

COLORADO DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE

2015 Recreational Trails Grant Update
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PURPOSE:

To update the Parks and Wildlife Commission (the Commission) on the 2015 Recreational (non-motorized) Trail Grant Applications received.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Colorado Parks and Wildlife Division’s (CPW) Trails Program, a statewide program within the division, administers grants for trail-related projects on an annual basis. Local, county, and state governments, federal agencies, special recreation districts, and non-profit organizations with management responsibilities over public lands may apply for and are eligible to receive non-motorized and motorized trail grants. Successful trail projects must support the goals of the State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) and the Strategic Plan of the State Trails Program.

Colorado’s Non-motorized Trails Program

CPW’s Non-Motorized Trails Program was created with the adoption of Colorado’s “Recreational Trails Act of 1971” codified in sections 33-11-101 through 33-11-112, Colorado Revised Statutes. The Non-motorized Grant Program is a multi-agency funding partnership that includes Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO), Colorado Lottery, Federal Recreational Trails Program funds (RTP) and Federal Land and Water Conservation funds (LWCF). This Grant Program provides funding for trail planning projects as well as small and large trail construction and maintenance projects.

The State Recreational Trails Committee

The authorities and the roles of the State Recreational Trails Committee (the Committee) are set forth in sections 33-11-105 through 33-11-107, Colorado Revised Statutes. The Committee consists of nine members appointed by the Commission representing each of Colorado’s seven congressional districts, one member appointed from the state at large and one member that represents the GOCO Board. The Committee also serves as Colorado’s State Recreational Trail Advisory Committee as required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to be eligible for RTP funds. To be in compliance with federal RTP funding eligibility rules, committee membership must include trail users and there must be representation of both off-road motorized recreational trail users and non-motorized recreational trail interests.

The Committee oversees the annual trail grant application review, scoring and ranking processes and submits its recommendations for grant funding strategies to the Commission for their review, consideration and final approval. Appendix A lists the current Committee members.

Commission Policy A-104 further defines the operational responsibilities of the Committee. Through Policy A-104, the Commission has authorized a subcommittee structure to assist the

Committee in formulating its grant recommendations. Subcommittee members are appointed to the subcommittees for the purpose of reviewing and ranking grant applications and compiling funding recommendations for the Committee's consideration.

CPW's trail grant application review and ranking process follows a four-tiered review and approval protocol. All grant applications are first reviewed by CPW wildlife field biologists and regional CPW staff. This process allows CPW to flag potential wildlife issues prior to the review by the subcommittees. While concerns may be flagged during this review, CPW's field staff will attempt to resolve these concerns prior to the subcommittee's review.

Applications are then evaluated by the grant review and ranking subcommittees which score and rank the trail grant applications in order of their recommended funding priority. The ranked applications are then passed to the Committee which evaluates the applications in ranked order and recommends funding strategies to the Commission and the Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Board, when a GOCO funding award is recommended. The Commission and the GOCO Board provides the final funding approval to the projects receiving grant allocations.

To solicit public comment and review of the 2015 non-motorized grant applications submitted for funding consideration, the applications are posted on the CPW Trails Program's website and every public comment is evaluated as part of a subcommittee's grant review and ranking process. This process also invites public review and comment at four separate stages; upon submission, before the subcommittees, before the State Trails Committee and before the Commission.

DISCUSSION AND SUMMARY:

The 2015 non-motorized grant applications were received up until the 5:00 pm November 3rd, 2014 deadline. Funding requests and information from these applications are summarized in the spreadsheets attached. CPW received 22 Recreational Trail Grant Applications representing a total grant request of \$2,678,770.60. There were 14 applications submitted in the Large Grant category requesting \$2.3 million, 3 in the Small Grant category requesting \$134,283, and 5 in the Planning/Support category requesting \$186,507. The percentage of total funds requested in the Large, Small, and Planning categories were 88%, 5% and 7%, respectively. (Appendix B)

The recommended allocation of non-motorized grant funds available:

\$1,729,538.95 in the large category (88%)
\$ 98,494.31 in the small category (5%)
\$ 136,799.74 in the planning/support category (7%)

All of the non-motorized and motorized grant applications received for the 2014-2015 Colorado State Trails Grant cycle are posted on the CPW website for review and comment. The web address for the non-motorized grant applications is:

<http://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/TrailsGrantsNM-Maps.aspx>

All public comments must be submitted in writing by the close of business on Friday, January 9, 2015 by 5:00 p.m. Mountain Time. Comments may be submitted by email to the following web site: trails@state.co.us

Pursuant to the Commission's Policy A-104, Committee members shall chair the Committee's subcommittees assigned to review and rank the non-motorized grant applications.

- The Large Construction/Maintenance subcommittee chair – Matt Sugar
- The Small Construction/Maintenance subcommittee chair – Bill Koerner
- The Planning/Support subcommittee chair – Kristina Kibler

Scores from the subcommittee process must be submitted to the Trails Program offices or staff in Littleton by the end of business on Monday, January 20, 2015 to be included in the committee's final grant application evaluation process.

It is anticipated that the State Recreational Trails Committee will meet on January 30, 2015 to finalize their funding recommendations and move those recommendations to the Commission in March, 2015 for final action.

Grant application summaries are attached for the Commission's and public review. (Appendix C)

DIVISION RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

SUGGESTED MOTION:

N/A

Approved for submittal to the Parks and Wildlife Commission

Date

Appendix A - 2014 State Recreational Trails Committee Roster

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	DISTRICT/REPRESENTATION
<p>Kristina Kibler 4101 West 42nd Ave Denver, CO 80212 Phone: (863) 370-2578 E-mail: kristy.kibler@gmail.com</p>	<p>District 1 1st Term Expiration: 06/30/2017 <u>Mountain Bike/Non-motorized</u> Rec. Trail Planning-Support Grant Review Subcommittee Chair</p>
<p>Christian Meyer 2867 Prince Circle Erie CO 80516 Bus: (303) 684-4359 Cell: (303) 588-5194 Email: cmeyer@digitalglobe.com</p>	<p>District 2 1st Term Expiration: 06/30/2017 <u>Non-motorized</u> _STC Committee Chair OHV Subcommittee Non-motorized STC Designee</p>
<p>Dustin Wilkinson 131 Buddy Lane Durango, CO 81303 Home: (970) 903-1893 Email: wilk13@hotmail.com</p>	<p>District 3 1st Term Expiration: 06/30/2016 <u>Motorized/Diversified</u> OHV Subcommittee Chair</p>
<p>Gary Buffington 2755 Willow Creek Drive Ft. Collins, CO 80525 Bus: (970) 679-4560 E-mail: buffingk@co.larimer.co.us</p>	<p>District 4 Term Expiration: 06/30/2015 <u>Government/Non-motorized</u></p>
<p>Bill Koerner 205 Ruxton Ave Manitou Springs, CO 80829 Phone: (719) 684-9811 Cell: (719) 660-9334 E-mail: buffulobill001@gmail.com</p>	<p>District 5 1st Term Expiration: 06/30/2017 <u>Non-motorized</u> Rec. Trail Small Construction/Maintenance Review Subcommittee Chair</p>
<p>Karen Christopherson 26961 Hilltop Road Evergreen, CO 80439 Bus: (303) 674-0252 E-mail: krc@coloradofishing.net</p>	<p>District 6 Term Expiration: 06/30/2015 <u>Diversified</u></p>
<p>John Marriott 5595 Carr St. Arvada, CO 80002 Cell: (720) 273-3912 E-mail: john@larsonsport.com</p>	<p>District 7 2nd Term Expiration: 06/30/2017 <u>Diversified</u> OHV Subcommittee Vice-Chair and Multiple-Use STC Designee</p>
<p>Janelle Kukuk 2889 USFS Road 509 Creede, CO 81130 Phone: (719) 658-2221 E-mail: kukuk@fone.net</p>	<p>At Large 1st Term Expiration 06/30/2016 <u>Diversified</u> STC Committee Vice Chair Snowmobile Representative Snowmobile Subcommittee Chair</p>
<p>Matthew Sugar Po Box 1125 Winter Park, CO 80482 Phone: 303-356-4002 Email: matthewsugar@msn.com</p>	<p>GOCO Representative 1st Term Expiration: 06/30/2017 Rec. Trail Large Construction/Maintenance Review Subcommittee Chair</p>

Appendix B

2015 TRAIL GRANTS												
Grant App Number	Grant Category	Project Name	Project Sponsor	Project Contact Name	Email Address	Total Cost	Amount Requested	County	Nearest Town or City	Region	Youth Corps Weeks	Youth Corps Amount
1	Large	Ridgway Trails Project	Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Trail Association - Ridgway Trails Chapter (COPMOBA/RAT)	Rodney Fitzhugh	fitzear1953@gmail.com	\$ 260,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	Ouray	Ridgway	Northwest	8	\$ 50,400.00
2	Large	McPhee Overlook Trail	USFS San Juan National Forest Dolores Ranger District	Tom Rice	thomasbrice@fs.fed.us	\$ 209,229.40	\$ 105,600.00	Montezuma	Dolores	Southwest	12	\$ 75,600.00
3	Large	West Tollgate Creek Replacement - E. Iliff Ave. to E. Hampden Ave.	City of Aurora - Parks, Recreation, & Open Space	Tracy Young	tyoung@auroragov.org	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 350,000.00	Arapahoe	Aurora	Northeast	0	\$ -
4	Large	San Luis Valley - Stone Quarry and Pronghorn Trail Systems	San Luis Valley Great Outdoors Coalition	Karla Shriver	karla.shriver@gmail.com	\$ 155,440.60	\$ 79,476.60	Rio Grande	Del Norte	Southwest	12	\$ 52,656.00
5	Large	Cottonwood Trail Construction/Reconstruction Project	Salida Mountain Trails	Michael Smith	mikecolorado@msn.com	\$ 132,250.00	\$ 72,350.00	Chaffee	Salida	Southeast	0	
6	Support	Colorado Trail Training	Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado	Dean Winstanley	dean@voc.org	\$ 58,497.00	\$ 44,907.00	Statewide	Statewide	All	0	\$ -
7	Large	Pagosa Regional Trail Project	Archuleta County	Brentley Henderson	bhenderson@archuletacounty.org	\$ 659,129.00	\$ 199,645.00	Archuleta	Pagosa Springs	Southwest	0	\$ -
8	Large	Trail Reconstruction-Great Western Trail-Eaton to Severance, CO	Great Western Trail Authority	Thomas Jones	trjdv@aol.com	\$ 775,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	Weld	Eaton and Severance	Northeast	0	\$ -
9	Small	Grand Valley Trail Crew - Maintenance	BLM, Grand Junction Field Office	Collin Ewing	cewing@blm.gov	\$ 65,500.00	\$ 45,000.00	Mesa	Fruita	Northwest	1	\$ 5,460.00
10	Small	Howelsen Hill Directional Biking Trails	City of Steamboat Springs	Craig Robinson	crobinson@steamboatsprings.net	\$ 80,700.00	\$ 44,870.00	Routt	Steamboat Springs	Northwest	2	\$ 12,600.00
11	Planning	Bridgeport Underpass Project	Mesa County	Connie Hahn	connie.hahn@mesacounty.us	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	Mesa	Grand Junction	Northwest	0	\$ -
12	Large	Columbia Trail Reconstruction Project (Phase 1)	Colorado Fourteeners Initiative	Lloyd Athearn	lloyd@14ers.org	\$ 341,794.00	\$ 200,000.00	Chaffee	Buena Vista	Southeast	24	\$ 148,800.00
13	Large	Colorado Front Range Trail - Loveland to Fort Collins Connection	Larimer County Natural Resources Department	Jeffrey Boring	jboring@larimer.org	\$ 1,021,701.00	\$ 350,000.00	Larimer	Fort Collins and Loveland	Northeast	0	\$ -
14	Planning	Rito Seco Park to Batenburg Meadows Trail Project	Costilla County	Ben Doon	ben.doon@costillacounty-co.gov	\$ 45,100.00	\$ 31,500.00	Costilla	San Luis	Southwest	0	\$ -
15	Large	Scraggy Trail - Southside and Westside	Colorado Mountain Bike Association (COMBA)	Jason Bertolacci	jason@comba.org	\$ 126,462.00	\$ 96,562.00	Jefferson, Park	Bailey	Northeast	1	\$ 6,100.00
16	Large	Old Sopris Trail Land Acquisition - Section Two	City of Trinidad	Louis Fineberg	louis.fineberg@trinidad.co.gov	\$ 286,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	Las Animas	Trinidad	Southeast	0	\$ -
17	Large	CFRT - Erger's Pond Open Space Section	City of Brighton	Gary Wardle	gwardle@brightonco.gov	\$ 184,120.00	\$ 110,470.00	Adams	Brighton	Northeast	2	\$ 11,700.00
18	Small	Priority 1 Trail Repairs: Boulder Ranger District	Boulder Mountainbike Alliance	Mimi Mather	mimi@roothousestudio.com	\$ 178,762.00	\$ 44,413.00	Boulder	Allenspark and Nederland	Northeast	11	\$ 71,500.00
19	Large	WRV 2016 Partnership for Stewardship	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	Ed Self	edself@wrv.org	\$ 629,786.00	\$ 139,877.00	Boulder, Jefferson, Larimer	Ward, Evergreen, Nederland, Fort Collins	Northeast	5	\$ 30,900.00
20	Support	WRV 2015-2017 Trail Volunteer Leadership, Tool, & Infrastructure Capacity	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	Sarah Egolf	sarah@wrv.org	\$ 146,881.00	\$ 45,000.00	Front Range	Front Range		0	\$ -
21	Large	Cochetopa Hills CDT/CT Construction Project	Continental Divide Trail Coalition	Teresa Martinez	tmartinez@continentaldividetrail.org	\$ 358,500.00	\$ 194,000.00	Saguache	Saguache	Southwest	6	\$ 45,000.00
22	Planning	West Avon Preserve Non-Motorized Trail Planning	Town of Avon	Matt Pielsticker	mpielsticker@avon.org	\$ 1,020,100.00	\$ 20,100.00	Eagle	Avon	Northwest	0	\$ -
						TOTAL:	\$ 7,534,952.00	\$ 2,678,770.60	Total Youth Corps:		84	\$ 510,716.00
Number of Applications		Total Amount Requested		Percentage of Total Requested Funds		Recommended Allocation						
Large	14	\$	2,357,980.60	88%	\$	1,729,538.95						
Small	3	\$	134,283.00	5%	\$	98,494.31						
Planning/Support	5	\$	186,507.00	7%	\$	136,799.74						
Total	22	\$	2,678,770.60	100%	\$	1,964,833.00						
Estimated Funds Available		\$	1,964,833.00									
Total Project Costs												
Large		\$	5,839,412.00									
Small		\$	324,962.00									
Planning/Support		\$	1,370,578.00									
Total		\$	7,534,952.00									

GRANTS BY CATEGORY

CONSTRUCTION LARGE								
	Grant App Number	Grant Category	Project Name	Project Sponsor	Amount Requested	County	Contact	Email Address
8:30	1	Large	Ridgway Trails Project	Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Trail Association - Ridgway Trails Chapter (COPMOBA/RAT)	\$ 60,000.00	Ouray	Rodney Fitzhugh	fitzearl1953@gmail.com
8:50	2	Large	McPhee Overlook Trail	USFS San Juan National Forest Dolores Ranger District	\$ 105,600.00	Montezuma	Tom Rice	thomasbrice@fs.fed.us
9:10	3	Large	West Tollgate Creek Replacement - E. Iliff Ave. to E. Hampden Ave.	City of Aurora - Parks, Recreation, & Open Space	\$ 350,000.00	Arapahoe	Tracy Young	tyoung@auroragov.org
9:30	4	Large	San Luis Valley - Stone Quarry and Pronghorn Trail Systems	San Luis Valley Great Outdoors Coalition	\$ 79,476.60	Rio Grande	Karla Shriver	karla.shriver@gmail.com
9:50	5	Large	Cottonwood Trail Construction/Reconstruction Project	Salida Mountain Trails	\$ 72,350.00	Chaffee	Michael Smith	mikecolorado@msn.com
10:10	7	Large	Pagosa Regional Trail Project	Archuleta County	\$ 199,645.00	Archuleta	Brentley Henderson	bhenderson@archuletacounty.org
10:20	8	Large	Trail Reconstruction-Great Western Trail-Eaton to Severance, CO	Great Western Trail Authority	\$ 200,000.00	Weld	Thomas Jones	trjdvm@aol.com
10:50	12	Large	Columbia Trail Reconstruction Project (Phase 1)	Colorado Fourteeners Initiative	\$ 200,000.00	Chaffee	Lloyd Atheam	lloyd@14ers.org
11:10	13	Large	Colorado Front Range Trail - Loveland to Fort Collins Connection	Larimer County Natural Resources Department	\$ 350,000.00	Larimer	Jeffrey Boring	jboring@larimer.org
11:30	15	Large	Scraggy Trail - Southside and Westside	Colorado Mountain Bike Association (COMBA)	\$ 96,562.00	Jefferson, Park	Jason Bertolacci	jason@comba.org
12:20	16	Large	Old Sopris Trail Land Acquisition - Section Two	City of Trinidad	\$ 200,000.00	Las Animas	Louis Fineberg	louis.fineberg@trinidad.co.gov
1:00	17	Large	CFRT - Erger's Pond Open Space Section	City of Brighton	\$ 110,470.00	Adams	Gary Wardle	gwardle@brightonco.gov
1:20	19	Large	WRV 2016 Partnership for Stewardship	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	\$ 139,877.00	Boulder, Jefferson, Larimer	Ed Self	edself@wrv.org
1:40	21	Large	Cochetopa Hills CDT/CT Construction Project	Continental Divide Trail Coalition	\$ 194,000.00	Saguache	Teresa Martinez	tmartinez@continentaldivide trail.org
				Total Large Requested:	\$ 2,357,980.60			
CONSTRUCTION SMALL								
	Grant App Number	Grant Category	Project Name	Project Sponsor	Amount Requested	County	Contact	Email Address
2:20	9	Small	Grand Valley Trail Crew - Maintenance	BLM, Grand Junction Field Office	\$ 45,000.00	Mesa	Collin Ewing	cewing@blm.gov
2:40	10	Small	Howelsen Hill Directional Biking Trails	City of Steamboat Springs	\$ 44,870.00	Routt	Craig Robinson	crobinson@steamboatsprings.net
3:00	18	Small	Priority 1 Trail Repairs: Boulder Ranger District	Boulder Mountainbike Alliance	\$ 44,413.00	Boulder	Mimi Mather	mimi@roothousestudio.com
				Total Small Requested:	\$ 134,283.00			
PLANNING/SUPPORT								
	Grant App Number	Grant Category	Project Name	Project Sponsor	Amount Requested	County	Contact	Email Address
3:20	11	Planning	Bridgeport Underpass Project	Mesa County	\$ 45,000.00	Mesa	Connie Hahn	connie.hahn@mesacounty.us
3:40	14	Planning	Rito Seco Park to Batenburg Meadows Trail Project	Costilla County	\$ 31,500.00	Costilla	Ben Doon	ben.doon@costillacounty-co.gov
4:00	22	Planning	West Avon Preserve Non-Motorized Trail Planning	Town of Avon	\$ 20,100.00	Eagle	Matt Pielsticker	mpielsticker@avon.org
4:20	6	Support	Colorado Trail Training	Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado	\$ 44,907.00	Statewide	Dean Winstanley	dean@voc.org
4:40	20	Support	WRV 2015-2017 Trail Volunteer Leadership, Tool, & Infrastructure Capacity	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	\$ 45,000.00	Front Range	Sarah Egolf	sarah@wrv.org
				Total Planning/Support Requested:	\$ 186,507.00			
				Total Amount Requested:	\$ 2,678,770.60			

GRANTS BY REGION

North West						
Grant App Number	Grant Category	Project Name	Project Sponsor	County	Total Cost	Amount Requested
1	Large	Ridgway Trails Project	Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Trail Association - Ridgway Trails Chapter (COPMOBA/RAT)	Ouray	\$ 260,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
9	Small	Grand Valley Trail Crew - Maintenance	BLM, Grand Junction Field Office	Mesa	\$ 65,500.00	\$ 45,000.00
10	Small	Howelsen Hill Directional Biking Trails	City of Steamboat Springs	Routt	\$ 80,700.00	\$ 44,870.00
11	Planning	Bridgeport Underpass Project	Mesa County	Mesa	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
22	Planning	West Avon Preserve Non-Motorized Trail Planning	Town of Avon	Eagle	\$ 1,020,100.00	\$ 20,100.00
					Total Requested	\$214,970.00
South West						
Grant App Number	Grant Category	Project Name	Project Sponsor	County	Total Cost	Amount Requested
2	Large	McPhee Overlook Trail	USFS San Juan National Forest Dolores Ranger District	Montezuma	\$ 209,229.40	\$ 105,600.00
4	Large	San Luis Valley - Stone Quarry and Pronghorn Trail Systems	San Luis Valley Great Outdoors Coalition	Rio Grande	\$ 155,440.60	\$ 79,476.60
7	Large	Pagosa Regional Trail Project	Archuleta County	Archuleta	\$ 659,129.00	\$ 199,645.00
14	Planning	Rito Seco Park to Batenburg Meadows Trail Project	Costilla County	Costilla	\$ 45,100.00	\$ 31,500.00
21	Large	Cochetopa Hills CDT/CT Construction Project	Continental Divide Trail Coalition	Saguache	\$ 358,500.00	\$ 194,000.00
					Total Requested	\$610,221.60
North East						
Grant App Number	Grant Category	Project Name	Project Sponsor	County	Total Cost	Amount Requested
3	Large	West Tollgate Creek Replacement - E. Iliff Ave. to E. Hampden Ave.	City of Aurora - Parks, Recreation, & Open Space	Arapahoe	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 350,000.00
8	Large	Trail Reconstruction-Great Western Trail-Eaton to Severance, CO	Great Western Trail Authority	Weld	\$ 775,000.00	\$ 200,000.00
13	Large	Colorado Front Range Trail - Loveland to Fort Collins Connection	Larimer County Natural Resources Department	Larimer	\$ 1,021,701.00	\$ 350,000.00
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18	Small	Priority 1 Trail Repairs: Boulder Ranger District	Boulder Mountainbike Alliance	Boulder	\$ 178,762.00	\$ 44,413.00
19	Large	WRV 2016 Partnership for Stewardship	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	Boulder, Jefferson, Larimer	\$ 629,786.00	\$ 139,877.00
					Total Requested	\$1,291,322.00
South East						
Grant App Number	Grant Category	Project Name	Project Sponsor	County	Total Cost	Amount Requested
5	Large	Cottonwood Trail Construction/Reconstruction Project	Salida Mountain Trails	Chaffee	\$ 132,250.00	\$ 72,350.00
12	Large	Columbia Trail Reconstruction Project (Phase 1)	Colorado Fourteeners Initiative	Chaffee	\$ 341,794.00	\$ 200,000.00
16	Large	Old Sopris Trail Land Acquisition - Section Two	City of Trinidad	Las Animas	\$ 286,000.00	\$ 200,000.00
					Total Requested	\$472,350.00
Statewide						
Grant App Number	Grant Category	Project Name	Project Sponsor	County	Total Cost	Amount Requested
6	Support	Colorado Trail Training	Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado	N/A	\$ 58,497.00	\$ 44,907.00
20	Support	WRV 2015-2017 Trail Volunteer Leadership, Tool, & Infrastructure Capacity	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	N/A	\$ 146,881.00	\$ 45,000.00
					Total Requested	\$89,907.00



2015 Non-Motorized Trail Grant Summaries

Project Number	Project Name	Project Sponsor	Grant Type	Amount Requested	Total Cost
1	Ridgway Trails Project	Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Trail Association – Ridgway Area Trails Chapter (COPMOBA/RAT)	Large	\$200,000	\$260,000
Description	<p>Funding from CPW will help COPMOBA implement the Ridgway Comprehensive Travel Management Plan EA which includes a total of 18.5 miles of non-motorized trails which will connect to Ridgway State Park and the Town of Ridgway for over 40 miles of connecting trails. Specifically, this grant will fund 8 miles of new trail construction and one trailhead on BLM land approximately 3 miles from Ridgway. Trail construction will be conducted by a youth corps organization and a professional trail building company. In addition, funding from this grant will pay for trail building supplies, volunteer awards, a project coordinator, and staff salary for grant administration. COPMOBA and the BLM have already completed approximately 6.5 miles of trail construction and funding from this grant will allow us to complete the remaining trail work and one trailhead.</p>				
2	McPhee Overlook Trail	USFS, San Juan Ntl Forest Dolores Ranger District	Large	\$105,600	\$209,229.40
Description	<p>The 7 mile long McPhee Overlook Trail will connect the town of Dolores, CO to over 35 miles of non-motorized single track routes in the Boggy Draw trail system above McPhee Reservoir. In addition to volunteers, we intend to use Southwest Conservation Corps (SCC) and the Forest Service Trails Unlimited crew in coordination with the Dolores Trail Crew.</p> <p>The Forest Service intends to install interpretive panels at both ends of the trail to highlight the cultural resources and geology of the area as well as the importance of water to our local economy and history.</p> <p>Our partners include the Town of Dolores, the Kokopelli Bike Club, Southwest Conservation Corps, landowners, Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, Kokopelli Bike Shop and the Mesa Verde Backcountry Horsemen. Some have pledged cash match support for the project.</p> <p>Forest Service staff has completed the design of the trail. Over 75 days has been devoted to planning layout. District, volunteer and contract archaeologists have spent 15 days on the ground conducting cultural surveys in an effort to route the system around important prehistoric sites. Beginning in September of 2014, SCC crews began working on the town of Dolores’ section of trail. Dolores received \$25,000 of GOCO funds for 4 weeks of work to build the first section of the trail on town property.</p> <p>Successful funding of our grant application will ensure that trail construction already funded by other state grants continues while new trail opportunities become a reality.</p>				
3	West Tollgate Creek Replacement – E. Iliff Ave. to E. Hampden Ave.	City of Aurora – Parks, Recreation, & Open Space	Large	\$350,000	\$700,000
Description	<p>This grant is for the replacement of West Tollgate Creek Trail along Meadowood Creek from Hampden Ave. to Iliff Ave. The 8’ asphalt trail will be replaced with a 10’ concrete trail. Currently the trail has many large parallel and perpendicular cracks causing difficulties for users. The new concrete surface will match the existing improvements made north of Iliff Ave. in 2013. This portion of the trail serves as an important connection for Mission Viejo Park, La Parquita Park, Meadowood Park and Recreation Center, Meadowood Greenbelt, and many adjacent neighborhoods. West</p>				



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Project Number	Project Name	Project Sponsor	Grant Type	Amount Requested	Total Cost
	Tollgate Creek Trail connects with many regional trails such as Unnamed Creek Trail, Cherry Creek Spillway Trail, and Powerline Trail just north of Iliff Ave. in Horseshoe Park. These all connect to the larger metro area regional trail system. This project will improve one of the city's worst sections of trail and provide a safer experience for trail users of all types.				
4	San Luis Valley – Stone Quarry and Pronghorn Trail Systems	San Luis Valley Great Outdoors Coalition	Large	\$79,476	\$155,440
Description	<p>The BLM and the San Luis Valley Great Outdoors (SLVGO) Coalition are requesting funds for the construction of two non-motorized, NEPA approved trails on the western side of the San Luis Valley on BLM lands at the Stone Quarry and Pronghorn areas. 2.5 miles of new trails at the Stone Quarry between Monte Vista and Del Norte will complete the 7.3 miles of approved looping trails there and will connect to Limekiln Open Play Area. 6.5 miles of new trails at Pronghorn just south of Del Norte will create a loop system that connects to Del Norte's Lookout Mountain Park trails system on the north and to forest roads that reach eastward to Limekiln also. This is the first project to come out of the SLVGO recently adopted by Trails and Recreation Plan, a result of an intensive public engagement process extending across the entire Valley in 2013-2014. The plan's first priority initiative is to connect, expand and enhance trails systems throughout the Valley, with youth crews for 12 weeks during the 2015-16 summer seasons and entails the installation of six kiosks and four US Highway 160 signs. Once completed, visitor estimates are 500 to 1,000 unique users per year and up to 7,500 to 10,000 user days. Instrumental in the plan and this grant are the VOC, USFS, CPW, Rio Grande County, High Valley Trail Riders, Adams State University Cycling Team, and the Del Norte Trails Organization.</p>				
5	Cottonwood Trail Construction/Reconstruction Project	Salida Mountain Trails	Large	\$72,350	\$132,250
Description	<p>The Cottonwood Trail Project is located four miles northeast of Salida, CO, and has been approved by the US Forest Service (FS) as referenced in the attached FS Decision Memo. This project will provide 6.1 miles of new non-motorized single-track trail on FS land and will also allow use of an additional 2 miles of existing trail previously approved by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), but not authorized until this 6.1 mile portion is completed.</p> <p>These trail segments will connect to the Arkansas Hills Trail System which is accessible from downtown Salida. This trail will replace a badly eroded social trail that receives substantial use. A new trailhead parking lot will also be provided at the trail's northern terminus to allow for shorter hiking, mountain biking, or running options.</p> <p>This project is a cooperative effort between Salida Mountain Trails (SMT), FS, BLM, and the City of Salida. Planning and design of this 6.1 miles of trail has been completed by the FS and SMT. The first 2.5 miles of this project has been completed as of October 2014. SMT contributed over 1500 volunteer hours and \$24,000 in cash to make this happen.</p> <p>Funds are now required for construction of the remaining 3.6 miles of trail and trailhead parking lot. While volunteer interest is high, we have exhausted a majority of our trail building funds. SMT and the FS are ready to construct the trail utilizing a combination of our resources, local trail building contractors, and Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC). We plan to begin in early 2015 and complete within one year providing we receive funding assistance.</p>				
7	Pagosa Regional Trail Project	Archuleta County	Large	\$199,645	\$659,129



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Description	<p>The Pagosa Regional Trail Project is a regional trail system that will provide new natural and hard surface trail construction in Archuleta County. The proposed trails are part of the Archuleta County Trails Master Plan developed and adopted by the County in 2007 with a high degree of community input and support. This proposed trail project includes the construction of a 1,700 lineal foot, 8 foot wide asphalt trail in the Lake Forest area that will connect into existing asphalt trails near North Pagosa Blvd, Park Avenue and Village Drive (part of a previously State Trails funded project). Additionally, this trail project includes 3,800 lineal feet of hard surface, 4 foot wide crusher fine trail adjacent to North Pagosa Blvd. that will connect into a National Forest Trailhead accessing an amazing natural surface trail in Turkey Springs of the San Juan National Forest. The Southwest Conservation Corps youth will construct 1,000 Lineal feet of natural surface trail which will tie into the Vista Trail and the new Veteran Memorial Park site and Vista Lake. The Pagosa Regional Trail Project includes interconnecting hard surface trails, 8-foot wide asphalt trail construction in the Vista, a 2900 lineal foot segment of asphalt trail North Pagosa Blvd, and a key 230 lineal foot hard surface trail at Pinon Causeway that ties Pagosa Lakes into Phase I, Town to Lakes Trail at Highway 160 that will head east providing non-motorized connectivity between uptown and downtown.</p>				
8	Trail Reconstruction-Great Western Trail-Eaton to Severance, CO	Great Western Trail Authority	Large	\$200,000	\$775,000
Description	<p>The completed trail improvements will include grading of 7.0 miles of former railroad right-of-way between the towns of Eaton and Severance and the application of a crusher fines surface. Construction includes the decking and placing of railings on a trestle over a lake 1.5 miles east of Severance. With the improvements already completed on the Severance to Windsor segment, Eaton will be connected to the Poudre Trail via the Windsor trail system. We anticipate construction starting in the summer of 2016 with completion by the fall of 2016.</p>				
12	Mount Columbia Trail Reconstruction Project (Phase I)	Colorado Fourteeners Initiative	Large	\$200,000	\$341,794
Description	<p>Colorado Fourteeners Initiative will work with Southwest Conservation Corps and volunteers to complete the first phase of a high-priority trail reconstruction project on Mount Columbia in the Sawatch Range near Buena Vista. The two-year project includes 1 mile (5,300 linear feet) of trail reroute/new construction up the peak's southwest flank. Work will build a more sustainably located summit trail to roughly 13,000' and replace the heavily eroded and braided, user-created route that ascends a scree field containing three imperiled alpine tundra plants. The project will protect native vegetation from trampling and siltation, reduce erosion from rain/snowmelt and make a more pleasant/safe tread surface for Columbia hikers. People remarking on the project said Columbia is the 14er in worst shape and commented disparagingly about the current route, which is past the point of natural recovery. The CFI/SCC crew will work out of a backcountry basecamp. Project work includes hauling rocks to the worksite to construct 3,925 sq. ft. of retaining walls, 2,970 linear feet of mono wall, 2,505 sq ft. of rubble wall, 1,445 sq. ft. of back wall, 957 sq. ft. of barrier wall, and 19 switchbacks. The work will be done solely using hand tools (eg. Picks, shovels, McLeods, rock hammers, rock bars) and highline tram/griphoists. People and plants will benefit from the trail reconstruction project. Two additional phases of work are anticipated: Phase II reconstruction above 13,000' in 2018-19 and Phase III restoration in 2020, which are not part of this proposal.</p>				
13	CFRT-Loveland to Fort Collins Connection	Larimer County Natural Resources	Large	\$350,000	\$1,021,701.00



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Description	<p>The Colorado Front Range Trail – Loveland to Fort Collins Connection is a 2.2-mile, 10-foot wide concrete trail that will connect 49 miles of concrete trail in Fort Collins with 17 miles of concrete trail in Loveland. Once complete, over 65 paved trail miles will be integrated and a major section of the Colorado Front Range Trail will be on the ground.</p> <p>This project has been in the planning phase since the 1990’s when Larimer County began acquiring the rights to build the trail. All land has been secured and both the Fort Collins and Loveland trails this segment will connect to are built. Once funding is secure and contracts are signed, the Colorado Front Range Trail – Loveland to Fort Collins Connection is ready for construction. This regional project is located in Fort Collins, Loveland and unincorporated Larimer County. Larimer County is serving as the fiscal agent and will dedicate staff to manage the project. Fort Collins and Loveland are financial contributors to the project.</p> <p>Larimer County is also pursuing a federal Transportation Alternatives Program grant. This grant is administered by the North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The project will be recommended for full funding by the MPO Technical Advisory Committee in November, 2014. Awards will be made by the MPO Planning Council in December, 2014.</p> <p>Construction for the The Colorado Front Range Trail – Loveland to Fort Collins Connection will be scheduled to begin in the first quarter of 2016.</p>				
15	Little Scraggy Trail – Southside and Westside	Colorado Mountain Bike Association (COMBA)	Large	\$96,562	\$126,462
Description	<p>The Little Scraggy Trail – Southside and Westside project will construct 5.5 miles of new trail in the Buffalo Creek Recreation Area of the Pike National Forest, approximately 40 miles from the Denver Metro Area. This new facility will provide beginner- and intermediate-level trail for hikers, equestrians, and mountain bikers. The trail will be accessible from the Little Scraggy Trailhead on road 550 and link to the Kelsey Campground, the Colorado Trail, and other trails in the Buffalo Creek Recreation Area. Grant funding will speed the construction of the Southside and Westside trail sections, allowing the project to be completed within a year. COMBA, the project lead and grant applicant will utilize professional and volunteer trailbuilders and will collaborate with Groundwork Denver to provide youth crews as well.</p>				
16	Old Sopris Trail Land Acquisition – Section Two	City of Trinidad	Large	\$200,000	\$286,000
Description	<p>The City is proposing to acquire approximately forty (40) to forty-five (45) acres of land along the Purgatoire River to accommodate the construction of most of Section Two of the Old Sopris Trail Master Plan. The City recently completed the Plan with the help of a planning grant from the State Trails Program. Since the Plan was completed late last year, the City has acquired over forty acres of riverfront property with the help of a GOCO land acquisition grant to create the ninety (90) acre Boulevard Addition Nature Park that will contain Section One of the Trail. The City also received a grant from the State Trails Program to construct the pedestrian bridge over the Purgatoire River referenced in Section One of the Plan and has secured an additional \$540K from CDOT to implement the remainder of Section One. With funding for all of Section One in place, the City is now looking to acquire the land necessary to accommodate Section Two of the Plan. In order to maintain the momentum of this project, the City will be applying for funding from GOCO in March</p>				



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	2015 to acquire the land necessary for the construction of the remaining sections of the Trail. When complete, the Old Sopris Trail will not only provide over four (4) trail miles that the City is sorely lacking, it will provide a vital, heretofore non-existent, non-motorized trail connection between the Corazon de Trinidad Historic District and the southern Entrance to Trinidad Lake State Park as referenced in the Front Range Trail Plan.				
17	CFRT – Erger’s Pond Open Space Section	City of Brighton	Large	\$110,470	\$184,120
Description	This “CFRT (Colorado Front Range Trail) – Erger’s Pond Open Space Section” project addresses a “missing link” of the CFRT that will provide new access for trail users (walkers, runners, bikers, skaters, hikers, tourists, and other leisure and serious commuters) to travel from Brighton to Denver on the south and (in the future) to Longmont and Fort Collins on the north. This construction project is within the South Platte River corridor. It links together Ken Mitchell Open Space and Park (500-acres) to Brighton’s Southern Street Trailhead. This resident requested trail project located within the 200-acre Erger’s Pond Open Space is east of the McCann Ditch with Erger’s Pond lake situated between the ditch and river. The location was previously mined for gravel and by 2016 will provide protected wildlife habitat (bald and golden eagles, pelicans, heron, wild turkey, deer, coyote, rabbit, trout, and other species), and trail use with benches to enjoy scenic vistas. This grant project will enhance the area and will include: 2,390-feet of concrete trail, three benches, wildlife education and wayfaring signage, excavation and fine grading, hydro-seeded soil stabilization, planting of 90 shrubs and 9 trees, and use of Mile High Youth Corps for planting, setting signs and installing benches. The project is shovel ready in early 2015 and will be completed by December 2016. Funding of this \$184,120 trail project is through the State Trails Program \$110,470 Non-Motorized Recreational Trails Large Construction Grant monies (60% of total) and City of Brighton cash match of \$73,650 (40%).				
19	WRV 2016 Partnership for Stewardship	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	Large	\$139,877	\$629,786
Description	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers (WRV) will conduct Four trail projects in 2015-17 at popular, heavily used and impacted sites. Trail sites include: Brainard Lake, Diamond Lake, Dedisse Park, and Young Gulch. Overall benefits include: 22,340 feet of trail construction & reconstruction, 18,440 feet of trail reroutes, 18,760 feet of trail restoration, 21,640 feet of trail maintenance, and 45 acres of trailside habitat improvement. The Brainard Lake area trail projects will provide continuous trail access from Brainard Lake to Long Lake avoiding roads and maintenance on the Mitchell/Blue Lake trail. The Dedisse park trail project will eliminate a network of social trails and improve the designated trail system. The Diamond Lake project will include maintenance of a half mile of trails. The Young Gulch trail project repairs extensive flood damage to five miles of trail. Many user groups will benefit including; hikers, mountainbikers, x-c skiers, equestrians, and climbers. This project involves many partners including: WRV, Arapaho Roosevelt NF, Denver Mtn Parks, Rocky Mtn Youth Corps, Colorado Mountain Club, Poudre Wilderness Volunteers, Indian Peaks Wilderness Alliance, Boulder Mountainbike Alliance, Overland Mountain Bike Club, and others. These projects will engage 4 weeks of Youth Corps, 5 weeks of AmeriCorps, and other youth. Altogether, these projects will involve 1,475 volunteers (organized by four paid staff and partners) who will provide about 13,345 volunteer hours at over \$253,000. WRV has a large growing network of over 3000 volunteers, specializing in habitat restoration and trail projects. For info about WRV, visit				



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21	Cochetopa Hills CDT/CT Construction Project	Continental Divide Trail Coalition	Large	\$194,000	\$358,500
Description	The Cochetopa Hills CDT/CT Construction Project will engage Southwest Conservation Corps (SCC), a local Trail Contractor (Tony Boone Trails), and volunteer group partners (CMC, VOC, CTF, BCHA-CO) to construct 32 miles of new non-motorized CDT/CT and complete one of the last remaining gaps along the entire 3,100 mile long CDT. The project will remove the existing CDT from 32 miles of motorized trails and roads far from the physical divide to a non-motorized location on the physical divide. The project includes construction of campgrounds, trailheads, and parking areas that will also accommodate horse trailers. The project will employ SCC crews to clear the corridor, Tony Boone trails to mechanically “rough in” the tread, and partners groups to finish the Trail and ensure it meets National Scenic Trail Standards. The US Forest Service will also provide crews and staff to help complete projects. The project will occur over a two-year period and involve two phases of work. Expected completion is September 2016.				
9	Grand Valley Trail Crew – Maintenance	BLM, Grand Junction Field Office	Small	\$45,000	65,500
Description	BLM’s Grand Junction Field Office (Map 1), is working in partnership with the City of Fruita, Town of Palisade, City of Grand Junction, Grand Valley Trails Alliance, Mesa Land Trust and COPMOBA to design, maintain and promote sustainable trail based recreation in the Grand Valley. This grant application will provide funding to hire a two person crew for six months to monitor, sign and maintain trails in four major trail systems – Lunch Loops in Bangs (Map 2), 18 Road in North Fruita (Map 3), Palisade Rims (Map 4), and Kokopelli/Mack Ridge in the McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area (Map 5). These trails have been designed and constructed through long time partnerships and collaboration between these groups on BLM lands. It is the BLM’s intention to utilize the crew to complete monitoring and assessment of these trail systems consisting of roughly 90 miles of single-track trails; they will maintain, reroute, construct and sign each trail as necessary to meet the Grand Junction Field Office’s Trail Design Criteria. (Attachment 1) Our objective is to maintain sustainable trails that meet the trail objectives set by the BLM along with the support of our partners (Attachments 3-9). Many of the trails within these areas have had damage due to recent rain events. The mileages listed below are estimates as the crew will be necessary to address total damage and needs for trail work as they find it. The maintenance will be completed in the fall of 2014 and spring of 2015.				
10	Howelsen Hill Directional Biking Trails	City of Steamboat Springs	Small	\$44,870	\$80,700
Description	The City of Steamboat Springs will construct two (one beginner, one intermediate) adjacent approximately ¾ mile to 1 mile each single track, downhill directional flow biking trails on Howelsen Hill in Steamboat Springs. The trails will conform to industry design standards and be 100% negotiable by someone with basic mountain bike skills. Constructing a user-specific, downhill directional trail is needed to reduce user conflicts and will serve all trail system users by getting the majority of the high speed downhill traffic off of the multi-use trails that exist now. The downhill directional trails will increase safety, and quality of experiences within the Howelsen Hill / Emerald Mountain trail network.				
18	Priority 1 Trail Repairs: Boulder	Boulder	Small	\$44,413	\$178,762



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	Ranger District	Mountainbike Alliance			
Description	<p>The Boulder Mountainbike Alliance, in partnership with the USFS Boulder Ranger District, Rocky Mountain Youth Corps, and professional trail contractors will complete seven trail repair projects that address 6.75 miles of trails in total. These high priority projects, identified with USFS Boulder Ranger District (BRD) staff, include two flood damaged trails along the Middle St. Vrain and five trails that were severely damaged during recent fuels reduction logging in the high use West Magnolia Trail System. The two flood damaged trails are important connectors and are currently in an unsafe condition. The West Magnolia trails system is one of the most popular mountain bike destinations in Boulder County, and many important trail connections were lost during 2012 fuels reduction logging. The West Magnolia repairs need to be completed before work can begin on the projected trail system expansion. Projects will begin in Spring 2015 and will be completed by the fall of 2016.</p>				
6	Colorado Trail Training	Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado	Support	\$44,907	\$58,497
Description	<p>VOC seeks support to maintain participation in its traditional trail training program for 2015-2017 for 300 participants per year and expand opportunities for Millennials and rural residents by creating new and innovative methods for delivering training including modularizing the 2-3 day training sessions and creating online and video options for portions of the curricula. Collectively, VOC will train 660 individuals over two years from all over Colorado to lead volunteers on critical trail projects that improve the lives of residents and visitors and enhance local communities. State Trails' investment of \$44,907 in trail training will result in \$1.2 million in high quality trail work – an amplification of 52 times.</p>				
11	Bridgeport Underpass Project	Mesa County	Planning	\$45,000	\$100,000
Description	<p>The proposed project is located south of Hwy 50 just twenty miles southeast of Grand Junction, CO. and 15 miles northwest of Delta, Co. The existing at grade railroad crossing is used for recreation purposes by pedestrians and equestrians traffic accessing the Dominguez Canyon Wilderness Area which is located with-in the D-E National Conservation Area. Bridgeport is located on the Gunnison River near the Mesa County/Delta County line in southern Mesa County. The Bridgeport Underpass Project proposes to construct an 80' long by 10' in diameter tunnel under the UPRR mainline and siding tracks near the Gunnison River footbridge that accesses Dominguez Canyon Wilderness Area and Dominguez-Escalante National Conservation Area.</p> <p>In 2009 the partners (UPRR, BLM, Mesa County) had an alternate analysis study of the existing at-grade crossing. The option agreed upon by all three partners was to create a new parking lot away from the railroad. The analysis recommended an underpass grade separation crossing. The proposed trail re-alignment from the new parking lot to the underpass location skirts a nice ridgeline high above the railroad tracks and descends to the underpass eliminating the trail segment parallel to the tracks.</p> <p>Accomplishments to date: Construction of the BLM parking lot on Bridgeport Road Alternative Crossing Analysis with a selected preferred alternate Geotechnical analysis of the underpass location Piezometer monitoring to determine groundwater elevations Environmental Assessment for the Bridgeport Access and Trailhead Development</p>				



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	Complete site survey and base map development Approved conceptual design by UPRR				
14	Rito Seco Park to Batenburg Meadows Trail Project	Costilla County	Planning	\$31,500	\$45,100
Description	<p>Costilla County is 99% private land and has a conspicuous absence of federal and state public lands. Due to this void it is the county's responsibility to create and maintain parks, trails and other outdoor recreation opportunities. There is currently one formal hiking trail in the entire county, the Sangre de Cristo Greenbelt Trail. There is a tremendous need for new hiking trails and outdoor recreation resources in the county for residents and visitors alike. The proposed trail planning project is requesting funding to design and engineer a trail between Rito Seco Park and the Batenburg Meadows area. These are two popular public use areas in the 3,986-acre county-owned Sangre de Cristo Greenbelt Open Space Area. Both areas are popular for fishing, picnicking and camping. These two areas are separated by about 2.5 miles along Rito Seco Creek, but currently a person must drive approximately 30 minutes to get around from one area to the other along rugged dirt roads. This effort would provide a unique trail experience in an extremely underutilized area of Colorado. The short distance between these two destinations is a beautiful and lush stretch of the Rito Seco creek filled with beaver ponds, wildflowers, unique rock outcroppings, and historic log cabin ruins and provides a sense of solitude similar to wilderness. The broad planning and public participation effort for this project has been completed in 2012. Trail design and engineering are needed now so the county can move on to trail construction planning for this project.</p>				
20	WRV 2015-2017 Trail Volunteer Leadership, Tool & Infrastructure Capacity	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	Support	\$45,000	\$146,881
Description	<p>WRV will undertake a two-year project to increase our ability to serve trail needs of Colorado land agency partners, building capacity sufficient to execute multiple trail projects per day, both within and outside Wilderness. With support, WRV will: purchase a trailer to transport tools and materials to project sites, increase storage for new tools, purchase new tools including chainsaws, cross-cut saws, and other trail tools, recruit 800 new trails volunteers, and build trails volunteer leadership capacity through recruitment and training of 174 new leaders in these skill categories: trails crew leader instruction (train the trainers), trails crew leadership, basic trail construction, advanced trail construction and maintenance techniques, sawyer training in both cross-cut and chainsaw, and project management. By increasing the number, storage, and transport ability of our trail tools, WRV can better meet the need for multiple volunteer trail projects per day during the field season. Purchases will occur in winter of 2015 and 2016. By sustaining and expanding our volunteer and leadership base, WRV will be able to undertake more trail projects with numerous partners and stakeholders over the coming years, including USFS, Colorado State Parks, Denver Mountain Parks, Colorado Fourteeners Initiative, and others. Recruitment will occur winter of 2015 and 2016 for the following field seasons. Trainings will occur spring through fall of 2016 and 2017. WRV projects extend across the Northern Front Range and beyond. This new capacity will contribute significantly to the SCORP guidelines, from trails education, to youth engagement, to volunteer stewardship.</p>				
22	West Avon Preserve Non-Motorized Trail Planning	Town of Avon	Planning	\$20,100	\$1,020,100



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Description	The Town of Avon for the 2014-2015 grant year; request \$21,100 for use study and analysis for the 478-acre West Avon Preserve non-motorized recreational mountain bike, hiking/walking social trails. A separate analysis will include the inventory and mapping of the threatened Herrington Penstemon flowering plant species found on the property. Avon and the Eagle Valley Land Trust, the holder of the conservation easement on the property, hold the mission to maintain the built multi-use non-motorized trails to remain sustainable, respectful, and responsive to the natural resources.				