

ChicoryLane: Continue What?

Land

Starting with a 68-acre property, we are trying to conserve it in the sense of Aldo Leopold's *Land* as a functioning organism of soil, water, plants, animals, and more.

Ecology

Those parts function within an internal system of interdependencies – an ecology – as well as in relation to a larger, external physical system.

Engagement

We are committed to engagement with the Land and its parts. To see it as it is, to value it for its being, and to collaborate with it for our mutual benefit.

Understanding

We seek to understand it in terms of its parts, their interactions and how they work together, the overall dynamics of the system. We also seek to understand how human efforts can effect changes for the better, or otherwise, and what *better* even means.

Activity

Given our imperfect understanding of this organism, we do our best to carry out a program of activities to share what we have learned, what we have seen and experienced, and to encourage others in their own similar efforts.

Share

We will continue to share the Land with visitors in ways that reveal it, and encourages them to experience it, as a place for engagement, contemplation, even solitude.