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To conserve forever the lands and waters of the Finger Lakes region, ensuring scenic vistas, local foods, clean waters, and wild places for everyone.

The Finger Lakes Land Trust is a nonprofit conservation organization working across a 12-county region in Central New York. We have worked cooperatively with landowners and partners to permanently protect over 21,000 acres of treasured natural areas and scenic farmlands. The Land Trust owns and manages more than 35 conservation areas that are open to the public for quiet recreation. We hold over 130 easements on protected lands that remain in private ownership. FLLT is supported by members, and you can help us save more land.

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Acreage: 155 acres



County: Tompkins



Trails: 2.0 miles

The Finger Lakes Land Trust protects over 5,000 feet bordering Lick Brook; trails along the gorge rim provide a vigorous hike and dramatic examples of the area's geologic history and ecological systems.

NATURAL HISTORY

The scouring effects of the last glaciers can be seen in the multiple waterfalls that splash down along Lick Brook on its journey to Cayuga Lake, including one that is nearly 140 feet tall. Perpetual protection of this area allows ample opportunity for hiking, including access to Buttermilk Falls State Park via a spur of the Finger Lakes Trail, while protecting the water quality of Cayuga Lake.

HISTORY

In 1993, the Finger Lakes Land Trust purchased 128 acres from Moss and Kristin Sweedler, creating the Sweedler Preserve at Lick Brook. In February 2011, the Thayer family donated 20 acres which, combined with an adjacent sevenacre parcel acquired by the Land Trust in 2008, now comprise the William J. and Marjory L. Thayer Preserve.

ACTIVITIES

Hiking & Running Snowshoeing Birdwatching

DOGS

Keep your dog leashed and under control at all times

HOURS

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POLICIES

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