



## Red Mountain District - Open Space Operations

### General-

- Attended Agricultural Advisory Board (AAB) , Habitat Partnership Program (HPP) and Open Lands Advisory Board (OLAB) meetings
- Worked with private contractor to remove 140' tower at Horsetooth Mountain that was no longer in use
- Larimer County survey crew and Red Mountain District staff placed Forest Service signs along three miles of the Forest Service, Eagle's Nest and private property boundary; this project should go along way in defining private and public property boundaries in the Eagle's Nest area for hunters and other recreationists
- Attended bison reintroduction planning meetings in preparation for release on November 1st
- Worked with Engineering to develop Soderberg trailhead reconfiguration drawings
- Met with Traffic Operations Manager to evaluate county road signs along Shoreline Drive and Minuteman Drive as requested by neighbors

### Rangers-

- Hosted eighth annual Blue Sky marathon at Horsetooth Mountain and Blue Sky trail, 225 participants
- Developed new hunting boundary sign/map for Eagle's Nest Open Space for kiosk and Forest Service access
- Deer and elk season started at Red Mountain Open Space on October 19<sup>th</sup> , weekdays only
- Rangers participated in CSU homecoming parade

### Maintenance/Projects/Leases-

- Completed all Ag conservation easement monitoring; photos and reports mailed to owners, NRCS and Fort Collins NA
- Conducted volunteer clean up day with residents from Manor Ridge HOA at Long View Farm Open Space
- Shut down developed water systems at Red Mountain and Eagle's Nest for the winter
- Replaced crusher fines with concrete at day use picnic sites at River Bluffs trailhead to reduce maintenance after high water/spring run off
- Free firewood program completed at Horsetooth Mountain, we removed 124 pick up loads of wood over seven weekends from August through October; many happy citizens
- Removed southern loafing shed and repaired northern loafing shed in corral at McGraw house at Red Mountain
- Installed 1000+' pipe, two water troughs and overflow pond at RMOS Rawhide Pasture
- Trimmed and pruned several trees at the entrance to River Bluffs trailhead so that visitors leaving the open space can see while turning onto County Road 32E