on county-owned property.

where community support is now in place, the board of county commissioners approved the project called "green belt" of the GOMS.

a nature of conservation, agriculture, and open space, the issue was not a matter of commercial interests but a need for the community.

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Through continued dialogue, the county has in 2019 will receive

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Cody Dennis of Greeley, left, and his girlfriend, Madeline Hartley of Denver, brave whipping winds as they cross a bridge Sunday afternoon on their way back to the parking lot after a hike at Devil's Backbone Open Space west of Loveland. In their brief travels Sunday, the couple discovered that a person can hike the trail system from Devil's Backbone to Horsetooth Reservoir, "(Cody) doesn't know it yet, but we're going to be doing that," Hartley said Sunday. Joking, Sunday beamed to highs in the 30s with wind speeds between 35 and 45 mph, according to Northern Colorado meteorologist Chris Yates. Rain and snow showers are possible this afternoon with temperatures dropping into the mid 20s, Yates said.
Donor of ranch to CSU, UW expresses regret

By Mark Groene
The Associated Press

A woman who founded her family’s ranch to promote livestock agriculture has announced her intention to give the ranch to Colorado State University.

University officials say the ranch, located on the outskirts of Cheyenne, is valued at about $5 million.

President buill held a press conference yesterday to announce the donation.

"We’re under no sort of time pressure here at all," Baus said. "We just want to make sure that the gift is accepted and the ranch is transferred to the university in a way that’s beneficial to both parties.

The ranch has been an important part of our family’s legacy and we’re pleased to see it continue to play a role in the university’s mission.

We’re looking forward to working with CSU and the university administration to ensure the ranch continues to serve its intended purpose.

Ranch

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What impact will this have on Colorado State University, which has a strong livestock agriculture program?

University officials say the ranch will provide valuable resources and opportunities for students and researchers.

"This gift will have a significant impact on our livestock agriculture programs," Dr. John Smith, dean of the College of Agriculture, said in a statement.

"The ranch will provide students with hands-on experience and a unique opportunity to learn about livestock management and reproduction.

"We’re grateful to the donors for their generosity and we’re excited to see the future of this important resource for our students and the university.

The ranch is located in a strategic location near the university’s campus and will be an asset to our students and faculty.

"We’re thrilled to have this opportunity to continue our tradition of providing high-quality livestock education and research," Smith added.

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Colorado voters also continue to show themselves like most voters in the Mountain West, to be

governors in the nation. Other polls in recent months [7] have shown Hickenlooper, a Democrat, to be among the most popular

seemingly built on a 60-point spread.

employee, former Gov. Gary Herbert [9], who had a 51-point spread, and Wyoming Gov. Matt Mead [6], who had a

approval and disapproval that put him in the middle of the field for popularity among Mountain West governors. Meanwhile,

Hickenlooper’s disapproval rating was only 19 percent, a 48-point spread between overall

identities themselves as conservationists.

Hickenlooper approved among Coloradoans at 67 percent — the same percentage of voters who

2,400 registered voters in Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, Wyoming, Montana and Idaho. It showed

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71 percent support the EPA’s continuing to implement the Clean Air Act by updating the standards for air quality, including for some dust, and emissions from power plants, trucks and cars.

71 percent say Colorado should maintain protections for land, air and water in the state rather than reduce them in an attempt to create jobs as quickly as possible.

Only 44 percent said that “one of the best ways to create jobs is to cut back environmental regulations that in turn reduced their ability to do business.”

63 percent of Colorado voters view environmental laws more as “important safeguards” to protect pristine Colorado’s economy.”

93 percent agreed that “Our national parks, forests, monuments, and wildlife areas are an essential part of Colorado’s economy.”

7 percent of Coloradans said that the state can protect land and water and have a strong economy at the same time.

Other findings from the poll showed:

Registered as Republicans and 90 percent were unhinged.
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purchases and easements and 30 percent on land and water conservation through the department. Whereas 70 percent of revenue was spent on F rejoiced, who oversees the But times are changing for the department. Since then, nearly 2,000 acres have been natural areas accounted for 6.54 percent of the acreage. To protect the land accquired, with F rejoiced making up 64.7.力口 "force has grown to six.” city hired two ranges in 1997, and the and enhance the experience of users, the the city’s trail system as they wind through the edges of the Poudre River and along the riverside, including Coyote Ridge, Bobcat foot hills. including Coyote Ridge, Bobcat ridge is located in the city’s natural areas. Still, other natural area management areas by the general public. allow learning. Fort Collins and Wellington share a buffer and for recreation between Fort Collins and Loveland. and Fort Still, other natural area management areas by the general public. allow learning. Fort Collins and Wellington share a buffer and for recreation between Fort Collins and Loveland. and Fort.

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are difficult to remedy. Plus, recreation has
bad and can be remedied but others that
negatively impacts some of which aren't as
gravel mining, which has created some
farming has had an effect on it and so has
the river as an industrial dumping ground.
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turning our back on the river for the past
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to the Fort Collins Museum and Science
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