



Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts

The Mission of the Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts is to promote and support land conservation excellence in Colorado through leadership, advocacy, education and outreach.

Summary of September 8, 2008 Conservation Easement Oversight Commission meeting

The first meeting of the Conservation Easement Oversight Commission began with introductions of the commissioners, the Division of Real Estate staff, and the representative counsel from the Colorado Attorney General. The Director of the Division, Erin Toll, then gave an overview of the Division's history, organization, and role in the conservation easement process.

After a background of the conservation easement tax credit program, HB08-1353, and the rulemaking process, the Commission and Division staff had a brainstorming session regarding the appraisal affidavit. The Commission also discussed the possibility of holding a meeting in southeastern Colorado to provide a forum for the residents in the region. The Commission agreed to hold a meeting in La Junta, CO at the Otero Junior College. This meeting will take place on November 10, 2008 at 12:30pm.

The Commission concluded their public session by unanimously agreeing that the Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts provide recommendations on what the conservation easement holder certification process should look like. Jill Ozarski, CCLT's executive director, thanked everyone for the opportunity and expressed her excitement at seeing HB08-1353 in motion.