

THE PRAIRIE ENTHUSIASTS, INC.
Definition of Buffer Land

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Land being added to a TPE preserve shall be considered to be buffer land when it

- 1) Does not have any natural communities or rare species habitat of meaningful conservation significance and one or both of the following:
- 2) Does provide buffering against the negative impacts of adjacent incompatible land uses on the preserve's primary conservation targets (species or communities) and/or
- 3) Does, or would after restoration, provide additional "elbow room" for the preserve's conservation targets to move into, thereby expanding habitat and populations, and thus enhancing chances of long-term viability of the conservation targets.