



**FLATHEAD  
LAND TRUST**  
Conserving Our Legacy of Land and Water



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## ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

**2008** was a stand out year for Flathead Land Trust. It was marked not only by significant conservation achievements, but also an increase in our public visibility and the level of professional services we provided landowners and partners.

In 2008, the Land Trust operated with 2 full time staff (Executive Director and Office Manager), two part time staff (Conservation Programs Manager and GNESA Director), one part time temporary employee (Land Steward), and 8 volunteer Directors of the Board.

Our high profile projects in 2008, some of which you see listed here, resulted in overwhelming response from landowners interested in protecting their land. To meet the demand, we have added additional staff and Board Members for 2009. Conservation easements and land stewardship duties are increasingly complex, requiring knowledgeable staff to guide projects to successful completion. Thanks to our great members, volunteers, and other financial supporters who enable us to "Conserve our Legacy of Land and Water."

*"With the help of Flathead Land Trust, we've been able to preserve these woods & wildlife for the future." Peggy (Foreman) Cohn*



Sunrise over the Foreman Family Trust easement in the North Fork. (Photo by Jason Cohn)

### SAVING THE FLATHEAD'S SPECIAL PLACES: 2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ McWeneger Slough Public Fishing Access improvements completed.
- ✓ \$1 million North American Wetlands Conservation Act grant submitted; approved in 2009.
- ✓ 225 acre conservation easement completed on the North Fork of Flathead River.
- ✓ Facilitated 160 acre purchase on North Shore of Flathead Lake for MT. Dept. Fish, Wildlife & Parks. The land is now designated a Wildlife Management Area and new state park.
- ✓ Flathead Basin Commission passed resolution in support of voluntary conservation on the North Shore.
- ✓ Succeeded in advancing a land and water conservation bond for the first time in the Flathead. Though the bond did not pass, it garnered nearly 18,000 supporters at the polls.
- ✓ GNESA awarded a Cooperative Conservation Award from the U.S. Department of Interior.
- ✓ Numerous field trips held on the North Shore, attended by North Shore landowners, staffers for Sen. Max Baucus, the Director of Fish, Wildlife & Parks, conservation buyers, and private funders.
- ✓ Successfully completed annual monitoring on all existing easements.

### LAND PROTECTION SNAPSHOT AS OF 12/31/2008

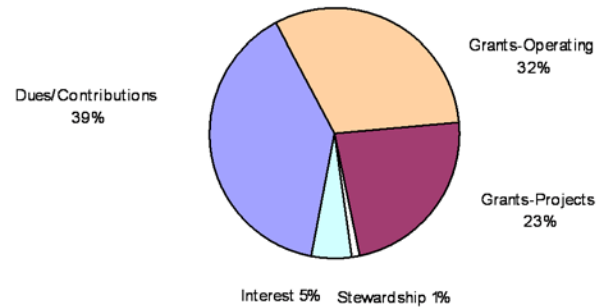
### CURRENT (6/1/2009)

Number of Easements	36	37
Acres Protected through Conservation Easements	8371	8423
Acres Protected through Partnership Projects	1806	2050
Total Acres Protected	10,177	10,473

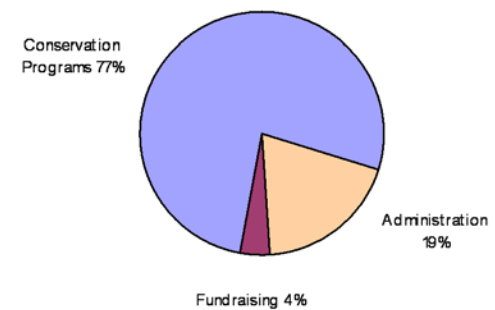


## 2008 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2008 Income Sources (Operating & Projects)



2008 Expense Allocation



### Income Source Summary

Dues/Contributions	\$100,410
Grants-Operating	\$ 80,658
Grants-Project Restricted	\$ 60,500
Interest/Dividend Income	\$ 13,432
Misc. Income	\$ 2,944
Gain/Loss on stock sales	\$ (2,094)
Stewardship Fees	\$ 4,000
<b>Total Income for 2008</b>	<b>\$259,850</b>

### Expense Summary

Conservation Programs	\$164,047
Operating/Admin	\$ 41,196
Fundraising	\$ 8,626
<b>Total 2008 Expenses</b>	<b>\$213,869</b>

### Asset Summary as of 12/31/2008

Checking & Savings	\$134,952
Fixed Assets*	\$ 38,142
<i>Investment accounts:</i>	
GNESA Fund	\$ 75,939
Projects Fund	\$144,748
Stewardship	\$ 99,789
Endowment Fund	\$ 35,452
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$529,022</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 2,649</b>
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$526,373</b>

(\*includes McWeneger Slough Fishing Access property)

Note that Financial Summary figures are preliminary and are based on our financial statements. Figures subject to final CPA review.

**THANK YOU TO OUR MEMBERS, COMMUNITY ADVISORS, VOLUNTEERS AND  
THE GENEROUS FOUNDATIONS THAT SUPPORT OUR WORK.  
PRIVATE LAND CONSERVATION IN THE FLATHEAD IS THRIVING BECAUSE OF YOUR SUPPORT!**