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BEARTOOTH ALLIANCE (COOKE CITY, MONT.) RECORDS

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HISTORY

The Beartooth Alliance was a local conservation advocacy organization that operated in Cooke City, Montana. It was formed and lead by Sue and Ralph Glidden with a goal of preventing the reopening of the New World Mine near Cooke City, on the boundary with Yellowstone National Park. The group worked to build community participation as well as to generate publicity and to advocate to public officials. The group was ultimately successful in its goals and was a party to the agreement signed by President Bill Clinton on August 26, 1995, that prevented development of the site and provided for site clean-up of existing mine waste.

DESCRIPTION

The collection consists of the organizational records for the Beartooth Alliance (Cooke City, Mont.), a conservation organization that advocated for and was a party to the New World Mine Agreement in 1995. The collection consists of correspondence, speeches and meeting notes, photographs, news articles, and awards. The correspondence includes letters written to and from public officials, including Montana Senator Max Baucus and U. S. President Bill Clinton. Speeches, meeting notes, and photographs document public meetings, probably in Cooke City or Bozeman, Montana. The news articles include clippings and publications from newspapers and magazines, which reported on the effort and the potential impact that the mine would have on the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. The awards include thank you letters and certificates recognizing the Glidden's for their efforts.

PROVENANCE

Gift of Sue and Ralph Glidden, 2021.

AVAILABILITY

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