



A NATURAL CHOICE

The Vail Valley community has embraced the Gore Range Natural Science School's goal of creating a new Avon campus just north of I-70's main Avon interchange.

Fundraising has garnered over \$10 million for the facility and groundbreaking

is this summer. The Tang family donated the five-acre parcel.

The non-profit science school provides high quality, educational programming to more than 23,000 residents and visitors to the community each year. The new campus will allow for an even greater impact, espe-

cially on local students and teachers. The campus, just north of the corner of Nottingham and Buck Creek Roads, boasts incredible natural features such as Buck Creek, which flows through the property, a spring fed pond, aspen stands, pine forests and easy access to Forest Service land.

The environmentally sensitive plan for the campus includes an interactive Mountain Discovery Center (which will also house their administrative offices and conference facilities), two state of the art science classroom buildings, a multi-purpose community hall that will accommodate speaker's series and student programs, and a graduate fellows' residence that will house the graduate fellows who conduct the school's high quality natural science programming.

For more information about the project or the campaign, call Doug Dusenberry at 970-827-9725, x21, or visit the school's www.gorerange.org.