

# EVERLANDS



Bristol Bay Lodge - Bristol Bay, Alaska, U.S.



Hotel Endsleigh - Devon, England

## A WARM SPRINGTIME WELCOME

Everlands is delighted to be looking forward to another year at Lone Mountain Ranch. After receiving a first glimpse of Montana Winters, since purchasing the property last July, we're excited to witness the beautiful warm weather wonders that surround the Montana trails. From fawns to fauna, no matter what the season, there's nothing comparable to the mountainous mystique of Big Sky. ★

## AN EVERLANDS PROMISE

As with all of our destinations all over the globe, we make a commitment to the property and its surrounding community. Lone Mountain Ranch is no exception. Since opening its trails to the public over thirty years ago, Lone Mountain has been a resident favorite of the young and old. That is why Everlands has decided to leave the trails open to the public, and perpetuate the tradition of Lone Mountain Ranch as a communal meeting ground.

In addition, Everlands has many plans for the property, all carrying the assurance that Lone Mountain's distinct Western heritage will be enhanced. Part of the Everlands mission is to protect and conserve the properties, preserving the authenticity of the existing buildings. ★



## INTRODUCING WHITNEY TILT

Executive Director of the Everlands Conserva-

tion Initiative is Whitney Tilt, a Montana resident since 1991. Though he'd moved to Montana from Washington, DC, there was still a sense of coming home. "For me, it was returning home to the Greater Yellowstone region where I had spent years ranching and working on fish and wildlife issues," Whitney says. "For my family, it was a move to a smaller community, less time getting from place to place, and more time outdoors."

Whitney Tilt has a strong conservation background that includes positions with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Sonoran Institute, and the National Audubon Society. Prior to helping launch the Everlands Conservation Initiative, Whitney served as Director of Resources for the Community Collaboration program of the Sonoran Institute, which works to support local, community-based collaborations working to resolve conflicts over use of natural resources in the West. ★

## OUR CONSERVATION INITIATIVE

In February of this year, the Everlands Conservation Initiative conducted a property audit of Lone Mountain Ranch. The intentions of the audit, according to Whitney Tilt, were to "enable Everlands management and members to better appreciate the outstanding attributes of the property, and provide a blueprint for sustainable and responsible long-term management and stewardship of the property."

As part of Everlands' conservation efforts, Whitney also notes that specific restoration efforts for the North Fork that flows through the ranch, and "represents an important tributary of the Gallatin River." Noting the remarkable 80 kilometers of hiking, skiing and equestrian trails that comprise Lone Mountain Ranch, Whitney confirms Everlands' commitment to maintaining and enlarging this system not just for Everlands members, but also for Big Sky residents and the



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South Island, New Zealand



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general public.

“The heart of Lone Mountain Ranch is 150 acres of conifer forest, sagelands, and mountain meadows,” Whitney says. “Everlands is committed to retaining the historical and cultural character of the ranch, maintaining or reducing the existing development footprint, and being a good neighbor.” Part of being a good neighbor is being open-minded, and Everlands always has an ear open to ideas from staff and locals on trips, restoration efforts, and further conservation initiatives. ★

## OUR MONTANA HEADQUARTERS

Everlands made a conscious decision to station their Membership Development program in Big Sky – an Everlands outpost in the “heart” of Montana. Heading the Big Sky program is Executive Vice President of Membership Development Eric Ladd, who, for the last ten years has lived in Montana with his wife Brandy, who was born and raised in the Yellowstone area. Lone Mountain Ranch bears a particular significance to Eric and Brandy, who chose to hold their wedding reception there.

“Over the years Lone Mt. has been an integral part of the Big Sky community offering some of the most cherished outdoor experiences, being a big supporter of the local community and dedicated employer of an amazing staff,” Eric says. “Lone Mountain Ranch is not only a “crown jewel” for Montana but also one of the treasured resorts in the Everlands collection of properties.”

For the past nine years Eric has been integrally involved with the start-up of the world renowned Yellowstone Club. Acting as the senior

sales representative for Yellowstone Club, Eric led the effort in achieving over one billion in sales and recently ranked as one of the Top 10 real estate sales people in the United States. He currently serves on the boards of the Big Sky Community Corporation and China Rivers Project.

Rounding out the Montana Membership Development team is Catherine “Katie” Downey who grew up cross country skiing and riding horses in Butte, Montana.

“I can’t encourage members and guests enough to take time to visit some of the backcountry areas surrounding Lone Mountain, which is located in one of the most amazing settings in the world,” says Eric, who is always open to answer your questions. Eric can be reached at 406-993-2995. ★

