

Utah Open Lands Mission Statement

Utah Open Lands Conservation Association (UOL) is a non-profit land trust. Our mission is to preserve, protect and steward open space in order to maintain Utah's natural heritage and quality of life for present and future generations. This is achieved by assisting private landowners, government agencies and communities in the voluntary preservation of the agricultural, scenic, recreational, historic and wildlife values of open land.

Goals:

Permanently protect land in Utah by acquiring title or conservation easements.

Responsibly manage and monitor preserves and easements, and enforce restrictions to protect conservation values.

Educate and inform landowners, professional advisors, and the general public about land conservation.

Effectively communicate with members and the public to promote greater involvement in UOL's activities.

Continually improve the effectiveness and involvement of the board, staff, and volunteers.

Obtain and manage funds to carry out UOL's work in a fiscally responsible manner.

Ethics Statement

I, as a board /staff member of Utah Open Lands (UOL), dedicate myself to the protection of land that furthers the mission of UOL. As a representative of UOL, I have an obligation to help maintain the credibility of the land conservation community by ensuring that my actions will enhance the reputation of land conservation. I acknowledge the trust placed in UOL by our donors, landowners, partners, and the public, and my actions will always uphold that trust.

I pledge to conduct organizational and land protection activities under the highest professional standards and in accordance with *Land Trust Standards and Practices*. Furthermore, I pledge to be especially diligent in ensuring that my actions serve the public interest, respect all laws, demonstrate integrity, and consider the long-term responsibility to the lands we protect.