



CENTER *for* LARGE LANDSCAPE CONSERVATION

Conserving Life on Earth by Connecting Our Fragmented Natural World

We are experts in conservation strategy working to protect healthy natural systems by reconnecting fragmented landscapes and building climate resilience. Through our expertise in **science, policy, community planning, and organizational mentorship and networking**, we are defining best practices in international connectivity conservation and developing technical strategies that amplify and connect the efforts of communities, governments, and non-profits.

The Problem

All over the world, human development has fractured landscapes. Habitats are divided, roads and fence lines cut through migration routes, and rivers, forests, and food systems are in decline. The human footprint is growing and as a result, biodiversity is suffering.

But that's not the whole story. Not only have ecosystems been fragmented, communities have too. Conservation efforts are often siloed, making knowledge sharing difficult, and the deep connection we all need to live well—both socially and ecologically—is interrupted.

That's where we come in.





Our Approach

The Center for Large Landscape Conservation is a leader in the global movement to restore ecosystem health by reversing fragmentation, protecting connections, and building climate change resilience on the landscapes that sustain human and wild life. Guided by a team of specialists in everything from spatial ecology and sociology, to climate science and international law, we are defining best practices in connectivity conservation.

But it is not enough to build knowledge—power comes from using those insights to inform, connect, and empower others. So this is where we put our focus. Our technical and strategic support fortifies projects, builds and strengthens communities, and tactically connects initiatives in a way that the whole becomes more than the sum of its parts. We work at the birds-eye view so other organizations don't have to, keeping a big- picture perspective that knits landscapes and people together, making their efforts as efficient, effective, and creative as possible.



Science + Research



Law + Policy



Network Building



Community Planning

How We Work

Through our expertise in science, policy, community planning, and organizational mentorship and networking, we are leading the connectivity conservation movement and developing technical strategies that amplify and connect the efforts of communities, governments, and non-profits. Often, this work cuts across our programming, with our partners making use of our whole toolbox at once. We encourage this intersectional approach to problem-solving because landscapes are dynamic and holistic—our methods have to be as well.

What does this look like on the ground? Explore our areas of focus:





Science + Research

Our team of ecologists, foresters, and sociologists develop original science in response to on-the-ground needs, from helping planners identify how and where animals move across a landscape, to assisting communities in protecting and restoring the places they love. Our science and research doesn't exist in a vacuum—it is immediately applied and made available to our partners, along with our recommendations on how to best utilize our findings to make change.



Policy + Law

A large part of our work is partnering to promote the kinds of policies and laws that advance habitat connectivity and the conservation of large, healthy landscapes. But we don't do it from afar—we're crafting the legislation. We're actively developing legal policies and provisions to advance corridors and ecological networks at the international, federal, state, and local levels, then we're developing the standards to guide their implementation.



Mentorship + Networking

Reconnecting landscapes starts with connecting people, so we have made it a priority to build regional, national, and global conservation networks designed to bring diverse groups to the table and facilitate collaboration. We are the leading resource for information, tools, and best practices in connectivity conservation, and a powerful ally to developing organizations. Through our mentorship program we support a range of growing non-profits, providing the strategic counsel, infrastructure, organizational management, fundraising and sponsorship they need to go on to make change.



Community Planning

We believe in community-powered conservation because no one knows and cares about a place like the people who live there. But that doesn't mean they have to do it alone. From South Asia to Eastern Europe to the tribal nations of North America, we work with communities to achieve the results they have set for themselves in a collaborative and culturally-informed way. This can include impact assessments, climate adaptation plans, resiliency and land use recommendations, and support with community outreach and engagement.

Our Values

Our process is deeply collaborative and dedicated to the idea that rising tides lifts all boats. We're not top-down and we're not a think tank. We work alongside our partners in real ways, tackling problems collaboratively and with the awareness that there is no one-size-fits-all solution in the conservation world— landscapes, communities, and individuals are unique, as are the challenges they face.

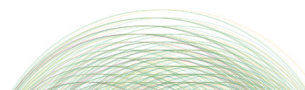
We also know that, just as in nature, we're more powerful when we're connected. So our guiding principal is inclusion, common ground, and knowledge sharing, because protecting connectivity and integrity extends to all our work, not just the landscapes we work to protect.





Networks We Support + Host

For the networks below, we provide strategic counsel, infrastructure, and organizational management, supporting their members and staff to focus on the mission of effectively engaging and empowering landscape conservation practitioners and supporters around the world.





"We are drowning in information, while starving for wisdom. The world henceforth will be run by synthesizers, people able to put together the right information at the right time, think critically about it, and make important choices wisely."

E.O. Wilson, 1998, *Consilience*

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