

Subject: Protected Forever: Miller Ranch Community Open Space

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Dear Scott,

We are excited and proud to announce the permanent protection of the Miller Ranch Community Open Space for the people of Eagle County.

Your local Land Trust, along with the Edwards Community Authority and concerned homeowners in Arrowhead and Miller Ranch, worked tirelessly to save and protect the recreational opportunities available on this highly used and picturesque parcel. With this announcement, the Miller Ranch Community Open Space will now be saved forever from development so the people of Eagle County may continue to recreate and enjoy this stunning acreage right on our valley floor.

The 32 new acres of permanently saved land will be added to the portfolio of open space in Eagle County, and a conservation easement protecting this valuable open space will be held on behalf of our community by the Eagle Valley Land Trust.

Boasting over 1 mile of Eagle River frontage in our central valley, the Miller Ranch Open Space is a community gem continually used by the people of Eagle County. Hikers, bikers, runners and walkers exercise daily on this land. Our local cross country and track teams train here regularly. Fly fishers, bird watchers and boaters consistently enjoy this beautiful expanse. Parents pushing strollers and dogs romping with kids are a staple of this family friendly area which will now be saved forever. The permanent protection of this beloved recreation spot is truly a momentous occasion for the people of Eagle County and a cause for celebration. "Your local Land Trust is so happy to have finally saved this last unspoiled portion of the Miller Family Ranch for the enjoyment of our entire community" said Kara Heide, EVLT Executive Director.

If you would like to find out more about this victory for land you can read our full press release [here](#) and view more pictures of Miller Ranch [here](#).

Yours in Conservation,

The Eagle Valley Land Trust
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See this New Protected Open Space on the Map!



Read About it in the Vail Daily

The Vail Daily has a great article about the new conservation easement.

Read it [here](#).

Saved Forever!

The Miller Ranch Community Open Space



Conserved Forever for the People of Eagle County

Next Up: Homestead Area Community Open Space

The Homestead "L" Project

Please keep your eye out in the coming weeks for another exciting open space conservation announcement from your local Land Trust. Well over a year in the making, more than 325 new acres of permanently protected open space south of the Homestead neighborhood will be saved forever for the people of our community by the Eagle Valley Land Trust. These lands are in backyard of Homestead and in the view-sheds of Singletree, Edwards, Lake Creek and the I-70 corridor. Consisting of four distinct land parcels, this conservation effort will protect vital natural lands for our community, and will provide beautiful open space for passive recreation for our citizens. To undertake this exciting project, the Eagle Valley Land Trust brought together numerous partners including Eagle County, Creamery Ranch Homeowners Association, Homestead

Homeowners Association, Edwards Metro District and generous neighbors,

individuals and families who believe in our mission of local land conservation. Your local Land Trust is proud to continue fostering public/private collaborations for the benefit of the people of our valley. When the Homestead "L" project is complete and the conservation easements are signed to forever save these lands, our active community of outdoor enthusiasts will have yet another front door access point to the great outdoors, brought to you by your local Land Trust and our generous partners in conservation. We look forward to making the official announcement



soon, and celebrating in the spring with a family fun day and community hike on these newly saved lands.

Did You Know... ?

Did you realize that the Lake Creek Valley is the only remaining creek valley along I-70 in Eagle County extending from the southern mountains into the Eagle River that does not have a golf course development? Think about it. As we go west along the Eagle River: Eagle-Vail. Beaver Creek. Arrowhead. All creek valleys that have golf course developments. Then Lake Creek stands alone. Followed by Cordillera. Red Sky. Adam's Rib. Eagle Ranch. Cotton Ranch. Brightwater. More density and more golf courses. Isn't the Lake Creek Valley worth saving as the only southern creek valley without these developments and golf courses?! Your local Land Trust believes absolutely, yes! That's why we are actively pursuing numerous opportunities to save the ranch lands, open spaces and wildlife habitats in and around the Lake Creek Valley. For more information about the Eagle Valley Land Trust's "We Like Lake Creek" campaign, please contact Jason Denhart at jdenhart@evlt.org.

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