

An Extract of the Minutes:

Minutes
Coastal Mountains Land Trust
Board of Directors Meeting
May 24, 2005

5. Executive Committee

B. Adoption of Land Trust Standards and Practices


On motion of Manns/Savitz, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, Coastal Mountains Land Trust has reviewed *Land Trust Standards and Practices* published by the Land Trust Alliance in 2004; and

Whereas, Coastal Mountains Land Trust agrees that *Land Trust Standards and Practices* are the ethical and technical guidelines for the responsible operation of a land trust;

Now Therefore be it Resolved that the Board of Directors of Coastal Mountains Land Trust hereby adopts *Land Trust Standards and Practices* as guidelines for the organization's operations and commits to making continual progress toward implementation of these standards and practices.

The above extract of the May 24, 2005 meeting of the Coastal Mountains Land Trust Board of Directors is accurate and was voted with a quorum of the Board present.
Signed,



Desmond FitzGerald
Secretary

date: 6/07/05

Land Trust Accreditation Commission

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September 3, 2008

Scott Dickerson
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Dear Scott:

It is my great pleasure to inform you that Coastal Mountains Land Trust has been awarded accreditation by the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, an independent program of the Land Trust Alliance. After careful consideration of your application, the Commission determined that your organization meets the national quality standards established by the land conservation community. Your term of accreditation runs from September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2013.

Enclosed please find a summary of additional findings relative to your application as well as a license agreement. The license agreement grants Coastal Mountains Land Trust the right to use the trademarked accreditation seal. Please sign this document and return it by September 12, 2008.

After the license agreement is returned, Coastal Mountains Land Trust may use the accreditation seal or the term "Land Trust Accreditation Commission Accredited" on its communications materials to signify that it meets national standards for excellence, upholds the public trust and ensures that conservation efforts are permanent. When we receive the signed license agreement, we will provide you with materials for promoting your accredited status and login information to access the electronic materials on our website.

Accreditation recognizes an organization's commitment to excellence and continual learning and improvement. As an accredited land trust, Coastal Mountains Land Trust is expected to comply with all of the accreditation indicator practices and to maintain documentation of compliance throughout its accreditation term, to conduct periodic assessments against the full set of *Land Trust Standards and Practices* and to use them as a guide for the organization, and to abide by the terms of the Accreditation Agreement submitted at the time of application. Please continue to refer to the *Applicant Handbook* and the Commission's website for information on the accreditation program.



The Commission awards the accreditation seal to community institutions that meet national quality standards for protecting important natural places and working lands forever.

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The Land Trust Accreditation Commission may offer an applicant land trust additional feedback on its application in the form of commendations and/or expectations for improvement. These comments do not affect the accredited status of the land trust.

Commendations

The Land Trust Accreditation Commission thanks Coastal Mountains Land Trust for being part of the pilot program and for its responsiveness throughout the application and review process. We also offer commendations on the following: your board advancement work and board policies overall; your focal area work; your policies with respect to obtaining independent appraisals when purchasing land or interests in land and the process for documenting the rationale for and obtaining board approval if paying more than fair market value; and, the extra protections put into place on your fee lands that show you take the obligation to conserve land in perpetuity seriously.

We encourage you to share policies, procedures or other documents noted with commendations above with the Land Trust Alliance for inclusion in its digital library. The materials can be forwarded to the Alliance at tlc@lta.org.