



OPEN LANDS ADVISORY BOARD (OLAB)

AGENDA

DATE: November 18, 2015

TIME: 5:00-7:45pm – Northern Colorado Regional Open Space boards annual meeting
8:00 – 9:00pm – Open Lands Advisory Board meeting

LOCATION: City of Loveland Chilson Recreation Center • Cherry Room • 700 E 4th St., Loveland CO

Please call 970-619-4592 if you are unable to attend a meeting. Votes require a quorum. Thanks!

- 1) CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
- 2) PUBLIC COMMENT
- 3) AGENDA REVIEW
- 4) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES
- 5) INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - a. Ten bison were released as part of the Laramie Foothills Bison Conservation Herd at Red Mountain Open Space/Soapstone Prairie Natural Area to the excitement of about 400 spectators November 1. Check out the [YouTube video](#) that our own Commissioner Johnson captured!
 - b. Joel Wykoff, LCDNR trails supervisor, retired on October 30th after working 21 years for Larimer County, 15 of those as the trails supervisor under Meegan. During his tenure as the trails supervisor, Joel helped layout and construct over 50 miles of new trails on our open space and parklands and led the charge on maintaining the over 83 miles of trail in our current system. Happy Trails Joel! Our new trails supervisor, Joel Schwab, has worked as LCDNR Trails Technician II for 4 years and comes to LC with over 8 years of professional trails experience.
 - c. Zac is working on a grant application to Overland Mountain Bike Club to help fund trail construction at Devil's Backbone Open Space
 - d. Small Grants site visits are completed.
 - e. A site visit to Fossil Creek is planned for 12/15 330-430 to walk the site and continue discussions about a potential future office and nature center building. We will be joined by the Fort Collins Land Conservation Board and Fort Collins staff. Please RSVP with Sandy.
 - f. The Northern Bike and Ped Conference was a success, with over 140 people in attendance. The Governor and Shailen Bhatt, CDOT Director, addressed the audience and expressed support for more trails and pedestrian infrastructure. A walking audit was conducted around the University of Northern Colorado campus and the economic and health benefits of an active lifestyle were highlighted. Jeffrey represents our department on the NOCO Bike and Ped Collaborative and helped orchestrate this second annual conference!
 - g. Our annual department calendar is complete and with the printer.
 - h. Plans for the 20th anniversary celebration continue to evolve. Staff finalized the 20th anniversary T-shirt – calling Horsetooth Mountain “*our warm-up gig.*”
 - i. Funding was approved for the GOCO Inspire Initiative! We will receive \$50,000 for an 18-month planning effort to determine how best to connect kids to nature.
 - j. School field trips are in full swing and will wrap up mid-November.
 - k. Presented to CSU students about the department and the Plug in to Nature/Inspire projects
 - l. Zach Schierl hosted two astrophotography workshops at Devil's Backbone with great attendance and an article in the Reporter-Herald.
 - m. Working on funding / grant opportunities for CPR training equipment purchase
 - n. Open Space Operations District Reports
 - o. Sales Tax Report from prior month

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- 6) DISCUSSION & UPDATES
 - a. Small Grants for Community Partnering presentation & committee recommendation
- 7) ACTION ITEMS
 - a. Approve Small Grants for Community Partnering 2016 committee recommendation
 - b. Final Review: Partnership request from Loveland for the Luxor LLC/Beierwaltes property in southwest Loveland. - pgs 12-15
- 8) EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to C.R.S. (24-6-402(4)(a) for discussion of the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real or personal property interest,
 - a. There will be an Executive Session
- 9) ADJOURN

Included in PDF:

- Agenda
- Minutes of last meeting
- Open Space Operations District Reports
- Sales tax report for prior month
- Small Grants for Community Partnering recommendations
- Final Review
- CapDev&Acq Summary 11-12-15 update

Attached Separately:

1. News articles