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Like so many people across the country and globe, all of us at Vital Ground are adjusting to a new and challenging reality. My wife and I now juggle working from home and homeschooling our two young sons, but we also make sure to step outside often, breathe the spring Montana air, and take a walk into the foothills of the Bitterroot Range behind our house.

In this difficult time, I'm more grateful than ever to live amid plentiful open space and a rich wildlife community. I'm also more grateful than ever to be a part of the Vital Ground team, helping protect this precious place alongside contributors like you.

Your support of Vital Ground doesn't just save wildlife habitat. It saves clean air, clean water and open land—things that are helping millions of people stay whole during this crisis.

Any contribution you can make today will translate into protected acres in key places like Montana's Yaak Valley, where Vital Ground recently purchased 215 acres of rich habitat along the valley bottom (*pictured above*), conserving a safe corridor between mountain strongholds for one of the world's most vulnerable grizzly populations—and for countless other species that share their range.

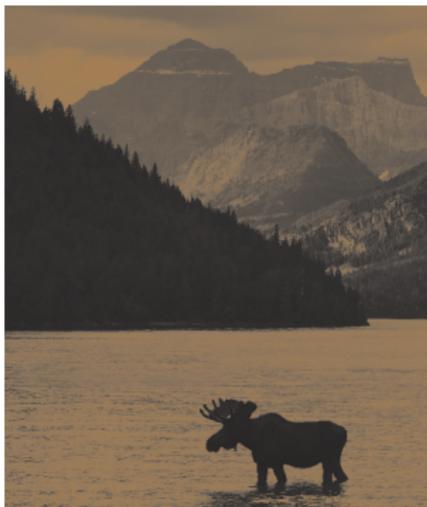
Your support today helps connect our one landscape for wildlife and people, saving some of the best things about our country—things that will outlast this time of anxiety and uncertainty.

All of us at Vital Ground are so grateful to have your support.

Very best wishes,

Ryan Lutey, Executive Director





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