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Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust Welcomes Two New Members

Cheyenne, WY – April 14, 2025 – The Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust (Land Trust) is pleased to announce the addition of two new members to its conservation team: Averí Reynolds, joining as the Conservation Director, and Rachel Belouin, joining as the Conservation Manager. Their expertise and passion for agriculture and conservation will further strengthen the organization's commitment to protecting Wyoming's working lands.

As the Conservation Director, Averí will oversee the Conservation and Stewardship team, providing strategic vision in advancing agricultural conservation across the state.

With a Master of Science (M.S.) in Animal Science and Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Rangeland Ecology and Watershed Management from the University of Wyoming, Averí offers nearly 10 years of progressive experience in working lands research and outreach, focused on adaptive grazing systems, ruminant nutrition, and collaborative, stakeholder-driven land management. Averí's passion for Wyoming's ag industry, paired with her education and professional experience, is an asset to the organization.

“It’s an incredible honor to join the Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust and serve ranching families as they work to conserve Wyoming’s working lands and rural heritage. I look forward to building relationships that help carry the legacy of our agricultural lands.” Averil said.

In her role as Conservation Manager, Rachel will manage a portfolio of conservation easement projects, contributing to the accelerating pace and scale of conservation in rural communities across the state.

Rachel holds a M.S. in Rangeland Stewardship and Ecological Restoration from Colorado State University and is continuing her education through the University of Wyoming, Haub School of Natural Resources in collaboration with the Ruckelshaus Institute Collaboration Program in Natural Resources (CPNR). Prior to joining the Land Trust, Rachel was the Southern Plains Program Manager for Bird Conservancy of the Rockies. Here, she specialized in collaborative conservation and building stakeholder engagement and partnerships with landowners, local, regional, state, and federal agencies, non-profits, Tribal Governments, and rural communities.

“I am excited to join Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust. Living on a cattle ranch in Wyoming, I learned first-hand how the connection to the heritage of ranching, farming, and stewardship runs deep,” Rachel said. “I am honored to be a part of the journey to take care of Wyoming’s agricultural legacy, and I am looking forward to working with landowners and partners.”

“We are pleased to welcome Averil and Rachel to the Land Trust team. They bring valuable experience and a genuine passion for supporting landowners in their agricultural and conservation pursuits. Their talent and fresh perspectives will help us strengthen our impact as we work to preserve Wyoming’s agricultural lands and heritage.” Jessica said.

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The Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust 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 families, the Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust holds and stewards agricultural conservation easements on more than 300,000 acres of land throughout Wyoming. Founded in 2000 by the Wyoming Stock Growers Association, it is one of the largest regional land trusts in the United States.