LARIMER COUNTY
COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE

OPEN LANDS ADVISORY BOARD (OLAB)
AGENDA

DATE: August 25, 2016
TIME: 5:00- 8:00 PM
LOCATION: Loveland City Council Chambers • Civic Center Municipal Bldg •500 E 3rd 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. The Malchow property acquisition closed on 8/8 – hooray! The property will temporarily be called the Little Thompson Farm until a naming process is undertaken. A GOCO grant was submitted on 8/19 for an $800,000 request.
   b. The Ward property partnership with Loveland will be reviewed by the Board of Commissioners on 8/23/16. Loveland hopes to close the deal on 8/25/16.
   c. The Board of Commissioners approved the latest update to the OLAB bylaws. All OLAB members are also receiving a hard copy for their handbooks.
   d. Work continues on the three buildings at Horsetooth Reservoir. The maintenance building was turned over to us on June 24. We will move into the admin building the last week of August. The admin building should be open to the public the second week of September.
   e. Met with City of Fort Collins Natural Areas to develop NoCo Trail Report marketing plan; website with trail conditions should launch late summer/early fall
   f. Conducted 2016 dark sky monitoring with Fort Collins, Boulder and National Park Service on with volunteer assistance.
   g. The Laramie Foothills Bison Conservation Project was given honorable mention for a Larimer County Innovation Award!
   h. Met with City of Cheyenne to learn status of its planning for the Belvoir Ranch and specifically Big Hole Open Space – still no funding to implement access or planning.
   i. City of Greeley's water pipeline drilling will occur on Lions Open Space through the end of the year. Restoration of the disturbed area is being coordinated with Greeley.
   j. Lions Open Space Bank Stabilization Phase II construction is scheduled to begin in early September on both the east and west banks.
   k. We have not yet heard back about if we were awarded a Wetlands for Wildlife grant from CPW for the River Bluffs Restoration and Resiliency Project. We anticipate knowing more by the Sept. meeting.
   l. Received 30 applications for the Fund Dev & Spec projects position. We hope to present the successful candidate to you at the September meeting!
   m. Small Grants for Community Partnering announcements have been distributed and are on the website. They are due 9/16. Please encourage any projects or groups that might benefit from this program.

       n. 20th anniversary celebration invites have been mailed for the 9/22 event at Horsetooth. Hoping for 100-150 people to attend.

       o. COSA conference registration – who registered and can attend?

       p. Open Space Operations District Reports

       q. Sales Tax Revenue Distribution Report

       r. Natural Resources events/registration and NR News

6) DISCUSSION & UPDATES

       a. NOCO Trail map app demo - Teddy

       b. Little Thompson Farm Draft Stewardship Plan presentation - Meegan

       c. Hermit Park Open Space Presentation and Budget Request Review – Meegan and Chris Fleming

       d. Financial analysis of the Help Preserve Open Spaces Longterm Management Fund - Lori

7) ACTION ITEMS

       a. Hermit Park Open Space Budget Request

8) OTHER BUSINESS

9) 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, YES

10) ADJOURN

Included in PDF:	*Attached Separately:*
• Agenda	1. News articles
• Minutes of last meeting	2. Updated & signed bylaws
• Open Space Operations District Reports	3. Malchow Stewardship Plan draft
• Sales Tax Revenue Distribution Report	
• Farm draft Stewardship Plan presentation	
• Hermit Park Open Space Presentation and Budget Request Review	
• Financial analysis of the Help Preserve Open Spaces Long-term Management Fund	

The mission of the Larimer County Open Lands Program is to preserve and protect significant open space, natural areas, wildlife habitat, and develop parks and trails for present and future generations. These open lands provide opportunities for leisure, human renewal and protection of our natural and cultural resources