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## Land Trust needs \$29,000 to acquire Duff Ranch

The Land Trust needs just \$29,000 more to buy the 1,000-acre Duff Ranch, the last link in the ridge-top chain from Robert Louis Stevenson State Park on Mount St. Helena and Angwin. A \$100,000 challenge grant from Mary Novak of Spottswoode inspired more than \$180,000 in gifts from 221 donors, including one for \$100,000 from Barbara and Warren Winiarski (The Winiarskis earlier gave the same toward acquiring the adjacent 2,000-acre Wildlake Ranch). The project was kicked off with \$500,000 from Bart and Daphne Araujo. In all, the Land Trust needed \$4.3 million to buy the property and protect the eastern hills of Northern Napa Valley. Would you like to be the one who puts the campaign over the top? Contact John Hoffnagle at the Land Trust of Napa Valley, [john@napalandtrust.org](mailto:john@napalandtrust.org) or 252-3270. The Land Trust has protected 50,000 acres of Napa County, more than is planted to grapes.

**Sterling donates \$30,000 to Land Trust** Speaking of the Land Trust, Sterling Vineyards has donated \$30,000 to the Land Trust from the sale of the 2004 Napa Valley Wildlake Ranch Merlot. Sterling has also just released the 2005 vintage of Wildlake Ranch Merlot, which benefits the Land Trust's preservation of the Duff and Wildlake Ranch properties in the eastern viewshed of Napa Valley. The entire eastern view from Sterling's terrace is the Duff and Wildlake Ranch ridgeline. Available only at the winery, the 2005 Wildlake Ranch Merlot retails for \$50, with \$10 per bottle sold donated to the Land Trust.