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ALLIANCE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND THE PEOPLE ADVANCING AGENDA 22



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Letter from the Executive Director

Two years ago, my wife Stacy and I decided to move back to Jackson Hole – where we met, fell in love, and got married – to raise our two children. This winter our daughter Piper said something that captures the essence of why we made this choice: “Daddy, Jackson Hole is so cool, we don’t have a zoo, we have wild. All we have to do is go outside and there are elk, bighorn sheep, moose and cool animals. I liked going to the zoo, but this is way cooler.”

I wake up every day driven by a ferocious love for this wild place we are so lucky to call home, dedicated to protecting it for Piper, our son Ryder, and all future generations. I bet you feel this same love for Jackson Hole. Whether it’s a love for the skiing, the wildlife, the wild places, the community, the astonishing natural beauty, the arts and culture, the fantastic schools or some other reason — we’ve all made a conscious choice to call this place home.

Here’s the thing: climate change poses an existential threat to everything we love about Jackson Hole.

In June the Charture Institute released “The Coming Climate: Ecological and Economic Impacts of Climate Change on Teton County” — a comprehensive overview of the likely consequences of climate change on the Tetons region (you can download the full report at Charture.org). In short, the report explains how we are already dealing with some of the predicted local impacts of climate change, such as more wildfires, less snow and more rain, and more wildlife diseases and invasive species entering our valley. It also points out how habitat is changing in ways that will make it incredibly challenging for many of our native species to survive here, and then it outlines how things are likely to get worse (much worse) in the future. It doesn’t have to be this way.

“All is not lost,” Pope Francis said, in his recent encyclical regarding climate change. “Human beings, while capable of the worst, are also capable of rising above themselves, choosing again what is good, and making a new start.”

It’s time to fulfill our moral responsibility to leave things better than we found them and create a better world for our children, which means preparing for and tackling climate change now.

This means breaking our addiction to fossil fuels.

This is why at our Annual Meeting in January 2015 we launched AGENDA 22 – an uncensored vision of a better future for Jackson Hole. But AGENDA 22 is more than a vision – it’s a proactive blueprint of balanced solutions we should adopt to achieve this vision. It tells stories of people working to make this vision reality, provides indicators we can use to measure our progress toward this vision, and explains tangible things you can do to help make it happen.

We recognize that while no one community can solve climate change, we can proactively respond to it and prepare for its impacts. In doing so, we can build a stronger community — one prepared for whatever the future may bring.

We can show the millions of people who visit our home every year that if cold, isolated, fossil fuel-dependent Jackson Hole can live in balance with nature, they can do it too.

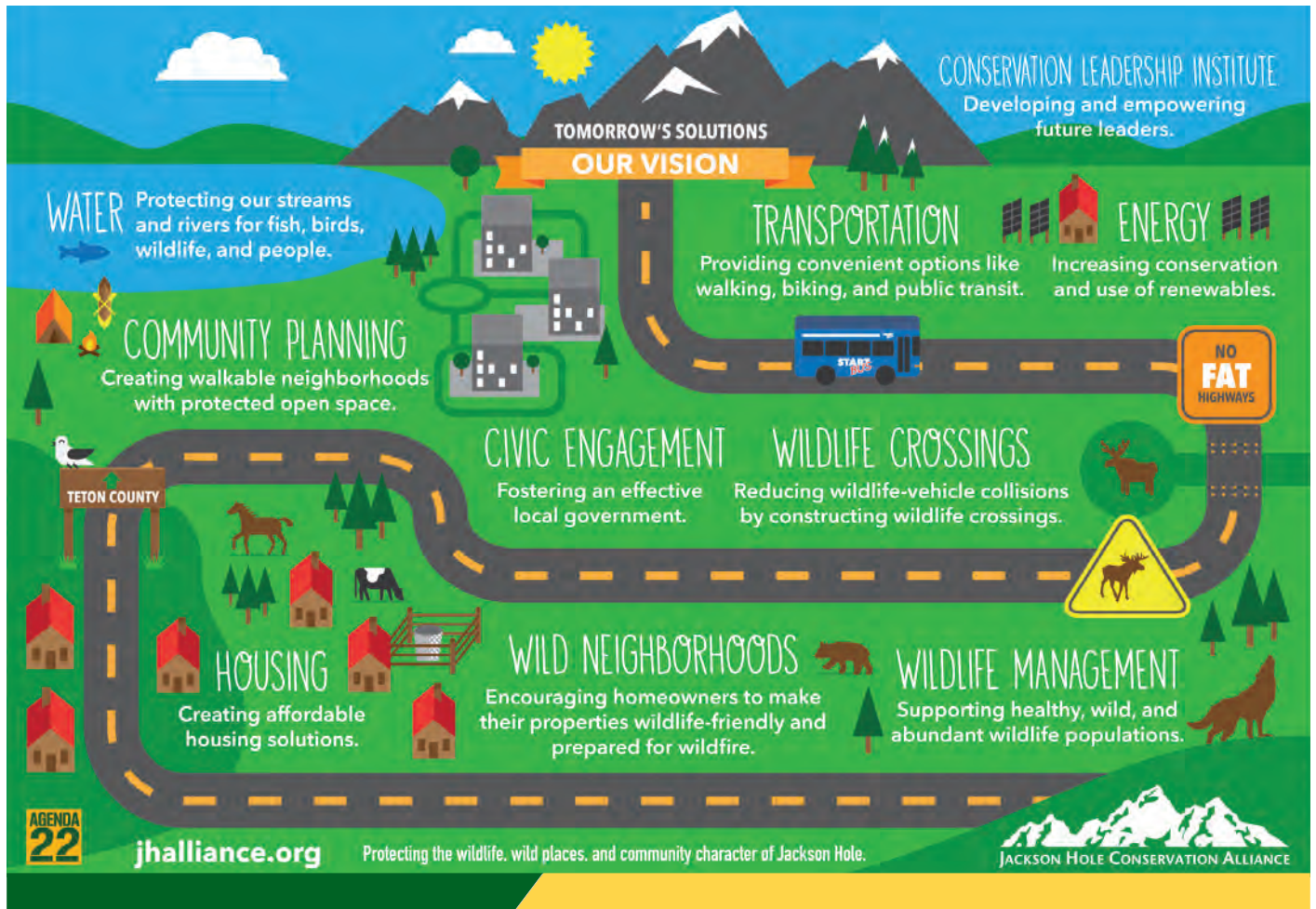
We can take charge of our future and fulfill our moral responsibility to protect this incredible place and create a better future for Piper, Ryder, and all future generations.

In the pages that follow we introduce a number of graduates from our Conservation Leadership Institute who are part of the growing movement working together to advance AGENDA 22 and create a better future for Jackson Hole. This newsletter focuses on these people for the same reason we spend so much time on leadership development and empowering people here at the Alliance, because “When the people lead, the leaders will follow.” – Gandhi.



Craig M. Benjamin

Craig M. Benjamin
Executive Director
Jackson Hole
Conservation Alliance



AGENDA 22

Since 1979 the Alliance has effectively worked as a watchdog to keep Jackson Hole wild and beautiful. The results of our work are all around of us, most of which are things we don't see today. We're proud of our accomplishments and committed to ferociously protecting the wildlife, wild places, and community character of this amazing place.



Now, we're building on our tradition of protecting what makes this valley special and taking charge of our future by uniting our community around a shared vision of a better future and empowering the wHole community to work together toward this vision.

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and how we can make our community a national model of living in balance with nature. AGENDA 22 explains the challenges we face as a community, a positive vision of responding to these challenges, balanced solutions we can adopt to achieve this vision, stories of people working to make this vision reality, indicators we can use to measure our progress toward this vision, and tangible things you can do to help make it happen.

Read the details of AGENDA 22 at JHAlliance.org/AGENDA22.





Community Planning

The Alliance has steadfastly supported forward progress in the implementation of the Jackson/Teton County Comprehensive Plan through the updates to the Land Development Regulations (LDRs), the land use rules that shape development in our community. Through this process we're working hard to ensure updates to our land use rules advance the vision and values of our community.



District 2 – Downtown LDRs

We've rallied hundreds of people to speak against zoning changes that wouldn't provide anywhere near enough housing affordable to people who work here, while encouraging a dramatic expansion of commercial development, lodging, short-term rentals, and higher-end condos (i.e. second homes) – while supporting the Town Council in taking steps in the right direction like a two-tiered zoning system that could incentivize housing for people who work here, trimming lodging development potential, and significantly scaling back commercial development potential. We'll continue working to ensure the District 2 LDRs zone for more housing, less commercial development, and less lodging while directly linking District 2 changes to permanent protection of open space in our rural areas. Jackson doesn't need more

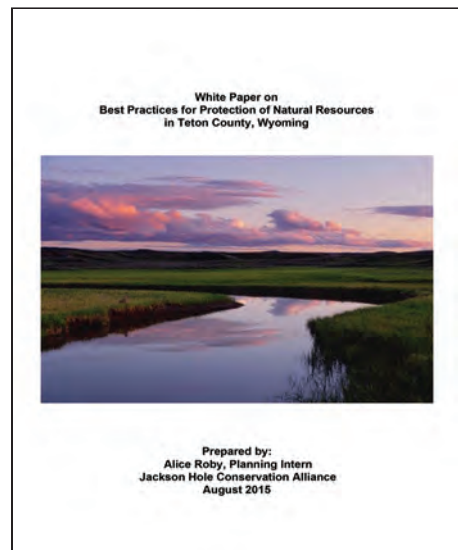
Marriotts. We need more housing that our teachers, police, nurses, firefighters, and middle class can afford.

Rural LDRs

We're collaborating with numerous conservation stakeholders to ensure the Rural LDRs accomplish our community's goals of permanently protecting wildlife habitat and open space in the rural areas of the county and shifting development potential from rural areas into complete neighborhoods. To support this effort we hired a team of consultants who completed a study on the feasibility of shifting development potential from rural areas into complete neighborhoods while also thoroughly analyzing local market realities to help our community make better planning decisions moving forward.

Environmental LDRs

In anticipation of the upcoming update to the Environmental LDRs, we hired Community Planning Intern Alice Roby to draft a model set of environmental land use provisions.





Wildlife

Protecting wildlife and habitat, whether on private or public lands, lies at the core of both AGENDA 22 and everything we do at the Alliance. From planning that helps ensure the integrity of habitat on our private lands, to transportation decisions that reduce roadkill and habitat fragmentation, to reducing conflicts between people and wildlife, protecting wildlife and habitat lies at the heart of our motivation in everything we do. While the Alliance is working to positively influence too many wildlife-related issues to list, here are a few highlights from our recent work.

A Step Toward the End of Elk Feeding

As a first constructive step toward the end of elk feeding, the Alliance joined with the Greater Yellowstone Coalition (GYC) in using the new “objection process” implemented by the Forest Service to raise objections and propose remedies to improve the Alkali Creek Feedground permit. In response to our objections and proposed remedies, the Forest Service has agreed to institute specific features into the Alkali Creek Feedground permit that take an important step toward reducing our reliance on supplemental elk feeding. While we recognize these remedies will not end elk feeding, they allow us to thoughtfully reduce the need for feeding and put us on a positive path toward ultimately eliminating this practice.

Protecting Wolverines

The Alliance joined a coalition of 9 groups challenging the U.S. Fish and Wildlife (FWS) Service’s refusal to protect wolverines under the Endangered Species Act, pointing out that the agency disregarded well-established scientific evidence including the recommendations of their own scientists in making this decision.

The best available science shows climate change will significantly reduce available wolverine habitat over the next century, and imperil the species. As an agency responsible for protecting our wildlife, the Alliance believes the FWS should not ignore science and should make their decisions based on facts and data.

The State of Jackson Hole’s Wildlife

Wildlife in Jackson Hole faces many threats, like climate change and its impact on habitat, to the increased risk of wildfire, to the expanding footprint of development, to the impacts of roads and traffic on wildlife populations and migration. To tackle these threats and effectively protect wildlife and habitat, the Alliance believes we must make strategic choices on which areas to focus our limited time and resources. This means we must have a strong, data-driven understanding of the state of wildlife in Jackson Hole and the threats to wildlife.

In collaboration with our partners, the Alliance is looking to develop a framework by which we can assess the state of our environment and wildlife, and the relationship between the health of our environment and other aspects of our community. Through this collaboration we will synthesize existing data on wildlife population trends into a unified, understandable and publicly available actionable reference that captures the state of our wildlife today. This information will help both the Alliance and our entire community make better decisions regarding how we can ensure healthy, wild, abundant, and sustainable wildlife populations.



Wildlife Crossings

Every year 114 mule deer, 35 elk and 15 moose on average are hit and killed on Teton County roads. This puts our wildlife populations at risk and threatens our safety when we drive around.

Nearly every one of us has seen wildlife killed after trying to cross the road. Most of us know someone who has been in a wildlife-vehicle collision. And too many of us have experienced the trauma of being in one, too. It doesn't have to be this way. We can protect wildlife and our families by making it safe for wildlife to cross the road.

Wildlife crossings are bridges and tunnels designed to help wildlife safely cross the road. Combined with fences along roads to guide animals to the crossings, wildlife crossings have proven to be the most effective measure to reduce wildlife-vehicle collisions across America and around the world. While it's helpful to slow down and pay attention for wildlife, the facts, data and our own experiences in Jackson Hole show us this just isn't enough.

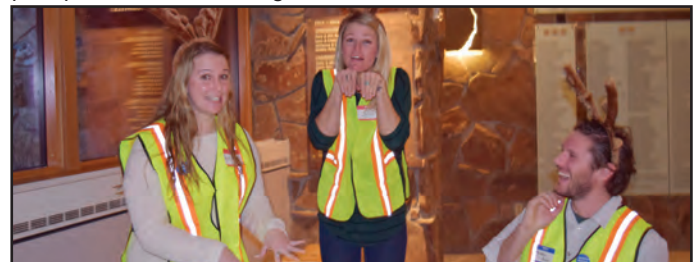
The best thing about wildlife crossings is they work. In Wyoming, Montana, and Canada wildlife crossings have reduced wildlife-vehicle collisions by nearly 90 percent. The Trapper's Point project near Pinedale, including six underpasses and two overpasses, has become world-renowned for reducing pronghorn and mule deer collisions and for protecting the "path of the pronghorn" migration route.

How often does our community face a problem with such an obvious solution? Now, it's time to get moving.

Wildlife Crossings Master Plan

Thanks to hundreds of people speaking up and collaboration between numerous local nonprofits, this June the Teton County Commission voted to fund the development of a wildlife crossings master plan for the valley. This plan will provide an objective, systematic, data-driven blueprint for protecting wildlife and our families by making it safe for animals to cross the road. Since crossings may not be appropriate everywhere in Teton County, we need our agencies, wildlife experts and people to weigh in as the County develops this plan.

Please join dozens of your friends and neighbors over the next year to work with county and agency staff to develop the best plan possible for reducing wildlife-vehicle collisions.



S Hwy 89 Cameras

The Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT) is planning a large-scale reconstruction of South Highway 89/191. As part of this reconstruction, WYDOT has proposed six large underpasses and many smaller structures to facilitate wildlife movement and reduce wildlife-vehicle collisions. The Alliance together with the Greater Yellowstone Coalition, Jackson Hole Wildlife Foundation, and Center for Large Landscape Conservation are collaborating on pre-construction monitoring of wildlife at these sites using camera traps at identified crossing locations. We have deployed 10 cameras at various potential crossing sites and have already obtained over 30,000 wildlife images. Data and images obtained from this project will inform final design considerations for wildlife crossings. We are also working to build a web-based interface to engage citizens and nature mappers to catalog images by identifying wildlife in the photos.





HELPFUL TIPS

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RESOURCES



Your neighborhood is a wild place. We help you keep it that way.

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WILD NEIGHBORHOODS

ARE YOU READY?

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PROGRAM PARTNERS

Cougar Fund, Greater Yellowstone Coalition, Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance, Jackson Hole Fire EMS, Jackson Hole Wildlife Foundation, Murie Center, National Park Service, Teton Interagency Fire, Teton Raptor Center, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, and Wyoming Wildlife Federation. Visit www.wildneighborhoods.org for more info.





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Transportation

Jackson Hole stands at a crossroads. We can maintain the status quo of increasing summer traffic congestion, killing an average of 114 mule deer, 35 elk, and 15 moose on Teton County roads every year, and planning to widen highways dividing our community.

Or, we can get on the path to a better future where we align our transportation decisions with our community's vision of people having the freedom to safely and conveniently get where they need to go on foot, bike, or transit, and protecting wildlife and our families by making it safe for wildlife to cross the road. The Alliance is dedicated to ensuring our community chooses the right path.

Integrated Transportation Plan

Over the past year Teton County and the Town of Jackson have been working together to craft an Integrated Transportation Plan (ITP) that will shape our transportation future. We've advocated for a plan that focuses on providing people with transportation choices and deals with our traffic congestion through investments in public transportation, bicycling, and walking.



Community Streets Plan

In addition to collaborating with Teton County to develop an ITP, the Town of Jackson has been working to develop a Community Streets plan aimed at making town streets safer and more functional for all. We've worked with our partners to suggest improvements to this plan like a prioritization of traffic calming policies and infrastructure, and identified safe cross-town connections.





Housing

Nearly all of us know people who have trouble finding an affordable place to live in Jackson Hole. Most of us have friends who commute up the canyon or over the pass, but would love to live here if they could afford it. And many of us couldn't afford to buy a house if we moved here today.

When people who work here can't afford to live here, they face three bad options: commute up the canyon or over the pass, consuming significant amounts of fossil fuel, increasing traffic and wildlife-vehicle collisions, and spending way too much time away from their families; deal with unsafe and cramped housing conditions, camping, living in their cars, or housing costs that eat up most of their income; or give up and move away. It's hard for our community to have character when the characters that define it pack up and leave.

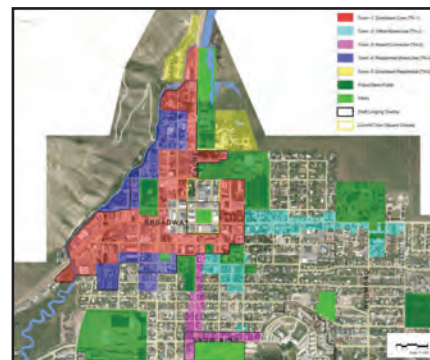
Housing Summit

Alliance Executive Director Craig Benjamin participated as a stakeholder in the May 2015 joint Town and County housing summit and offered recommendations regarding policies and investments that would help address our housing challenge

while advancing other community goals.

LDR Updates

SEE COMMUNITY PLANNING – We're working to ensure updates to our land development regulations use innovative, constructive, and balanced policy solutions that take us in the right direction (such as a two-tiered zoning system that would incentivize housing for people who work here).



How would you prefer to power your home?



Energy

Less snow and more rain in the Tetons, persistent and worsening drought across Wyoming, and strange and increasingly severe weather across the globe are all predicted impacts and a consequence of climate change caused by the burning of fossil fuels.



We have a moral obligation to our children to protect them – that means preparing for and tackling climate change now. This means breaking our addiction to fossil fuels. Yet right now, Jackson Hole has the highest per capita energy use in America – nearly double the national average, while our state has an

energy strategy that doesn't even mention climate change and doubles down on the dying coal industry.

It's time we used our innovation and ingenuity to show America how to produce clean and renewable energy, create new jobs and leave a positive legacy for the next generation of Wyomingites.



Public Discussion on Wyoming's Next Energy Strategy

The Alliance was honored to co-host a public discussion with Governor Mead's Office about the development of Wyoming's next energy strategy. Over 70 people showed up and joined the Alliance in providing recommendations regarding how Wyoming can stop clinging desperately to the dirty energy economy of the past and start leading the charge toward the clean energy economy of the future.



Letter from the Development Coordinator

When I moved here with my husband and older daughter almost three years ago, I had no idea that I would develop such a strong love for and commitment to Jackson Hole. We were looking for a change, an opportunity to move out West and raise our children in a place that valued nature, wildlife, and being part of a community. We wanted to get involved right away, mostly as a way to build community and get to know this place. Just a few months after we moved, I heard about the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance, mostly about this new program called the "Conservation Leadership Institute." Having moved from South Carolina and working on environmental issues there, I was VERY out of my element here. I basically knew that there was quite a controversy around wolves and that we are lucky enough to be surrounded by a lot of protected federal lands.

I was eager to learn more about the conservation issues specific to Jackson Hole and what I could do to participate in creating a better future. I was immediately impressed by the Conservation Leadership Institute and the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance. I led similar workshops in South Carolina and had researched similar programs around the country. As a CLI participant, I learned not only about extremely important issues such as wildlife-vehicle collisions and maintaining wildlife habitat connectivity, but I also learned how to develop a campaign, better craft my story, and ultimately, become a conservation leader in this community.

After the course, I went on to serve as the Director of Operations for Slow Food in the Tetons, a local non-profit working to improve our local food system. I kept feeling drawn back to the Alliance. Under the new (at the time) leadership of Craig Benjamin, I knew that the Alliance, an organization with more than 35 years of conservation history protecting this valley, would build toward being even more effective.

I volunteered to help with research, which ultimately led to the release of AGENDA 22, a blueprint for making our community a

national model of living in balance with nature. After its launch, I asked to meet with Craig to talk about upcoming programs, and inquire about ways to be involved (in my mind, as a volunteer). As fate would have it, Craig had just learned that a development position with the Alliance would soon become available.

I must admit, I had never considered a full-time position in development. Sure, I had done plenty of work relating to development, but I did not think I would ever lead the development work for an organization as prominent as the Alliance. After reflecting on the opportunity to work for such an incredible organization, I let Craig know that I would apply for the position. The Alliance has a diverse staff, filled with experts in conservation, community planning, and civic engagement - it is a dream team, led by one of the most passionate and talented Executive Directors I've ever known. I wanted to be a part of this team and more involved in creating positive change for our community. I wanted to give back to the place I love so much. I wanted to help empower the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance to grow and continue to be THE leading change agent for conservation in this community. And then, with that, I knew that I had to try to be the next Development Coordinator.



I hope that you, too, will support all of the seen (and unseen) reasons the Alliance deserves our support. It is not going to get any easier to keep Jackson Hole the special place we know and love passionately, so please, donate to the Alliance today.

Carter Cox
Development Coordinator
Jackson Hole
Conservation Alliance



Civic Engagement

As Thomas Jefferson said, “An enlightened citizenry is indispensable for the proper functioning of a republic. Self-government is not possible unless the citizens are educated sufficiently to enable them to exercise oversight.”

Our civic engagement program is the first program in Jackson Hole engaging residents in the electoral process and holding our elected representatives accountable for their decisions that shape our future. We educate Teton County voters about relevant conservation issues and elected representatives’ and candidates’ positions and actions on these issues. We engage eligible voters in the political process through voter registration and get out the vote (GOTV) activities. And we make it fun.

This June we launched the #JacksonPoll, a week-long voter values survey. 14 team captains led 84 volunteers - mostly young people - in knocking on 1100 doors around Jackson. The volunteers talked with 400 voters to find out how they feel about the big challenges we face regarding housing, transportation, and wildlife. They also competed in a social media photo contest and for team awards (most conversations, best team name (The Pollstergeist)



and more) and enjoyed a party with live music and food from Hole Food Rescue. We will continue this project so we can learn what most of our voters care about, and then share this information with our elected representatives so they can make good decisions in line with our community’s best long-term interests.





Conservation Leadership Institute

The Jackson Hole Conservation Leadership Institute (CLI) is a rigorous leadership development program offered at no charge. Graduates of CLI have the skills and knowledge to organize, advocate, and hold local decision-makers accountable for building a better future for Jackson Hole. CLI starts with the basics of community organizing and progresses each week as participants learn and practice new skills. To help mix things up over the course of the program and cater to different learning styles, we host a number of VIP guest speakers who speak passionately and

“What is great about CLI is that it gives members of this community who want to see positive change around some of the most central issues facing this community the actual tools and understandings you need in order to make that change happen,” says Ryan Dunfee, CLI Grad, Spring of 2015. “Otherwise, these people would still be caring, but their attempts at action would be lost in the details of how this community works and how the needle actually gets moved.”

The next round of CLI will begin in October 2015: go to www.jhal-liance.org/cli for more information or call Alliance Civic Engagement Director, Skye Schell at (307) 733-9417.



in detail about topics ranging from housing to wildlife management, and from conservation politics to the Latino community. Fourteen new conservation superheroes donned their capes in June 2015, as we graduated the fourth round of CLI. We are especially excited that four participants of this class are fluent in Spanish, and we encourage members of the Latino community to apply in future rounds.



Conservation Leaders In Action

At the Alliance we believe that, "When the people lead, the leaders will follow." – Gandhi. That's why we focus on leadership development and empowering people with the skills and knowledge necessary to create a better future for Jackson Hole.

We're proud to introduce sixteen graduates from our Conservation Leadership Institute who are part of the growing movement working together to advance AGENDA 22. These emerging leaders from diverse professional backgrounds are leading the charge toward a better future. To read their full stories, visit JHAlliance.org/library.



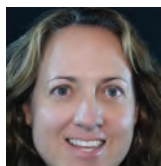
Alli Noland (Fall 2013)
Issue: Community Planning
Alli has given public testimony before elected representatives and wrote letters to the editor on land development regulation updates.



Andy Weening (Spring 2015)
Issue: Transportation
Often seen biking around the town of Jackson with five kids in tow, Andy is a member of the Pathways Task Force of Teton County.



Johnny Zeim (Fall 2014)
Issue: Water
Johnny manages the wastewater treatment plant in the Town of Jackson and led an initiative to install a photovoltaic system at the facility. Johnny is a former Town Councilor for the City of Victor, ID.



Alice Roby (Spring 2015)
Issue: Community Planning
A former Spanish teacher and real estate agent, Alice was hired as a community planning intern at the Alliance, where she wrote a white paper on model natural resources land development regulations in the Intermountain West.



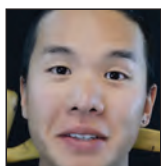
John Douglass (Spring 2014)
Issue: Housing
John is a construction worker and mountain guide. John wrote a guest opinion piece supporting the construction of more workforce housing in Jackson Hole.



Phoebe Stoner (Fall 2013)
Issue: Civic Engagement
A program naturalist at Spring Creek Ranch, Phoebe served as event coordinator for the Alliance's #JacksonPoll and was a finalist for appointment to the Teton County Commission.



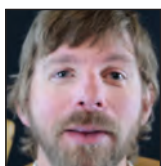
Trevor Bloom (Fall 2013)
Issue: Wildlife
Currently pursuing a MS in biology from Western Washington University, Trevor spoke to a capacity audience at the Alliance where he discussed his research on the impacts of climate change in the Rocky Mountains.



Jacques Li (Fall 2014)
Issue: Housing
Jacques is former petroleum engineer and the owner of Teton Backcountry Rentals. Jacques wrote letters to the editor in support of affordable housing in Jackson.



Lin Hefner (Fall 2014)
Joined Alliance Board
Lin joined the Alliance board of directors in August, and serves on the development committee.



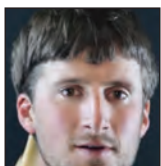
Mike Cavaroc (Spring 2015)
Issue: Wildlife
Mike is an astronomer and wildlife photographer and leads the Dark Sky Campaign, a grassroots initiative to reduce light pollution in Jackson Hole.



Reid Walker (Fall 2014)
Issue: Energy
Reid worked for an energy research company in Denver before moving to Jackson to work as a snow and water sports instructor. Reid researched Governor Matt Mead's Energy Policy for the State of Wyoming in advance of an Energy Summit.



Carter Cox (Fall 2013)
Joined Alliance Staff
Hired to become the Alliance's Development Coordinator.



Josh Metten (Fall 2014)
Issue: Wildlife
Josh is a frequent speaker at Alliance events, wolverine researcher and wildlife guide, and was recently hired as program director for the Wyoming Wilderness Association.



Scott Steen (Fall 2013)
Issue: Food & Waste
Scott started a consultancy to help small businesses and government agencies reduce their waste streams. He currently serves as the Vice President of Slow Food in the Tetons and is a member of the Teton County Integrated Solid Waste & Recycling Board.



Mandy Crane (Fall 2014)
Joined Alliance Staff
Hired to become the Alliance's Outreach Associate to assist with office administration and event planning.



Meghan Cratty (Fall 2014)
Issue: Wildlife Crossings
Meghan led the event and volunteer coordination efforts for the Alliance's Safe Wildlife Crossings Program kickoff event at the National Museum of Wildlife Art.



Alliance Leadership Council

Chaired by Alliance board member, Bernie McHugh, the purpose of the Alliance Leadership Council is to help keep the Alliance aligned and in touch with the members of our community that support our mission of protecting the wildlife, wild places, and community character of Jackson Hole.

It will ultimately be comprised of up to 100 individuals, including former board members, graduates of our Conservation Leadership Institute, expert advisers, committee members, donors, and community leaders. Seasonal and part-time residents of the Valley are welcome. The Council provides opportunities for participation in policy discussion, and creates a forum for advice to the staff and the board on issues of mission, strategy, relationships, and emerging opportunities.

It keeps long-time supporters engaged in the organization while bringing in new and diverse interests and viewpoints. Introducing different segments of Alliance supporters to each other through social and educational opportunities is a core objective for the Council. The synergy generated by interactions among these diverse interests provides a powerful tool for generating enthusiasm and support for the organization.

The Leadership Council provides:

- A sounding board to give feedback to staff and the board about the perception of Alliance activities and programs in the community.
- A way to retain the institutional knowledge of former board members.
- Help in identifying and developing future leaders and committee members for the Alliance.
- A way to cultivate donors and volunteers.
- A place to broaden and diversify the Alliance's base of support.
- Support in keeping the Alliance's values aligned with the community it serves.
- Valuable ambassadors to the community and their personal constituencies.

Council Members

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 Sandy Shuptrine
 Dan Smitherman
 Annika Sohlstrom
 Scott Steen
 Kelly Stirn
 Anya Tyson
 Amy & Steve Unfried



The Alliance in the Media

Alliance

- **FEATURE: Conservation Nation – Planet Jackson Hole**
Feature piece on AGENDA 22 and how it asks locals to be part of the solution.
- **Wildlife advocate lives his dreams – News & Guide**
Close-up of Alliance Communications Director, Stace Noland.
- **Seeing Jackson Hole as a model to inspire – News & Guide**
Todd Wilkinson column on the Alliance and AGENDA 22, featuring an in-depth interview with Alliance Executive Director, Craig M. Benjamin.

Community Planning

- **Alliance pushes back against downtown zoning – News & Guide**
The Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance opposes proposed zoning for downtown Jackson, saying the regulations would worsen the valley's workforce housing problems.
- **GUEST OPINION: Don't let Jackson become Vail – Planet Jackson Hole**
The last thing any of us want is to become like Vail.
- **Link between lodging and housing debated – News & Guide**
Zoning for "a bunch of new Marriotts" and creating legions of new low-wage jobs only makes things worse, Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance Executive Director Craig Benjamin said this week.
- **THE BUZZ: Silently opposed – Planet Jackson Hole**
"There is nothing more American than constructively engaging in our civic process and speaking up for a better future," [Alliance Executive Director] Benjamin said.
- **GUEST OPINION: Lessons from football – Planet Jackson Hole**
Local government must make decisions based on entire 'team.'
- **Comp plan data error over buildout raises ire – News & Guide**
The Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance has asked for a clear explanation of the error that planners discovered and a transparent process for incorporating the change into policy.

Wildlife

- **B-T hit by both sides on Alkali Feedground – News & Guide**
The Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance and Greater Yellowstone Coalition jointly "objected" to the Bridger-Teton's approval of the Gros Ventre-area feedground in an 11-page memo dated March 16.
- **Alkali feeding will phase out – News & Guide**
The advice will be added to a decision document for the feedground to satisfy the complaints of two environmental advocacy groups: the Greater Yellowstone Coalition and the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance.

Wildlife Crossings

- **Wildlife-proofing roads starts with master plan, expert says – News & Guide**
A renowned road ecologist visiting the valley Wednesday said the best thing Jackson Hole can do to make its roads more wildlife-friendly is to bolster monitoring and develop a plan.
- **Campaign Pushes For Wildlife Crossings In Teton County – Wyoming Public Radio**
The Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance is starting a new campaign to get wildlife crossing structures built in Teton County.
- **GUEST OPINION: Let the animals roam – Planet Jackson Hole**
Support wildlife crossings to decrease wildlife-vehicle collisions, protect migration paths in the valley.

Civic Engagement

- **Jackson Poll project launched – Local News 8**
It's a project to help develop the community by giving people the tools they need to get involved and make their voices heard.
- **Volunteers go door knocking – News & Guide**
Over 100 volunteers will take to the streets of Jackson beginning Sunday to assist in a community-wide survey being headed by the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance.
- **Unpaid work builds nonprofits' success – News & Guide**
At the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance volunteers are used not just as helping hands, but as citizens who can advocate for and influence community planning and wild lands policies.

Transportation

- **Traffic engineer talks circles around the 'Y' – News & Guide**
County commissioners heard from a traffic expert Tuesday who said that a roundabout at the intersection of Highways 22 and 89 might be the best solution to a challenging intersection.

Housing

- **GUEST OPINION: Don't forget about Karyn – Planet Jackson Hole**
A healthy community means housing the middle class.

Energy

- **GUEST OPINION: Fueling the future – Planet Jackson Hole**
It's time to embrace a new energy trajectory in the Cowboy State.
- **GUEST OPINION: Curbing dirty energy – Planet Jackson Hole**
State officials must blaze a new path to protect Wyoming's other resources.
- **Governor's office seeks input on energy strategy – News & Guide**
Alliance Executive Director Craig Benjamin welcomed the opportunity to talk about the energy issue, "which is foundational to our economy, our society, how we live, especially in Wyoming."



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