

The Campaign to Save **Guemes Mountain**

Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

Q : What is the campaign goal?

A : Our goal is to raise \$2.2 million, which includes the purchase price of the property, transaction costs and stewardship funds for future property management and trails.

Q : What is the deadline for raising this money ?

A : We have until October 1st, 2009 to raise the funds necessary to protect the mountain.

Q: What are the future plans for this property?

A : For the foreseeable future, Skagit Land Trust will own the property and San Juan Preservation Trust will hold a conservation easement. With the placement of a conservation easement when the purchase is made, the open space and wildlife values of the property will be **permanently** protected as part of the land title. A management plan will be created before ownership is finalized that will address the sort of allowed uses and access that will also preserve the ecological health of the mountain.

Q: Will public access be allowed?

A: Yes. Currently the property is privately owned and all access is at the discretion of the landowner. Purchase of the mountain by this campaign will make it available for low impact recreation. Pedestrian access will be created to encourage enjoyment of the views and other natural features while protecting sensitive habitat. Education programs and signage will encourage proper stewardship and respect for the land and nearby property.

Q : Will any structures be allowed?

A : Only if specified by the management plan and if in accordance with the conservation easement.

The conservation easement and management plan will assure that any minor structures necessary to maintain the trails or property will be thoughtfully sited out of view and away from sensitive habitat.

Q : Where can I get more information?

A: Visit www.saveguemesmountain.org to stay informed, or contact:

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Q : To whom should I send my donation?

A : Please make checks payable to: San Juan Preservation Trust **OR** Skagit Land Trust. Note "Guemes Mountain" on the memo line of your check. You can also submit a secure online gift at www.saveguemesmountain.org by clicking on "Donate today" and choosing Guemes Mountain as the program of interest. To make a gift by credit card please call either organization.

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