



## **Patterson Ranch, Las Animas County**

The Patterson Ranch Project is comprised of three members of the family who ranch on adjoining properties. This represents an unbelievable landscape that runs along the Mesa de Maya in southeastern Colorado. Combined, the three easements on the ranch protect more than 19,000 acres. These ranches contain a volcanic hot spot, teepee circles, a segment of the Granada Trail which is the military portion of the Santa Fe Trail, stunning vistas of canyons and plateaus, not to mention species of plants that grow nowhere else in the state. But most importantly to CCALT, these landscapes represent thriving families training the next generation to care for the land. This has also afforded us a unique opportunity to work with the local ranching community regarding our conservation efforts.