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### **Wayne Fahsholtz Elected Chairman of WSGLT Board of Directors**

Cheyenne, WY

December 8, 2020 - The Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust (WSGLT) announced today that Wayne Fahsholtz has been elected Chairman of the Board of Directors. Wayne's election comes at the end of a three-year term completed by Heath Hunter.

Heath joined the WSGLT board in December of 2016 and stepped up to the Chairman position in December of 2017. During his three-year term in that position, Heath was instrumental in leading the organization through leadership transitions, Land Trust Alliance reaccreditation, and the finalization of a deed template with the NRCS. Speaking of his time on the board, Heath said "It has been an honor to part of conserving Wyoming's agricultural lands. As I look at the accomplishments of this organization over the last twenty years, I am reminded that we play an important role in strengthening Wyoming's agricultural economy and adding to the sustainability of agricultural jobs in our state."

Wayne joined the WSGLT board in December of 2019 after election by the Wyoming Stock Growers Association general membership. A rancher from Dayton, WY, Wayne is also the owner of Ag Win Group, LLC, a ranch management consulting firm. Wayne has a history of land conservation. While he was CEO of Padlock Ranch, he oversaw the establishment of several easements with WSGLT. The ranch also won the Environmental Stewardship Award for Montana and Wyoming along with the Leopold Conservation Award. Wayne was elected Chairman of the Board of Directors in December of 2020. Wayne has said, "It is an honor to serve as chairman of WSGLT. The organization provides tools that enable ranch families to keep the land in the family and pass it along to successors. In addition, the public benefits because open space is preserved, water systems are kept intact saving precious water resources and wildlife habitat and migration corridors are protected. I look forward to seeing our board carry its mission."

The Chairman of the WSGLT Board of Directors serves as the principal executive officer of the Land Trust and presides over all meetings of members of the Board of Directors. The Chairman is in general responsible for supervision of all affairs and business of the land trust and will serve a three-year term.

#### ***About the Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust***

*The WSGLT is dedicated to conservation through ranching. Based in Cheyenne, the non-profit organization serves the entire state and is Wyoming's only agricultural land trust. Through partnerships with ranch families, the WSGLT holds and steward's conservation easements on more than 284,000 acres of land on ranches and farms throughout Wyoming. Founded in 2000 by the 140-year-old Wyoming*

*Stock Growers Association, it is one of the largest among the 1,659 regional land trusts in the United States. For more information, visit [www.wsglt.org](http://www.wsglt.org).*

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