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Jackson Hole Land Trust Conserves Property in Skyline Ranch

Jackson, Wyoming – The Jackson Hole Land Trust announced today that a property in Skyline Ranch has been permanently protected from future development.

The Skyline Ranch subdivision, one of Jackson Hole’s first subdivisions, is located to the south of Highway 22 near the Snake River and is bordered by protected open spaces on all sides including the Jackson Hole Land Trust’s Indian Springs Ranch conservation easement and The Nature Conservancy’s Skyline and Crane Creek Ranch easements.

The 3.25 acre Lot 4-3 of the Skyline Ranch subdivision was bequeathed to the Land Trust by Ms. Mary G Kadlec in the spring of 2014. A new conservation easement on the property extinguishes development rights and ensures that the natural and scenic conservation values of the property are protected in perpetuity.

“We are grateful to Ms. Kadlec for this incredible gift to the Land Trust, and to our board of directors for recognizing the importance of conserving this small but important property,” said Laurie Andrews, executive director of the Jackson Hole Land Trust.

An undeveloped lot located at the end of Meadowlark Lane, the property is highly visible on the Skyline Ridge hillside, just south of the recognizable “notch”. It is covered by open sagebrush and aspen, providing an ecological transition zone between meadows and wetlands to the east and Snake River cottonwood forests to the west. It provides habitat and connectivity for wildlife including moose, bats, raptors, and waterfowl.

“We felt that we could make a lasting impact on the scenic views along this iconic stretch of highway and neighboring conservation easements by eliminating the development rights on the parcel,” said Fred Staehr, Jackson Hole Land Trust board president.

The Jackson Hole Land Trust plans to sell the conserved property to an adjoining Skyline Ranch neighbor through a sealed bid process.

About the Jackson Hole Land Trust

The Jackson Hole Land Trust is a private, non-profit organization that was established in 1980 to preserve open space and the critical wildlife habitat, magnificent scenic vistas, and historic ranching heritage of Jackson Hole. By working cooperatively with the owners of the area’s privately owned open lands, the Jackson Hole Land Trust has



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ensured the permanent protection of over 24,000 acres in and around Jackson Hole and the Greater Yellowstone Area. For more information please visit www.jhlandtrust.org.

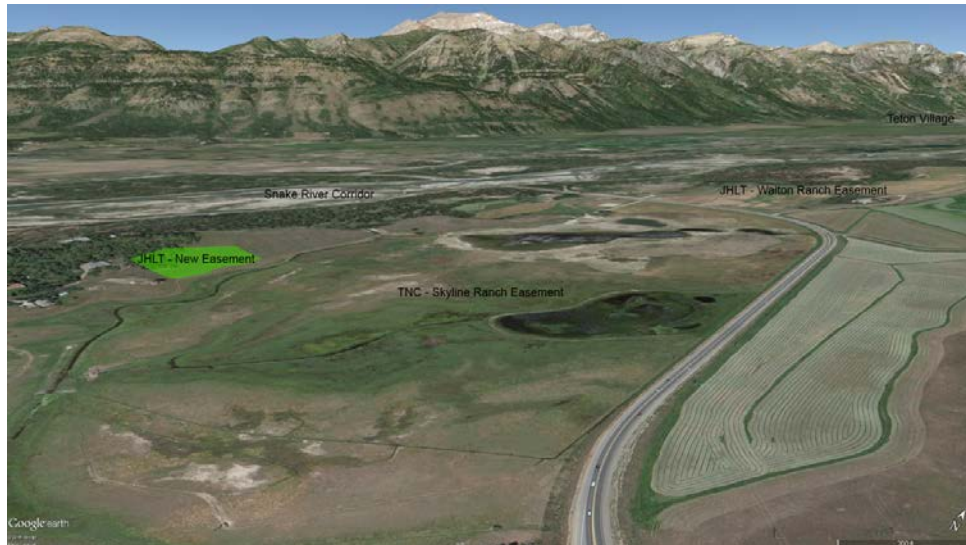


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