

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2023

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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A For the 2023 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07/01/23, and ending 06/30/24

B Check if applicable:

☐ Address change☐ Name change☐ Initial return☐ Final return/
terminated☐ Amended return☐ Application pending

C Name of organization

NORTH BRANCH LAND TRUST

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite

105 LT. MICHAEL CLEARY DRIVE

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

DALLAS

PA 18612

F Name and address of principal officer:

ELLEN FERRETTI

D Employer identification number

-*5642

E Telephone number

570-310-1781

G Gross receipts \$

735,916

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ NoH(b) Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "No," attach a list. See instructions

I Tax-exempt status: ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527J Website: www.nblt.org

H(c) Group exemption number

K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Year of formation: 1994

M State of legal domicile: PA

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:			
		North Branch Land Trust partners with landowners, communities, and stakeholders to conserve and care for Northeastern Pennsylvania's lands and waters.			
	2	Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.			
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	18	
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	18	
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2023 (Part V, line 2a)	5	6	
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	20	
Revenue	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0	
	b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	7b	0	
	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year	
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	301,683	359,859	
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	64,579	18,200	
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	1,935,379	209,961	
	12	Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	73,480	110,743	
			2,375,121	698,763	
	Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	45,397	0
		14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
15		Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	218,085	248,775	
16a		Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0	
b		Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	105,228		
17		Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	279,040	337,216	
18		Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	542,522	585,991	
19		Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	1,832,599	112,772	
Net Assets or Fund Balances		20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	10,460,741	7,597,688	
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	3,840,879	582,624	
		6,619,862	7,015,064		

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign
Here

Signature of officer

Date

ELLEN FERRETTI

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Type or print name and title

Paid

Preparer
Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name

Preparer's signature

Date

Check ☐ if PTIN

Kelley Lindsay, CPA

02/21/25

self-employed

Firm's name

Kohanski & Co., PC

Firm's EIN

-*0517

Firm's address

4 Meadow Avenue, Ste C
Scranton, PA 18505

Phone no.

570-941-2248

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

☒ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Form 990 (2023)

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Acknowledgement and General Information for Taxpayers Who File Returns Electronically

Thank you for taking part in the IRS e-file Program.

NORTH BRANCH LAND TRUST
105 LT. MICHAEL CLEARY DRIVE

DALLAS, PA 18612

- [X] Your Form 8868, Application for Extension of Time to File an Exempt Organization Return for tax year ending June 30, 2024 is being filed electronically with the IRS by the services of Kohanski & Co., PC.
- [X] Your extension was accepted by the IRS on 11/05/24 and the Submission Identification Number assigned to your extension is 24541220243100011342.

Since you are filing your extension electronically, PLEASE DO NOT SEND A PAPER COPY OF YOUR EXTENSION TO THE IRS. IF YOU DO, IT WILL DELAY THE PROCESSING OF THE EXTENSION.

Acknowledgement Process

The IRS will notify your electronic return originator when they accept your extension, usually within 48 hours. If your extension was not accepted, IRS will notify your electronic return originator of the reasons for rejection.

Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☒**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

The mission of NBLT is to conserve the natural, working, and scenic landscapes in Northeastern Pennsylvania that enrich our lives.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.**4a** (Code:) (Expenses \$ **364,875** including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Schedule O

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4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**Transfer Lands**

North Branch Land Trust will acquire land from time to time and transfer the land to a like-minded conservation organization. The Trust will do this because sometimes other conservation organizations are better suited to manage the conservation values found on that land.

During the prior year, the Land Trust received grant awards from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the acquisition of 1400 acres of natural lands in Newport and Hanover Townships, Luzerne County Pennsylvania. The land was purchased and transferred to the Bureau of Forestry. The project protects endangered species and habitat, a cold water fishery, and scenic mountain highlands.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**Outreach and Education**

NBLT sets out to ensure that the communities in which it operates understand and value the conservation of private and public land by broadly educating the community about the importance of land conservation and smart growth strategies.

4d Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses **364,875**

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? See instructions	X	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I		X
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II		X
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Rev. Proc. 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		X
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I		X
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	X	
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		X
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV		X
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	X	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X, as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	X	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII		X
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII		X
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	X	
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	X	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	X	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	X	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional		X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV		X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV		X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV		X
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I. See instructions		X
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	X	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		X
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>		X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (See the Schedule L, Part IV, instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions).		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
b A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
c A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in line 28a or 28b? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in noncash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	X	
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>		X
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations on Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note: All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Yes No

2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	6			
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b		X		
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a			X	
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O	3b				
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a			X	
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).					
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a			X	
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b			X	
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c				
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a			X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b				
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).					
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a			X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b				
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c			X	
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d				
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e			X	
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f			X	
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g			X	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h			X	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8				
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.					
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a				
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b				
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:					
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a				
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b				
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:					
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a				
b	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b				
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a				
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b				
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.					
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a				
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b				
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c				
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a			X	
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O	14b				
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	15			X	
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	16			X	
17	Section 501(c)(21) organizations. Did the trust, any disqualified or other person engage in any activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952 or 4953? If "Yes," complete Form 6069.	17				

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes on Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI ☒

Section A. Governing Body and Management

	1a	18		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year				
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule O.				
b	Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent	18			
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		2		X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		3		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		4		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		5		X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		6		X
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		7a		X
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		7b		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:				
a	The governing body?		8a	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?		8b	X	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses on Schedule O.		9		X

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	X
b	Describe on Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.	
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	X
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done	X
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?	
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	X
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	X
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on Schedule O. See instructions.	
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	X
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed PA
- 18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
☒ Own website ☒ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain on Schedule O)
- 19 Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records.

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Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII ☐**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees****1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) ELLEN FERRETTI	40.00									
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	0.00			X				92,885	0	12,207
(2) Stephen Maakestead	2.00									
CHAIR	0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(3) FRED VALENTINE	2.00									
DIRECTOR/VICE CHAIR	0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(4) Kay Strickland	2.00									
DIRECTOR/SECRETARY	0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(5) RYAN FLOOD	2.00									
DIRECTOR/TREASURER	0.00	X		X				0	0	0
(6) Barry H. Dyller	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(7) John Lloyd	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(8) Paul Grella	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(9) Cathy O'Donnell	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(10) Guy Rothery	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(11) Vincent A. Scarpetta	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(12) Kelly Bray Snyder ESQ.	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(13) Sarah Block	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(14) Chris Grover	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(15) Robert Neher	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(16) Susan Magnotta	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(17) Bryan Stahl Esq.	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
(18) Jill Robinson	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X							0	0
(19) Mary Kolessar	2.00									
DIRECTOR	0.00	X						0	0	0
1b Subtotal								92,885		12,207
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								92,885		12,207

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **0**

- 3** Did the organization list any **former** officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 4** For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual
- 5** Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person

	Yes	No
3		X
4		X
5		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization

0

Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII ☐

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b	36,334				
	c Fundraising events	1c	18,645				
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	304,880				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g	\$ 25,619				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f			359,859			
	Program Service Revenue	2a Program Service Revenue	Business Code	541900	18,200	18,200	
b							
c							
d							
e							
f All other program service revenue							
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f			18,200				
Other Revenue		3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			209,961	209,961	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real	6a	6,554			
		(ii) Personal	6b				
		6c	6,554				
	d Net rental income or (loss)			6,554	6,554		
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	7a				
		(ii) Other	7b				
		7c					
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales exps.						
	c Gain or (loss)		7c				
	d Net gain or (loss)						
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 18,645 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18		8a	97,050			
		b Less: direct expenses	8b	37,153			
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			59,897				
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19		9a					
	b Less: direct expenses	9b					
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities						
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		10a					
	b Less: cost of goods sold	10b					
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory						
Miscellaneous Revenue	11a Miscellaneous Income	Business Code		44,292	44,292		
	b						
	c						
	d All other revenue						
	e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			44,292			
12 Total revenue. See instructions			698,763	279,007	0	0	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

☒**Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.**

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	203,508	87,508	50,877	65,123
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	11,562	4,972	2,891	3,699
9 Other employee benefits	17,378	7,472	4,345	5,561
10 Payroll taxes	16,327	7,021	4,081	5,225
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management				
b Legal	33,589	33,589		
c Accounting	38,785		38,785	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	120,930	120,930		
12 Advertising and promotion	3,324	3,324		
13 Office expenses	53,491	24,949	2,922	25,620
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	31,348	31,348		
17 Travel	6,247	6,247		
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	4,701	4,701		
23 Insurance	12,521	1,044	11,477	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a Training	26,078	25,578	500	
b Telephone & Internet	4,235	4,235		
c Miscellaneous	987	977	10	
d Licenses & Permits	525	525		
e All other expenses	455	455		
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	585,991	364,875	115,888	105,228
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	65,766	1	42,565
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	2,006,814	2	453,536
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	209,578	4	105,545
	5 Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 1,268,454		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 34,482	10c 1,236,998	1,233,972
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	4,628,738	11	5,012,734
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	2,312,847	15	749,336
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	10,460,741	16	7,597,688	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	54,405	17	10,074
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	408,000	19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	207,783	24	111,172
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	3,170,691	25	461,378
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	3,840,879	26	582,624
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☒ and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	4,665,072	27	4,997,035
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	1,954,790	28	2,018,029
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☐ and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
	32 Total net assets or fund balances	6,619,862	32	7,015,064
33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	10,460,741	33	7,597,688	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ☒

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	698,763
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	585,991
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	112,772
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	6,619,862
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	306,145
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	-23,715
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	7,015,064

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.

- 2a** Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both.
☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis

- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both.
☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis

- c** If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.

- 3a** As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?

- b** If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a		X
3b		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2023

Open to Public
Inspection

Name of the organization

NORTH BRANCH LAND TRUST

Employer identification number

****-***5642**

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status. (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state:
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 ☒ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university:
- 10 ☐ An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions, subject to certain exceptions; and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 12 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
- f Enter the number of supported organizations

g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	211,736	718,910	169,220	301,683	359,859	1,761,408
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	211,736	718,910	169,220	301,683	359,859	1,761,408
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						64,160
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						1,697,248

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	211,736	718,910	169,220	301,683	359,859	1,761,408
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources	50,672	39,314	-79,204	277,004	186,246	474,032
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						2,235,440
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	1,279,258

13 **First 5 years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2023 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	75.92%
15 Public support percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	76.84%
16a 33 1/3% support test — 2023. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☒		
b 33 1/3% support test — 2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test — 2023. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test — 2022. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ☐		

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.
If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2019	(b) 2020	(c) 2021	(d) 2022	(e) 2023	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2023 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2023 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2022 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

- 19a 33 1/3% support tests — 2023.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐
- b 33 1/3% support tests — 2022.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ☐
- 20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ☐

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 on Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI , including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons, as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer line 10b below.		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

- 11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
- a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described on lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization?
- b A family member of a person described on line 11a above?
- c A 35% controlled entity of a person described on line 11a or 11b above? If "Yes" to line 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in **Part VI**.

	Yes	No
11a		
11b		
11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

- 1 Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in **Part VI** how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.
- 2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in **Part VI** how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.

	Yes	No
1		
2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

- 1 Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in **Part VI** how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).

	Yes	No
1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

- 1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?
- 2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in **Part VI** how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).
- 3 By reason of the relationship described on line 2, above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in **Part VI** the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.

	Yes	No
1		
2		
3		

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

- 1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).
- a ☐ The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete **line 2** below.
- b ☐ The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete **line 3** below.
- c ☐ The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in **Part VI** how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions).

2 Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below.

- a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in **Part VI** identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.
- b Did the activities described on line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in **Part VI** the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.

3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below.

- a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? If "Yes" or "No," provide details in **Part VI**.
- b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in **Part VI** the role played by the organization in this regard.

	Yes	No
2a		
2b		
3a		
3b		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1 ☐ Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in **Part VI**). See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A – Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3.	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B – Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):		
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C – Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	

7 ☐ Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D – Distributions		Current Year
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	1
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required—provide details in Part VI)	5
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	6
7	Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	7
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	8
9	Distributable amount for 2022 from Section C, line 6	9
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	10

Section E – Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2023	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2023
1	Distributable amount for 2023 from Section C, line 6		
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2023 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.		
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2023		
a	From 2018		
b	From 2019		
c	From 2020		
d	From 2021		
e	From 2022		
f	Total of lines 3a through 3e		
g	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
h	Applied to 2023 distributable amount		
i	Carryover from 2018 not applied (see instructions)		
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.		
4	Distributions for 2023 from Section D, line 7: \$		
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
b	Applied to 2023 distributable amount		
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.		
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2023, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2023. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
7	Excess distributions carryover to 2024. Add lines 3j and 4c.		
8	Breakdown of line 7:		
a	Excess from 2019		
b	Excess from 2020		
c	Excess from 2021		
d	Excess from 2022		
e	Excess from 2023		

Part VI

Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

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**Schedule B
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Schedule of Contributors

Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.
Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

OMB No. 1545-0047

2023

Name of the organization

NORTH BRANCH LAND TRUST

Employer identification number

****-***5642**

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

☒ 501(c)(**3**) (enter number) organization

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

☐ 527 political organization

Form 990-PF

☐ 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

☐ 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

☐ 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note: Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

- ☐ For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- ☒ For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33¹/₃% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000; or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.
- ☐ For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year

\$

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990).

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Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	MASLOW FAMILY FOUNDATION 30 HAYFIELD ROAD SHAVERTOWN PA 18708	\$ 20,000	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2	Pennsylvania American Water 852 Wesley Drive Mechanicsburg PA 17055	\$ 25,000	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3	Mericle Commercial Real Estate 100 Baltimore Drive Wilkes-Barre PA 18702	\$ 20,000	Person ☒ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person ☐ Payroll ☐ Noncash ☐ (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

Supplemental Financial Statements

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990,
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.

Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?		☐ Yes ☐ No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?		☐ Yes ☐ No

Part II Conservation Easements

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

☒ Preservation of land for public use (for example, recreation or education) ☐ Preservation of a historically important land area

☒ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure

☒ Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	60
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	12,145.00
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included on line 2a	0
d Number of conservation easements included on line 2c acquired after July 25, 2006, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	0

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located **1**

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☒ Yes ☐ No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year **1800**

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year **79,000**

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2d above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide in Part XIII the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items.

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 \$

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X \$

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under FASB ASC 958 relating to these items.

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 \$

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X \$

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3- Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that make significant use of its collection items (check all that apply).

- a ☐ Public exhibition
 b ☐ Scholarly research
 c ☐ Preservation for future generations
 d ☐ Loan or exchange program
 e ☐ Other

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table.

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	1f

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	5,180,632	2,597,634	3,267,552	2,539,391	2,467,620
b Contributions	27,350	2,480,328			11,900
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	467,545	125,926	-368,306	788,919	216,965
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	-56,991	-23,356	-301,612	60,000	156,000
f Administrative expenses				658	1,094
g End of year balance	5,618,556	5,180,632	2,597,634	3,267,652	2,539,391

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment %
 b Permanent endowment %
 c Term endowment %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

- (i) Unrelated organizations?
 (ii) Related organizations?

	Yes	No
3a(i)	X	
3a(ii)		X
3b		

b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		1,211,685		1,211,685
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		17,982	5,637	12,345
d Equipment		27,388	18,772	8,616
e Other		11,399	10,073	1,326
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 10c, column (B))				1,233,972

Part VII Investments – Other Securities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 12, col. (B))		

Part VIII Investments – Program Related

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 13, col. (B))		

Part IX Other Assets

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) BENEFICIAL INTEREST	605,822
(2) RIGHT OF USE ASSET	104,346
(3) PROJECTS IN PROCESS	39,168
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 15, col. (B))	749,336

Part X Other Liabilities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) CONTINGENT LAND DONATION	460,858
(3) DEPOSITS	520
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 25, col. (B))	461,378

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FASB ASC 740. Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII ☒

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	1,018,346
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	306,145
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	37,153
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	343,298
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	675,048
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	23,715
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	23,715
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)	5	698,763

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	623,144
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	37,153
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	37,153
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	585,991
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)	5	585,991

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Part II, Line 5 - Monitoring and Enforcement Policy

As a holder of conservation easements, NBLT must enforce the terms of these legal agreements. NBLT may discover a violation in a number of ways: during an annual monitoring visit, as reported by neighbors, easement donors, new property owners, passersby or other interested parties, or during formal observation.

After discovering the potential violation, NBLT's designated staff shall review the conservation easement document, baseline inventory, and monitoring reports to determine the exact nature of the suspected violation and when it took place.

Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

If the suspected violation was not adequately documented at a monitoring visit, NBLT staff will visit the site to inspect and document the suspected violation. The violation must be described in detail including material impact, location and extent. Photographs should be keyed to a photo map of the subject property and each should be signed and dated by the photographer. Quantitative measurements of damage to the affected resource should be noted as appropriate. Field notes, signed and dated by the person conducting the inspection, should make explicit comparison with the baseline data. A thorough record will be essential should NBLT need to go to court.

NBLT's designated staff shall evaluate the violation and formulate the required remedies. All remedies shall be reasonably calculated to correct promptly the conditions constituting a breach of the terms of the conservation easement.

Designated staff shall contact the landowner to explain the situation. If a third-party caused the violation, a meeting with all parties will be arranged.

If the matter does not end with prompt compliance, the Executive Director, President of the Board, and the Chairperson of the land committee may recommend to the Board that NBLT pursue enforcement through more formal legal channels; including arbitration, mediation or litigation.

Part II, Line 9 - Accounting for Conservation Easements

Conservation easements are intangible assets comprised of listed rights

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

and/or restrictions over property that are conveyed by a property owner to the Land Trust in order to protect the owned property as a natural area, as defined in Federal regulations. Conservation easements are granted in perpetuity and stay with the property even if it is sold. The Land Trust acts as a steward of the rights, ensuring that the landowner or subsequent landowners honor the conservation easement. Conservation easements purchased are recorded at actual cost and are carried at that basis throughout the period owned. If donated, no value has been assigned to the conservation easements due to the lack of foreseeable future cash flow benefits and absence of a secondary conservation easement market.

Part X - FIN 48 Footnote

The Land Trust qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation. Accordingly, the Land Trust is not subject to Federal and state income taxes.

In accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board guidance on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes, management evaluated the Land Trust's tax positions and concluded that the Land Trust had taken no uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the financial statements to comply with provisions of this guidance. With few exceptions, the Land Trust is no longer subject to income tax examinations by Federal, state or local tax authorities for the years before June 30, 2021.

Part XI, Line 2d - Revenue Amounts Included in Financials - Other

Fundraising Expense	\$ 37,153
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Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

Part XII, Line 2d - Expense Amounts Included in Financials - Other

Fundraising Expense \$ 37,153

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SCHEDULE G
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Part I

Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 17. Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a ☐ Mail solicitations e ☐ Solicitation of non-government grants
b ☐ Internet and email solicitations f ☐ Solicitation of government grants
c ☐ Phone solicitations g ☐ Special fundraising events
d ☐ In-person solicitations

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services?

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," list the 10 highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col. (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
Total						

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

	(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
	ANNUAL DINNER & (event type)	Miscellaneous F (event type)	None (total number)	(add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue				
1 Gross receipts	97,050	18,645		115,695
2 Less: Contributions		18,645		18,645
3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	97,050			97,050
Direct Expenses				
4 Cash prizes				
5 Noncash prizes				
6 Rent/facility costs				
7 Food and beverages	21,849			21,849
8 Entertainment				
9 Other direct expenses	15,304			15,304
10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d)				37,153
11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d)				59,897

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

	(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col. (a) through col. (c))
Revenue				
1 Gross revenue				
Direct Expenses				
2 Cash prizes				
3 Noncash prizes				
4 Rent/facility costs				
5 Other direct expenses				
6 Volunteer labor	☐ Yes ☐ No %	☐ Yes ☐ No %	☐ Yes ☐ No %	
7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d)				
8 Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d)				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities:

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states?

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "No," explain:

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended, or terminated during the tax year?

☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain:

- 11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust, or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in:
- | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|---|
| a The organization's facility | 13a | % |
| b An outside facility | 13b | % |
- 14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name

Address

- 15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization \$ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party \$
- c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name

Address

16 Gaming manager information:

Name

Gaming manager compensation \$

Description of services provided

☐ Director/officer ☐ Employee ☐ Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions:

- a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year \$

Part IV

Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v); and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information. See instructions.

**SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)**

Noncash Contributions

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Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.

Attach to Form 990.

Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Name of the organization

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Part I Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art — Works of art				
2 Art — Historical treasures				
3 Art — Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities — Publicly traded				
10 Securities — Closely held stock				
11 Securities — Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities — Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution — Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution — Other				
15 Real estate — Residential				
16 Real estate — Commercial				
17 Real estate — Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ()	X	1	25,619	FMV of donated items
26 Other ()				
27 Other ()				
28 Other ()				

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29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part V, Donee Acknowledgement

29

30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least 3 years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?

b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.

31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions?

32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?

b If "Yes," describe in Part II.

33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.

	Yes	No
30a		X
31		X
32a		X

Part II

Supplemental Information. Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Form 990, Part I, Line 6

Volunteers provide services for monitoring protected properties,
stewardship of fee-owned properties, fundraising, recordkeeping, bulk
mailing services, event planning, and outdoor activities support.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a - First Accomplishment

Land Conservation

NBLT holds 58 conservation easements on over 11,400 acres of natural land
in Bradford, Columbia, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Wayne
and Wyoming Counties of Northeastern Pennsylvania. Each easement requires
annual monitoring to determine if any violations of restrictions provided
for under the conservation easements have occurred on the land.

Fee-Owned Lands

NBLT owns and manages several properties in our service area for the
benefit of the public and for the protection of rare and endangered plant
and animal species. Most of these lands are open to the public from dawn to
dusk for passive recreation activities while some lands are closed or open
by appointment only due to the fragile nature of the ecosystem found there.
The Land Trust welcomes and accepts gifts of conservation land and other
property providing that all Land Trust policies and procedures governing
the acquisition of the land or other property are adhered to.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b - Organization's Process to Review Form 990

At least 5 to 10 business days prior to filing Form 990, a draft of the

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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completed 990 is provided to the finance committee or a designated committee member. Any questions will be reviewed with the preparer and any appropriate modifications will be made to the return.

At least 24 hours prior to the filing of Form 990, a draft email copy is distributed to all board members for their information and review.

Satisfaction of the above requirements will permit an officer of the Organization to sign Form 990.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c - Enforcement of Conflicts Policy

Conflict of interest disclosures are required annually from all officers, directors and key employees.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Governing Documents Disclosure Explanation

Governing documents and annual Form 990 are available on the public information page of the Organization's website. These documents are also available for inspection upon request during normal business hours at the physical location of the Organization.

Form 990, Part IX, Line 11g - Other Fees for Services

Description

Tot/Prog Service

Mgt & General

Fundraising

Professional Fees - Other

\$ 94,264

\$ 0

\$ 0

IT Services

\$ 3,088

\$ 0

\$ 0

Registration Fees

\$ 2,875

\$ 0

\$ 0

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E-Commerce Fees

\$ 757 \$ 0 \$ 0

Project Site Expenses

\$ 5,786 \$ 0 \$ 0

Reimbursable Expenses

\$ 14,160 \$ 0 \$ 0

Total

\$ 120,930 \$ 0 \$ 0

Form 990, Part XI, Line 9 - Other Changes in Net Assets Explanation

Fundraising Expense \$ 37,153

Fundraising Expense \$ -37,153

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Depreciation and Amortization
(Including Information on Listed Property)
Attach to your tax return.Go to www.irs.gov/Form4562 for instructions and the latest information.

NORTH BRANCH LAND TRUST

Identifying number
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Business or activity to which this form relates

Indirect Depreciation

Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179

Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1	Maximum amount (see instructions)	1	1,160,000
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	2,890,000
4	Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2022 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5. See instructions	11	
12	Section 179 expense deduction. Add lines 9 and 10, but don't enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2024. Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12	13	

Note: Don't use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V.

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Don't include listed property. See instructions.)

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year. See instructions	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	4,701

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Don't include listed property. See instructions.)

Section A

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2023	17	0
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here		

Section B—Assets Placed in Service During 2023 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only—see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs.		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
			27.5 yrs.	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs.	MM	S/L	
				MM	S/L	

Section C—Assets Placed in Service During 2023 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs.		S/L	
c 30-year			30 yrs.	MM	S/L	
d 40-year			40 yrs.	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (See instructions.)

21	Listed property. Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations—see instructions	22	4,701
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see separate instructions.

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Form 990, Part IX, Line 11g - Other Fees for Service (Non-employee)

Description	Total Expenses	Program Service	Management & General	Fund Raising
Professional Fees - Other				
IT Services	\$ 94,264	\$ 94,264	\$	\$
Registration Fees	3,088	3,088		
E-Commerce Fees	2,875	2,875		
Project Site Expenses	757	757		
Reimbursable Expenses	5,786	5,786		
Total	14,160	14,160		
	\$ 120,930	\$ 120,930	\$ 0	\$ 0

Form 990, Part IX, Line 24e - All Other Expenses

Description	Total Expenses	Program Service	Management & General	Fund Raising
Contributions	\$ 455	\$ 455	\$	\$
Total	\$ 455	\$ 455	\$ 0	\$ 0

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Schedule A, Part II, Line 1(e)

Description	Amount
Membership Dues and Assessments	\$ 36,334
Donations	159,071
Contributions of Nonfinancial Assets	25,619
Private Grants	120,190
ANNUAL DINNER & AUCTION	
Auction Merchandise	
Supplies	
Miscellaneous Fundraising	18,645
Cash Contribution	\$ 359,859
Total	

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Schedule A, Part II, Line 5 - Excess Gifts

<u>Donor Name</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Excess</u>
THE LUZERNE FOUNDATION	\$	\$
NATURAL LANDS TRUST		
PA DCNR		
PA DCNR BUREAU OF FORESTRY		
OPEN SPACE INSTITUTE		
ESTATE OF GEORGE W. BIERLY		
KENNETH & CAROLINE TAYLOR FAMILY FOU	5,000	
HACKETT PHILANTHROPIES		
JAMES & FLORENCE DEPOLO FOUNDATION		
FIDELITY CHARITABLE	15,000	
LEONARD JANUS		
SORDONI FAMILY FOUNDATION		
WILLIAM PENN FOUNDATION		
PAUL D WASSERROTT FOUNDATION		
MASLOW FAMILY FOUNDATION	40,000	
Earth Conservancy	108,869	64,160
Pennsylvania American Water	25,000	
Mericle Commercial Real Estate	20,000	
Total	\$ <u>213,869</u>	\$ <u>64,160</u>

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Schedule A, Part II, Line 12 - Current year

Description	Amount
Program Service Revenue	\$ 18,200
Taxable Interest on Savings and Temporary Cash Investments	-3,756
Taxable Dividends and Interest from Securities	149,738
Change in Beneficial Int	63,979
Income from Trusts	
Miscellaneous Income	44,292
Loss on disposal	
ANNUAL DINNER & AUCTION	
Guardian Society Event	97,050
Miscellaneous Fundraising	
Residential Rental-Vosburg	
Total	6,554
	<u>\$ 376,057</u>

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ANNUAL DINNER & AUCTION

Other Direct Fundraising or Gaming Expenses

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Flowers	\$
Printing & Copying	
Supplies	
Postage	
Art Framing	
Credit Card Fees	
Advertising	2,839
Rental	
Consulting	
Miscellaneous Expense	<u>12,465</u>
Total	\$ <u><u>15,304</u></u>

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Federal Statements

Guardian Society Event

Other Direct Fundraising or Gaming Expenses

Description	Amount
Guardian Society	\$
Total	\$ 0

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Mail to:

Pennsylvania Department of State
Bureau of Corporations and Charitable Organizations
401 North St Rm 207
Harrisburg, PA 17120

See www.dos.pa.gov/charities for more information

**Charitable Organization
Registration Statement**

BCO-10 (rev. 11/2023)

Fee: See instructions

Read all instructions prior to completing form.

Certificate number: 15054

(N/A if initial registration)

Fiscal year ended: 06 / 30 / 2024
MM DD YYYY

FEIN: 2 3 - 7 7 5 5 6 4 2

If this is a voluntary registration, check and complete the applicable box(es). For a registration to be voluntary, at least one of the following must apply:

☐ Organization is exempt from registration because

☐ Organization does not solicit contributions in Pennsylvania

1. Legal name of organization: North Branch Land Trust

Check if name change and give previous name _____

2. All other names used to solicit contributions: N/A

3. Contact person: Ellen Ferretti Contact's e-mail: ferretti@nblt.org

4. Principal address of organization: 105 Lt. Michael Cleary Drive
Dallas, PA 18612

Mailing address (if different than principal address): _____

County: Luzerne

Phone number: (570) 310-1781

800 number: _____

Fax number: (570) 371-1791

Email (if different than Contact's email): _____

Website: www.nblt.org

Item 5 to be completed by initial registrants only

5. Type of organization (e.g. non-profit corporation, unincorporated association, etc.):
Non-Profit Organization

Where established: Pennsylvania

Date established: * 02/01/1994

*Initial registrants must submit copies of organizational documents such as charter, articles of incorporation, constitution or other organizational instrument and by-laws.

6. Name and addresses of all offices, chapters, branches, auxiliaries, affiliates or other subordinate units located in Pennsylvania, which share in the contributions or other revenue raised in the Commonwealth: (Attach a separate sheet if necessary)

☒ Not Applicable

7. Short form registration applicability – Specified types of charitable organizations described in §162.7(a) of the Act may file a short form registration, which permits the organization to register without filing a financial report. Check the section that describes the organization. If the organization does not meet any of the criteria below for short form registration, check “Not Applicable”:

☐ §162.7(a)(1) – Persons or organizations which solicit contributions for the relief of a specific individual, when all of the contributions collected are turned over to the named beneficiary for his/her use without any deductions and provided that all contributions collected shall be held in trust

☐ §162.7(a)(2) – Organizations which only solicit within the membership of the organization by other members of the organization. The term “membership” shall not include those persons who are granted a membership solely upon making a contribution as the result of solicitation. “Member” means a person having membership in a nonprofit corporation, or other organization, in accordance with the provisions of its articles of incorporation, bylaws or other instruments creating its form and organization and having bona fide rights and privileges in the organization such as the right to vote, to elect officers and directors, to hold office or position as ordinarily conferred on members of such organizations.

☐ §162.7(a)(3) – Organizations which receive gross contributions of no more than \$25,000 per fiscal year whose fundraising activities are carried on only by volunteers, members, officers or permanent employees and only permanent employees are compensated for those fundraising activities

☐ §162.7(a)(4) – Veterans organizations chartered under Federal law, organizations of volunteer firemen, ambulance associations, rescue squad associations and their auxiliaries or affiliates, which are not exempt from registration, did not receive gross contributions in excess of \$100,000 and did not use a professional solicitor.

☒ Not Applicable

Charitable organizations which check boxes §162.7(a)(1) – §162.7(a)(4) are not required to file a financial report with this registration. If “Not Applicable” is checked, the charitable organization must submit financial reports which are audited, reviewed, compiled or internally prepared. See Instructions.

Items 8 and 9 are required to be completed by initial registrants only

8. Date organization first solicited contributions from Pennsylvania residents: _____ / _____ / _____
MM DD YYYY

Other _____

9. If organization solicited Pennsylvania residents and received gross* contributions totaling more than \$25,000 in any given fiscal year, provide the date the organization first received contributions totaling more than \$25,000.

_____ / _____ / _____
MM DD YYYY

Other _____

*Includes contributions received both within and outside Pennsylvania before any deductions or expenses.

10. Has the organization been granted IRS tax-exempt status? ☒ Yes ☐ No

A. If "Yes," under which IRS code section: 501(c)(3) and attach a copy of the IRS exemption letter if not previously submitted.

B. Has the organization's tax-exempt status ever been denied, revoked or modified? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(If "Yes," attach a copy of the denial, revocation or modification and subsequent reinstatement, if any, and if not previously submitted.)

11. Was the organization required to file any type of IRS 990 return, including 990, 990EZ, 990PF or 990N and applicable schedules, for its most recently completed fiscal year? ☒ Yes ☐ No

(If "Yes," attach a copy of the most recently filed 990, 990EZ, 990PF or 990N and include all schedules.
If "No," attach an explanation of why the organization is exempt from filing an IRS 990 return. An organization that is not required to file an IRS 990 return or an organization that files a 990N, 990EZ or 990PF, must file a Pennsylvania public disclosure form (BCO-23).)

12. Manner in which contributions are solicited (e.g. direct mail, telephone, internet, social media, etc.): ☐ Does not solicit contributions

Direct mail, telephone, website, and press releases.

13. A clear description of the specific programs for which contributions are used or will be used, and a statement describing whether such programs are planned or in existence.

To provide the opportunity and means for landowners, primarily in Luzerne, Wyoming, and Susquehanna Counties; to preserve land in its natural state; and to provide the
stewardship of land conserved through conservation easements and land owned by the
Land Trust.

14. Is the organization registered to solicit contributions in any other state or municipality?

☐ Yes ☒ No (If "Yes," list all states and municipalities. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.)

15. Is any person compensated, or does the organization intend to compensate any person, who solicits contributions in Pennsylvania, including, but not limited to, employees of the organization and professional solicitors? (Do not check "Yes" if the organizations only uses or intend to only use a professional fundraising counsel.) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," give the date the person or entity started or will start soliciting contributions from Pennsylvania residents:

____ / ____ / ____
Month Day Year

16. Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all professional solicitors the organization uses or intends to use to solicit contributions from Pennsylvania residents. For each entry, include the beginning and ending dates of all contracts and dates Pennsylvania residents were first solicited, or will be solicited: (Attach a separate sheet if necessary)

☒ Not Applicable

17. Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all professional fundraising counsel the organizations uses or intends to use to provide services with respect to the solicitation of contributions from Pennsylvania residents. For each entry, include the beginning and ending dates of all contracts and dates services began, or will begin, with respect to soliciting contributions from Pennsylvania residents: (Attach a separate sheet if necessary)

☒ Not Applicable

18. Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of any commercial coventurers under contract with the organization: (Attach a separate sheet if necessary)

☒ Not Applicable

19. If the registering charity is a parent organization located in Pennsylvania, does the organization elect to file a combined registration covering all of its Pennsylvania affiliates? (See note "Affiliate and Parent Organization") ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Not Applicable

If "Yes," give all names and certificate numbers of the affiliate organizations:

(Each affiliate whose parent organization files an IRS 990 group return must submit a copy of the parent organization's 990 group return and file a public disclosure form (BCO-23) for each affiliate.)

20. Is the registering charity a Pennsylvania affiliate of a parent organization, which elected to file a combined registration on the registering charity's behalf? (See note "Affiliate and Parent Organization") ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Not Applicable

If "Yes," provide the name and, if available, certificate number of the parent organization.

(Each affiliate whose parent organization files an IRS 990 group return must submit a copy of the parent organization's 990 group return and file a public disclosure form (BCO-23) for each affiliate.)

Legal name of parent organization

Pennsylvania certificate number

21. Provide the names and addresses of all officers, directors, trustees and principal salaried executive staff officers. (Attach separate sheet if necessary. A reference to the 990 or the BCO-23 is not sufficient.)
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22. Names of the individuals or officers of the organization who: (Attach a separate sheet if necessary)

A. Are in charge of solicitation activities:

Stephen Maakestad, Chair

B. Have final responsibility for the custody of contributions:

Stephen Maakestad, Chair

C. Have final responsibility for final distribution of contributions:

Stephen Maakestad, Chair

D. Are responsible for custody of financial records:

Stephen Maakestad, Chair

23. Are any officers, directors, trustees, or employees related by blood, marriage, or adoption to:

A. Any other officer, director, trustee, or employee? ☐ Yes ☒ No

B. Any officer, agent, or employee of any professional fundraising counsel or solicitor under contract with organization? ** ☐ Yes ☒ No

C. Any officers, agents or employees of any supplier or vendor providing goods or services? **
☐ Yes ☒ No

**(this includes any officer, director, trustee, or employee of the charitable organization who is also an officer, director, trustee, employee or owner of a professional fundraising counsel, professional solicitor, supplier or vendor)

If "Yes" is checked to any of the above, attach a list of related individuals including names, business, and residence addresses of related parties.

24. Has the organization or any of its present officers, directors, executive personnel or trustees ever:

A. Been found to have engaged in unlawful practices in the solicitation of contributions or administration of charitable assets or been enjoined from soliciting contributions or currently has such proceedings pending in this or any other jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

B. Had its registration or license to solicit contributions denied, suspended, or revoked by any governmental agency? ☐ Yes ☒ No

C. Entered into any legally enforceable agreement (such as a consent agreement, an assurance of voluntary compliance or discontinuance or any similar agreement) with any district attorney, Office of Attorney General, or other local or state governmental agency? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(If "Yes" is checked in response to any of the above, attach a written explanation, including the reasons for actions, and copies of all relevant documents.)

Certification – This registration statement must be signed by two different officers of the organization, one of whom shall be the chief fiscal officer or the equivalent.

I certify that the information provided in this registration, including all statements and attached documentation, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that the falsification of any statement or documentation made is subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. §4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities) and 10 P.S. §162.17 (relating to administrative enforcement and penalties).

Signature of Chief Fiscal Officer

Date

Type or print name and title of Chief Fiscal Officer

Signature of Other Authorized Officer

Date

Type or print name and title of Other Authorized Officer

Checklist for registration:

- ☐ Completed registration statement properly signed and dated.
- ☐ A copy of the IRS 990/990EZ/990PF/990N Return and required schedules, signed and dated by an authorized officer
- ☐ Public Disclosure Form BCO-23 (if required)
- ☐ Applicable Financial Statements (audited, reviewed, compiled or internally prepared)
- ☐ Registration fee and any late filing fees
- ☐ Initial Registrants Only: IRS determination letter, articles of incorporation or charter and by-laws.

See Instructions for more information on completing this form and attachments.

North Branch Land Trust
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Name	Board Position 23-24
Stephen Maakestad	Chair
Fred Valentine	Vice Chair
Kay Strickland	Secretary
Ryan Flood	Treasury
Sarah Block	Director
Kelly Bray, Esq.	Director
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Paul Grella	Director
Chris Grover	Director
Mary Kolessar	Director
John Lloyd	Director
Susan Magnotta	Director
Robert Neher	Director
Cathy O'Donnell	Director
Jill Robinson	Director
Guy F Rothery	Director
Vince Scarpetta	Director
Bryan Stahl, Esq.	Director