## CCALT Receives El Pomar Foundation's Outstanding Nonprofit Award

The Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust was honored as the state's outstanding nonprofit with the Julie and Spencer Penrose Award on October 1st. The Penrose Award included a \$50,000 cash prize to further CCALT's work with ranchers throughout Colorado. CCALT is the first agriculturally oriented organization and the first conservation group to receive the award since it was started by the El Pomar Foundation in 1989.

"CCALT is thrilled to be recognized by El Pomar Foundation," said CCALT Executive Director Chris West. "We are honored to receive this award and know that as a result we will be able to partner with even more landowners in the protection of working ranches across Colorado. These families and their ranches are what make Colorado a special place to live and our mission is to ensure that they remain intact for future generations to come."



CCALT Accepts the Julie & Spencer Penrose Award

"One thing that stands out to anyone spending time getting to know CCALT is that this is an organization unlike any other in the state and perhaps the country," said Peter Maiurro, El Pomar Vice President. "Colorado's natural environment is its most precious resource and CCALT has found a way to creatively bring together conservationists and ranchers to ensure that generations to come will enjoy this treasure. CCALT truly sets the standard for excellence as a dynamic organization that other Colorado nonprofits can emulate."



Maggie Hanna, Gael and Jay Fetcher, Penny Lewis, Chris West and Peter Maiurro (left to right)

Awards for Excellence annually recognizes the state's highest performing nonprofit organizations. Since its inception in 1989, the program has awarded more than \$5 million in grants to more than 400 nonprofit organizations throughout the state.

For more information about this award and to view the CCALT video please visit www.ccalt.org