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**Spring into Action: Help Local Conservation Grow**

*Eastern Sierra Land Trust is seeking new members who want to protect the Eastern Sierra's working and wild lands for people and wildlife*

What does spring mean to you? Perhaps it's a time to dust off your hiking boots and find your fishing gear. Or maybe you look forward to watching spindle-legged fawns frolic amongst the blooming sage. Is it the time to break ground and plant seeds in your garden? To watch calves romp in their pastures?

Everywhere you look, spring is a time for hope. And this spring, you can bring hope to the Eastern Sierra: hope for working ranches and critical wildlife, hope for generations to come.

Whether you live in the Eastern Sierra, have a second home here, or visit frequently—in person or in spirit—this magnificent land holds a special place in your heart. Now you can help conserve it forever by joining with local non-profit Eastern Sierra Land Trust (ESLT).

The Eastern Sierra faces increased pressure to grow and develop in ways that threaten the very values that make this region so unique. Working land and wildlife habitat is at risk of disappearing forever. And that's why Eastern Sierra Land Trust needs your help.

Established fifteen years ago, ESLT works to permanently safeguard the region's treasured lands for humans and wildlife alike. Through conservation partnerships with willing landowners, Eastern Sierra Land Trust protects Eastern Sierra lands for their scenic, agricultural, natural, recreational, historical, and watershed values.

As a member of ESLT, you can help create safe havens for iconic Eastern Sierra wildlife, conserve vital open spaces, and ensure that the next generation of kids will care about the lands and waters, just as you do.

Your membership will also leverage community partnerships and support local families in their conservation efforts. Many families cannot wait—and their land becomes at risk when they need to transfer it to the next generation. In short, there are tremendous opportunities to make significant conservation headway this spring.

Tax-deductible membership gifts begin at just \$35, and the time to act is now. By joining ESLT as a new member or renewing your ESLT membership before the summer solstice on June 20<sup>th</sup>, you'll be entered in ESLT's "Spring Forward!" membership drawing for a seven-night stay for four at one of several premiere beachfront resorts in Mexico.

Joining Eastern Sierra Land Trust as a member is easy. You can learn more and donate securely on ESLT's website, [www.eslt.org](http://www.eslt.org), or you can send ESLT a membership gift through the mail to: PO Box 755, Bishop CA 93515.

Conservation can't happen without you. As a member of Eastern Sierra Land Trust, you'll help ensure that the lands you love and the wildlife you cherish will be here for generations to come. By joining with others like you who care about the future of the Eastern Sierra, you are making a world of difference—for today, and forever.

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*Caption: In this season of growth and renewal, your support of Eastern Sierra Land Trust will have a bigger impact than ever before. Learn more about ESLT's conservation work on their website, [www.eslt.org](http://www.eslt.org). Photo © Stephen Ingram.*



*Caption: Eastern Sierra Land Trust strives to preserve a healthy balance of land uses that can be sustained forever, ensuring a strong local economy and healthy environment for generations to come.*