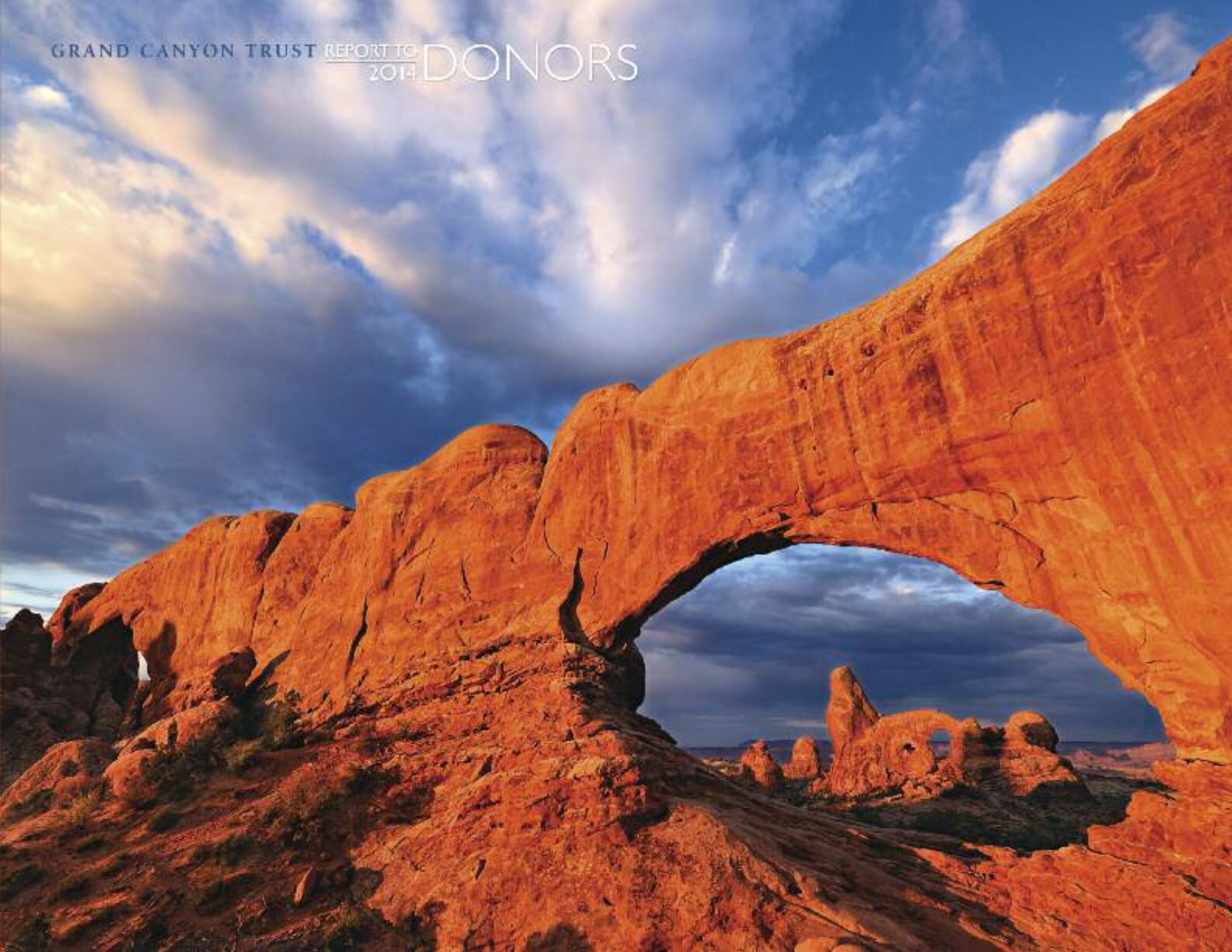


GRAND CANYON TRUST REPORT TO
2014 **DONORS**



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Thanks to you, we are...

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF THE GRAND CANYON TRUST!

In this report...

- See our map highlighting 30 years of conservation accomplishments—pages 14–15
- Learn about our new “Turquoise Circle” of supporters—page 27
- Learn about an online art auction to benefit the Trust—inside back cover

In the coming year...

- Look for our new website and logo
- You’ll be invited to 30th anniversary celebratory events
- We will continue to fight to protect the Colorado Plateau’s natural and cultural resources and build prosperous communities throughout the region

Thank you for all you do to make this work—and a protected Colorado Plateau—possible!



LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

THIRTY YEARS AGO, a group of leading western conservationists gathered in San Francisco with an urgent sense that the Grand Canyon needed a guardian tasked with protecting it against a diverse array of late twentieth century threats spreading far beyond the national park. Nearby coal-fired power plants were fouling the air, filling the streams with mercury, and obliterating the world famous views. The impoverished Colorado River leaking through Glen Canyon Dam, no longer a livable home for native fish, was also eroding the beaches and archaeological sites deep within the canyon. Tens of thousands of annual sightseeing overflights had begun shattering the silence that had prevailed since time began. Uranium miners were delving for highly radioactive ore in the breccia pipes that penetrate the earth around the Canyon and are intimately connected with the groundwater feeding precious springs in places like Elves Chasm and Havasu Canyon.

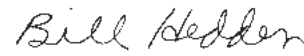
At that 1984 meeting, the conservationists established the Grand Canyon Trust, with the aim that the new group would have the scientific wisdom, political savvy, legal muscle, and the financial resources to deal effectively with get-rich-quick schemes, industrial giants, and failed federal policies.

It was a new model for a regional conservation group, where the voices and financial support of the members are critical components of success.

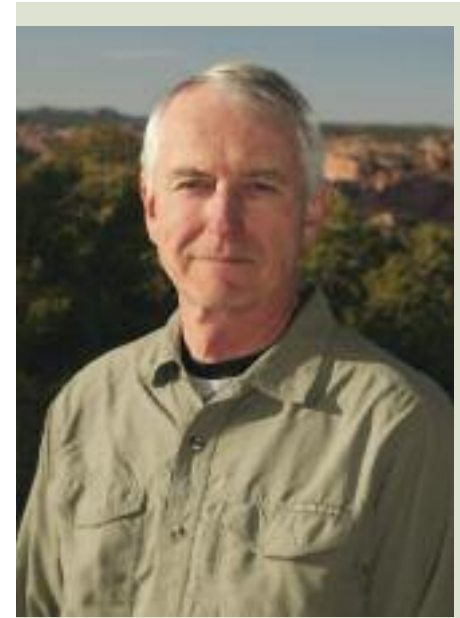
Today, as we celebrate the first thirty years of the Grand Canyon Trust, I am gratified to report that together we and our predecessors have accomplished much. Navajo Generating Station has scrubbed its sulfur dioxide emissions and the Mohave Generating Station has closed altogether. Though imperfect, the Grand Canyon Protection Act mandates that Glen Canyon Dam is managed to protect and restore the resources in the Canyon. Upstream, the federal government is removing millions of tons of radioactive uranium mill tailings from the river's floodplain. The out-of-control overflights have at least been capped and constrained to certain corridors and time-frames so that the natural quiet of the canyon can be widely experienced. And, for at least the next eighteen years, no new uranium mining claims will be established anywhere around the park. *None of this could have happened without the support of our members, and, as we pause to celebrate, we want to thank you for all you do to keep the canyon grand!*

Looking to the next thirty years, it seems that every generation is challenged to see whether we cherish our special places enough to protect them intact. Today, the Grand Canyon is threatened by massive tourist developments, including the proposed new sacrilege of a tramway that would carry 10,000 people down to the river level each day. Fortunately, the Trust's long investment in developing a genuine Native America program has positioned us to work together with the many tribal people who oppose this catastrophically bad idea. As the aged coal plants shut down, we are working toward a transition to renewable energy with tangible, on-the-ground projects in partnership with native people. Perhaps the greatest threat of all is that few people will have a deep, heart connection to our natural heritage in our increasingly hectic urban world. That is why the Trust's volunteer program is focused on training the next generation of conservation leaders.

Many thanks to you for joining us on this journey. We are looking forward to another 30 years!



Bill Hedden
Executive Director and Grand Canyon Trust Member



P.S. If you want to learn more about our work, we are launching a completely new website and unveiling a new Trust logo at the beginning of 2015. Be sure to check in on us at: www.grandcanyontrust.org.

Thanks to you, we are...

DEFENDING THE GRAND CANYON FROM A TRAMWAY DEVELOPMENT



10,000: Potential number of tourists that would be taken into the Grand Canyon by the proposed Escalade tramway.

The Trust is working closely with local Navajo families to fight off a proposal for a 1.4-mile tramway that would take as many as 10,000 visitors a day to the bottom of the Grand Canyon. The tram's destination would be the Confluence, where the Little Colorado River merges with the Colorado River.

The National Park Service recently declared the project to be one of the biggest threats to Grand Canyon National Park in its 95-year history, and the entire area is sacred to Navajo, Hopi, Zuni, and other native people of the Grand Canyon region.

Throughout 2014, the Save the Confluence coalition, spearheaded by Navajo families who live near the proposed project site, worked with the Trust to oppose the Escalade proposal at every turn. As a result of the coalition's increased advocacy, the project failed to make it on to the Navajo Nation Council agenda this past summer. In response, the developers have "grounded" the project for at least a year.

This is a solid victory, but the fight isn't over yet. The developers are regrouping to gain project approval from the Council and the new president of the Navajo Nation following the November election.



OPPOSITE PAGE: Proposed Escalade development site and tramway route into the Grand Canyon.

NPS PHOTO WITH ESCALADE PROPOSAL OUTLINE BY MARY WILLIAMS

BELOW: Save the Confluence Coalition members in downtown Flagstaff, August 2014. LYNN HAMILTON

BOTTOM LEFT: Trust staffer Deon Ben and Mary Martin at the Save the Confluence radio broadcast on KTNN, July 2014. ROGER CLARK

BOTTOM RIGHT: Save the Confluence families and Hopi and Zuni leaders meet at the proposed Escalade development site. ROSANDA SEUTOPKA



The western Navajo region where the development would be located desperately needs economic development. But there are better ways to bring prosperity to the reservation. With that goal in mind, the Trust is helping to facilitate sustainable economic development strategies with Navajo leaders (see page 7 for more details).

In the future, these strategies will arm tribal communities with culturally appropriate alternatives to proposals from outside developers. We are working to demonstrate that economic development is possible without desecrating sacred sites and destroying pristine Grand Canyon views and wilderness solitude.

Less than 10: Small but mighty local families who have led the campaign to oppose the tramway so far.

Thanks to you, we are...

FIGHTING URANIUM POLLUTION AND SUPPORTING RENEWABLE ENERGY INVESTMENTS



Since spearheading a 2012 ban on new uranium mining claims in the Grand Canyon watershed, we have vigorously defended against multiple attempts by industry to overturn this visionary action. In October of this year, we gained our second victory in as many years when a federal judge upheld the ban in response to yet another industry attempt to roll back protections.

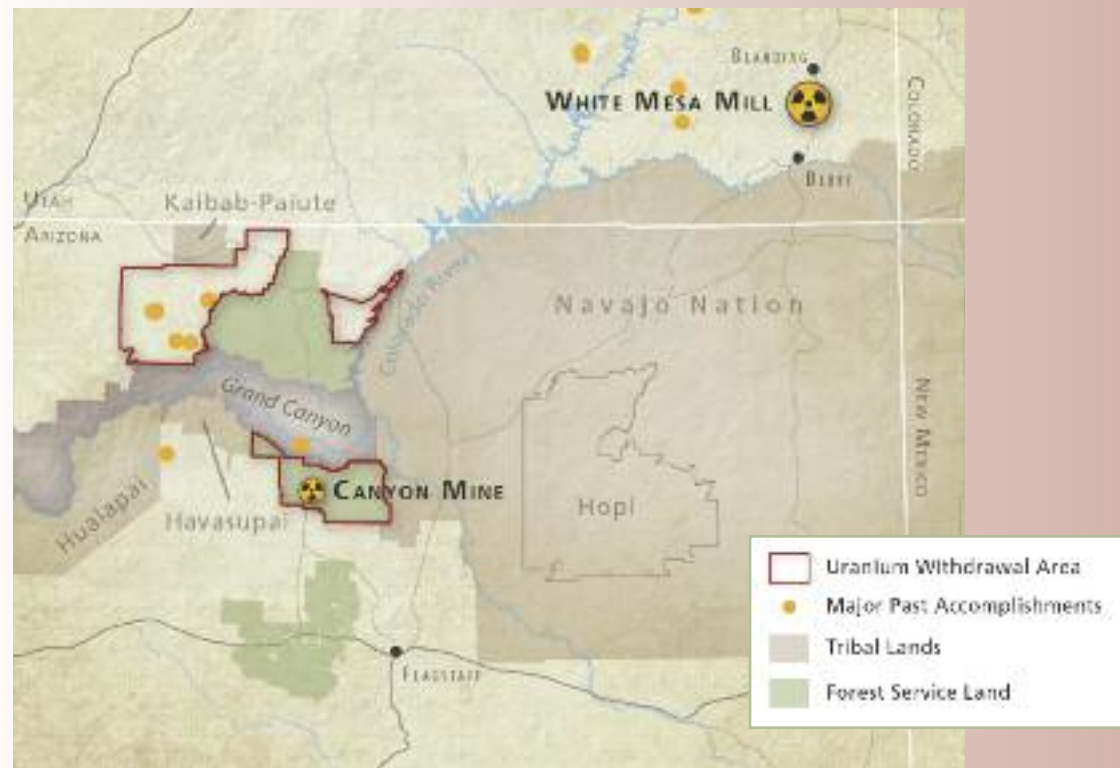
Early this year, we negotiated to halt activities at the Canyon uranium mine at the mouth of Havasu Canyon (see map on opposite page). The Canyon Mine threatens irreversible damage to the Havasupai people, who are co-plaintiffs to the lawsuit, and to the Grand Canyon's water and wildlife. All activities at the mine are stopped until we receive a final ruling on the merits of our lawsuit (which seeks to permanently shut down the mine) or until the end of 2014.



810,000 acres: *The amount of federal public land that BLM has allocated for oil shale and tar sand leasing. The Trust's challenge to this decision is a fight for the Plateau's air, water, and land, and for our global climate future.*

In early 2014, the Trust filed a lawsuit to force the White Mesa Uranium Mill to comply with the Clean Air Act. White Mesa is the only operating uranium mill in the country, and is emitting radon in excess of federal air quality standards and failing to meet federal clean-up requirements.

The use of federal public land for the extraction of high-carbon and water-intensive fuels like oil shale and tar sands takes our region and our nation in exactly the wrong direction. The Trust is currently litigating the allocation of over 810,000 acres of federal public land for oil shale and tar sands mining. Additionally, we are preparing an aggressive challenge to BLM's decision to offer the first federal tar sands lease on Asphalt Ridge in northeast Utah.



MAP BY STEPHANIE SMITH, GRAND CANYON TRUST

264: *Number of renewable energy investment grants that the Trust facilitated between 2008 and 2014.*



This year, we closed out our \$5 million Renewable Energy Investment Fund with more than \$100,000 in grants for renewable energy and energy efficiency equipment on homes, schools, and community buildings in rural areas of the Navajo, Hopi, Hualapai, and Zuni reservations.

Thanks to you, we are...


BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS AND PROSPERITY IN TRIBAL COMMUNITIES





In 2014, the Native American Business Incubator Network served over 20 individual clients and worked with more than two dozen businesses to help clarify their business goals. Our partnership with Northern Arizona Center for Entrepreneurship and Technology continues to give our clients access to over 60 professional mentors, and we have built a network of a dozen Navajo and Hopi mentors who help our clients navigate the unique challenges of launching a business on the reservation.



 **20:** Individual clients served by the Native American Business Incubator Network.

The Trust's work to facilitate Inter-Tribal Gatherings among Colorado Plateau tribes continued in 2014 with gatherings in Tuba City and Havasupai, Arizona. The aim of the Gatherings is to spark renewed use of traditional knowledge and practices among tribes to address the impacts of climate change.

In 2014, Gathering participants began many coordinated activities. They mentored local farmers and gardeners in low-water farming techniques; helped to establish farmers' markets; led workshops on the preservation of heirloom seeds and the threat of genetically modified seeds; and led planting parties to restore local watersheds. Additionally, a Colorado Plateau Inter-Tribal Learning Center has been created to share the work of the Gathering process in the communities of Moencopi and Tuba City.

 **10:** Number of tribes engaged in the Inter-Tribal Gatherings process.



Evaluating tourism alternatives with Navajo tribal leaders and ASU tourism professors.

We have made major strides in assisting the Save the Confluence families in keeping the controversial Escalade tramway development at bay (see page 3). However, world-class tourism possibilities and the highly depressed economy of the western Navajo region will continue to attract questionable proposals. Therefore, as a companion effort to our fight against the Escalade, we are helping regional Chapter leaders, community development organizations, businesspeople, and other partners initiate a thoughtful economic development planning process. This will ensure that any future development will be locally-driven and culturally appropriate.



Thanks to you, we are...

STANDING UP FOR UTAH'S WILD PLACES



Stakeholders meet above Valley of the Gods in San Juan County, Utah to discuss Utah's Public Lands Initiative. TIM PETERSON

This year, we have made two important advances in Representative Bishop's Eastern Utah Public Lands Initiative, which seeks to designate new wilderness in the state for the first time in a generation.

First, in a state where the wilderness debate has focused almost exclusively on Bureau of Land Management desert lands for 30 years, we've succeeded in gaining the inclusion of ecologically important Forest Service lands in Representative Bishop's legislation.

Second, we are leading efforts to keep the broader conservation and recreation communities unified in order to ensure that any deal reached will not facilitate development of dirty fuels, making new legislation a net loss for the climate, imperiled species or our precious water resources.



Our Canyon Lands, a cinema-quality short documentary produced by the Trust, was previewed in Moab in September for the 50th anniversary of Canyonlands National Park. The film makes the case for realizing the original vision for the park through the creation of a new national monument. You can learn more about the film and view a trailer at www.ourcanyonlands.org.

The campaign for a Greater Canyonlands National Monument will ramp up in 2015 and continue until we reach our goal: a presidential designation that would permanently protect this treasured landscape.

 **Less than one month's worth:** Amount of oil estimated to be present in the Greater Canyonlands region.

 **Less than 18 days' worth:** Amount of natural gas estimated to be present in the Greater Canyonlands region.

 **24:** Average number of cultural sites per square mile in Greater Canyonlands, documenting human use from 12,000 years ago to the present. These sites are threatened by oil and gas development.



The treasures within southern Utah's Greater Canyonlands region are irreplaceable and under threat. Oil and gas development, potash, uranium, and tar sands mining, and irresponsible off-road vehicle use are rampant throughout the area. That's why we are asking President Obama to protect 1.8 million acres of public land in this stunning region with a new national monument designation.

Thanks to you, we are...

RESTORING THE LARGEST PONDEROSA PINE FOREST IN THE WORLD



SHANE McDERMOTT

 **400,000 acres:** size of area to be restored through thinning and prescribed burning over the next decade.

 **10,000 – 30,000 acres:** size of “traditional” restoration efforts preceding 4FRI.

 **1 million acres:** size of 4FRI's first project area, now underway.

 **2.4 million acres:** total size of the Four Forest Restoration Initiative (4FRI).

After years of hard work, the Four Forest Restoration Initiative's (4FRI) first one million acre restoration project officially launched in early October with the release of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The plan's release is a momentous occasion; never before in Arizona has a forest restoration effort been planned at this scale.

The Trust worked tirelessly throughout the planning process to ensure that the many interested parties remained united around a plan based on strong science. This broad agreement, embodied in the EIS, forms the necessary basis for bold action at the landscape scale.

Following the release of 4FRI's first one million acre project plan, we expect on-the-ground restoration activities to accelerate. Restoration is planned to increase from an average of 2,500 acres per year to more than 30,000 acres per year.

While this has been a ground-breaking year for our Arizona Forests program, it is only the beginning of a long process of seeing restoration actually play out across northern Arizona at unprecedented scales, with enormous positive effects for the forests, wildlife, and communities.



LEFT: Mormon Lake Hot Shots protect 1900s railroad trestle during the Slide Fire of 2014.

U.S. FOREST SERVICE, COCONINO NATIONAL FOREST

TOP: A helicopter drops retardant on the Slide Fire. BRADY SMITH, U.S. FOREST SERVICE, COCONINO NATIONAL FOREST


ABOVE: Slide Fire at Oak Creek Canyon Overlook. Members of the Carson Hotshots and Mormon Lake Hotshots coordinate retardant drops on the Slide Fire in Oak Creek Canyon. The helicopter can be seen in the background making its drop. BRADY SMITH, U.S. FOREST SERVICE, COCONINO NATIONAL FOREST


Thanks to you, we are...

MAKING SURE SOUTHERN UTAH'S FORESTS ARE NOT JUST FOR GRAZING ANYMORE

In 2014, the Trust developed a comprehensive livestock grazing plan for the 1.7-million acre Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. This reasonable, feasible plan was submitted to the BLM during the “scoping period” for the Environmental Impact Statement process to develop the first-ever grazing plan for the Monument. We intend for BLM to analyze the environmental benefits of the proposal—taking multiple ecological factors into account in addition to grazing—alongside their own proposals.

Swallowtail butterfly in the Abajo Mountains. The Trust is bringing forward a forgotten form of wildlife: pollinators such as butterflies, bees, bumblebees, and hummingbirds. Excessive livestock grazing removes flowers and thus their pollinators. ELLEN MORRIS BISHOP



 **6.3 million:** The number of acres on which grazing will be improved through southern Utah's three national forests' grazing amendment and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument's first-ever grazing plan.



96%: Percentage of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument that is currently grazed. The BLM, which manages the monument, is currently considering a “Sustainable Grazing Alternative” submitted by the Trust and our partners, which would reduce grazing on this fragile landscape.

We also completed assessments for two ten-year research and restoration plans on two new ungrazed reference areas: Johnson Lakes Canyon, an 800-acre private property easement within the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument last grazed four years ago; and the White Mesa Cultural and Conservation Area, a 28,000-acre allotment of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe within the Manti-La Sal National Forest of southeastern Utah, which will not be grazed for 10 years. These reference areas allow us to monitor and assess what ecosystems could be like without grazing, which dominates public lands throughout southern Utah and the West.

Trust interns and volunteers initiated three management-related research projects in 2014. One intern is filling a gap in the scientific literature about the role of cattle and elk in formation of “hummocks” (mounds in the soil), a sign of excessive grazing in moist meadows. A volunteer and an intern will be mapping all native grasses in the White Mesa Cultural and Conservation Area. This map will allow us to track native grass recovery in the absence of livestock grazing during the coming decade. Finally, another intern is preparing a willow restoration plan for the White Mesa Cultural and Conservation Area.



ABOVE LEFT: The Trust is filling a gap in the science literature about the role of cattle in the formation of hummocks. COLLIN SMITH

ABOVE RIGHT: Climate change poses additional challenges to grazing livestock sustainably within the arid Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. ELLEN MORRIS BISHOP

LEFT: New aspen leaves are a favorite of elk, deer, cattle, and sheep, who limit the ability of aspens to grow into mature trees. ELLEN MORRIS BISHOP

GRAND CANYON TRUST: 30 Years of Protecting the Colorado Plateau

Now: Fighting development of the world's richest and dirtiest deposits of oil shale and tar sands in southeastern Utah (see pages 4-5).



2005 – 2014: 2,200 volunteers donated 120,000 hours to over 200 conservation projects through the Volunteer Program.

Now: Leading a campaign for designation of a Greater Canyonlands National Monument to protect iconic redrock landscapes from fossil fuel development (see pages 8-9).



2001 and 2013: Purchased 15 parcels of private land in the heart of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument; turned these parcels over to the Bureau of Land Management for inclusion in the monument. SHANE McDERMOTT

2005: Purchased the North Rim Ranch and 850,000 acres of grazing permits on Grand Canyon's North Rim; currently restoring the ranchlands from a century of overgrazing.

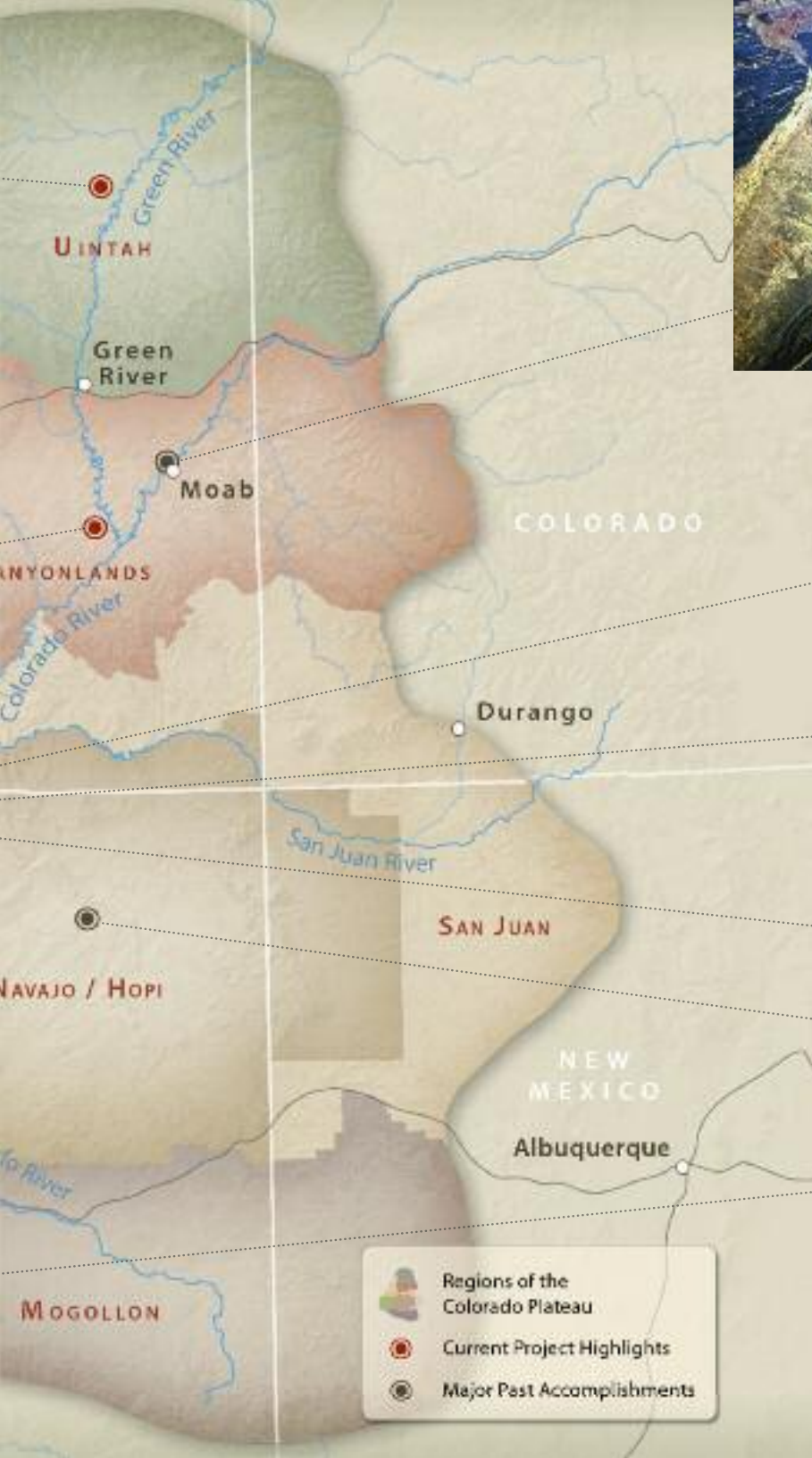
Now: Opposing the "Escalade" development (see pages 2-3).

2005: Shut down the Mohave Generating Station, one of the West's largest sources of air pollution and carbon emissions.



2012: Banned uranium mining on 1.1 million acres around the Grand Canyon. KANAB CREEK URANIUM MINE. MICHAEL COLLIER





2004: Spearheaded removal of 16 million tons of uranium tailings poisoning the Colorado River near Moab, Utah.



1992: Passed the Grand Canyon Protection Act, which changed the way Glen Canyon Dam was operated in order to protect resources downstream along the Colorado River. RON NIEBRUGGE



1991: Negotiated sulfur dioxide pollution controls on Navajo Generating Station, the largest source of air pollution in the Canyon. MICHAEL MELFORD

2008 – 2014: Facilitated investments in tribal renewable energy projects totaling \$7 million.

Now: After participating in years of planning, helping to lead the largest forest restoration program in U.S. history in northern Arizona in order to protect human and ecological communities from catastrophic wildfire (see pages 10-11).



1981: Idea for Trust hatched on a Grand Canyon river trip with Martin Litton, Huey Johnson, and Salley Ranney. The Trust was officially launched in 1985.

Thanks to you, we are...

PARTNERING WITH PRIVATE LANDOWNERS FOR CONSERVATION



The Colorado Plateau Conservancy (CPC) was launched in 2014 to protect private and state lands within and adjacent to national parks and monuments, as well as wilderness-quality land.

An agreement with a landowner will allow the CPC to purchase a conservation easement over an 800 acre inholding in the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument known as “Johnson Lakes” for restoration. We have raised \$1 million to enable the transaction, and an additional \$100,000 to initiate a multi-year riparian restoration project on the property.

MICHAEL COLLIER



MICHAEL COLLIER

We have successfully secured trail easement donations from three landowners and are working with the BLM to create a seven mile nature trail along the San Juan River between the popular Sand Island campground and the small community of Bluff, UT (which ironically lacks public access to the river that flows through town). Trail construction is anticipated to occur late in 2015.



600 rooms and 3 kivas: Sites inhabited between 920 and 1260 AD at Yucca House National Monument which have never been excavated. A recent land donation to the Colorado Plateau Conservancy will more than quadruple the monument's size.



MICHAEL COLLIER



7 miles: Length of the nature trail to be created along the San Juan River near Bluff, UT.

This year, the CPC has also facilitated the proposed donation of a 160 acre property adjacent to Yucca House National Monument that will allow for the protection of several archeological sites. Located near Colorado's Mesa Verde National Park, the 34-acre Monument protects one of the largest Ancestral Puebloan ruins in the Four Corners area. The donated property will be transferred to the National Park Service.

Thanks to you, we are...

RESTORING RANCHLAND AND SUPPORTING CUTTING-EDGE SCIENCE IN NORTHERN ARIZONA



American pronghorn (*Antilocapra americana*) are just some of the wildlife captured on camera for the wildlife habitat connectivity project.

Sediment dries in layers after a heavy rain. Much of the Southwest will become increasingly arid with ongoing climate change. CERISSA HOGLANDER



On the North Rim Ranch, we focus on protecting and restoring the ecological, cultural, and scenic integrity of 850,000 magnificent acres on the North Rim of the Grand Canyon. Working in partnership with federal agencies, we employ the best science-based land management to achieve conservation and restoration goals.

In 2014, we created a unique climate change adaptation plan that identifies specific impact areas on the ranches. Next, we will craft a strategy for adaptation and management. Our priorities are to increase the resiliency of forests to climate change, protect and restore water resources, ensure healthy grazing practices, and reduce threats from invasive species.

Through the hard work of our volunteers using camera traps, we now know where mountain lions, bighorn sheep, mule deer, and other animals are roaming. Animals need healthy habitat, and that means landscapes that are connected, protected and restored. In places where connections have been severed, we are designing solutions that will knit back together critical habitat.



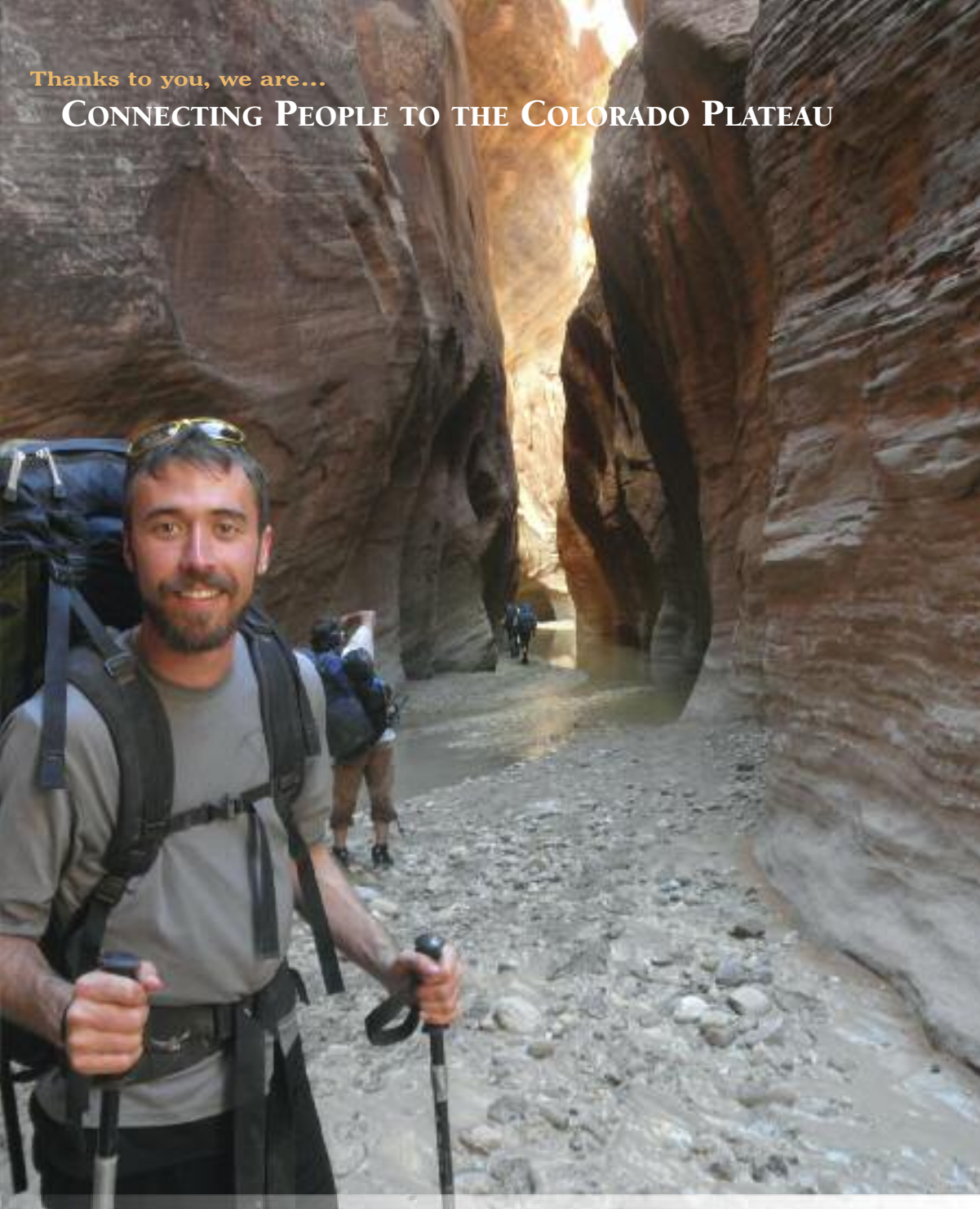
Vast spaces inspire people on the North Rim Ranch. We are busy training the next generation of conservation leaders through field-based education that connects people to the rhythms of this compelling place.



 **15:** number of partners—agencies, universities, and other organizations participating in the North Rim Ranch Research and Stewardship Partnership

Thanks to you, we are...

CONNECTING PEOPLE TO THE COLORADO PLATEAU



Volunteerism is at the heart of the work you support at the Trust: building a grassroots movement of people who speak for the land. Our volunteers not only get great work done; they become allies and activists who can be called upon to defend public lands and preserve our beloved landscapes for future generations.

In 2014...

285 volunteers participated in Trust projects.

23 conservation projects were completed by volunteers.

15,500 hours were donated to wildlife habitat restoration, climate change research, grazing reform, and renewable energy work on public lands and in Native American communities.

38 "Big Deal Botanists" were unleashed to collect the information necessary to reform unsustainable grazing practices on public lands in southern Utah.

101 youth volunteers ages 14-25 participated in on-the-ground conservation projects.

6,800 hours were contributed by 9 youth interns who gained valuable experience as conservation professionals.

11 miles of the Paria River were treated for invasive tamarisk and Russian olive plants by Trust volunteers. This seven-year project, now complete, was awarded the Landscape Stewardship Award from the Public Lands Foundation in September.

"The Trust is unique in its scope and its diversity of approaches, including policy, science research, business development, volunteer empowerment, and litigation. It's inspiring to see so much action for change under one roof." —Paul Bindel AmeriCorps Intern 2012-2013

Sue Smith and Dorothy Lamm

Sue Smith, a retired IT specialist from Silicon Valley, always loved plants and hiking. Now Sue has become a critical part of our Big Deal Botanist volunteer training team. Next year, she will realize a lifelong dream and pursue her master's degree, focusing research on plant communities in the White Mesa Cultural Conservation Area, which will greatly enhance the Trust's efforts at grazing reform.

"I volunteer with [the Trust] for many reasons: they work on hard and important issues, like uranium mining and air quality, over-grazing of public lands, and much more. The staff is seriously committed to their mission. Plus, they are great fun and excellent cooks. I get to visit blank places on the map. The botanical data we gather is used very effectively to protect public lands."

—Dorothy Lamm, volunteer since 2009



"Many of my favorite [Trust] memories actually take place in the car [with Mary O'Brien] on the way to and from work sites. Utah is a big place. It takes a long time to get from Castle Valley (where I was living in Mary's guest house) to just about anywhere. This time was full of talk about conservation in Utah, climate change, the changing face of conservation, and quite a bit about my own activist efforts back at school. That time has been invaluable to me in charting a way forward this semester and will have a lasting effect on my perspectives throughout my life."

—Collin Smith, Utah Forest Intern 2013-2014

Thanks to you, we are...

STORYTELLING THROUGH MAPS: VISUALIZING CONSERVATION STORIES

Imagine taking a journey across the forests of southern Utah or surveying the development threats surrounding the Grand Canyon from the comfort of your home computer. The Trust's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) program is making this possible. Through interactive web mapping, you now have a front row seat to conservation threats, issues, and accomplishments across the Colorado Plateau.

The Three National Forests in Southern Utah
What Our Forests Could Be & Too Often What They Are
Reload this page for the introduction and map instruction slide.

Take Action and get more information on grazing issues across southern Utah.

Introduction
Because 40% of the 6.4 million acres of Dixie, Hatch, and Manti-La-Sol national forests are actively grazed by livestock allotments, too few people (including Forest Service managers) know what an ungrazed meadow, open stand, sagebrush community, or riparian area looks like.

The photos linked to this map show some of the low-grazed areas within the 3 forests, compared with similar areas that are grazed. In their ungrazed forest, plus, moreover, the 3 forests can encourage use of voluntary permit allotments and third party compensation to permit us to gain a greater balance between livestock grazing and livestock-free areas.

Using the Map
Use the up/down arrows on the left and right of the image to flip through the photographs. The map zoom will automatically change to the location of the selected photograph as you move through the slideshow. Click the image for an enlarged view.

The map is fully interactive allowing for zooming and panning. If you want to view the full extent and initial zoom level, click the home button. Once you click off this slide you must reload the page to view this introduction slide.

Map Legend:
National Forests: Dixie, Hatch, Manti-La-Sol
Wilderness: Grand Staircase-Escalante, Capitol Reef, Glen Canyon, Kaiparowits, Manti-La-Sol, Panguitch Plateau, Paria Plateau, Pulpit Rock, Tropic, Vermilion Cliffs, Zions
Wild Horse & Burro Habitat: Grand Staircase-Escalante, Kaiparowits, Panguitch Plateau, Vermilion Cliffs


Photo Gallery:
1. Ungrazed meadow, open stand, sagebrush community, or riparian area looks like.
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In 2014, we launched the “What Our Forests Could Be” interactive web map, which takes you on a photo tour comparing ungrazed healthy ecosystems to grazed locations across the three national forests of southern Utah. This map has been used as an educational and engagement tool for the public, a recruiting tool for volunteers, and a reporting mechanism for on-the-ground conditions. In 2015, we will bring you more interactive story maps to help elevate public awareness of conservation issues.



Good maps have the power to change the way people understand conservation issues. Throughout 2014, the GIS program has implemented cartographic standards to ensure our printed maps are beautiful and attention-grabbing.

Using database-driven GIS software, we perform analysis of our treasured landscapes in order to better understand the looming pressures that threaten them. In 2014, we performed detailed analysis of potential land trade parcels considered in Utah Representative Bishop's Public Lands Initiative which helped to ensure our departure from dirty energy and the protection of threatened and endangered species and precious water resources. We also performed an analysis of northern Arizona's ponderosa pine forests for the Four Forest Restoration Initiative that contributed to the coalition's planning process for the 2.4 million acres slated for restoration.

 **The GIS program** is a primary source for Colorado Plateau region maps that non-profits, government agencies, and private stakeholders use to advance conservation.

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STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013

ASSETS	2013
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$3,079,391
Contributions receivable	2,761,725
Note receivable	11,002
Livestock inventory	14,895
Prepaid expenses	31,028
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	5,898,041
Non-Current Assets:	
Breeding herd	174,563
Property and equipment, net of accumulate depreciation of \$181,137	1,808,795
Investments	5,910,890
Conservation easement	1,295,000
Beneficial interest in remainder trust	48,092
Note receivable, net of current portion	58,073
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	9,295,413
TOTAL ASSETS	\$15,193,454
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Current Liabilities:	
Account payable	\$159,558
Accrued expenses	69,677
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	229,235
Net Assets:	
Unrestricted	9,430,103
Temporarily restricted	3,935,350
Permanently restricted	1,795,000
TOTAL	15,160,453
Non-controlling interest	-196,234
TOTAL NET ASSETS	14,964,219
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$15,193,454

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITY for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013

Revenues:	
Grants and contributions	\$3,956,007
In-kind contributions	457,235
Membership income	465,984
Investment income	468,680
Cattle revenue	62,197
Change in value of beneficial interest in remainder trust	4,976
Loss on sale of land	-77,056
Other income	23,864
TOTAL REVENUES	5,361,887
Expenses:	
Program services	3,411,095
Education	223,029
TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES	3,634,124
Development and membership	389,747
General and administrative	283,247
TOTAL SUPPORT SERVICES	672,994
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,307,118
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS BEFORE NON-CONTROLLING INTEREST	
	1,054,769
Less: change in net assets attributable to non-controlling interest	137,497
Changes In Net Assets for Controlling Entities	1,192,266
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2012	13,749,482
Changes in net assets	1,054,769
Net contributions	159,968
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2013	\$14,964,219

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As a member of the Turquoise Circle, you will receive:

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THE COLORADO PLATEAU EXPLORER: YOUR TOOL FOR YOUR NEXT ADVENTURE

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Looking for your next weekend outing? Check out the Colorado Plateau Explorer, our new online trip planning tool.

The site features an interactive map with topographical information, satellite imagery, and GPS downloads. It also includes trail guides and campground descriptions, as well as information on national parks, monuments, and tribal lands. You can find local businesses that support protection of public lands, and you will also be periodically updated with the latest conservation news from across the Plateau.

We spent 2014 creating the Colorado Plateau Explorer because we believe that when people connect first-hand with the land, they will also be motivated to protect it. Not only does the site provide great information to adventurers, it also connects them to the Trust's work so that they can become supporters and activists.

A few staff members (the envy of the office) have personally collected all the information on the site over the past two years, including:

- 100 hikes
- 460 miles of trails throughout the Colorado Plateau
- 50 campgrounds
- 25 national monuments
- 8 national parks



Colorado Plateau EXPLORER

INTERACTIVE MAP ABOUT THE PLATEAU CONSERVATION

Explore the Colorado Plateau...

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COLORADO PLATEAU TRAIL GUIDES AND MAPS FOR HIKING, CAMPING, AND EXPLORING

The Colorado Plateau is home to 8 national parks and 25 national monuments, including Grand Canyon, Arches, Canyonlands, Capitol Reef, and Zion. Together, they make more than just national parks. Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, the Glen and Panguitch basins, and the La Sal Mountains provide great opportunities for canoeing, hiking, and relaxing. Towns like Moen, Hatch, Kanab, and Fredonia are also great places to visit and enjoy.

This site, sponsored by the Grand Canyon Trust, provides high-quality information for those who want to explore and learn about the Colorado Plateau. We hope you enjoy the hikes, trails, camping sites, river canyons, sandstone formations, towering mesas, and canyons of the region. We also hope you'll help us conserve and protect this unique and magnificent landscape.

Hiking and camping info for popular national parks and monuments

Zion Grand Canyon Canyonlands Grand Staircase-Escalante

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