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My Fellow Americans:

It's that time—time to reveal the **2010 Land Report 100**.

Yes, Ted Turner is still at the very top. America's largest landowner started off the year with more than 2 million acres to his name, and he added to that total when he acquired Georgia's 8,800-acre Nonami Plantation from longtime friend Tom Cousins. Credit Turner's love of quail hunting for the purchase of this prime habitat.

Liberty Media CEO John Malone made the biggest purchase of the year when he bought New Mexico's 290,100-acre Bell Ranch from the Lane family. As previously reported, the deal closed on August 17, and the acquisition moved Malone into the uppermost tier with 1.2 million acres.

In another major move, our research team was able to upgrade St. Louis Rams majority owner Stan Kroenke up from No. 12 to No. 10 in this year's rankings, thanks to more conclusive reports on his ranch holdings.

There are dozens of other stories to tell about America's leading landowners, and they're all available at LandReport.com.

And remember,

Buy Land!

Eric O'Keefe
Editor & Broker



Top Ten U.S. Landowners

- 1. Ted Turner**
2+ million acres
- 2. Red Emmerson**
1.722 million acres
- 3. Brad Kelley**
1.7 million acres
- 4. Irving Family**
1.2 million acres
- 4. John Malone**
1.2 million acres
- 6. Singleton Family**
1.11 million acres
- 7. King Ranch**
911,215 acres
- 8. Pingree Heirs**
830,000 acres
- 9. Reed Family**
770,000 acres
- 10. Stan Kroenke**
740,000 acres

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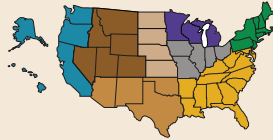
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ONLINE



UNITED STATES

LOOPNET ACQUIRES LANDSOFAMERICA.

The online real estate landscape entered a new phase on September 14 when LoopNet Inc. (LOOP) announced the acquisition of LandsofAmerica, the operator of the largest and most heavily trafficked online marketplace specializing in land. San Francisco-based LoopNet, which operates the largest online commercial real estate marketplace, will now feature more than 200,000 active land listings for sale across LoopNet.com, LandsofAmerica.com, and LandAndFarm.com. LandsofAmerica founders Allen Shannon and Jake Massengale will continue with LoopNet. (In the interest of full disclosure, for sale listings at LandReport.com are powered by LandsofAmerica.com.)



PACIFIC

AUCTION

Oregon Timberland

STATE OF OREGON TO SELL OFF SEVEN TIMBER TRACTS.

Investors are waiting and watching to see if the State Land Board votes to authorize the auctioning of seven timber tracts in November. The board's August meeting was cancelled, and the matter tabled until the October 12 meeting. Parcels range in size from 39 acres to 311 acres; reserves range from \$67,500 to \$1.5M. For more details, go to [Realty Marketing/Northwest](#).



WEST

FOR SALE

Colorado Ranchland

3,000+ ACRES IN SAN MIGUEL COUNTY – \$19.7M.

In and around Telluride, large parcels are the exception, not the rule, which is why Canyon Creek Ranch is such a trophy property. In addition to historic homesteads and other improvements, the 3,055-acre tract includes 9

trout ponds and features 3 miles of Uncompahgre National Forest access. Also available in 1,000-acre parcels. More information is available from the Peaks Real Estate website [HERE](#).

CONCERGE AUCTIONS

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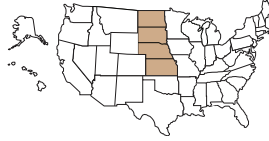
STATE TAX



NORTHEAST

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE CONSIDERS NATURAL GAS LEVY.

The Keystone State is getting ever closer to imposing a tax on natural gas drawn from the Marcellus Shale. The size of the Marcellus is unprecedented in the U.S. According to researchers at Penn State, the Marcellus has the potential to be the second largest natural gas field in the world. Gov. Ed Rendell's office announced that under the currently proposed plan, such a tax would generate \$280M in FY 2011. The contentious policy issue is at the center of a tug of war between House Democrats and Senate Republicans. Read more about the economic impact of the Marcellus Shale [HERE](#).



GREAT PLAINS

AUCTION

Kansas Ranchland

FLINT HILLS RANCH ON THE BLOCK

OCTOBER 19-20. At 7,000± acres, the Clay White Ranch is a turnkey cattle operation located 35 miles northeast of Wichita, Kansas. The ranch will be offered in tracts as well as in its entirety; in addition to well-watered pastures, it includes 180 acres of farmland and 1,000± acres of brome hay ground. The ranch's Angus herd will be sold separately. Complete details available at WhiteRanchAuction.com.



MIDWEST

VALUES

Illinois Farmland

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS FARM SELLS FOR

\$7,000 PER ACRE. Prices for farmland continue to climb as demand for U.S. commodities shows no signs of slowing down. In yet another example of this trend, a 100-acre tract that belonged to the heirs of Albert and Norma Stocke sold at auction

on September 9 for \$720,800 (\$7,208 per acre), including the buyer's premium. Previous highs were \$5,210 per acre (private treaty) and \$5,200 per acre (auction).

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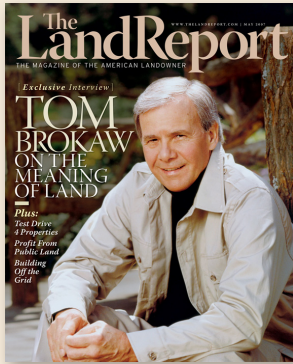
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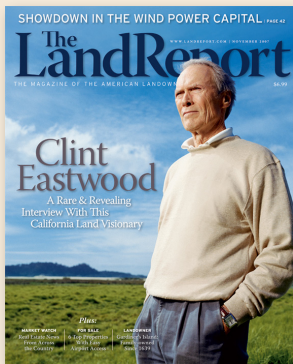
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GREAT LAKES

RECREATION

Duck Hunting Down

DRAINAGE OF PRIVATE LAND DROPS HUNTER NUMBERS.

Minnesota's Department of Natural Resources has seen a huge decrease in the number of duck hunters. Among the reasons cited are time constraints, shifts in migratory patterns, and declining quality and quantity of habitat. "Drainage on private land has got us to where we are today. If the seasonal and temporary wetlands were still here, we wouldn't be having this conversation. They are just gone, and no one blinked an eye," DNR Wildlife Section Chief Dennis Simon told the *Star Tribune*. Read the entire story [HERE](#).



NORTHEAST

AUCTION

Massachusetts Forestland

SEALED BID AUCTION OF 843 ACRES TWO HOURS FROM BOSTON AND MANHATTAN.

Great Rock Real Estate is touting its October 20 auction of the Twining Lake Property as "the largest piece of land currently listed for sale in Massachusetts." The rolling tract "at the foothills of the Berkshire Mountains" features a 125-acre lake and 900 feet of frontage on the Farmington River. Register online for more information [HERE](#).



SOUTH

ACQUISITION

Louisiana Timberland

WREDCO MARKETING 6,000 ACRES IN SOUTH LOUISIANA.

The wholly-owned subsidiary of forests products giant Weyerhaeuser Company announced the sale of a mix of timber and recreational land, rural residential sites, and development tracts. The properties are a minor percentage of the 1+ million acres that Weyerhaeuser currently owns in Louisiana; timber is the state's largest cash crop. Information on WREDCO properties is available at [website](#).

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