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Dear Scott,

Protecting important local landscapes as we drive along Interstate 70 is important for our quality of life and for our tourism-based economy. The "Classic Colorado" views that we all know and love keep the locals here and the visitors coming back. The Land Trust is excited to be a partner in the permanent conservation of the Horn Ranch, one of the most visible places along the Eagle River and I-70 corridor.

County's Horn Ranch Announcement is Huge for Local Land Conservation

Let's give a big round of applause to Eagle County's Open Space Department! Their recent announcement of the pending purchase of 288 acres of the Horn Ranch for permanent conservation and river access is worthy of celebration! This open space project marks a momentous milestone for our entire mountain community.

The Horn Ranch is one of the most visible and stunning landscapes along the I-70 corridor in Eagle County. It is in

2013 Echo Day

the heart of Red Canyon - the beautiful landscape of crimson hillsides as you travel between Wolcott and Eagle. It also features over a mile of Eagle River frontage.

(Horn Ranch Conservation Cont.)

This important land purchase was spearheaded by Toby Sprunk, Eagle County Open Space Director, and funded by County Open Space dollars, along with a generous grant from Great Outdoors Colorado (the lottery dollars.) The property will be protected by a conservation easement donated by Eagle County. To make it even better, Sprunk also negotiated a conservation agreement with the landowner for an additional 114 acres of the ranch. With both conservation projects, 402 acres of the Horn Ranch will soon be permanently placed into conservation with the Eagle Valley Land Trust. This will forever protect the iconic vistas and stunning views of the gorgeous Red Canyon valley enjoyed by thousands of travelers along I-70 every day.

In addition to saving the landscapes of Red Canyon, the conservation project will protect wildlife habitat in and around the Eagle River, while providing 288 acres of permanent public open space. 5,900 feet of the Eagle River will also be opened to the public for fishing and floating.

The Eagle Valley Land Trust commends our local leaders - Eagle County's Board of County Commissioners and Open Space Department Director Toby Sprunk - for their conservation vision. We are proud to be their partners in local land conservation projects. The Land Trust looks forward to conserving this important open space property for our community forever. Keep an eye out for an announcement when these conservation projects are completed. Hooray for Horn Ranch!

Duck Pond River Access - It's Official... and Forever

In another successful conservation partnership between Eagle County's Open Space Department and the Eagle Valley Land Trust, the 55-acre Duck Pond conservation and recreation area was permanently protected with a conservation easement on October 18. This public recreation area is located along US Highway 6 between Gypsum and Dotsero. It is a perfect place for local down valley residents to experience the great outdoors and enjoy public access to their Eagle River.

The conservation easement now held by the Land Trust protects critical wildlife habitat for migrating ducks and other waterfowl, while permanently preserving the land along

the Eagle River and providing public access to the river forever. Long-time locals will recognize this property as the 'old cottonwood place' previously owned by the Green family. Eagle and Gypsum residents can use this land to take an easy and leisurely afternoon float just down the road from their homes. Rafts, kayaks, canoes, boats and even inner tubes are good for this stretch of river. Local fly fishing enthusiasts can enjoy over 4,000 feet of fishing access. And with 55 acres of open space, and some great shade from a cottonwood grove, it is also a perfect place for a family picnic. This important piece of land along our Eagle River is now protected forever!

Did you know...? EVLT Featured in National Land Conservation Magazine

Eagle Valley Land Trust is currently featured in the Fall 2013 edition of Saving Land magazine, the national publication of the Land Trust Alliance. In an article titled "Standing Out Above the Crowd", EVLT was recognized for our outreach and communications efforts to promote community conservation. Read about EVLT in the current issue of Saving Land magazine.

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