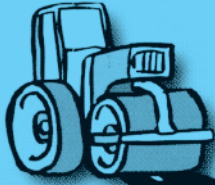


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Train Your Horse, Train Yourself

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To improve your riding, you must understand how your horse thinks. To train your horse, you must connect with your horse's feet and prepare his mind. To change your horse, you must ride with a soft feel and change yourself. Those are just some of the training concepts of expert horse

horses are drawing crowds around the world. (A little insider information...plans are brewing for a cable mini-series about Buck's life and work.) A continual learner, Buck often refers to his mentors, including Tom Dorrance and Ray Hunt. With a respectful nod to Tom, he quoted him, "The horse is multitudes of actions and reactions, separate and inseparable, all at the same time." Buck



clinician Buck Brannaman, used while helping horses by training their owners. Since the release of the documentary, *Buck*, his message has been even louder-said, better heard, and wider-spread. To know your horse, study with Buck. His matter-of-fact directness, over 30 years of experience, cowboy wit, vast horse (and rider) knowledge, and creative way of speaking for

simply stated his approach to the horse, "I have to give him tools to help him get this sorted out."

The participant spaces (riders with their horses) have been selling out well in advance of clinic dates. Don't delay in signing up for a life-changing clinic for yourself and your horse. Consult brannaman.com/bbclinics to decide which clinic would be best for you and your horse. Cost for riders for four days is \$700. Cost for spectators is \$30 a day. Space is normally unlimited for spectators due to the size of venues. The number of riders is restricted so each

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participant can receive individual attention and the arenas aren't overcrowded. Here are the particulars of upcoming Colorado dates: Ft. Collins; May 16-19; Colt Starting (AM); Horsemanship 1 (PM); BOTH CLASSES ARE FULL; spectator seating is open.

Contact: Lu Ann Goodyear, 970-568-7682, luannlresort@aol.com. Longmont; August 16-19;



Buck is starting off his August tour in Dublin, Ireland, before coming to Colorado and as he states on his website, "How cool would this be?" In addition to his notable Buckisms, Colorado attendees will be treated to his stories fresh from the Emerald Isle.

I have read Buck's autobiography, *The Faraway Horses*, watched his DVDs, written articles about his work and his past (see highlandermo.com, September 2012 issue, under *Archive Pages*), and attended his clinics. And I don't have a horse. Every minute spent in a spectator seat has been worth it. Mindy Bower, clinic sponsor in Kiowa, has noticed (and soothed!) the mental turmoil sometimes felt by attendees who commit themselves and their horses to a clinic, "I don't know why people don't take these clinics. It's so good for the horses' brains. People sign up, then freak out about coming to a clinic, and think about not going. Then they get here and think 'Ahhh!,' and then



Moffat Collection System Project Final Environmental Impact Statement

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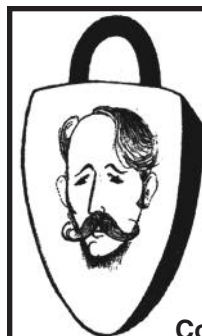
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choosing to farm out the necessary physical care. If she wanted to consider a horse as more than just an animal or an instrument, it was her personal responsibility to develop a relationship with her horse's being and to understand its essence. The other friend is a mother of two young boys and familiar with Buck's tortured childhood, with stories of her own. The day she adopted a rescue dog, and shopped for *new dog* supplies at a local pet supply store, she noticed their bumper sticker display. One slogan in particular stood out, *Who rescued whom?* That catchphrase would have convinced her to attend, knowing Buck's painful past and his humane approach with both horses and people.

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A poignant story in Buck's autobiography paints a glimpse of his childhood; while walking home from grade school, he and his brother deliberated about their chance of surviving another night of their alcoholic father's abuse. Buck displays patience with troubled riders, while helping generations of troubled horses, and has a soft spot for at-risk youth, which the odds indicate should have included him. He beat those odds with the help of the horse, and now hopes they can help other youth too. A small sea of yellow-shirted spectators attended the Longmont clinics last summer. *(Continued next page.)*

they're glad they came!" We can all be that way when faced with an opportunity for growth. It's easy to say your horse needs help; it's harder to say you do. "Don't let anything but fear stop you," continues to be my favorite Buckism. While Buck teaches attendees how horses think in patterns, the owners' inadequacies are often made apparent by their horses' behavior. It takes courage, spine, and commitment, to improve both yourself and your horse. I posed a question recently to two friends, one who rode through her teenage years and one who grew up on horses: "If you were thinking about spending \$700 to ride in a clinic, what would push you off the fence to go?" Within minutes, each had a compelling reason. The friend with a long horse history stated she could pay for essential services for a horse - a farrier, boarding, veterinarian care -

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skills and job skills. Mary Brannaman, Buck's wife, relayed an interaction a current cadet had with Buck when he told Buck where he had seen him before, "I watched your clinic in Thermopolis because before the police picked me up, I was sleeping in the bleachers (of the arena). Had no place to go." Buck is a believable example for them, demonstrating that a very troubled past does not forecast a very troubled future.

Deb Kinnett brought sixteen of her students to observe Buck in Longmont. She teaches near Platteville and also gives private sessions at people's corrals. "It's an opportunity to witness what good horsemanship really looks like by seeing Buck ride his own horses, and what could be possible as a horseman if we are dedicated. It is also great to observe as Buck helps others with their horses in all sorts of situations. What he teaches has really

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helped me stay safe working with horses. What I have learned from Buck is truth, that brings confidence as I teach.” During warm up exercises before the afternoon session started, 150 spectators grew silent, seventeen dressage/western/ranch /hobby riders stopped, seventeen horses including Quarter Horses, Morgans, Paints, and Haflingers, stood still. Buck was warming up his horse. All eyes were on him as he exemplified his teaching: keeping his horse in the center of the rectangle, not hurrying - being accurate, maintaining transitions with a soft feel, holding lateral flexion, keeping his horse responsive and engaged. Everyone felt and saw the connection between horse and rider.

During the clinic, Buck gave memorable pointers to the riders and pointed responses of their horses. In a previous clinic, a man told Buck, “My problem is my horse bucks.”

Buck told him, “No, it’s not the problem. It’s the symptom of the problem. What happened first? What did you do to get him there?” He went on to champion for the horse, “If he wasn’t so damn irritated with you, you wouldn’t have



the symptoms.” Then he explained to the attendees, “It’s like your oil light coming on in your car and you bash out the dashboard to make it go out. You’re not fixing the problem! Your car still needs oil. The light was a symptom of the problem.

So many times people only address the symptoms.” Buck carefully observed every rider, and had one straighten out her reins, adding, “Loosen up in the reins to reward what you want and DON’T do it until, or you’re rewarding something you don’t want.” He added, “I notice the jaw muscles of dressage riders and if they’re built up, I know how they’re handling their horse, ‘cause you can’t be pulling back on the horse and do it continuously without clenching your teeth.” His backing up instructions were very helpful, “Don’t think of pulling the feet

backwards. Pull, then release with each foot hitting the ground. Pull, release, and pull, release, with legwork. Keep your horse committed and centered so he stays centered in the middle of the rectangle. Once you get what you want, release ‘cause you might go through something good to get to something bad.” He asked everyone to help in an exercise to desensitize the

horses while increasing their trust. All riders lined up on the far side of the arena, horses facing the spectators. At Buck’s signal, we in the bleachers started clapping softly. Twenty-five horse heads picked up, *(Continued next page.)*



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ears turned towards us. Then Buck stopped us, as he observed the horses' reactions. A few seconds later, he signaled us to start again. The riders then circled their horses around the arena. We went through several rounds of raising and lowering our volume, starting and stopping, while Buck continually monitored the horses' reactions. Buck based the exercise on a lesson from Ray Hunt, "Preparing your horse for the unthinkable." He explained, "Keep your horse on course, staying on the path and keep doing what we're doing." To the horse, he said, "You stay in my rectangle and forget about what's happening out there. Don't let all that have more influence on you than me. Move in the way I ask you and ignore that." To the riders, he said, "It's teaching the horse that he's been in an applause situation before and it won't kill him." He joked about ranch horses, "He hasn't dealt with THAT on the ranch!" and further explained, "It's not in a horse's nature to not cope with that. Helping him learn to cope with this is

to stay in the concept of the rectangle — if he doesn't, I can't help him. He'll realize that all these situations I put him in, I am reliable and won't get him into any trouble." All horses succeeded and took a bow.



On the first day of the Horsemanship 1 clinic, Buck noted that the horses were stabbing their front feet down to support their weight, while dragging their hindquarters around them. By the third day, he pointed out while riders and horses practiced smooth serpentine turns, "There is no catch, no resistance, and both legs were operating — active but not pushing." They resembled a slow, steady horse ballet moving in synchronistic circles. On the last day of the clinics, there was a distinguishable difference. They were calmer, more organized, moving with control, responsive, and taking directions, focused, receptive, disciplined and confident. The horses were too. The perfect ending of a clinic for the riders offered a perfect

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In April BFC patrols saw the first buffalo calf of the season! Mom and calf appeared to be doing fine, and were spotted along the Madison River in the Hebgen Basin, west of Yellowstone National Park. The next generation of wild buffalo is coming! While snow still covers a lot of ground, spring has truly arrived to the Hebgen Basin. Osprey, blue birds, Sandhill cranes and pelicans have returned, and the first sign of grizzly bears has been spotted. A couple hundred buffalo have been migrating along the Madison River toward their calving grounds on the Horse Butte Peninsula. Save for the dangers of having to cross the highways, all has been blessedly quiet on the western front.

In the Gardiner Basin, hundreds of wild, migratory buffalo are still roaming, but not quite so freely, as “tolerance” is a relative term. Multiple hazing (forced removal) operations have been taking place nearly every day. Recently, a couple of larger scale hazing operations occurred, one of which included the third involvement of a Montana Department of Livestock helicopter, eight state and federal agency horsemen, and law enforcement. In these hazes, the government again conducted “preemptive strikes,” aiming to prevent wild buffalo from navigating around the Gardiner Basin’s buffalo blockade, which we have begun referring to as the Basin’s Berlin Wall.

Most of the hazing, however, has taken place within the interior of the Gardiner Basin, almost exclusively from private land due to complaints by a very few anti-buffalo residents. A bull buffalo was shot and killed by Bill Hoppe, a Gardiner Basin landowner and lessee, who has been an infamous player in Montana’s war against wild buffalo and wolves. He allegedly claims that the buffalo was threatening his wife. It takes a person with a certain agenda to get on the grumpy side of a buffalo. Look at everything they put up with from state and federal agents without returning the violence! Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks took the buffalo’s carcass into custody and is currently investigating the incident. Not surprisingly, land Hoppe owns or leases is where most of the hazing operations have been taking place, though the Church Universal & Triumphant has also been requesting that buffalo be removed from portions of their land as well.

Interestingly, BFC has noticed that Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) has been conducting some hazing operations without the Montana Department of Livestock (DOL) being present. This is something that has never

occurred in years past, and is apparently a new development brought about from the Interagency Bison Management Plan’s new Gardiner Basin habitat expansion. The DOL has certainly been involved in most of the hazing



the past few weeks, but now we are seeing FWP conducting hazing without them. When BFC asked an FWP game warden about this, he stated that they are responding to private property issues, because a person doesn’t like them there.

In Montana and other western states, when a cattle producer’s non-native livestock gets onto another person’s land (and this happens frequently), the government isn’t called to the rescue; the burden is on that landowner to fence out or chase away the cattle. Most property

owners in the Gardiner Basin cherish living on the edge of Yellowstone National Park, the most uniquely wildlife-rich area of the country, and have learned to coexist with many species of charismatic mega-fauna, including elk, wolves, grizzly bears and bison. As most residents of Horse Butte will testify, wild buffalo are one of the easiest wild animals to get along with. They are big but they are gentle and they are very good communicators.

As the invaders who took everything from them and nearly drove them to extinction, it is time we humans at least give them the benefit of the doubt. Learn from the buffalo and learn to give away some of our coveted control; live a little bit on their terms for a change, as they finally gain a little bit of their homeland back.

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By Dr. Kira Leedom, DVM Homeward Bound Animal Hospital

Most people have probably heard of heartworm disease in dogs even if you don't own a dog. We have been bombarded with advertisements telling us how important it is to get our pets on heartworm prevention. This might seem like an attempt to sell an unnecessary product to the public. Unfortunately, it is not just another scam. Heartworms are out there and without adequate protection, dogs stand a good chance of becoming infected and eventually developing symptoms of heartworm disease if they are not tested and treated appropriately.

So what is a heartworm and how do dogs become infected? Heartworm (*Dirofilaria immitis*) is a large worm that can grow up to 14 inches long. Unlike intestinal worms that live and lodge within the stomach, intestines or colon of dogs, heartworms like to live in the heart and

arteries in the lungs. Transmission of heartworm to dogs is due to the fact that mosquitoes are capable of carrying the larval stage of heartworms and dogs become infected through bites from these mosquitoes. They are not infected by the routes that cause intestinal worms, such as eating dirt, drinking out of puddles/streams or other dogs' feces. This makes it harder in some ways to protect our dogs because even if you have a pet that spends very little time outside, a mosquito bite can happen just standing in your own backyard for a moment with the dog. Obviously, Colorado has a drier climate than much of the United States, but heartworm infestation is present within the mosquitoes that are here and we do have many positive dogs and coyotes. All 50 states have diagnosed cases of heartworm disease in dogs. Dogs that come from other states where there is more humidity, more mosquitoes and a significant heartworm infected population increase the chances of passing on the infection.

When an infected mosquito bites your dog what happens? The mosquito bites and infects the dog with larval stage of the heartworm's development cycle. These larval stages are called microfilariae. Eventually these microfilariae will migrate into the bloodstream where they develop into young adult worms. The adult worms live and thrive in the heart and the arteries in the lungs. It takes approximately six months for the microfilariae to develop into adult worms after they enter the dog's bloodstream. Once the adult worms lodge in the heart and arteries, serious damage starts to occur. The lining of the arteries are harmed within a few days of the worms' arrival. This results in inflammation and eventually can lead to abnormal blood

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clotting (embolisms that can cause strokes or death) and the lungs will not be able to help provide oxygen to the body. Adult worms will also lodge in the heart and cause significant damage, leading to heart failure and eventually, death. Symptoms of advancing heartworm disease include coughing, exercise intolerance, weakness, change in appetite and weight loss. Unfortunately, once you see these symptoms, the dog is very sick and treatment for the disease is costly and has significant chances of dangerous side effects. Heartworm infection can be present for several months to years before you would know your dog had been infected. This is one of many reasons to have your dogs tested and put on heartworm prevention year round.

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preventative. It is highly recommended to have dogs on the monthly preventatives year round. At a minimum, they need protection through the spring, summer and early fall in the Denver/Front range region of Colorado, where we are almost always guaranteed a few days over 57 degrees in each month. Heartworm infection and disease are not something to take lightly. It is here in Colorado and our beloved four-legged family members need to be protected!

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Gross Reservoir Expansion ~ Sort Yard Opens

Dear Readers,

Gross Reservoir Expansion (Moffat) Being Evaluated - **PUBLIC INPUT NEEDED!** The Final Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed expansion of Gross Dam/Reservoir (Denver Water's *Moffat Collection System Project*) is due for release on **April 25th**. There is to be a **45-day public comment period** immediately following. TEG (The Environmental Group), through its project committee, Citizens for Sustainable Water Management, has been preparing for two years for this extremely important milestone in the permitting process. This 45-day period offers the single greatest opportunity for the general public to make known their concerns over this incredibly environmentally destructive proposed project.

TEG will help you construct a powerful, scientifically-backed comment letter - and it can be submitted electronically to all the necessary recipients right through TEG's website. If you are unable to make the time commitment to write your own letter, TEG has prepared a

one-step "checkbox your concerns" letter-constructor tool which will generate a concise, hard-hitting, scientifically-backed letter for you. **Visit <http://tecolorado.org>** and do your part for our community and our environment. Last year our community made a giant leap forward by bringing our public concerns to the attention of the Boulder County Commissioners. Now it is time to do the same with this public comment period for the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

Coal Creek Watershed Community Planning Event - Thursday, May 29th, 6-9pm TEG (The Environmental Group) is sponsoring the creation of a watershed master plan for Coal Creek. We'd like to ask you to participate in this planning process by joining our first Community Planning Event! The September flooding left us in a state of physical and ecological disrepair. TEG has secured a grant from the Colorado Water Conservation Board to plan out how our community can recover with grace and minimize such catastrophic impacts in the future.

The goal of the master plan is to identify needs and priorities for the Coal Creek watershed, specifically focusing on drainage improvements, and other community benefits surrounding the waterways. **The first Community Planning Event is scheduled for Thursday May 29 at 6:00 - 9:00 pm and will be held at Coal Creek Canyon Improvements Building (CCCIA).** Joining TEG, will be our consultant team led by ICON Engineering. We anticipate two additional community meetings throughout the planning process. Please visit <http://tecolorado.org/watershed> for more details and to sign up for the mailing list. In addition, please let us know if you are available to join a citizen's committee by emailing Chris Garre, President of TEG, at

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Chris Garre Pres. TEG

Dear Readers,

Nederland Community Forestry Sort Yard Opens in May. Extended sort yard hours provide landowners double the opportunity to implement effective wildfire mitigation on their land. The Boulder County Forest Health Initiative is pleased to announce expanded Community Forestry Sort Yard operating hours for 2014. The Nederland area sort yard will be open for a majority of the summer.

This summer marks the seventh consecutive year that Boulder County has operated sort yards in the mountains. Landowners can drop off slash and logs free of charge. The sort yard program has proven to be an extremely valuable resource for area residents. Last year 629 landowners dropped material off at the sort yards.

“We are excited to offer residents a significantly longer operational schedule in 2014. Each year residents have been asking for additional hours and we are finally able to accommodate their request,” said Ryan Ludlow, outreach forester with the county’s Land Use Department. “We are hopeful the extended hours will provide residents even more opportunity to get out on their land and create effective wildfire mitigation and to battle bark beetle infestations.”

Nederland Area Sort Yard - 291 Ridge Road, Nederland - Opens: May 7th – Closes: Oct. 18th Hours of Operation: Wed through Sat from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sort yard will be **closed on July 4 and 5th** and may have additional closures due to weather and administrative requirements. To check the operational status, please call 303-678-6368. We need your help – Volunteer as a

Community Forestry Sort Yard Host! Volunteer Sort Yard Hosts are needed at the Nederland Community Forestry Sort Yard to make sure that the yard continues to be a local hub of community-based forestry information.

Volunteer Sort Yard Hosts will greet people as they enter the yard, collect data on the material they are delivering, and provide outreach to sort yard users about forest ecology, bark beetles, and wildfire mitigation. Volunteers will not be responsible for helping unload logs and slash.

We are looking for individuals who can commit 10-15 hours per month in 4 hour shifts on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Ideal volunteers will be able to commit to volunteering for at least 12 weeks during the sort yard season. For more information and/or to receive an application, contact Shane Milne at 303-678-6089 or smilne@bouldercounty.org.

For more information about the sort yard program or how to implement proactive wildfire mitigation on your land, contact Ryan Ludlow, Boulder County Forest Health Initiative’s outreach forester, at 720-564-2641 or rludlow@bouldercounty.org.

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Lawsuit Challenges County's Authority - LID

From BoCoFIRM

As part of the ongoing BoCo FIRM subdivision-paving lawsuit against Boulder County Commissioners Domenico, Gardner and Jones (Case Number: 13 CV 31685), attorney Madeline Meacham filed a Colorado Rule of Civil Procedure 106 brief on April 3, 2014. A copy of the brief, filed in the 20th District Court on behalf of nearly 200 plaintiffs, is also posted on the BoCo FIRM website: www.BoCoFIRM.org.

In an effort to expedite a decision, the court decided in February to address a key issue first, namely the plaintiff's contention that the County exceeded the authority granted by state statute when it formed the LID for maintenance. The brief requests the court to invalidate the authorization of the Subdivision Paving LID, order the return assessments and installments paid with interest, and remove the liens imposed on properties.

The 22-page brief is organized in three parts - a Statement of the Facts, a Summary of the Argument, and the Argument, which includes a request for judgment. There are twenty-three key facts that serve to support the

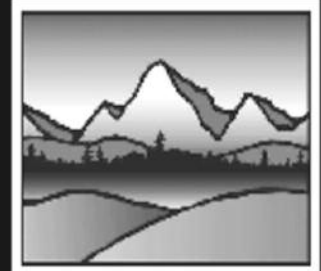
argument and here are the highlights:

Subdivision roads were accepted by the County, many expressly for maintenance. The percentage of property tax for roads was decreased from 8.6% to 0.8% by 2012. The County decided to eliminate chip sealing, overlays and reconstruction in mid-90s. Subdivision roads were allowed to deteriorate.

In 2009, after fifteen years of neglect, the County begins exploring how to impose the majority of maintenance cost of subdivision roads on property owners. In 2012, property owners rejected a PID (which may be expressly used for maintenance) and the County proceeded to impose a LID, which must use a sales tax for including maintenance.

In the Summary of the Argument, there are four basic claims: 1. The LID statute does not authorize a county to impose assessments for ongoing maintenance of roads, except where funded by a sales tax. 2. The LID statutes must be considered in harmony with other state statutes that establish county responsibilities for road construction and maintenance. 3. The LID statute is for improvements to property that specially benefit that property.

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4. The county's narrow definition of maintenance is not consistent with that of the State and the common accepted definition.

The Argument gives substantial background and case law supporting the claims here and notes the terrible precedent established and the power obtained by local government to shift its responsibilities to provide public service by targeting a minority when the majority is unwilling to pay for such services. The brief concludes with a judgment request to find that the County exceeded its authority to create the Subdivision Paving LID and to invalidate the LID, return assessments, remove liens and award court cost and attorney fees to plaintiffs.

The County now has 35 days to file their response. We will then have 14 days to reply to the County's response. The Court will then make a ruling on the lack of authority claim. If the court rules in favor of the plaintiffs and barring any appeals by the County, the likely outcome will be that the LID will be dissolved for all 10,900 property owners and all assessments paid will be refunded. A ruling on the 106 Claim is expected in June.

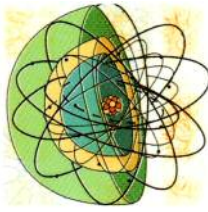
The only thing standing between the county being able to impose their LID and \$57,600,000 in new taxes is our lawsuit. In the coming weeks and months this legal battle

will continue (see www.BoCoFIRM.org for details on the legal case). As with all legal fights we need your continued financial support. Nearly 1,000 of your fellow citizens have already donated and we sincerely thank them for their generosity. If you've been meaning to make a contribution, go to our website. You may donate using a credit card. You can also send a check made out to BoCo FIRM, PO Box 11275, Boulder, CO 80301. Thank you again for your support.

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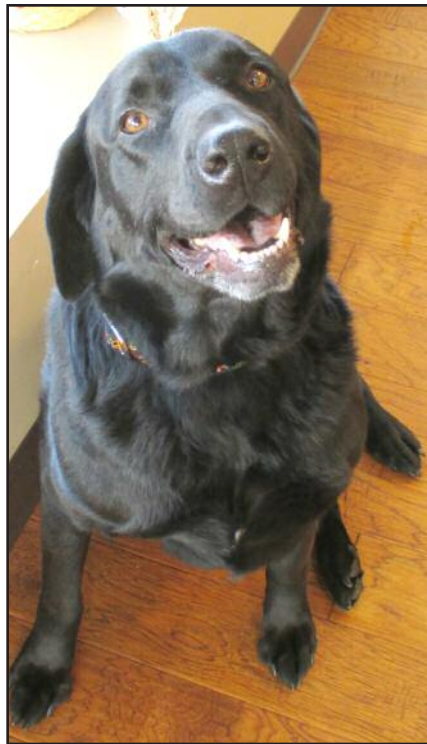


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Get Back Up On It

By Melissa E. Johnson

Inspiration From the Ground for When You've Fallen and Can't Get Up

And falling's just another way to fly.
~ Emilie Autumn

So there I was—head down, rump up—in a most compromising position, caught somewhere between an awkward downward facing dog pose and a mountain climber move; clad in a tailored pencil skirt, high heels and a suit jacket. I could neither stand nor fall without putting my silk-stockinged legs in jeopardy. And there was my quandary—should I wait for someone to come along and stand me upright or finish my fall? Who knew how long I would be waiting for help. So I fell, all the way down, just as Ms. Something-or-Other from the boutique next door came running out with an offer of new hosiery if I would

step inside her shop. Of course I would, if I could, but I had to get up first. She was zero help. Instead, she hovered and narrated the situation with comments like, “Oh dear. Your knee is bleeding.” And “My goodness, you’ve ruined your hose!” And my personal favorite, “Don’t tear that gorgeous suit!” As if I had done any of this on purpose.

Eventually I got up, nursed my wounds, bought new stockings and rushed to meet my client. But time stood still for me there on the ground. I thought my embarrassment would never end. Yet it did, and I moved on to have other equally embarrassing and low moments alongside the great ones.

Whether you’ve lost your job, your lover or you’ve hit rock bottom financially—if you’ve fallen and can’t get up—follow these six steps to get back up on it.

1. Relax into your fall. So often when we find ourselves falling we do that little jog-hop-skip-thing to try to break our fall or give the appearance that we’re not falling; that we meant to do that weird maneuver when just moments before we were walking on sure feet. But as one who’s had a fair share of falls, I have found that sometimes it’s easier not to fight it. If you’re going down and you know it—even if you’re already on the ground—one of the worst things we can do is deny our experience or try to hide it. Fall gracefully.

2. Get a new perspective. As a kid I loved to hang upside down—from chairs or trees or my bed—to read books, watch T.V., eat dinner, anything I could get away with. When mom asked why it was so important that I hang upside down my answer was simple: things look different

that way. It’s true. When life as you know it gets turned upside down, look for that life enhancing perspective that will move you from tragedy and sadness to strength and possibility. As Wayne Dyer says, “When you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change.”

3. Disconnect from the opinion of others. One of the biggest obstacles to moving forward when we’ve suffered a fall is judging ourselves as we assume others must be judging us, or as we might unfairly judge them if the tables were turned. But running that tired dialogue over and over again is a sure way to remain stuck in our head and miss key moments of inspiration that come when we’re open and vulnerable with possibility. People aren’t sitting around thinking about your fall; more



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likely, they're thinking about themselves because that's what people do. Even if they do focus on your misfortune, they won't for long. Soon, they'll be on to the next thing even as you're wiping the blood from your knees.

4. Don't expect someone to save you. Whatever you do, don't sit around waiting for someone to save you from yourself. It's magical thinking that rarely delivers. Like hiker Aaron Ralston who cut off his arm to free himself from the large boulder that had him trapped in a slot canyon—had he waited for someone to come along and find him his story would have been very different. Sometimes it's true that we can only get up with the help of others. Don't be afraid to ask for help if you need it, but remember: even those closest to us can't or won't be able to help us the way we need to be helped. Be your own best problem solver.

5. Avoid the Hole. Columnist Molly Ivin once said, "When you're in a hole, stop digging." Good advice, indeed. But wouldn't it be easier to develop our sense of foresight and avoid the hole altogether? Look for the traps and pitfalls that brought you to your knees. Make it your mission to understand why you missed what you missed. Not an easy skill but one that will serve you well as you move forward.

6. Just breathe. Not so long ago as I struggled to pick myself up from a series of difficult decisions that had changed my life in unexpected ways, my breathing felt labored and difficult almost every day. Then I realized I had

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Best Place To See A Crowd Of Grizzlies

By Ray Ring

A few tourists get close to amazing numbers of bears catching salmon at Alaska's McNeil River Falls.

Official name: McNeil River State Game Sanctuary and Refuge run by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Why it's the best: Grizzly bears gather in amazing crowds to feast on the salmon migrating up the McNeil River and Mikfik Creek; they also browse sedge and dig clams on nearby flats. From the best viewing positions, you often see huge bears that are only 30 feet away; sometimes they wander as close as 10 feet, because they pretty much go wherever they wish.

Timing: The bear-viewing season runs from June 7 to Aug. 25. Most tourists spend four full days in the camp, which is on the shore of Cook Inlet, 250 miles southwest of Anchorage, meaning five to six nights depending on how you arrange the travel to and from.

Exclusivity: Each four-day viewing period is

limited to 10 tourists, chosen by lottery. People from around the world enter, and your odds of winning range from 2% to 25%, depending on whether you're trying for one of the peak periods during the last three weeks of July



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(when you're likely to see 40-60 grizzlies at a time, and sometimes more than 70, as they concentrate on the salmon jumping up McNeil River Falls) or nonpeak periods (when you'll likely see 10-30 grizzlies in the wider area). It's harder for groups: Each application can represent no more than three people. Suppose you want to go with two friends. As soon as the lottery fills the first eight slots for the time period you want, your application will be automatically excluded, because there are only two slots left. Submitting three applications with one name on each won't help, because the odds of all three being drawn are infinitesimally small.

What to bring: The weather is typically cool and rainy; Fish and Game recommends bringing a good raincoat and rain pants, plus waders, boots, a tent and other camping gear, food, insect repellent and a camera. Bear spray and guns are not recommended; a few resident Fish and Game staffers are here to ward off any trouble. The camp has outhouses and a shared kitchen in a cabin, equipped with basic pots and pans. The viewing position for the river's falls is simply a gravel pad. You'll spend as long as eight hours a day there; camp chairs are provided, but don't forget to bring your sense of endurance.

Cost: \$25 to enter the lottery. If your application is drawn from the pile, it's \$150-\$350 for a standard permit, depending on whether or not you're an Alaska resident. "Standby" permits, which are cheaper and easier to get, allow you to hang out at camp in the hope of taking the place of anyone who decides to take a day off while you're here. (Standbys typically get to view bears at least one day.) Plus, to reach the camp, you buy a seat on a small floatplane (about \$750) for the final hour or two of travel from Homer or Anchorage or other launching places. And if you're not in Alaska to start with, you'll have to get to the state – figure another \$1,000 or so for a commercial jet, cruise ship or a long drive.

Expert advice: Notice how "the bears have different fishing methods, and there's all sorts of social interplay between them, as they jockey around to see who's dominant," says Ed Weiss, a Fish and Game biologist who helps manage the sanctuary. Some grizzlies slap the salmon onto the banks, while others catch the fish in their mouths. Some even swim underwater – a strategy called "bear snorkeling."

Alternatives: Browse the Web for info on other good places to view crowds of grizzlies, such as Anan Creek, in the Tongass National Forest near Wrangell, Alaska; Katmai National Park; and British Columbia's Khatzeymateen Provincial Park. Floatplane operations based in Homer also offer one-day round-trip flights to bear-viewing spots.

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House Attack On Antiquities Act

From Ben Goldfarb

When President Obama bestowed national monument status upon the Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands — a 1,600-acre stretch of rocky California coast that teems with abalone and sea lions — earlier last month, the reaction was predictable as a high tide at full moon. While conservation groups rejoiced at the presidential protection, House Republicans snarled at what they considered egregious executive overreach. According to congressman Rob Bishop, R-Utah, Obama's decree was "purely political and undermines sincere efforts to reach consensus on questions of conservation." To Bishop and his House peers, the monument designation was nothing but a federal land grab. The designation of the Point Arena-Stornetta Public Lands as a national monument has conservationists celebrating — and Republicans fuming.

Now Bishop and other Republicans are seeking to restrict the president's ability to declare national monuments through H.R. 1459, the "Ensuring Public Involvement in the Creation of National Monuments Act," which would go to the House floor for vote. The bill, which Bishop sponsored back in July, would limit the president to creating one national monument per state in each four-year term and require environmental reviews for all monuments

larger than 5,000 acres — gumming up the executive branch's ability to swiftly conserve lands. The left-leaning Center for American Progress calls H.R. 1459 a de facto "No More National Parks" policy.

The executive power to create monuments derives from the Antiquities Act of 1906, a piece of legislation that's no stranger to controversy. The Act has been used by every president since Theodore Roosevelt to conserve some 70 million total acres, including many of America's iconic landscapes, from the Grand Canyon to Death Valley to Utah's Bryce and Zion. Though those sites are now among our best-loved parks, monument proclamations have often been greeted with congressional fury at the time of their announcement. When Franklin Roosevelt established Jackson Hole National Monument in 1943, Wyoming Sen. Edward Robertson called it a "foul, sneaking, Pearl Harbor blow." (Bishop's rhetoric has been mild by comparison — the worst he's said is that President Obama "punked" the House. Evoking Ashton Kutcher isn't quite as inflammatory as comparing the POTUS to Emperor Hirohito, but times change.)

Of course, the reason Congress has spent so much effort trying to rescind the Antiquities Act is precisely because it cuts the legislative branch out of the loop. Some might say



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that makes the Act unconstitutional – hi, Doc Hastings! – but, to others, that’s exactly why it’s indispensable in this era of congressional obstruction. Until it tabbed Michigan’s Sleeping Bear Dunes this winter, Congress hadn’t created a single wilderness area since 2009, and it’s only designated one national park since 2004. If not for President Obama creating monuments at a respectable (albeit not quite Clintonian) pace, the last half-decade would’ve been a near-total wash for public lands protection.

Republicans love to talk about “public involvement” – heck, it’s right there in the name of the bill – but if they were truly paying attention to recent developments in the West, they’d know that the

public wants more monuments. New Mexico’s Rio Grande del Norte, designated last April, has been instantly embraced by everyone from ranchers to Taos Pueblo tribal officials, thanks largely to the 300 jobs and \$15 million in annual revenues that the monument is expected to generate. (That’s typical: while conservative leaders enjoy grumbling



about the cost of maintaining public lands, virtually all parks are powerful economic engines.) Another 2013 monument, in the San Juan Islands, was similarly popular. Meanwhile, designation for Colorado’s Browns Canyon is gaining momentum; check out Iraq War veteran Garrett Reppenhagen’s recent op-ed on why public lands protection

is about more than just money. (Though, okay, the economic engine thing is nice!)

Given the wide and growing imbalance between conservation and energy development on our public lands, it’s vital that Congress preserve the executive’s ability to swiftly protect America’s special places.

Though H.R. 1459 would

probably be D.O.A. in the Senate, let’s hope it doesn’t even get that far.

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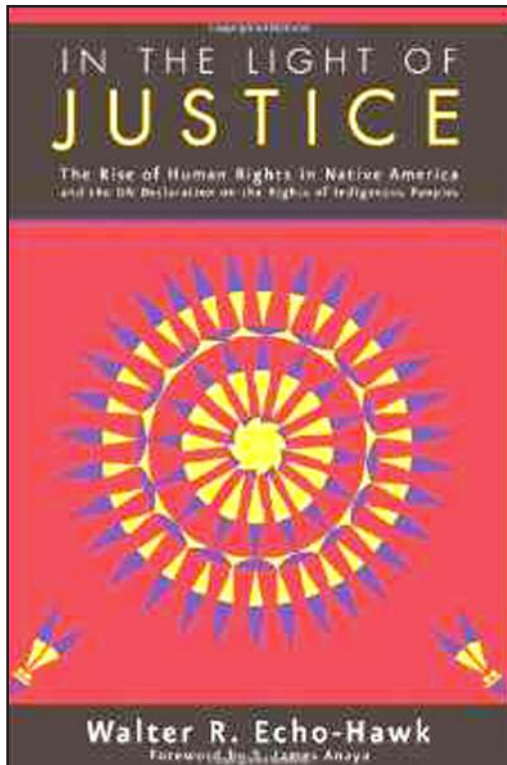
In The Light Of Justice

Walter Echo-Hawk
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It's unthinkable that kids in America would ever be allowed to play "slaves and masters," writes Walter Echo-Hawk, but we don't see anything wrong with Junior strapping on the trusty ol' cap-shooters for a game of "cowboys and Indians."

Echo-Hawk, a Pawnee tribal member and lawyer who has toiled for 35 years in federal Indian law, has written a provocative book that examines the tragic and continuing effects of colonial conquest and its resulting "settler" mindset. He does this without ever scolding his readers and succeeds in pointing a way toward eventual healing.

In the Light of Justice shines its own light onto often overlooked issues, explaining that what many whites think of as History - a bygone era of treaty-making, frontier



warfare and taming the West - is, to most Indian people, actually Current Events.

James Anaya, a human rights investigator for the United Nations, agrees. In his foreword to the book, Anaya writes that, during a tour of Indian Country in the wake of the U.S. endorsement of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, he was struck "by the deep, still open wounds" left by Manifest Destiny.

It's disturbing, Echo-Hawk notes, that former colonists who rebelled for the sake of freedom treated, and continue to treat, indigenous people in the manner of 500 years of Western European colonialism. The doctrines of conquest and discovery have not only unjustly destroyed indigenous economies and societies; they have harmed the land as well, by

treating it solely as a resource to be exploited. And yet those doctrines are still cited by federal courts today.

Echo-Hawk devotes a chapter to the need for what he calls an American land ethic, something, he writes, that Aldo Leopold suggested as early as 1948. Without a new way to engage with the landscape, "the American people cannot fully mature from a nation of immigrants and settlers recovering from a rapacious frontier history of Manifest Destiny and stride toward a more just culture - and resolve to become more 'native' to place."

In 10 focused chapters, Echo-Hawk maps the way from the dark legacy of conquest to the light of justice. The "clothes of the conqueror," he concludes, do not well fit the American ideals of liberty and justice.

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Rare Island-Dwelling Wolf In Southeast Alaska

From Christi Turner

Alaska's Prince of Wales Island is home to the Alexander Archipelago wolf, an extremely rare subspecies of gray wolf facing a plethora of threats. Environmental groups first petitioned to protect the animal under the Endangered Species Act nearly three years ago. The Fish and Wildlife Service finally announced recently that it would consider a listing – even as the state scrambles to come up with its own plan and head off federal protection. The rare Alexander Archipelago wolf is threatened by logging and hunting on Prince of Wales Island.

As few as one hundred of the predators roam Prince of Wales, down from a population of about 350 in the 1990s. The third-largest island in the U.S., Prince of Wales is part of the archipelago of forested islands clustered along Southeast Alaska's narrow mainland. Towering western hemlock, Sitka spruce, western cedar and Alaska cedar up to 800 years old dominate the island's temperate rainforests, where the wolves make their dens and forage for food. But after more than 60 years of intensive logging, young, dense replacement forests that lack old-growth biodiversity cover as much as half of its land area, threatening the wolf as well as its key food source: Sitka black-tailed deer, who need the food and shelter of the old growth forest to survive the harsh winter. More than 3,000

miles of logging roads crisscross the island, disrupting the natural habitat and giving access to legal and illegal hunters and trappers alike. With deer numbers down, hunters have been killing more wolves to try to restore the deer population; biologists estimate that as many as half of recent wolf deaths have been illegal catches. Now scientists say the whole predator-prey system is on the brink of collapse.

With the Coast Range Mountains and its glaciers to the east, the Fairweather Range to the north and the ocean to the west and south, the Alexander Archipelago wolves have been isolated since the last Ice Age, cut off from their larger, lighter-colored and lighter-coated North American cousins. Only around 1,000 may now exist across the entire archipelago, and their situation is especially dire on Prince of Wales Island, considered a "significant portion" of the wolf's range, which under the ESA could justify a listing.

But the Fish & Wildlife Service's recent response to the 2011 petition to consider the Alexander Archipelago wolf for ESA protection, while acknowledging that enough evidence exists to warrant a possible listing, still constitutes simply a strong "maybe." *(Continued next page.)*



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Wolf advocates are hopeful that a thorough review – the final step in the ESA process – will yield a definitive yes.

Advocates hope not only to protect the rare wolf, but also to stop old-growth logging on Prince of Wales Island altogether. The island and the wolf's range lie within Alaska's Tongass National Forest – the country's largest national forest at 17 million acres and part of the largest remaining expanse of temperate rainforest in the world. Old growth forests have been logged on Prince of Wales Island since the 1950s, and they'll take hundreds of years to recover. At its peak in the 1980s, logging removed up to 1 billion board feet of old growth trees per year from the island. Conservationists fear that another major logging operation will be too much for the island's wolves, deer and forests to ever recover from.



biologist who is also the Alaska Forest Campaigner for Greenpeace. Greenpeace was the lead petitioner for listing the wolf. But Fish and Wildlife Service officials say it could take up to five years to issue a final decision on the listing, and, in the interim, says Edwards, “our priority is to stop some of the (eight) significant timber sales that are still planned in the area.” For the moment, pressure from scientists and advocacy groups has helped put the major logging threat on hold: The Big Thorne timber sale. At 6,000 acres and 120 million board feet, it would be the largest Prince of Wales Island has seen in 20 years.

The strongest evidence against the sale came from David Person, a wildlife scientist and former wolf expert for Alaska's department of Fish and

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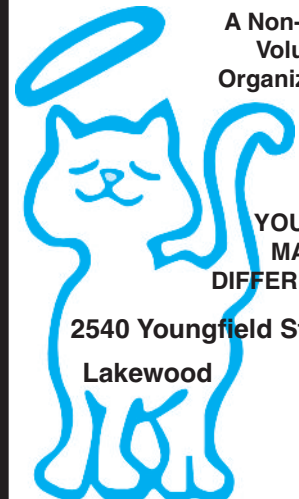
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Person, who has studied the Alexander Archipelago wolf for 22 years, said in a statement to the U.S. Forest Service that Big Thorne “represents the final straw that will break the back of a sustainable wolf-deer predator-prey ecological community on Prince of Wales Island.” The logging project is a direct threat to Sitka black-tail deer because it will destroy vital winter habitat, and without enough deer to prey on, the scant remaining wolves will not survive.

In response, the USFS regional forester for Southeast Alaska, Beth Pendleton, halted the Big Thorne project and convened a task force in October 2013 to reevaluate the massive sale’s potential impacts. In official correspondence, Pendleton wrote that Person’s description of imminent collapse was “new information that I cannot ignore.”

Nonetheless, advocacy groups still worry that without an ESA listing; the agency may still approve the timber sale. “I fear that the Big Thorne task force will sort of brush over the real impacts to wolves,” said Rebecca Noblin, Alaska director for the Center for Biological Diversity, a co-petitioner with Greenpeace for the listing.

While time may be short for Alexander Archipelago wolves, the task force could reach a decision at any moment and the already woefully late ESA decision may still take years. That’s why on Wednesday, April 2, the two advocacy groups and another plaintiff filed an intent to sue the Fish and Wildlife Service unless the wolves’ ESA


process is expedited.

But for Steve Brockmann, Southeast Alaska coordinator for the Fish and Wildlife Service, listing a species as endangered or threatened is like “emergency-room wildlife management.” Instead, Brockmann said, it would be best for state agencies to use this opportunity to create a viable plan for wolf conservation —without the involvement of the feds and the imposed restrictions on land-use and hunting that would bring.

On Friday, April 4, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, which opposes a federal ESA listing for the species, held a public meeting to discuss the possibilities. Brockmann hopes that not just agencies, but wolf trappers and hunters will weigh in on a state-based conservation plan (although past wolf conservation plans have been inadequate or poorly implemented, according to Edwards.) For a lot of hunters, he said, the wolves aren’t even the target or the concern. “They want more deer.”

The fate of the island’s old growth forest, the Alexander Archipelago wolf and the Sitka black-tailed deer are inextricably intertwined. And without a federal ESA listing or a truly viable state-based conservation plan, they may all disappear together.

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Making Peace With Growing Older

By Christopher Cokinos/High Country News

I knew that how I'd feel about my birthday would depend on what I'd done the day before. Which is to say that my feelings about turning 50 would depend, in part, on where I woke up. So when the Tucson-based conservation group Sky Island Alliance asked for volunteers to trek through the hills near Patagonia, Ariz., assessing freshwater springs, I decided to mark my birthday weekend by getting out on the land, listening to mountain water (even a trickle would do) and by sleeping in a tent on a chilly January night.

We met early on a Saturday at the post office parking lot in Patagonia, a tiny, not-yet-hipster town with a fetching 1970s macramé vibe and a restaurant called the Velvet Elvis. Under a weak sun, folks sipped steaming mugs of tea and coffee over topographic maps spread on a truck hood. I knew no one, but I've come to love this ritual - strangers meeting to do citizen science. Despite being the second-driest state in the union, Arizona may have the most springs, and volunteer mapping projects help protect them.

I wasn't grieving turning 50. OK, I was guarded about it. I'd been reading books on aging, trying to make sense of it all. But what's there to make sense of? The earth had completed an orbit around the sun 11 days before, and

tomorrow my own orbits would number five decades. So after a bumpy drive I was walking under a big blue sky on the way to Gate Spring, with Louise, Julia, Cliff and Rick.

We found the stream, a thread beneath a low cliff about two stories high, and we followed it to the source: a spring set in hummocky deer grass, dotted with ash and willow and cottonwoods. Mesquites held the higher ground. Bright orange algae swayed in the water, literally going with the flow, I thought.

Louise unpacked her science kit. We mapped the terrain, measured the stream's width, tallied the amount of sunlight that fell on it, assessed the flow rate and water acidity. I looked for scat and tracks, finding none, though there was an explosion of feathers on the ground - the remains of someone's meal. I jotted down the names of trees and respected the persistence of a lonely cholla on the mesquite upland. I watched for birds and saw ravens, listened for birds and heard ravens. Then Cliff pointed out a flock of smaller shapes. It took me several minutes to untangle the little brown jobs from shadows and branches: rufous-crowned sparrows. A better birder would have nailed it in seconds, but working through the identification was satisfying - a way of slowing and shepherding the present moment.

Behind the trees, Ashburn Mountain loomed hefty and squat, like the peaks around my former home in Utah. The passage into 50 was also the passage from my previous decade in northern Utah into this next decade in southern Arizona. Place and time felt bound together, and walking the land this weekend was a way to make a home with both earth and years.

Later, we walked downstream to low cliffs covered with petroglyphs. I clambered up the rocks, coming nose-to-stone with them. Late light ambered the stones and their figures. A three-legged human. Spirals. Snakes. Suns. Someone else's time.

I wondered if there was a petroglyph for acceptance. That night, camping alone, I built a fire, put on my snow boots

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and drank wine, thinking, "The next decade will be a good one." Pascal said, "Everything slips away from us and flees with eternal flight." It seems a fear-tinged version of Buddhist impermanence. Why not "flows," Like a stream in a new place, like a river you said goodbye to that still runs. Topsy, I swayed like algae in my camp chair. It would be all right, this getting older, because if it weren't, why bother?

I felt sudden, happy warmth, a glow from within, as it were, till I realized that my right snow boot was on fire. "Jesus!" I said, swearing and prancing away from the fire-ring, clawing at the melting shoelaces till I got the ruined thing off. I belly-laughed. My ruined boot would be one of my birthday presents.

I could fear growing older, as my mother did, retreating into Valium, cola, cigarettes and TV. I could fret over dementia and sloppy organs and brittle bones. One of her gifts to me was to show how not to age. I'll do the things we're supposed to do: Eat well, exercise, learn, create, stay connected, and keep my shoes out of the fire. But I can do them as bulwarks or as joys. The choice is mine.

I slept well that night in the tent along the dirt road to Gardner Canyon. When I woke on my birthday, it was cold and mostly clear, not unlike the day in Indiana, when, my father tells me, I first arrived.

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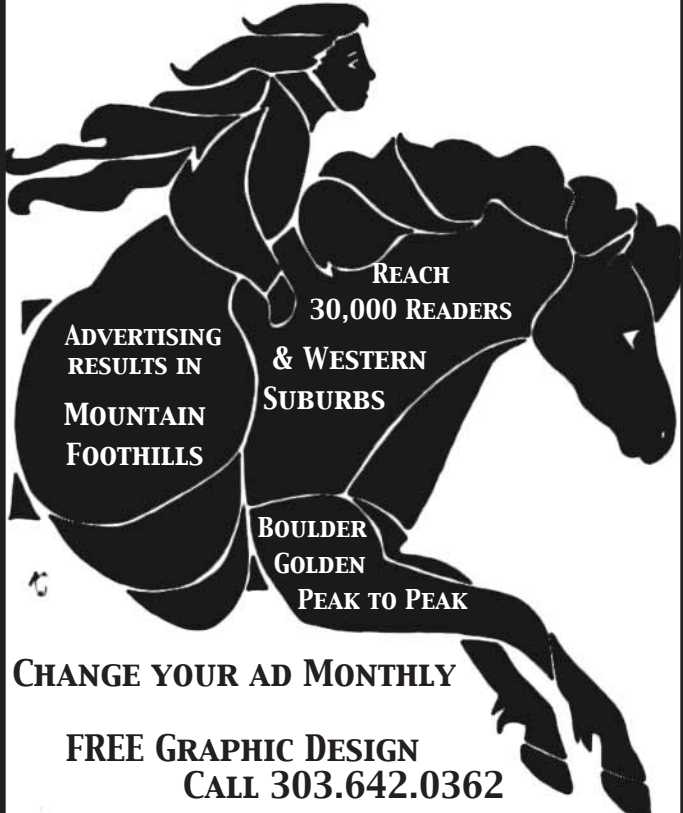
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Threatened Lynx Are Bycatch

From Ben Goldfarb

Last January, in the snowbound mountains that crease northern Idaho's Boundary County, an unnamed trapper found what he thought was a live bobcat in his baited wire cage. He shot the creature on sight, hoping for a pelt that would fetch up to \$2,000 on the fur market. But when he lifted the carcass from the snow and saw its enormous paws, he realized he'd made a terrible mistake: he'd just shot a threatened Canada lynx.

To his credit, the man reported his error to the state's Fish and Game Department and eventually paid around \$400 in fines and court costs. While the trapper's restitution didn't save that particular feline, here's some solace for lynx-lovers: Conservation groups now plan to sue the state of Idaho for permitting trapping that leads to lynx bycatch. Incidental capture isn't an everyday occurrence. Over the

last two years, there have been just three such incidents, and in the other two cases the lynx were released unharmed. Still, with habitat fragmentation and climate change threatening the chionophilic cat's environs, every lost lynx is a blow. "The population in Idaho is down to as few as 100 individuals," says Ken Cole, National Environmental Policy Act coordinator for the Western Watersheds Project (WWP), one of the groups behind the litigation. "When you've got so few animals, each and every one matters."

In their declaration of intent to sue, WWP and its co-litigants, the Center for Biological Diversity and Friends of the Clearwater, argue that by allowing trapping that harms lynx, even accidentally, the state is in violation of the Endangered Species Act. To avoid liability, Idaho could apply to the federal U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for an Incidental Take Permit, which would require the state to develop a conservation plan to reduce mistaken trapping. Such a plan, say environmental groups, should include restrictions on lethal traps, increased monitoring, and a mandate to check traps daily in lynx habitat to prevent the rare cats from languishing for days.

Those rigorous measures are even more important given the resurgence of trapping, an industry that once appeared as dead as the beaver-hat craze. Fifteen years ago, High Country News ran a story that prophesied the demise of commercial and recreational trapping at the hands of animal-rights groups. Today, though, it's clear that reports of the practice's death have been greatly exaggerated.

Spiking fur demand has pelt prices at a 30-year high, providing \$2.7 million in income for Montana's trappers in 2012 alone. In Idaho, the ranks of registered trappers have doubled. "The market is strong and improving," Toby Walrath, president of the Montana Trappers Association, told *The Missoulian* in December. "It's a good time to be a trapper right now."

Where's all that demand coming from? Asia: the world's most ravenous consumer of exotic animals and their disembodied parts. "When I started in this business the world's biggest fur fair was in Frankfurt," the CEO of one fur company told Canada's *National Post*. "Now the biggest is in Hong Kong and the biggest after that is Beijing." As more trappers take to the



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woods, incidental kills have climbed. In Idaho, where a certain livestock-predating canine is considered Public Enemy No. 1, the prevalence of wolf traps means even more unintentional captures.

According to documents the state released last year in response to Cole’s records request, 15 fishers, 13 mountain lions, a black bear, and what was undoubtedly a very surprised goose were among the 118 non-target animals killed by trappers during the 2011-2012 season.

That sounds like a lot of critters, and bycatch certainly deserves addressing – especially when threatened species, such as the lynx, are among the casualties. Just to keep things in perspective, though: in 2012, Idaho’s motorists ran down over 5,000 animals.

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New Director Elected in 2014 Director Election, Three Incumbents Retain Seats

A Powerful Past and a Bright Future was the theme of United Power's 75th Annual Meeting, held on April 16th at the Adams County Fairgrounds. Nearly 1,000 members attended the event—a new record crowd for a United Power Annual Meeting.

Members cast 5,952 ballots in the annual director election that re-elected Douglas Pryce in the Mountain District and unopposed incumbent Ginney Buczek in the West District. Dave Rose won the seat in the South district left open by the retirement of Jim Jaeger and James Vigesaa won another term in the East district. Full election results are available on the cooperative's website www.unitedpower.com.

Directors elected new officers at the cooperative's regular board meeting on Friday, April 20th. Doug Pryce was elected to serve as President for the 2014/2015 term. Brian McCormick will serve again as the Vice President, and Beth Martin was re-elected as Secretary-Treasurer. James Vigesaa from the East District was elected to the position of Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, which was vacated by incoming board President Pryce.

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To Mother's all over Colorado, we are proud to wish you all a Happy Mother's Day from your friends at Mock Realty Company! We also encourage you to attend the CCCIA sponsored Pancake Breakfast on 5/10 at 7am – proceeds go to Scholarship Fund!



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Come See All the Changes!

3 BD/ 3 BA Garage/RV Pk'g **\$319,000**



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125 Moss Rock Place

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Level Lot, RV Parking

3 BD/ 2 BA 6-Car Garage **\$264,000**



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10232 Dowdle

Privacy in the Pines

3 BD/ 4 BA – 4,752 sq.ft. **\$409,000**



30 Wonder Trail

Historic Wondervu Cabin An

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2924 Lake Park Way

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Jaw Dropping Views!

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3 BD/ 2 BA 1,427 sq. ft. **\$469,000**



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