# Old Lyme Land Trust Conservation Prioritization

**GIS Overlay Analysis** 

## Purpose

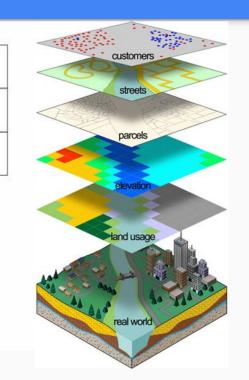
- Determine the spatial distribution of natural resources in Old Lyme
- Determine parcels of land that contain high values of natural resources
  - Other conservation criteria targeted by the LT
- **Goal**: Produce a "conservation value" of each parcel in town

## **Overlay Analysis Basics**

| <br>INPUT 1 |   |   | 20 12 | INPUT 2 |    |    |  |
|-------------|---|---|-------|---------|----|----|--|
| 3           | 3 | 1 |       | 11      | 12 | 10 |  |
| 4           | 2 | 2 | +     | 12      | 12 | 10 |  |
| 3           | 1 | 1 |       | 14      | 12 | 11 |  |
|             |   |   | +     |         |    |    |  |



| 14 | 15 | 11 |
|----|----|----|
| 16 | 14 | 12 |
| 17 | 13 | 12 |



**Overlay Analysis** - Technique to apply a common scale to diverse inputs to create an integrated analysis.

## Inputs

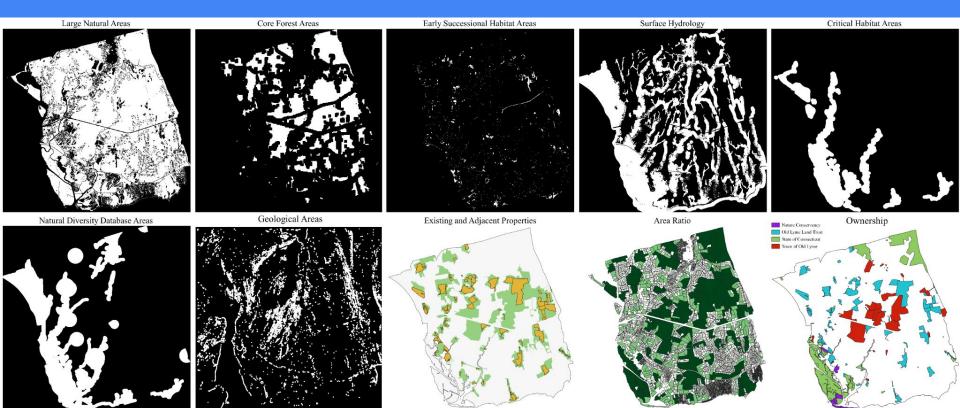
#### Natural Resource Inputs

- 1. Large Natural Areas
- 2. Core Forest Areas
- 3. Early Successional Habitat Area
- 4. Surface Hydrology
- 5. Critical Habitats
- 6. Natural Diversity Database Areas
- 7. Geological Areas

#### Parcel Considerations

- 1. Adjacent to existing Land Trust preserves/properties
- 2. Lot size
- 3. Ownership

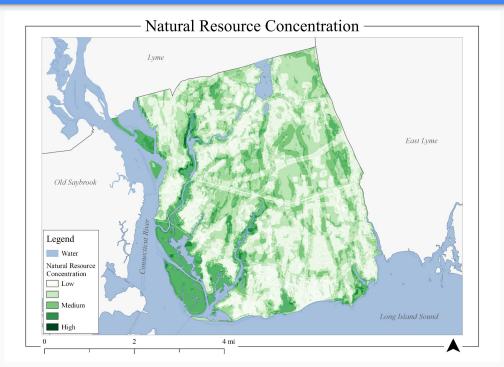
## Input Layers



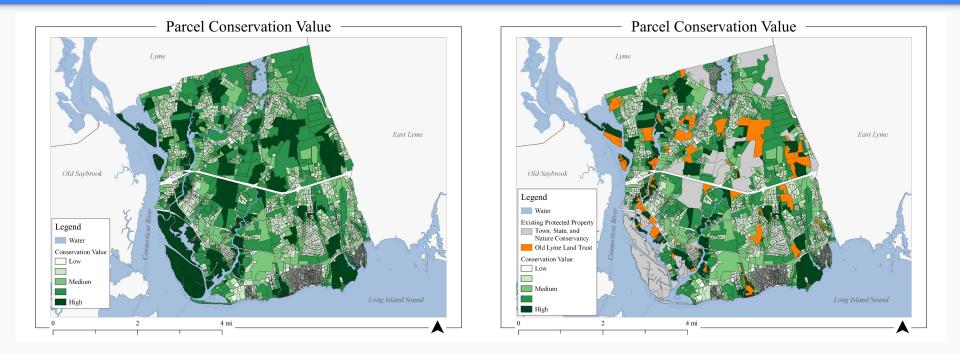
## Weight Input Layers

| Category         | Criteria                        | Initial Weight |
|------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
|                  | Large Natural Area              | 1              |
|                  | Core Forest Area                | 2              |
|                  | Early Successional Habitat      | 1              |
| Natural Resource | Surface Hydrology               | 2              |
|                  | Critical Habitats               | 2              |
|                  | Natural Diversity Database Area | 1              |
|                  | Geological Area                 | 1              |
|                  | Proximity to Existing Preserves | 1              |
| Parcel           | Lot Size                        | 1: 0.5         |
|                  | Ownership                       | 1              |

## **Result - Natural Resource Concentration**



### **Result - Parcel Conservation Values**



## Table of Values

| Map_Par_Id     | Site Address              | Owner                   | Mean Natural Resource Value | Area Value | Proximity Value | Final Parcel Value |
|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 21-27-8        |                           |                         | 8.035                       | 0          | 1               | 9.04               |
| 26-2           |                           |                         | 6.266                       | 1          | 1               | 8.27               |
| 7-5            | 35-1 SMITHS NECK RD       | STATE OF CONNECTICUT    | 6.003                       | 1          | 1               | 8.00               |
| 21-65          |                           |                         | 6.252                       | 0.5        | 1               | 7.75               |
| 21-27-9        |                           |                         | 6.709                       | 0          | 1               | 7.71               |
| 11-12          | DUCK RIVER                | STATE OF CONNECTICUT    | 6.130                       | 0.5        | 1               | 7.63               |
| 11-8           | CONNECTICUT RIVER         | NATURE CONSERVANCY INC  | 6.038                       | 0.5        | 1               | 7.54               |
| 11-OTHER       |                           |                         | 5.948                       | 0.5        | 1               | 7.45               |
| 12-37-2        |                           |                         | 6.938                       | 0.5        | 0               | 7.44               |
| 21-27-23       |                           |                         | 6.433                       | 0          | 1               | 7.43               |
| 26-1           | GOOSE ISLAND              | OLD LYME LAND TRUST INC | 6.384                       | 1          | 1               | 7.38               |
| 21-69          | 5-2 CANDLEWICK LA         | STATE OF CONNECTICUT    | 6.355                       | 0          | 1               | 7.36               |
| 48- <u>6</u> 8 | 45 SHORE RD               | OLD LYME LAND TRUST INC | 6.197                       | 1          | 1               | 7.20               |
| 21-27-A-E      |                           |                         | 6.183                       | 0          | 1               | 7.18               |
| 21-27-A-E      |                           |                         | 6.181                       | 0          | 1               | 7.18               |
| 12-37-3        | Sector Relations and Arms |                         | 7.169                       | 0          | 0               | 7.17               |
| 1-4            | GREAT ISLAND - CT RIVER   | STATE OF CONNECTICUT    | 6.095                       | 1          | 0               | 7.10               |

• Use the Map\_Par\_ID to search for properties: <u>https://oldlymect.mapgeo.io/</u>

## Possible Additions/Improvements

- Criteria weights are easily adjustable
- Possible new layers
  - Historical sites/lots
  - Preserve linkage
  - $\circ \quad \text{Sea level rise} \quad$

Feedback: Potential for use and changes