



Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts

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Conservation News

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Dear Kathleen,

Welcome to the first edition of the Conservation News! The Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts is excited to bring you the inaugural edition of our monthly newsletter, a source for news, announcements, updates and information about land conservation.

This is an exciting time for conservation both in Colorado and nationwide. First and foremost, the CCLT is thrilled to welcome its new Executive Director Jill Ozarski this month who will, without a doubt, continue to push the CCLT in new directions and improve and increase conservation efforts in Colorado. There are also lots of successes, events and news from land conservation organizations across Colorado. Read about these stories and more below. And thanks for your continued support!

The Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts

Conservation Update from Aspen Valley Land Trust

Story courtesy of Aspen Valley Land Trust

The Aspen Valley Land Trust has conserved over 16,000 acres. Read about some of the latest acquisitions and other news from the AVLT.

Photo is Crystal Island Ranch, conserved by Richard and Debbie Jelinek

[Full story](#)

Success for City of Lafayette's Open Space Day!

Story courtesy of the City of Lafayette

Over 80 volunteers gathered to work on trails at the Lafayette Outdoor Classroom to celebrate National Public Lands Day. Read more about the Open Space Day, the Lafayette Outdoor Classroom and National Public Lands Day.

Some of the over 80 volunteers at Lafayette's Open Space Day on October 7th helped complete one-half mile of trail on Rothman Open Space. Photo by Erin Frazier.

[Full story](#)

Colorado Conservationists Push for EQIP Wildlife Benefits

Story courtesy of Playa Lakes Joint Venture

Biologists and conservation district leaders in eastern Colorado are working together to increase incentive payments and cost-share for Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) practices that benefit at-risk wildlife habitats and species. Read more about this and other conservation efforts in eastern Colorado.

[Full story](#)

Buckeye Owners Take Initiative to Protect Their Ranches

Story Courtesy of Larimer County Open Space

Property owners in the Buckeye area 16 miles northwest of Fort Collins have joined together to help conserve almost 1000 acres. Read more about this and other news from Larimer County.

Grass roots efforts protect Larimer County's agricultural heritage. Photo by Walt Hubis.

[Full story](#)

Job Postings!

Check out these job announcements in the conservation community.

Job Posting - Arapahoe County

Parks and Open Space Manager

Closing Date/Time: Tue. 11/14/06 11:59 PM Mountain Time

Salary: \$6,250.00 - \$9,167.00 monthly \$75,000.00 - \$110,004.00 annually

Job Type: Full-time

Location: Arapahoe County, 10730 East Briarwood Avenue, Suite 100, Centennial, 80112-3853, Colorado

Accountable for the formulation, development, implementation, and administration of effective Open Space program and strategies. Responsible for providing consultative and project-oriented support, planning, and problem solving to the Commissioners, the Open Space and Trails Advisory Board, other County departments, Community Groups and coalitions and ensuring County compliance with citizen mandates.

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Job Posting - City of Westminster

Open Space Coordinator

Salary Range: \$57,823 - \$72,278

Closing Date/Time: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 Midnight

Date Position Opened: Wednesday, October 11, 2006

One full-time, exempt, benefitted position with the Community Development Department, Open Space Division.

This is a responsible exempt coordinator level position with professional and administrative functions in the fields of open space, trails, park and land planning. Work includes the responsibility for developing strategies for the acquisition and management of land for open space, trails and park and recreation; conducting the negotiations for the acquisition for fee simple and other real estate interests in land including trail and conservation easements; managing the budget of the Open Space Program; contracting for professional services; preparing purchase and sale agreements and other legal contracts. Serves as the staff liaison for the Open Space Advisory Board. Coordinates the Open Space Program goals and objectives with others. Work is performed with a high degree of latitude for independent judgment and action within policy limits, and is reviewed by the Director of Community Development through conferences and accomplishment of desired results.

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Job Posting - Land Trust Alliance

Western Director

Competitive salary and benefits provided commensurate with experience.

Date Posted: 6/30/06

The Western Director is a full-time employee of the Land Trust Alliance. The position requires periodic weekend and evening work and travel throughout the West.

The Western Director will lead the design and delivery of the Land Trust Alliance's (LTA's) programs in the West including the public policy/media relations program and the curriculum, assessment and technical assistance programs. He or she will bear primary responsibility for and will work with LTA senior staff, consultants and advisors to manage the creation and implementation of long-range, sustainable programs in these program areas. Fundraising, including individuals and foundations, will be a key responsibility of this position to assure sustainability for the Western program and LTA's long-term initiatives. To help guide program development, the Western Director will be responsible for gathering input on LTA's programs from Western land trust leaders. He or she will also manage staff, contractors and oversee office logistics.

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Job Posting - Great Outdoors Colorado

Land Acquisition Manager

Closing Date: Monday, November 27

The Land Manager reports to the Deputy Director and participates in the award, management, and legal review of lottery funded land transaction grant programs intended to preserve Colorado's open space, natural areas, rivers and stream corridors.

Primary responsibilities include managing the due diligence process for all GOCO Local Government and Open Space land acquisition awards; providing technical assistance to grantees relating to GOCO's due diligence requirements; and managing grant administration for these programs. These responsibilities include coordinating with other GOCO staff, local governments, state agencies, non-profit land conservation organizations, and others to implement GOCO's land acquisition grants (conservation easement and fee title transactions).

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The Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts is a not-for-profit organization with a mission to promote and support land conservation excellence in Colorado through leadership, advocacy, education and outreach.

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