

#### **PROJECT BASICS**

Title Dry Lake C	le Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead Restoration							
Туре	□ Construction	🗆 Planning						
	🗵 Maintenance	Support						
Phased project	🗆 Yes 🛛 🖾 No	If yes, Phase #	of					

Brief summary

The National Forest Foundation (NFF) and the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland (MBRTB) are partnering to reconstruct the highly used Dry L

Grant request	\$ 210,734.00	Grant ratio <sup>1</sup>	75 %	
Match	\$52,900.00	Match ratio	25 %	
Total	\$263,634.00	Total	100 %	

APPLICANT								
Туре	🗆 Local	□County	🗆 Federal		🗆 Tribal			
	Recreation and Metr	ro Districts	×	Non-Profit				
Organization National Forest Foundation								
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City Salida		State	CO	ZIP Code	81201			
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Project manag	Title Me	Title Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest Progr						
Telephone	phone (307) 292-1903 Email jfried@nationalforests.org							

PARTNER OR CO-SPONSOR				
Organization				× N/A
Postal address				
City	State	CO	ZIP Code	
Contact name	Title			
Telephone	Email			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Grant ratio = grant request / total. Match ratio = match / total.

PROPERTY				
Nearest town or city Steam	boat Springs	County Routt		
Latitude/Longitude 40.485	0° N, 106.8317° W	Congressional district 3		
Name of property owner US	DA U.S. Forest Servio	ce		
Trail Corridor controlled by	🗵 Fee simple	□ Lease	Easement	
	□ License	□ ROW	🗆 Other:	

TRAIL								
Uses	🗵 Hiking, walking	, running	2	🗵 Bik	ting	🗵 Equestrian		
	E-bikes allowed?	🛛 Yes	🗆 No	□ Sno	ow sports (non-motorize	d) 🛛 🖾 ADA Accessible		
	□ Other:							
Estimate	e percentage by typ	e (e.g.,)	50% hik	ing, et	с.			
Surface	🗵 Natural	X	Crusher	fines	□ Asphalt	Concrete		
	□ Other:							
Size of n	ew trailhead (sq. ft	.)			Length of trail being planned			
Length o	of new trail construc	ction <sup>2</sup>			Length of trail maintenance			
Length o	f inter-connecting	trail			Length of trail reroute			
Length o	of decommissioned t	rail			Length of restored trail			
Length o	of trail to be signed				Length of trail groomin	ng		
Other:	ncreased parking	area, ne	ew trailh	nead ki	iosks, vault toilets, day	use area parking.		
Estimate	ed amount of paid c	rew hou	rs: C	Grant <b>(</b>	B Match: ;	3132		

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On behalf of the applicant entity, I certify to the best of my knowledge that the information in this application is true and correct.

#### **Authorized Representative**

Signature Luke Coffey Digitally signed by Luke Coffey Date: 2023.10.03 17:11:53 -04'00'	Date 10/03/2023
Name Luke Coffey	Title Rocky Mountains Regional Devel

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Length of trail – use miles, square feet, linear feet



#### RESOLUTION NO. FY24-001 RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF The National Forest Foundation

#### APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM Colorado Parks and Wildlife

#### FOR THE Dry Lake Campground and Trail Restoration Project

WHEREAS the National Forest Foundation (NFF) is the congressionally chartered nonprofit partner of the U.S. Forest Service with the mission to engage Americans in community-based and national programs that promote the health and public enjoyment of the 193-million-acre National Forest System, and administer private gifts of funds and land for the benefit of the National Forests.

WHEREAS the NFF intends to work alongside project partners to restore the Dry Lake Campground and trailhead. The Dry Lake Campground is a highly used and impacted access point to recreation opportunities on the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest. The campground and trailhead are located northeast of Steamboat Springs, Colorado, on the Buffalo Pass corridor in the Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District. The project will improve the trailhead and campground infrastructure, install signage and kiosks to promote responsible visitation, improve existing parking areas and plan for new parking areas to reduce visitor impact on the trailhead environment, establish boulder barriers to decrease impact of parking on fragile surfaces, and establish a designated dumpster site to reduce the impact of trash and litter. The total project cost is estimated at \$1,231,335.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL FOREST FOUNDATION HEREBY:

- Approves the filing of an application for funding from the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Non-Motorized Trail for grant funds to support the Dry Lake Campground Trail Restoration; and
- 2. Certifies that NFF has or will have sufficient funds to implement the project; and
- 3. Is committed to ensuring that the project is completed in a timely and fiscally responsible manner; and

4. Appoints Mary Mitsos, President & CEO, as agent of the Board of Directors of the National Forest Foundation, to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

Approved and adopted the Day of November 2023.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number 001 was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the National Forest Foundation.

Hobus & Lean Rob Leary

Chair, Board of Directors

## Timeline

NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS GRANT APPLICATION



#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

Organization National Forest Foundation

Project title Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead Restoration

<b>TASK</b> Mobilization, staffing, construction or maintenance elements, planning phases, etc.	Dates*	Dates	Dates	Dates	Dates	Dates	Dates
Mobilization, pedestrian barriers, traffic signage placed for upcoming construct	6/1/2024	6/14/2024					
Begin Dry Lake Trailhead work	6/17/2024	7/05/2024					
Clear timber, cut grade, fill w/aggregate and compact	6/24/2024	7/05/2024					
Begin Trailhead work pt. 2	7/08/2024	7/26/2024					
Clear timber, cut grade, fill w/aggregate and compact	7/15/2024	7/26/2024					
Begin new campground expansion road	6/17/2024	10/18/2024					
Clear and deck timber	6/17/2024	6/21/2024					
Install tent pads/fire rings/etc	7/18/2024	08/07/2024					
Install signage	8/08/2024	8/28/2024					
Install new kiosks/fee tubes/ages/pit toilets	8/28/2024	10/18/2024					
Administrative Close-out	10/31/2024						

\*The timeline is an estimate of your project completion. Remember the project must be completed within 2.5 years of the award date. <u>Suggestion - use quarterly or multiple month time frames [Q2/XX; Jun-Sept XX]</u>. Initial grant expiration date will be June 30<sup>th</sup> or December 31<sup>st</sup>, dependent upon assigned funding source.

# **Criteria Questions**

NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS GRANT APPLICATION - MAINTENANCE

Organization National Forest Foundation

Project title Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead Restoration

#### **1. PROJECT NEED**

15 points

A. Give a detailed description of the project, including information such as mileage or width of trail maintenance, re-route or restoration plans, and any other trail components/structures.

The National Forest Foundation (NFF) is partnering with the Medicine-Bow Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin Grassland (MBRTB) on the Dry Lake Campground and Trail Restoration project (project). The Dry Lake Campground is a highly used and overly affected access point to recreation opportunities on the MBRTB, which increased visitor and recreational use have heavily impacted.

To meet these demands, the scope of work for the project includes:

- Improve campground and trailhead kiosks and signage
- Improve existing parking areas to lower visitor impact
- Establish boulder barriers to decrease impact of parking
- Establish a designated site for dumpster and toilet to less impact of refuse and human waste

The sites are overdue for updated amenities to help manage the increase in use.

B. Describe the project's urgency and why it is being pursued at this time.

1. The NFF and its partners plan to complete the project by the end of the 2024 field season. To successfully meet that goal, the project partners must set objectives to ensure the project is completed within the timeframe.

2. Project partners need to consolidate our funding sources to leverage the GAOA funds utilized for the project. If the CPW Non-Motorized Grant is awarded, then the NFF can successfully meet the project matching needs.

3. There is also an urgency to the ecological and environmental needs of the project area. The project will prioritize measures to minimize and manage these impacts appropriately.

C. Describe the current condition of the existing trail. Include how it arrived at its current condition.

Due to the recent increase in visitor use, the trailhead is seeing an inordinate impact. At the trailhead itself, visitors are: parking in unauthorized ares, causing degradation of roadside vegetation and stability, increasing effects of erosion on the local habitat. The trail itself also sees a heavy impact. The increase in visitor use has led to improper and uninformed trail use by recreation users, which has furthered trail and trailhead degradation and instability. If left unchecked, the trailhead could be rendered unsafe for visitors and closed to visitation.

#### 2. COMMUNITY BENEFIT

The communities which stand to benefit from the project are varied and diverse. First, the immediate communities of Steamboat Springs and Routt County will have improved access to a popular recreation site. The local recreation community heavily uses the project area, and the site improvements will ensure further sustainable use for those communities. The project sites are also within short driving distance of Steamboat Springs, including the popular Strawberry Park Hot Springs, allowing visitors access to these amenities. Additionally, the larger community of Coloradans and visitors to the area stand to benefit from the project. This is evident in two specific instances. One, by improving the site, the area will be able to handle the higher capacity of recreation visitors. Two, the improvements will help inform visitors about proper recreation etiquette and behaviors and include mitigation measures to help lessen the impact of the increase in visitation. These both can help bolster the long-term viability of the local recreation economy, which is a significant economic contributor for Steamboat Springs and Routt County.

B. Outline any deficiencies or barriers to access this project would address or improve for the abovementioned community.

As we mentioned above, the most pressing barrier the project is trying to address is the sustainable use of the project site. This includes both ecological sustainability by building measures to alleviate the increase in visitor use and communal sustainability by ensuring access is maintained for the local community. Without instituting measures to ensure the trail is sustainably used and maintained, it could result in a highly degraded system and trailhead and lead the U.S. Forest Service to more highly regulate usage or prevent usage altogether.

C. Estimate the number of people and/or types of user groups that will have access to recreational opportunities as a result of this project. Include methods for determining this estimate.

The communities of Routt County and Steamboat Springs, including their local recreation economies, certainly will benefit from the project. The campground and trailhead restoration will ensure continued access for those communities of 25,007 (estimated July 2022, US Census) people.

According to the MBRTB National Forest, in a recent fee proposal for the trailhead, they estimate the trailhead sees approximately 20,000 annual visitors via approximately 8,000 vehicles.

#### 3. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

A. Give a detailed description of who will oversee the trail work. Include who will perform the maintenance activities (staff, volunteers, conservation corps, contractors, etc.)

The National Forest Foundation: The NFF is the primary partner of the MBRTB in the project. The NFF's role is to facilitate the on-the-ground work in the project area, including contractors, organizing volunteer events, working with the USFS to meet their shared objectives, and engaging with conservation corps. The NFF will have two staff, Jim Fried, the Medicine Bow Routt National Forest Program Coordinator, and Shayna Jones, a Rocky Mountain Program Regional Manager, who will be the primary leads on project oversight and implementation. They will receive additional support for facilitating, fundraising, and other project needs.

Medicine-Bow Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin Grassland (MBRTB): The MBRTB's Recreation Program Managers, Todd Schmutz and Kristi Murphy, collaborate closely with the NFF. They are working alongside NFF staff to ensure the project timelines, objectives, and implementation are completed with the full support of the USFS, which is detailed in the attached letter of support.

As of the submission of this grant, the contractor who won the bid has been notified, and the project partners expect to have a signed contract within the next couple of weeks.

B. Outline any CPW State Trails funding received in the last five years and if the project(s) were completed on time, on budget and within scope. For applicants without prior State Trails funding, provide examples of similar grant funded projects. Include project title, year of award, grant amount, and grantor for each.

CPW OHV Trails Grant 2022 – Alpine Tunnel: project was completed on time, budget, and within scope.

CPW State Trails Grant 2022 – Hanging Lake Trail: project is ongoing and is expected to be complete on time, budget, and within scope.

CPW Non-Motorized Trail Grant 2021 – Mt. Elbert: project is ongoing and is expected to be complete on time, budget, and within scope.

CPW State Trails Grant 2020 – Devil's Playground Trail Phase II: project was completed on time, budget, and within scope.

#### 4. PLANNING

A. Discuss the process that identified this maintenance project as a priority.

In 2021, the U.S. Forest Service began implementing the Great American Outdoors Act (GAOA). Various projects proposed by the Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland (MBRTB) have been prioritized through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's list of deferred maintenance projects for GAOA funding. GAOA projects will focus on reducing deferred maintenance and improving infrastructure, improving the conditions and resiliency of our nation's forests for present and future generations. As part of this effort, Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead were chosen as a priority project.

B. List all approved internal master our outdoor recreation plans and/or any external area, regional, or statewide plans this project supports.

The MBRTB identified the project area as part of the GAOA funding intent to target deferred maintenance projects.

The project also falls within the "Routt National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan" of 1998, which speaks to the deferred trailhead maintenance.

The NEPA for the project, titled "Dry Lake Campground and Parking Area – Expansion and Refurbishment" of 2018, is secured. The focus area for this specific grant is targeted for the trailhead area, which serves non-motorized users.

#### 5. MAINTENANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY

A. Explain how the site will be maintained and monitored after the grant funded work is complete (operation and maintenance plans, future budgeting commitments, etc.)

The NFF and the MBRTB will continue project site monitoring after completion. The NFF, as the primary partner, will submit quarterly performance reports following the project agreement. These reports must contain information on the following:

-A comparison of actual accomplishments to the goals established for the period. -Wherever the output of the project can be readily expressed in numbers, a computation of the cost per unit of output, if applicable.

- Reason(s) for delay if established goals were not met.
- Additional pertinent information.

Upon project completion, a final performance report must be submitted either with NFF's final payment request or separately, but not later than 120 days from the agreement's expiration date.

The NFF will also work with the project partners to ensure the trailhead's use is sustainable and ecologically sound. This includes developing maintenance plans that will build on the work to encompass the increased visitor use. The NFF will also continue to fund raise around the project as needed.

B. Describe the best management practices that will be used to construct the trail to ensure that the trail and its amenities will be sustainable.

The trailhead infrastructure will be built to the contract's specifications dictated by the USFS. This work is subject to USFS oversight to ensure restoration work is done to mitigate any potential adverse environmental impacts. Also, given the current state of the trailhead itself, the improvements will ensure the current unsustainability of the trailhead is mitigated and the over-impact of visitor use is managed appropriately.

The contractor will work with the National Forest Foundation staff and USFS engineers to ensure proper sustainability guidelines in all phases of this project.

10 points

#### 6. WILDLIFE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

A. Describe how potential impacts to wildlife and natural resources were evaluated during the project scoping phase (using 'Planning Trails with Wildlife in Mind', mapping tools, etc.). Include any positive impacts this work will showcase.

The project has already passed its NEPA clearances. The U.S. Forest Service, as the landowner of the project area, has conducted all of its assessments and evaluations in alignment with NEPA requirements. As positive impact the work showcases is the restoration of a highly degraded trailhead system.

B. Describe any wildlife and natural resources issues raised by CPW staff during the application consultation.

There were no wildlife or natural resources issues brought to our attention by CPW for this project.

C. Explain how potential wildlife and natural resource impacts will be avoided, minimized, and/or mitigated (trail realignment, seasonal closures (include dates), signage, gates, game cameras, etc.)

A positive aspect of the project location is the trailhead infrastructure is already extant, so there will be no new trails created the disturb the potential habitats of the various species listed in the CPW's "Planning Trails with Wildlife in Mind."

The project area will also incorporate updated gates to funnel visitors to appropriate area usage and negate the risk of further habitat destruction.

The trailhead will also be outfitted with a new bear box to help reduce the possibility of human-bear conflict.

#### 7. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

15 points

A. Outline public engagement activities for this project (public meetings, comment periods, surveys, etc.)

As part of the project environmental assessment requirement, the USFS held a period for public comments on the project. In total they received 24 comments which helped inform the final decisions for project implementation.

B. Describe any partnerships that will ensure the project's success (public agencies, conservation or recreation groups, local businesses, etc.)

The NFF and MBRTB, as partners in the project, are both dedicated to ensuring the projects. NFF staff will lead the project orchestration with support from MBRTB. The NFF will see the project through to its completion, including working with whatever local contractors, agencies, and other groups are involved. The project is straight forward in terms of partnerships in that the NFF and USFS are primarily leading to ensure its timely completion.

C. Describe how potential opposition to this project or its implementation will be identified, addressed and managed.

Thus far the project partners have experienced minimal pushback or opposition from the local communities who stand to benefit from the project. Given the popularity of the trailhead and system, the local community has been supportive of the improvements. During the environmental assessment the project was open to public comment; see the above.

#### 8. BUDGET AND FUNDING

10 points

A. Describe the source of match for the project and when it will be secured. Include in-kind donations and partner contributions.

The primary source of match for the CPW Non-Motorized Grant is the GAOA funds issued to the NFF in their agreement with the USFS for the project. These funds will meet/exceed the full match requirement of %25 with cash match. Please reference the budget for more details.

B. Describe any consequences if this funding application is unsuccessful (loss of partner funds, staff capacity, expiration of surveys, etc.).

Generating Match for Federal Funds: Without the potential investment of the CPW Non-Motorized Grant, the possibility of securing the required matching funds for the project is in jeopardy. The project is a unique situation for the NFF because the timeline is notably shorter than most other projects we conduct with the U.S. Forest Service. The shorter timeline requires the NFF to quickly and tentatively generate matching funds from one possible funding source. The requested funding will allow the NFF to fulfill the matching requirement for the project.

NFF Staff Capacity: As the NFF works on the project and onboarding the new Medicine Bow Routt National Forest Program Coordinator, it has become apparent that the project will require more staff time than the federal agreement accounted for. We have requested funding to expand upon the amount of staff time needed. If that funding is not granted, it may inhibit the ability of NFF staff to dedicate the needed time to the project.

#### Federal Environmental Form and Land Manager Approval Only to be completed if all or part of the project is located on federal land

The applicant is responsible for securing all necessary permits, licenses, clearances, SHPO, and environmental analysis documentation necessary to comply with local, state, and/or federal laws.

Project		Project		
Name	Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead Rehabilitation	Sponsor	U.S. Forest Service, Medicine Bow-Routt National Fores	Amsid.

As the official responsible for management of the land on which the project will be accomplished, I agree to the following:

- 1. The project as described in this application has my approval.
- 2. The project is located on federal public lands and is in conformance with the appropriate Forest Management Plan, BLM Resource Area Management Plan or other decision document.

Title of document: Routt National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan

Date of document: February 1998

Date of document sy-

3. A decision has been issued as part of the NEPA environmental review process.

Title of document: Dry Lake Campground and Parking Area - Expansion and Refurbishment

Date of document; June 2018

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If a decision has not been issued as part of the NEPA environmental review process, please state the reason why. No funds will be distributed until any required NEPA documentation is completed.

For more information about the NEPA environmental review process, contact:

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Phone number: 970-870-21	87	STST RSI-RTX TISSING GODIE
Email: todd.schmutz@usda	.gov	Ernal, Jokinninköhlm gov
4. The next planning pro	cess that may alfect this project is plan	ned for <u>N/A</u>
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# Project Budget

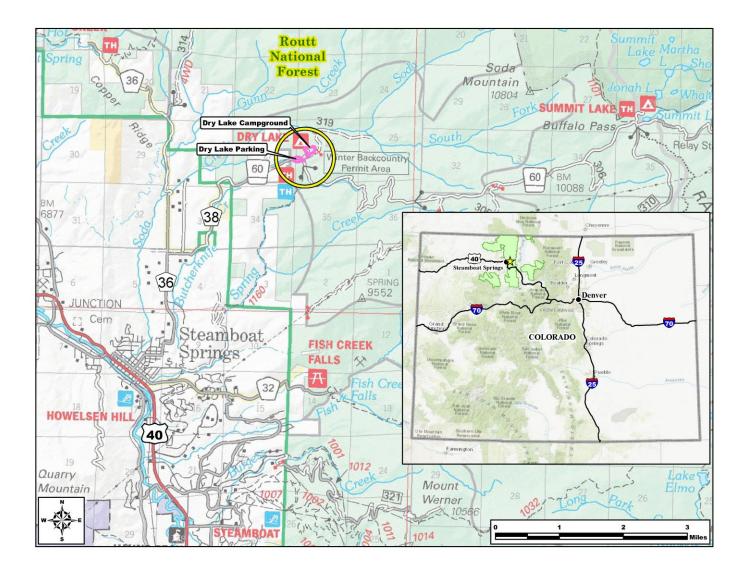


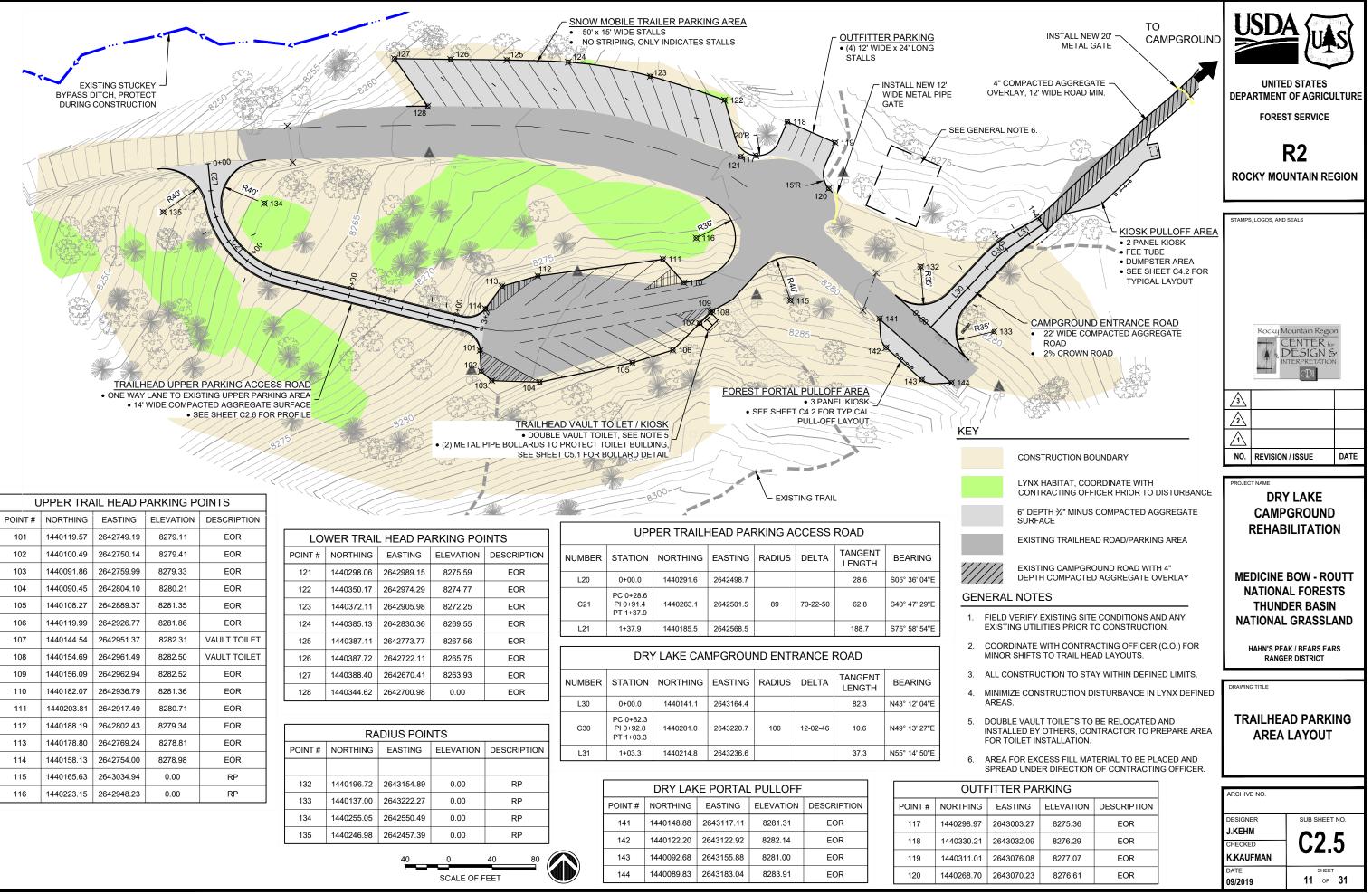
NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS GRANT

Project details					Match details				
CPW Grant #					Source of match (organization)	Туре	Date available		Amount
Organization	National Forest Foundation U		United States Forest Service	Cash	Jan-24	\$	52,900.00		
Project title	Dry Lake Camprgound and Trail	head Reconstru	uction						
Grant Request (auto populates)	\$ 210,734.00								
Local match	\$ 52,900.00	Min. Match	\$	52,683.50					
Project Total	\$ 263,634.00						Match Total	\$	52,900.00
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Description	Qty	Unit type	Cost per unit	Total	Туре	CPW Grant	Local match	Balance
Contracted Services								
Trailhead CXT Toilet and Reclocation/Installation	1	Pit Toilet	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	Cash	\$ 25,000.00		Ş -
Trailhead Demolition and Decomission	1	Removal and prep	\$ 14,500.00	\$ 14,500.00	Cash	\$ 14,500.00		\$-
Trailhead Grading	6047	SY	\$ 2.00	\$ 12,094.00	Cash	\$ 12,094.00		\$-
Earthwork	2600	CY	\$ 10.00	\$ 26,000.00	Cash	\$ 26,000.00		Ş -
Aggregate 4" Deep	2600	SY	\$ 6.00	\$ 15,600.00	Cash	\$ 15,600.00		\$-
Aggregate 6" Deep	3530	SY	\$ 8.00	\$ 28,240.00	Cash	\$ 28,240.00		\$-
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Salary/Wages		_						-
Naitonal Forest Foundation/ Medicine Bow-Routte Naitonal Forests and Thunder Basin National Grassland Project Coordinator	50	Days	\$ 480.00	\$ 24,000.00	Cash	\$ 24,000.00		\$-
Project Site Visits	20	Trips	\$ 145.00	\$ 2,900.00	Cash	\$ 2,900.00		Ş -
Administrative tasks i.e Reporting, Accounting, Grant Management	40	hours	\$ 60.00	\$ 2,400.00	Cash	\$ 2,400.00		ş -
Materials/Supplies	•					•		
Trailhead Picnic Tables	6	Per 1	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 33,000.00	Cash	\$ 33,000.00		\$-
Trailhead Bear Box	6	Per 1	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 27,000.00	Cash	\$ 27,000.00		Ş -
Additional Categories								
Earthwork for Trailhead Furnishings (Preping for kiosks and signs)	1	Lump Sum	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	Cash		\$ 2,500.00	\$-
Timber Ties for CXT Toilet Edge	100	Linear Feet	\$ 30.00	\$ 3,000.00	Cash		\$ 3,000.00	\$-
Signs for Trailhead	18	signs	\$ 300.00	\$ 5,400.00	Cash		\$ 5,400.00	\$ -
22' Wide Metal Gate	1	gate	\$ 18,500.00	\$ 18,500.00	Cash		\$ 18,500.00	\$ -
Three Panel Kiosk	1	kiosk	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	Cash		\$ 10,500.00	\$-
Single Panel Kiosk	2	kiosk	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 13,000.00	Cash		\$ 13,000.00	\$ -
TOTAL				\$ 263,634.00		\$ 210,734.00	\$ 52,900.00	

#### Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead Restoration Area and Project Maps







Agriculture

United States Forest Department of Service Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District 925 Weiss Drive Steamboat Springs, CO 80487 970-870-2299 Fax: 970-870-2284

 File Code:
 2300

 Date:
 September 27, 2023

State Trails Committee Colorado Parks and Wildlife 13787 US Highway 85 N Littleton, CO. 80125

Dear State Trails Committee:

I am writing to express the support of Routt National Forest, Hahns Peak/Bears Ears Ranger District for the National Forest Foundation's Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead Rehabilitation non-motorized grant application. The National Forest Foundation currently has a formal agreement with the U.S. Forest Service to complete the Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead Rehabilitation project.

The Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead Rehabilitation project will occur entirely on federally owned and managed lands on the Routt National Forest. Public outreach and comments have been accomplished through the environmental assessment completed for this project. Twentyfour comments were received and helped to inform the final decision to implement this project.

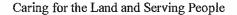
The Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead project seeks to improve camping opportunities and trailhead parking. The Dry Lake Trailhead is a mountain biking and hiking destination in the summer months and a hybrid motorized and non-motorized trailhead throughout the winter months that receives approximately 20,000 visitors annually.

Please consider approving this grant application package.

Sincerely,

Buili Faster Acting District Ranger

MICHAEL J. WOODBRIDGE District Ranger



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## Document checklist

NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS GRANT APPLICATION – CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE



#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

Organization National Forest Foundation

Project title Dry Lake Campground and Trailhead Restoration

#### DOCUMENTS

#### PRE-APPLICATION - SEPTEMBER

Document		Source	Submission format
⊠ 1.	Scope of work	Applicant's own	PDF
X 2.	Project map	Applicant's own	PDF

#### **FULL APPLICATION - OCTOBER**

Document		ent	Source	Submission format	
$\times$	3.	Application form	CPW template	PDF	
$\times$	4.	Timeline	CPW template	PDF	
$\times$	5.	Budget	CPW template	Unprotected Excel file	
$\times$	6.	Photographs & maps	Applicant's own	Merged PDF (5 pages max)	
$\times$	7.	Letters of support	Various	Merged PDF (5 letters max)	
$\times$	8.	Resolution	Applicant's own	Signed PDF	
$\times$	9.	Environmental forms	CPW Template	Signed PDF	
$\times$	10.	. Formal EA or NEPA*	Federal Template	Web link or PDF	
ADDITIONAL PROJECT INFORMATION					
$\times$	11. Required match funding secured (including cash match funds)				

12. Construction projects have been evaluated for permits and, if required, permits obtained.

13. Project area is owned by a public land agency or has an easement that designates the area be open to the public for at least 25 years.

14. Conservation/Youth Corps or other organization will be used on the project. Name of organization: TBD, Youth Corps is possible

15. Volunteers will be utilized on the project Name of organization: TBD, working with Big Agnes to organize volunteer day

\*Must be completed prior to application presentations in January.