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## A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**W**hat drives you to protect and steward land? I find myself asking this question frequently to staff, supporters, board members, and community partners. The resulting response is often an animated, passionate statement emphasizing why this place matters, and why it is essential to dedicate so much time and so many resources to ensure what we love in the Gunnison Valley is passed on to future generations. These responses almost always include a description of a shared experience, of enjoying this place with friends and family. Relationships underpin this community's conserved open space. The trust built between people is instrumental to the process of protecting the land at its outset. Collaboration is critical to responsibly steward these lands in an era of rapid change.

### **We Value One Another and Our Relationship to the Land**

At our first off-site staff retreat this fall, the team in the Land Trust office dug into what it means to have relationships with one another as a core motivator for our work. The result of this

intentional time spent together was the creation of a statement that describes the culture of our conservation community in the Gunnison Valley. "We Value One Another and Our Relationship to the Land". This statement puts people at the core of what motivates land conservation. "One another" doesn't mean just locals, or part timers. It means everyone, including our visiting public, and those who will follow us to carry the mantle of a community so deeply connected to the land.

The Land Trust is devoted to strengthening our community as we work to cross the finish line for Long Lake, as we begin to plan for stewarding this community gem's future, and as we craft the long-term goals of a new strategic plan. So please speak up, give us feedback, and join us in valuing one another and our relationship to the land we love in the Gunnison Valley.

Respectfully,

**Noel Durant** Executive Director





# STEWARDS OF THE LAND: THE MAGIC OF HUMAN PRESENCE

photo: **Trevor Bona**

**T**he Crested Butte Land Trust is unique to many other land trusts across the country due to the high volume of recreational access on the properties it maintains and manages. The Crested Butte Land Trust manages 24 miles of trails and waterways, considered by many as some of the most heavily used trails and rivers in the Gunnison Valley with their close proximity to downtown Crested Butte.

But as recreational use in Crested Butte has increased substantially over the years, so does the need for more education about habitat conservation, trail etiquette and private property boundaries in order to reach the higher volumes of people visiting these trails and waterways.

Striving to uphold its mission to help protect fragile wildlife, maintain its collaborative relationship with ranching landowners, and allow the use of the area's recreational treasures for all to enjoy, the Crested Butte Land Trust focused on a more hands-on approach to conservation stewardship this summer, specifically along the Slate River.

## The Human Touch

The Slate River, which meanders through public and private property, provides a critical refuge for wildlife and grazing land for cattle in abutting ranchland. Cheryl Cwelich was hired on by the Crested Butte Land Trust this summer to bring a human presence to the frequently used trails and waterways of the Slate River. Cwelich spent her time at the newly built Gunsight Bridge and the Town Recreation Path Bridge, encouraging good river etiquette and educating recreational users about how to respect the area.

"People aren't generally aware of their impact and what their actions are on the environment and wildlife," said Cwelich. Consequently, Cwelich's human presence four afternoons a week educated recreational users how to decrease their impact on the precious wetlands of the Slate River. She advised people of the no-float period initiated in order to help protect the young hatchlings in the Great Blue Heron rookery, and offered best practices in river etiquette and safety.

"Cheryl's work this summer was invaluable," said Crested Butte Land Trust Executive Director, Noel Durant. "We were able to bridge the gap between homeowners, recreational users, and wildlife."

Tim Szurgot, a homeowner in the Wildbird community on Slate River Road, witnessed Cwelich's work and he emphasized how crucial a role relationship building is to instill better habits on the trails. "Cheryl was really good at approaching people, giving them the facts and allowing them to make a decision," he said. "When given the chance, we found that people will usually make the right decision. That was pretty magical."

Cheryl's presence clicked with recreational users this summer - your support brought Cheryl to the Slate River Valley and deepened the connection and understanding of recreationists to the conservation values and goals of the Crested Butte Land Trust. Backing from donors like you will help us further human presence out on trails and waterways, instill and enhance cognizant behaviors, and ultimately help preserve the present for the future.

## CHERYL'S RIVER ETIQUETTE

- / Avoid becoming a statistic - wear a PFD!
- / Only use designated put-ins and take-outs on the river.
- / It can be a rowdy river - tubing is not recommended.
- / Don't be that guy/gal - pack out your trash!
- / Don't be scarin' the herons - respect the voluntary no-float when in effect for wildlife critical nesting periods.
- / Check signage at access points or visit the Slate River Working Group Facebook page for more information.



photo: **Noel Durant**




# PARTNERSHIPS IN PERPETUITY



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The future of Long Lake has been a central conversation for the Crested Butte Land Trust and our community this year. As one of the most beloved destinations in Crested Butte, the steep hiking trail and sheer number of visitors have taken a toll on the hillside, which has eroded up to 15 feet wide in some sections. These impacts from recreational use threaten the scenic character of Long Lake, and the working land that sustains our ranching heritage. Long Lake was in dire need of stewards to protect and restore this treasured place for the next generation.

Crested Butte rolls up its sleeves when faced with a challenge, and new and old partners stepped up to solve this problem head-on. "As a lean organization, we really value partnerships with folks driven by a stewardship ethic to make a lasting impact in our community," said Crested Butte Land Trust Stewardship Manager, Brian Lieberman. Over the past six months, the Allen Ranch, Crested Butte Mountain Bike Association (CBMBA), Vail's EpicPromise Program, Crested Butte Devo (CB Devo), and Western Colorado University partnered with the Crested Butte Land Trust to plan, design, construct, and rehabilitate the access trail to Long Lake.

The majority of the recreational use is on the western side owned by the Allen Family, with access to the lake by way of a steep half-mile trail. "The Allen family has been generously permitting the public to access Long Lake across their Washington Gulch property for a very long time, which has allowed the community to enjoy convenient access to the lake," said Crested Butte Land Trust Executive Director, Noel Durant. The initial step was to create a plan that met the Allen's goals for providing recreational access while lessening the impact on their property, resulting in an agreement for the Crested Butte Land Trust to create and manage the new trail and associated signage to guide public use.

Recognizing the Crested Butte Land Trust is not a professional trail building outfit, our partners at CBMBA

stepped up to help design the new trail. Thanks to CBMBA Vice President, Doug Bradbury's trail design ingenuity and some heavy lifting by the CBMBA's conservation corps, the stage was set for this new trail and a new partnership to take shape with Vail Resorts. Thirty-five Crested Butte Vail employees dug in to create the new sustainable hiking-only access trail, and in a matter of hours access to Long Lake was changed for the better.

With the new trail complete, CB Devo, and longtime partner of the Crested Butte Land Trust, took up the torch to start rehabilitating the scarred hillside. "It was a great opportunity for our high school mountain bike team to partner with the Crested Butte Land Trust on this project that significantly improved the hiking access trail to Long Lake. As a community organization, it is significant that the Crested Butte Devo High School Race Team's collaborative efforts benefitted trail users that are not riding bikes. Crested Butte Devo programming emphasizes respectful trail etiquette, and we look forward to more opportunities to be involved with similar projects in the future," said CB Devo's Executive Director, Amy Nolan.

The end was in sight, and Western Colorado University's Day of Service brought this project to the finish line with volunteers cleaning up fire rings, breaking up the compacted soil to give new growth a chance, and covering the corridor with downed limbs to discourage continued use.

So what's next for Long Lake? The Crested Butte Land is working to raise the final \$200,000 need to close protect the 120 acres on the eastern half of Long lake and ensure that all of Long Lake is well cared for. Next spring the Land Trust will begin installing signs and will be asking your community for input as we plan for Long Lake's future. We need you to help make this a reality though your philanthropic support, and your voice to shape how Long Lake is protected for generations to come.



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photo: Marina and Bruce Jefferis

# DONOR SPOTLIGHT

## BRUCE JEFFERIS

### Occupation

Chief Executive Officer, Global Specialties - Energy & Mining, Aon

### Recreational activity of choice

Fly fishing, but anything outside will do. With seven grandkids, Jefferis says he's happy "chasing a 4-year-old down Painter Boy yelling 'Pizza' and 'Red light.'"

### Superhero name (because our donors deserve superhero status)

Pops. "It's my favorite thing that anyone calls me," he says fondly of the nickname his kids and grandkids have chosen for him.

### Relationship with Crested Butte

Based in Houston, Jefferis, his wife Marina, and family make frequent trips to the valley every year having built their home in Crested Butte in 1996. In recent years their connection to Crested Butte has become multigenerational, with grandkids now coming up to learn how to ski, mountain bike, and hike. Over the years, Jefferis has introduced his Aon friends and colleagues to Crested

Butte, and their community has grown to about 25 people who either own homes or regularly visit. They also plan an annual Crested Butte winter trip together, an unofficial company retreat of sorts. "It's become a great tradition," he says. "We've really got quite a great community that we've built. We like to work hard but we play hard too, and Crested Butte is the place to do that."

### Why He's in the Spotlight

Jefferis was aware of the Crested Butte Land Trust and had made contributions over the years, but more recently reconnected with the organization upon hearing about the Long Lake Exchange Project. Inspiration struck and Jefferis knew it was time to contribute again.

During this past winter's annual visit, Jefferis auctioned off a stay in his Crested Butte home with the proceeds going to the Crested Butte Land Trust. He encouraged three other friends to do the same with their homes and was able to bring awareness of the Long Lake Exchange Project and the Crested Butte Land

Trust to his Houston colleagues and friends. "It was truly a win-win for us," he says. "This was a really fun avenue to contribute to the Crested Butte Land Trust and the community. The Crested Butte Land Trust has helped keep all the views and open space here, that's so important."

"Bruce is an individual donor who is really passionate about this place, but he's also business-minded and he's chosen to help bring in some pretty incredible funding mechanisms," said Crested Butte Land Trust Executive Director, Noel Durant. "The community he's brought to Crested Butte over the years has a great appreciation for land conservation in the valley and for the Land Trust."

It's donors like the Jefferis family and their community of friends who have significantly contributed to the Crested Butte Land Trust's successes with projects close to home like the Long Lake Exchange, but also with the increased awareness outside of the Gunnison Valley to preserve our unique lands and protect the quality of life that draws people here.



# DIVERSITY OF FUNDING:

## CHANGING THE FACE OF LAND CONSERVATION

**H**istorically, for every one dollar of private support for land protection the Crested Butte Land Trust receives four dollars in public funding. But as our projects get more intricate and complex, such as the Long Lake Exchange, we look to more and more non-traditional partners to help us fulfill our mission. Looking at the wide range of funding avenues and donor relationships established with the Crested Butte Land Trust in recent years, we've come to value just how diverse and unexpected our supporters and partners have become.

"This diversity of funding is really innovative and speaks to the broad base of support for community-driven conservation," said Crested Butte Land Trust Executive Director, Noel Durant. "To have so many different groups - from non-profits, to affordable housing, to cities with no stake in the upper valley, to individual donors - this is community problem-solving in land conservation."

### Local Support

Among our tried and true partnerships stands the Town of Crested Butte, who has stepped up in a major way to protect Long Lake. But this project has forged new creative partnerships with the City of Gunnison and the Gunnison Valley Housing Foundation. Both entities have agreed to help the Crested Butte Land Trust toward obtaining the 120-acre Long Lake parcel in exchange to acquire new national forest land near Fossil Ridge and Copley Lake that generates funds for affordable housing development valley-wide.

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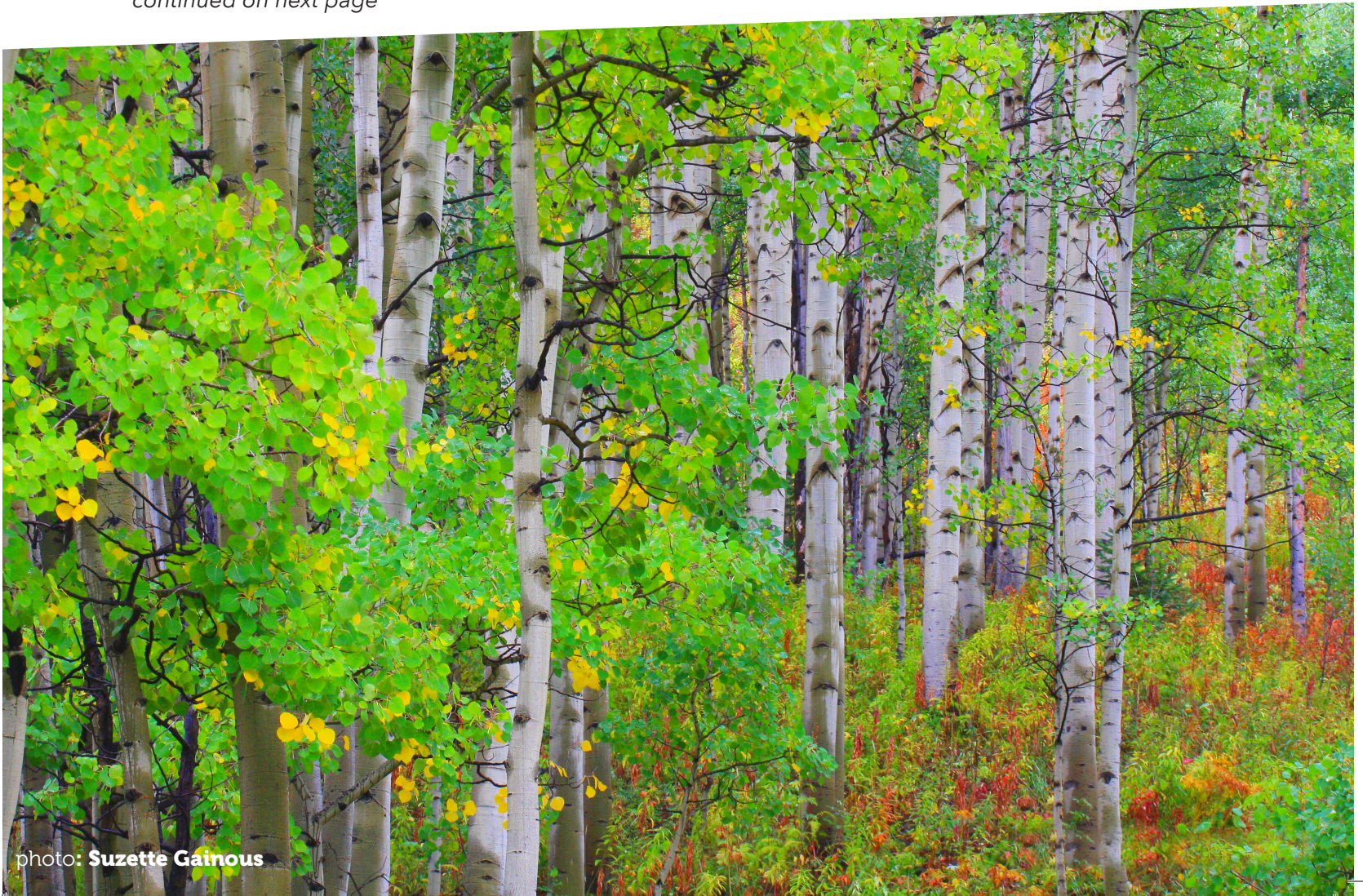


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# DIVERSITY OF FUNDING: CHANGING THE FACE OF LAND CONSERVATION

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While typically focusing on south-valley projects and economic development, the City of Gunnison and the Gunnison Valley Housing Foundation see the return on investment the Long Lake Project has for the community. Their investment in the Crested Butte Land Trust will not only protect Long Lake but also provide a funding opportunity to address affordable housing needs for the Gunnison Valley community - a community that values and cherishes our open spaces.

## **Corporate Support**

One of the Crested Butte Land Trust's most recent non-traditional partners, and perhaps the biggest, is the international mining company, Freeport-McMoRan. This major corporation owns the Mt. Emmons Mining Company and Keystone Mine in Crested Butte and endeavors to make positive contributions where it has a stake. Freeport-McMoRan was impressed by the many positive facets of the land exchange and broad coalition of support in the community, and as a result has made a \$100,000 commitment to the project.

Another large corporation, Vail Resorts, Inc., and its recent ownership of Crested Butte Mountain Resort has also resulted in unique funding opportunities for the Crested Butte Land Trust. Vail sold the ski area's old Teocalli and Twister chair lifts to the community this summer and donated 50 percent of the proceeds to the Crested Butte Land Trust. The chair lift sales event

accrued \$30,000 to benefit the Long Lake Exchange. Among Crested Butte locals fortunate to snag one of the historic chairs was Sarah Keene, "I was glad the purchase benefited the Crested Butte Land Trust and the Long Lake purchase because Long Lake is a great place to relax after a bike ride or a hike on a warm summer day. I've enjoyed taking my nieces up there as a special treat after a bike ride on Snodgrass. As the area becomes busier it's more important to preserve these special spaces."

## **Creative and Hoppy Support**

One inventive avenue of funding this year came from Houston-based donor, Bruce Jefferis. Jefferis and friends auctioned off week-long stays at their Crested Butte homes to his Aon colleagues and friends in support of the Long Lake Exchange, raising \$19,000 within 30 minutes.

Additionally, the Crested Butte Land Trust "brewed up" an unlikely partnership with Elevation Beer Company from neighboring Poncha Springs, Colorado. The brewery is a member of the Conservation Alliance; whose national membership base share a passion for conservation. Thanks to Elevation Beer Company's key sponsorship, the Long Lake Exchange was voted as a top project by the Alliance membership and awarded \$40,000.

Land conservation doesn't need to be, and shouldn't be, presented in a vacuum. These diverse funding sources and relationships have gifted the Crested Butte Land Trust the ability to pursue a more inclusive approach to our work. This method

of collaboration results in a far more resilient conservation success. On a state level, the Crested Butte Land Trust works with Keep it Colorado, a coalition of land trusts and partners that work to leverage community relationships and advance policy that prioritizes land conservation. Executive Director, Melissa Daruna speaks of the Crested Butte Land Trust's involvement, "A huge part of the Crested Butte Land Trust's success is the ability to think outside of the box by harnessing these diverse relationships. The Land Trust has forged strong relationships with special interest groups in addition to their landowners, which has allowed them to bridge a lot of gaps," she said. "They are a shining example of what the future of conservation can look like in this state and how we can be conveners to drive communities forward."

And our example is catching on. The Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust recently implemented a strategic partnership with the Yampa Valley Land Trust to tackle conflicts between ranching and recreation in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. We hope to serve as a model of the symbiotic relationship that can exist between conservation stewards, ranching landowners, and the recreational community.

"We are building a strong coalition of folks who understand how important land conservation is in Colorado, locally, state-wide, and nationally," said Durant. "This type of collaborative approach is the future of private land conservation and the driving force behind our work."



# VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR **DOUG BRADBURY**

**Occupation:**

Vice President of Crested Butte Mountain Biking Association (CBMBA)

**Recreational activity of choice:**

Mountain biking. "It's in my blood," he says. "It's what got me here to Crested Butte."

**Superhero name (because our stewards deserve superhero status):**

"Golden Eagle." Bradbury has a habit of collecting feathers he finds on the trails and stashing them on his hats, clothing, and bike for decoration. "I love feathers," he says. "They give me wings."

**Relationship with Crested Butte Land Trust**

"It goes back a couple of decades," he laughs. Bradbury has worked with the Crested Butte Land Trust since the late 1980s, mostly through his work with CBMBA. His volunteer efforts with the Crested Butte Land Trust have spanned various projects - from designing, building, and rerouting trails, to constructing and installing cattle guards and rollovers on trail systems like the Lupine, Gunsight Connector, and Lower Loops.

Bradbury also worked in the mountain biking industry developing suspension forks and frame geometries, which he says has transferred seamlessly over to designing and rerouting trails for the Crested Butte Land Trust. "Designing a new trail or reroute is just as fun as designing a bicycle frame," he says. "It's really interesting and it's fun to do. And everybody gets to enjoy it."

**Why He's Volunteer of the Year:**

"This is more of a cumulative award than anything," he jokes.

Most recently, Bradbury helped with the Long Lake Reroute Project. He worked with the Crested Butte Land Trust to redesign the new trail to Long Lake, laying out the best reroute that would help restore the vegetation on the Allen Family's property, and still allow recreational access to the lake. Bradbury then played a major role in the reroute and trail restoration work during the EpicPromise Long Lake volunteer day with Vail Resorts in September.



photo: Doug Bradbury

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**- DOUG BRADBURY**  
VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

"The increased use on the old trail just wasn't sustainable," he said. "After redesigning and rerouting the trail, you have more people using the trail but it's in better shape than it was before and you get a better trail."

Stewardship Manager, Brian Lieberman gives Bradbury huge kudos, "Doug made the Long Lake Reroute Project a reality. Through an incredible partnership with him and CBMBA, we were able to collaborate and see this vision through. It is partnerships like these that make trail building possible here in Crested Butte."

Bradbury enjoys these types of projects that bring different people and entities together, working toward the same goals in land conservation. "For me to be behind the scenes to make sure everything is working is really satisfying. It's really fun to be able to design something knowing that everybody is going to come in and help out to get it complete."





**T**he intricate fencing network in and around Crested Butte is often misunderstood; fences sometimes appear as unexplained boundaries, permanent fixtures designed to keep things out, or inconvenient barriers to desirable backcountry terrain and trails.

However, land conservation in the Gunnison Valley would not be possible without this fencing - it plays a critical role in how the Crested Butte Land Trust maintains a well-balanced relationship between ranchers, recreational activity, and the preservation of open lands.

### Fences and Ranching

Colorado is a fence-out state, which requires landowners to fence off their land if they wish to keep livestock off their property. The fence-out statute, also referred to as "open range" was passed in the early 1880s to give landowners the inherent right to fence their land or leave it unfenced. Ranchers rely on land allotments and grazing easements on privately conserved land in order to let their cattle graze off their property while they grow hay and prepare for the winter.

The Crested Butte Land Trust maintains approximately 7,220 feet of fencing, using it to regulate cattle grazing in partnership with ranching families and help protect land restoration and mine reclamation areas. "One of the main purposes of fencing is to keep cattle where they need to be," said Crested Butte Land Trust Stewardship Manager, Brian Lieberman. "The fencing we do have here allows big game animals and waterfowl access to wetland and riparian habitats while still keeping cattle out."

### Fences and Restoration

Lands and wetlands are still very fragile the first several years after restoration, according to Tara Tafi, Reclamation Specialist at the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety. Tafi has worked with the Crested Butte Land Trust to decrease the mining impacts on the land at the Peanut Mine and Smith Hill Mine. She explained the new vegetation

is subject to stress and recovers poorly if affected by cattle, wildlife or people. In order to help the landscape naturally mend and flourish back to its original state, fencing is a necessity prior to the release of cattle back to the site for grazing. Tafi concluded that so far both projects have resulted in successful restoration with trees, grasses, and wetlands growing back.

This year, the Crested Butte Land Trust conducted a major fencing project on the Peanut Mine property, re-routing fencing alignment from previous mine restoration projects and installing new lay down fencing. Lieberman explained how this new arrangement would help conserve the area more efficiently and effectively, "We were able to build a new lay-down fence, which lays down on the ground so snow just sits on top rather than pulling or putting pressure on a standing fence," he said. "We're excited about this because it cut down our fencing responsibility by more than half, it will make it much easier to manage every year."

Cattle were allowed to graze most Crested Butte Land Trust land until the first snow, and the stewardship team will now lay down the fences for the winter. Fences are not meant to be a permanent fixture on the landscape, but rather a catalyst for nourishing self-sustaining, healthy habitats while helping ranchers uphold their livelihoods. The only permanence we hope to achieve, through our relationships with partnering landowners and the community, is the lasting preservation of our beloved landscapes for generations to come.

## BRIAN'S FENCING & CATTLE ETIQUETTE

/ A good rule of thumb is to ALWAYS shut the gate behind you, unless there is a sign on the gate saying it can stay open.

/ Always make sure the gate is latched behind you. There are several different kinds of gates. Make sure if you push on the gate it doesn't open.

/ If you run into a cow on the trail, give it space and approach it slowly and quietly. As you walk towards the cow, it will move out of your way.

/ Don't chase or harass the cows! Just like a human, when a cow is stressed its health decreases and can cause premature death and reproductive issues.

/ Be careful on cattle guards and bike rollovers! Bike tires will ride right over them if you carry speed. Be sure to pay attention while walking over them and use caution as they can be slippery.





# NEWS FROM OUR CONSERVATION COMMUNITY

**W**e are excited to announce a new alliance of Western Slope partners focused on conserving the land we love so dearly. West Slope Conservation Partners, a new collective effort from four distinct land trusts, celebrates our shared interest to create a more interconnected conservation community.

These four organizations span the southwestern corner of Colorado: Colorado West Land Trust, Crested Butte Land Trust, Montezuma Land Conservancy, and La Plata Open Space Conservancy. Together, we have conserved 193,238 acres throughout the region and are working on ways to increase our impact.

Once you live on these lands, they become part of who you are. We live, play, work, and hold an intense appreciation for this

landscape. But without active protection, this land won't be around for future generations to enjoy. Western Colorado faces increasing pressures that threaten the land, wildlife, and our quintessential lifestyle. Population growth, stresses on agriculture, a hotter, drier climate, and increased residential development are all demanding more than what the land can bear. Agricultural lands alone decrease by nearly 690 acres a day in Colorado, and studies in the early 2000s rank Colorado third in the nation for agricultural land loss. The time is now to act and strengthen our local and regional efforts to protect land.

Our answer to meet these profound challenges is by working together. Through this partnership, we hope to create a sharper focus and dedicate our efforts to positively impact our greatest assets—the communities

in which we live, and the land we love. Whether it's protecting more acres or offering education programs that reach a broader audience, we know that with more hands and heads at the table, the opportunities are limitless.

We hope that you'll join us by getting involved with your local land trust. Together, we can address the challenges we face on the Western Slope. After all, this is your place. Your life. And your future.

The West Slope Conservation Partners

**Noel Durant**

Crested Butte Land Trust

**Rob Bleiberg**

Colorado West Land Trust

**Patrick Barker**

La Plata Open Space Conservancy

**Travis Custer**

Montezuma Land Conservancy

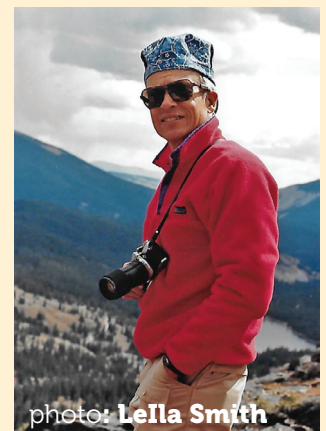
## NEWS FROM OUR CONSERVATION COMMUNITY: REMEMBERING LOWRY SMITH 1929-2019

**T**he open vistas of Crested Butte, along with our proximity to ranching, recreation, and wildlife habitat inspire all of us. Many in this community have taken up the call to protect and steward what they love. Lowry Smith first came to Crested Butte in 1971 with the Sioux City, Iowa Ski Club. Lowry's love for the mountains perhaps began as a child when he spent summer vacations on a dude ranch in Montana and grew during his college years in Boulder. He and his wife Lella built a home here in 1975. With his business and financial background and his passion to protect the open spaces he loved around Crested Butte, the Land Trust was a perfect fit. He served with distinction on the Board of the Directors of the Crested Butte Land Trust from 1997-2004. He continued as the volunteer Treasurer from 2005 until 2007.

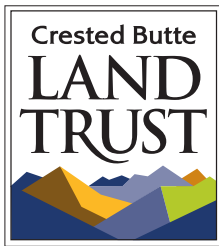
Lowry was a consummate champion of the Crested Butte Land Trust and a catalyst for bringing a business mindset

to our work. This organization's continued growth in its capacity for open space conservation and stewardship bears Lowry's mark. Lowry and his wife Lella have been devoted supporters to the Land Trust's conservation efforts, making a gift every year since the Land Trust starting keeping a record of giving in 1996.

The success of the Land Trust's efforts is due to passionate visionaries like Lowry. We stand on his shoulders today. The next time you're out enjoying our community's protected open spaces, we hope you'll see Lowry's legacy in these community gems and carry his passion for conservation forward for the next generation.







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## 2019-2020 **WINTER SCHEDULE**

### **Yoga at the Yurt** / Starting January 25

Thrive Yoga leads classes 10-11am at the Magic Meadows Yurt select Saturdays. More informatio: [www.cblandtrust.org/yurtyoga](http://www.cblandtrust.org/yurtyoga)

### **Magic Meadows Yurt Volunteer Gathering** / March 19

Appetizers, libations, a roaring fire and good time

Information on volunteer opportunities: contact Rachel Griego at 970.349.1206 or [rachel@cblandtrust.org](mailto:rachel@cblandtrust.org)

### **Holiday Cocktails & Conversation**

Learn more about our efforts over cocktails and appetizers

## 2020 **SUMMER SCHEDULE**

### **A Starry Evening with the Crested Butte Land Trust** / July 9

Enjoy incredible scenery, delicious food, and mingle with friends and neighbors who support conservation in the Gunnison Valley

Register at [www.cblandtrust.org/starryevening](http://www.cblandtrust.org/starryevening)

For more information: contact Rachel Griego at 970.349.1206 or [rachel@cblandtrust.org](mailto:rachel@cblandtrust.org)

### **Caddis Cup Fly Fishing Tournament** / July 17-18

Cement Creek Ranch Kick-Off Party and an action packed day of fishing with great food and libations

Register at [www.cblandtrust.org/caddiscup](http://www.cblandtrust.org/caddiscup)

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