



COLORADO HEADWATERS LAND TRUST

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

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CHLT STEWARDS

ALMOST 9,000 ACRES

CHLT's 22nd year of operation was a busy one! The summer months were filled with our annual easement inspections. "On The Ground" inspections were completed by

CHLT on 8,826 acres for the 62 easements conserved by CHLT. This monitoring ensures compliance for our easements, protecting Grand County's precious landscapes. Our Annual Event and Fundraiser, was held in August at the B Lazy 2 Ranch near Fraser. Attendees enjoyed Stone Creek Catering's delicious lunch and unique silent and live auction items. New this year were educational sessions with Grand



Troublesome Creek Valley and the Troublesome Creek Ranch Conservation Easement, protected in 2016. Photo by Susan O. Herpel. Flight donated by LightHawk.



Colorado River and the McElroy Ranch Conservation Easement, protected in 2013 and 2014. Photo by Susan O. Herpel. Flight donated by LightHawk.

County's students, helping the students understand the conservation world. Implementation of the Open Lands, Rivers and Trails Fund is rolling forward with the first grant applications and funds disbursement in early 2018.



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OUR 2017 PRIORITIES

In 2017, CHLT focused on outreach and education activities, including participating in the Spirit of the Lake Regatta at Grand Lake and several education sessions with Grand County students. We worked with the new Open Lands, Rivers and Trails Advisory Committee to assist in their efforts to implement administration of the funding provided by the passage of Ballot Issue 1A. CHLT's social media efforts resulted in informative messages to the conservation community.

BOARD UPDATE

In 2017, CHLT welcomed Colleen Hannon and Garth Eichler to the Board of Directors. Two board members left the board: Diana Matheson who took on a new role with the Open Lands, Rivers, and Trails Advisory Committee; and Ian Ferrell who moved to Denver to open his own law office. We are always looking for qualified board members, contact us today if you are interested!

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MAJOR MILESTONES

- Worked with the Open Lands, Rivers, and Trails Advisory Committee to establish the bylaws for disbursing money out of the Open Lands, Rivers, and Trails Fund.
- Celebrated another successful year by hosting our annual event at B Lazy 2 Ranch in Fraser, CO.
- Received favorable Compliance Review and 2018 State Certification from Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies.
- Continued our collaborative partnership with The Conservation Fund (TCF) and other Colorado Conservation Partners on purchased conservation easements on Fraser River Initiative and Colorado River Initiative properties.
- Hired Tiffany Gatesman as our part-time Conservation Coordinator to work on Education and Agriculture programs.
- Participated for the sixth year in Colorado Gives Day, netting over \$25,000.
- Renewed Terra Firma insurance on all our conservation easements.
- Participated in the Kremmling Days parade, the Spirit of the Lake Regatta, donation yoga classes, and two restaurant benefit nights at Hernando's Pizza and Pub and The Dean Public House.
- Contributed college tuition scholarships for two students at Middle Park High School and West Grand High School.
- Completed a successful monitoring year, inspecting each of the 62 conservation easements we hold.
- Partnered with LightHawk, a nonprofit conservation organization, and Susan O. Herpel, our most dedicated volunteer, to take aerial photos of the land we are working to protect in Grand County.

2017 Contributors & Granting Entities

Allan Beezley, Alpine Lumber, Amazon, B Lazy 2, Blue Sky, Blue Valley Ranch, Bottle Pass Liquors, C Lazy U, Carver Schwarz McNab Kamper & Forbes, Citywide Banks, Conservation Tax Credit, Day & Associates, Denver Water, Devil's Thumb, Edward Jones, Firebird Design Works, Forte Foundation, Grand Mountain Bank, Harris Foundation, H&R Block, Hernando's, Kristen L. Meyer & Associates, Kroger, Lions Club, Meredith Cameron Yoga, Mountain Parks Electric, Munn Architecture, National Republic Brewing Company, New Belgium, Power to the People, Remax Peak to Peak, Stone Creek, Summit Foundation, Susan Herpel Photography, Syntrinsic Investment Counsel, The Conservation Fund, The Dean Public House, Trust for Public Land, Town of Granby, Town of Winter Park, TV18, Weathertop Foundation, Winter Park Dental

2017 Financial Summary

2017 OPERATING INCOME

Easement:	\$ 10,000
Grants & Gifts:	\$ 148,604
Fundraising/Events:	\$ 31,529
Other:	\$ 25,917
TOTAL INCOME: \$ 216,050	
[In-kind:]	\$ 6,954

2017 OPERATING EXPENSES

Easement Services:	\$ 135,398
Marketing/Fundraising:	\$ 24602
Training:	\$ 318
Operations:	\$ 38,930
TOTAL EXPENSES: \$ 199,248	

ASSET ALLOCATION (Restricted Funds)

Carolyn Hackman Education Fund:	\$ 249,794
General Conservation Fund:	\$ 226,067
Stewardship Defense Fund:	\$ 834,364

VALUE CONSERVATION EASEMENTS:	\$ 35,515,643
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