private properties to the actual river, just over 100 yards at its southeast corner. This property is downstream of South Maumee, a popular access point. It sits on a bluff above the river which is subject to sale and development unless purchased and conserved by Buffalo River Foundation.

Use the attached card to support this acquisition to protect the scenic integrity of the Buffalo!

Pictured is Maumee Bluff. Schoolhouse Ridge is above Maumee Bluff.

The Schoolhouse Ridge Property is unique:

It borders the National River boundary on two sides. Its acquisition will expand contiguous protected space.

A future opportunity exists to acquire the property immediately to the north, thus conserving a third boundary.

Ephemeral streams cross the property, flowing directly into the Buffalo.

The landowner wishes to sell the property, so we need your financial support to protect it and the scenic integrity of the river!



The stream shown here flows across the Schoolhouse Ridge Property directly into the Buffalo River.



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Thank you for your generous support of the
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In December, we sent you the full report on our successes
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BENEFITS FOR LANDOWNERS

Cooperative conservation gives landowners the peace of mind that their property is preserved forever. Many of our land or easement donors are comforted by the fact that the Buffalo River Foundation will routinely monitor their property to guarantee that it is properly cared for. Additionally, donors may also be eligible for tax deductions.

Buffalo River Foundation works with landowners to realize their conservation and financial objectives in several ways: First, conservation easements allow landowners to take a tax deduction equal to the appraised value of the easement. Second, if a landowner chooses to donate their property, the donor may realize a tax deduction equal to the value of the donated property. Third, a landowner may engage in a below market “bargain sale” and receive a deduction equal to the appraised value less the bargain-sale amount.



Upper Beech Creek, 40 acres



Whiteley Creek, 40 acres



Small Tract near Rush

Today, as we continue our mission to conserve private properties in the Buffalo River watershed, we are excited to fill you in on our pending plans for 2019, and we do hope you will continue to help! Our goal is to acquire these interests, and more, in 2019:

- Upper Beech Creek on Cave Mountain
 - 40 acre easement: **\$12,000** project costs
- Whiteley Creek in Boxley
 - 40 acre purchase: **\$80,000** project costs
- Small Tract near Rush
 - Donation: **\$8,000** project costs

Together, we can make a difference and create real protections for Arkansas' greatest natural treasure.

Please complete the information on the back and submit your contribution to further conservation on the Buffalo.