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## **Wyoming Land Trust Launches New Phase of Corridor Conservation Campaign**

**Wildlife-Friendly Fencing Project Continues in Wind River Mule Deer Migration Route**

**Pinedale, Wyoming** – The Wyoming Land Trust has launched a new phase of the beneficial Corridor Conservation Campaign which will help protect mule deer and other big game along a key migration route at the foot of the Wind River Mountains.

The Wyoming Land Trust and several key partners are working with landowners to modify or construct more than 200 miles of fence which runs along an essential migration route for mule deer. This route covers 86,000 acres and was confirmed by the Sublette Mule Deer Study, a collaborative effort between oil and gas operators, federal and state wildlife agencies, and private organizations that started in the late 1990s in conjunction with proposed development on the Pinedale Anticline natural gas field.

The modified fencing will allow mule deer and other wildlife to pass safely through the fencing while alleviating the financial burden of new wires for ranchers and landowners.

"The Corridor Conservation Campaign perfectly embodies the spirit of commonsense conservation – balancing the needs of landowners with the protection of wildlife," said Executive Director of the Wyoming Land Trust Lara Ryan. "This project provides workable fencing for landowners at no cost to them, while at the same time creating fences that are passable for mule deer and other large wildlife."

In 2008, the Wyoming Land Trust launched the Corridor Conservation Campaign, which seeks to connect Wyoming's working lands and critical wildlife habitats through conservation efforts. Through the innovative initiative, Wyoming Land Trust and its partners plan to modify or reconstruct 500 miles of fencing in key western Wyoming wildlife migration routes. To date, a total of 104 miles of fencing has been retrofitted at no cost to landowners. The project

