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JHCA Speaker Series Continues with a Road Ecology Workshop as Teton County Road Expansions are Discussed

(JACKSON, WYO.) Roads have utility for all of us. But, when a road cuts through critical wildlife habitat, the chance of a car meeting an animal on that road increases. Roadkills and other negative interactions between cars and wildlife can be reduced through awareness and smart planning.

As part of the Conservation Alliance's "Next Steps -- Exploring Solutions for Jackson Hole" community planning speaker series, Lance Craighead of the Craighead Environmental Research Institute will present what he's learned from a nine-year study of Interstate 90 in Montana. He'll also include lessons learned from Bozeman Pass, Banff, Togwotee Pass and Europe.

Join us on Friday, Feb. 13, from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance, 685 S. Cache, for pizza, beverages and a presentation on the impacts of road expansions on wildlife in the Rockies.

Key questions will include: What are some effective measures to keep wildlife from being killed on highways? How can citizens and local groups help guide mitigation measures and highway design? The answers will become increasingly critical as more road expansions are considered in Teton County, including the Brown connector and the Hoback Highway reconstruction.

"As the Comprehensive Plan update process dictates the future of growth and development in Jackson and Teton County, it is particularly important for the public to be aware and involved in these precedent-setting decisions regarding road expansions," said Alliance community planning director Kristy Bruner.

The *Next Steps* series, sponsored in part by The Community Foundation of Jackson Hole, will conclude on Feb. 26 and 27 with two presentations by Gabe Preston of RPI Consulting titled, "Making Growth Pay its Way." Join us also for our monthly information lunch on Wednesday, Feb. 18, regarding the Comprehensive Plan update process. For more information about these events, please contact the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance at (307) 733-9417 or visit www.jhalliance.org.

Details in Brief

Free Event: Road Ecology in the Rockies: How Can We Reduce Roadkill? -- The third installment of the Conservation Alliance's community planning series *Next Steps: Exploring Solutions for Jackson Hole*

Date and Time: Friday, Feb. 13, 6-7 p.m.

Location: Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance, 685 S. Cache

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The Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance is a non-profit organization dedicated to responsible land stewardship to ensure that human activities are in harmony with the area's irreplaceable wildlife, scenic and other natural resources. The organization has approximately 2,000 members from Jackson Hole and across the nation.