



Four Pillars of Advocacy for the REALTORS® Land Institute

1. Protection of private property rights

Property rights covers a range of issues where restrictions are placed on a property owner that impact their freedom to buy, sell, and utilize property as protected in the Fifth Amendment. Specific issues of concern include land use restrictions and exactions, Open Fields, and foreign land ownership.

2. Reducing regulatory burdens

We get involved in legislation and regulatory rules that cause an unnecessary burden and cost to property owners and developers. This includes ongoing work regarding "WOTUS", the Waters of the U.S. rule that continues to cause confusion for permittees, property owners, states, regulatory agencies, and courts.

3. Protecting beneficial tax structures

The REALTORS® Land Institute, along with the National Association of REALTORS®, gets involved in a variety of tax policy issues, including the protection of 1031 like-kind exchanges, where legislation and changes to the tax code negatively impact property owners and investors, and our members as real estate professionals.

4. Encouraging economic development

The land is one of our most valuable resources. RLI members are passionate about its protection while preserving the rights of private property owners and encouraging economic development. We monitor issues that impact growth and prosperity such as zoning and permitting, and legislation like the Farm Bill which impacts the livelihood of U.S. farmers and our nation's food security.