

Application form



NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS GRANT APPLICATION - MAINTENANCE

PROJECT BASICS

Title

Type

Construction

Planning

Maintenance

Support

Phased project

Yes

No

If yes, Phase #

of

Brief summary

Grant request

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Grant ratio¹

%

Match

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Match ratio

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Total

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Total

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APPLICANT

Type

Local

County

Federal

Tribal

Recreation and Metro Districts

Non-Profit

Organization

Postal address

City

State

CO

ZIP Code

General email

UEI #

Lead contact

Title

Telephone

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Project manager

Title

Telephone

Email

PARTNER OR CO-SPONSOR

Organization

N/A

Postal address

City

State

CO

ZIP Code

Contact name

Title

Telephone

Email

¹ Grant ratio = grant request / total. Match ratio = match / total.

PROPERTY

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|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Nearest town or city | County | | |
| Latitude/Longitude | Congressional district | | |
| Name of property owner | | | |
| Trail Corridor controlled by | <input type="checkbox"/> Fee simple | <input type="checkbox"/> Lease | <input type="checkbox"/> Easement |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> License | <input type="checkbox"/> ROW | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

TRAIL

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|--|---|--|--|---|
| Uses | <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking, walking, running | <input type="checkbox"/> Biking | <input type="checkbox"/> Equestrian | |
| E-bikes allowed? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Snow sports (non-motorized) | <input type="checkbox"/> ADA Accessible |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | | | |
| Estimate percentage by type (e.g.,) 50% hiking, etc. | | | | |
| Surface | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural | <input type="checkbox"/> Crusher fines | <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt | <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | | | | |
| Size of new trailhead (sq. ft.) | Length of trail being planned | | | |
| Length of new trail construction ² | Length of trail maintenance | | | |
| Length of inter-connecting trail | Length of trail reroute | | | |
| Length of decommissioned trail | Length of restored trail | | | |
| Length of trail to be signed | Length of trail grooming | | | |
| Other: | | | | |
| Estimated amount of paid crew hours: | Grant | Match: | | |

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

Date

Name

Title

² Length of trail – use miles, square feet, linear feet

**M.A.M.B.A.
Meeker Area Mountain Bike Association
PO Box 677
Meeker, CO 81641**

*Providing a platform for community growth,
and the education, production, and
enjoyment of mountain biking, trail
maintenance, public service, and outreach.*



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Resolution No. 2023-01

RESOLUTION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEEKER AREA MOUNTAIN BIKE ASSOCIATION CORP

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE 2023 - 2024 NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS GRANT APPLICATION FOR TRAIL MAINTENANCE THROUGH THE COLORADO STATE RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Meeker Area Mountain Bike Association Corp ("MAMBA") is a non-profit in the State of Colorado, organized August 9, 2022 as a grass-roots, volunteer-based organization to provide residents within, and to individuals passing through, a place to use good, well-maintained, Trails;

WHEREAS, MAMBA works to maintain a network of non-motorized trails on properties owned and/operated by the Town of Meeker, Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreational and Park District (ERBM), and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) through its White River Field Office (WRFO) that allows recreation for all skill levels, such as hiking, mountain biking, skiing, snowshoeing and multi-sport race events (Trail System);

WHEREAS, the Trail System is in high demand, providing local residents with exciting outdoor recreation opportunities, and attracting visitors from across the State of Colorado who seek to access the Trails 13 miles of groomed trails with remarkable scenery;

WHEREAS, MAMBA desires to maintain the Trail System in accordance with the Meeker Trails Master Plan Environmental Assessment conducted by the BLM WRFO in order to create new trails and connectivity that will enhance non-motorized recreational opportunities to the public; WHEREAS, in furtherance of MAMBA's goal to maintain the Trail System, the Board supports the 2022-2023 Non-Motorized Trails Grant Application for Maintenance through the Colorado State Recreational Trails Grant Program (Grant Application);


WHEREAS, the ERBM, Meeker Chamber of Commerce, the Town of Meeker, and Rio Blanco County enthusiastically support the continued development and build out of the Trail System to expand recreational opportunities for residents and tourists, and enhance economic growth, as stated in their grant support letters to MAMBA's Board of Directors (Board), attached to the Grant Application;

WHEREAS, in recognition of the benefit that the residents of the Town of Meeker would receive from the Trails Project, the Rob Walton Family Foundation is currently reviewing a support application to further the trail maintenance project with a cash contribution of \$15,000 in their 2024 budget year contingent upon award of the CPW Non-Motorized Trails Grant application;

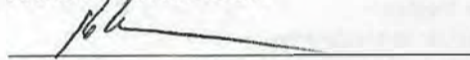
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE MEEKER AREA MOUNTAIN BIKE ASSOCIATION CORP:

1. The Members strongly support the Grant Application for the Trails Maintenance Project for the total amount of \$149,640.00, with appropriate cash match as well as in kind contributions.
 2. If the Grant is awarded, the Board will appropriate \$6,000.00 in fiscal year 2024 as matching funds toward the completion of the Trails Project, and will receive additional cash and/or matching funds and in-kind contributions from the BLM WRFO, ERBM, Rio Blanco County, Town of Meeker and the Rob Walton Family Foundation in fiscal year 2024 as matching funds toward the completion of the Trails Maintenance Project.
 3. The Board hereby verifies that the BLM, ERBM, and the Town of Meeker, owns the property on which the Trails Maintenance Project will be completed. Representatives from all three land managing agencies have verified to MAMBA that the property will remain under the control of their control for at least 25 years, and have authorized MAMBA to submit the Grant Application for the Trails Maintenance Project.
 4. The BLM WRFO previously conducted the Meeker Trails Master Plan Environmental Assessment in order to evaluate the environmental impact of trail construction and connection, including as contemplated by the Trails Maintenance Project, which Environmental Assessment is attached to the Grant Application.
 5. The Board hereby authorizes MAMBA to submit the Grant Application and all related required documentation to the Colorado Parks and Wildlife State Trails Program on or before the Grant Application deadline.
 6. If the Grant is awarded, the Board hereby authorizes and directs its officers to execute the Grant agreement and any other documentation necessary for MAMBA to accept the Grant award.
- PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF THE MEEKER AREA MOUNTAIN BIKE ASSOCIATION CORP THIS 2nd DAY OF September, 2023.


MAMBA PRESIDENT / TREASURER


CARLY R. ANDERSON

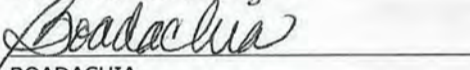
MAMBA VICE PRESIDENT


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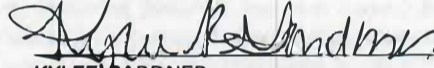
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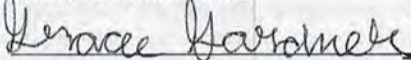
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Timeline

NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS GRANT APPLICATION



PROJECT DETAILS

Organization

Project title

| TASK | Dates* | Dates | Dates | Dates | Dates | Dates | Dates |
|---|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Mobilization, staffing, construction or maintenance elements, planning phases, etc. | | | | | | | |
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| Administrative Close-out | | | | | | | |

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

Criteria Questions



NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS GRANT APPLICATION - MAINTENANCE

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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.

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

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

3. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

10 points

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.)

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.

4. PLANNING

10 points

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

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

5. MAINTENANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY

10 points

- 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.)

- 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.
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6. WILDLIFE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

15 points

- 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.
- B. Describe any wildlife and natural resources issues raised by CPW staff during the application consultation.
- 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.)
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7. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

15 points

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

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

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

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.

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

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 Name Meeker Trail System-2024 Maintenance Project

Project Sponsor BLM and Colorado State Parks and Recreation

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: 1997 White River Resource Management Plan

Date of document: July 1997

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

Title of document: Meeker Trails Plan-Environmental Assessment (DOI-BLM-CO-N05-2014-0116)

Date of document: March 4, 2015

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:

Name: San Delana Riebold

Phone number: 970-878-3833

Email: sriebold@blm.gov

4. The next planning process that may affect this project is planned for .

Land Manager's Name: William Mills, White River Field Office Manager

Land Manager's Title

Land Manager's Signature: 

Digitally signed by WILLIAM MILLS
Date: 2023.09.18 07:51:07 -0600

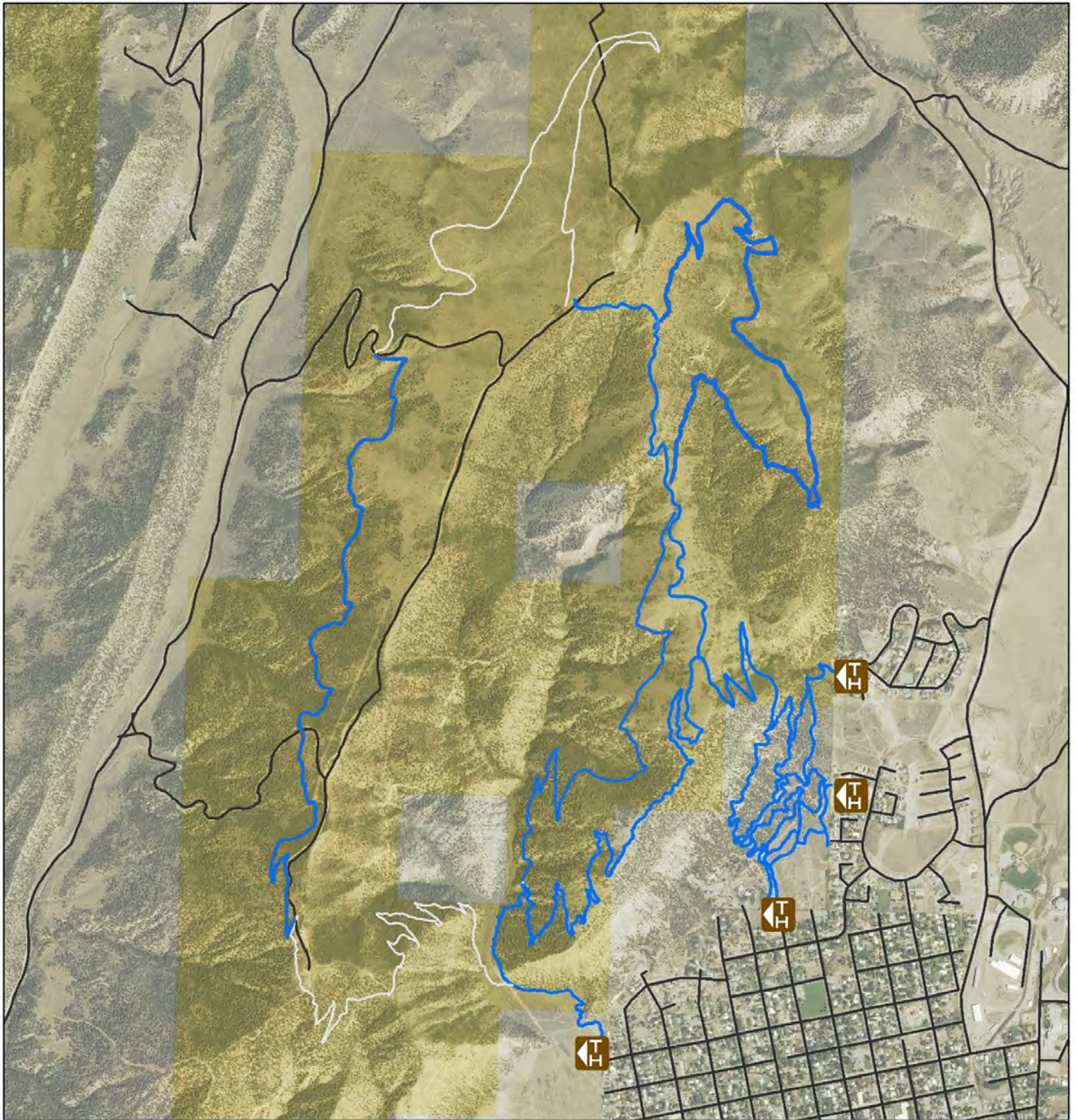
Project Budget



NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS GRANT

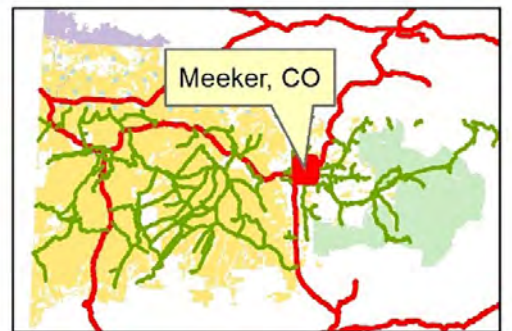
| Project details | | | | Match details | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|------------|--------------|------------------------------------|---------|----------------|--------------|
| CPW Grant # | | | | Source of match | Type | Date available | Amount |
| Organization | MAMBA (Meeker Area Mountain Bike Association) | | | Rob Walton Foundation | Cash | Nov-23 | \$ 15,000.00 |
| Project title | Meeker Trails System Wide Maintenance | | | MAMBA | Cash | Oct-23 | \$ 6,000.00 |
| Grant Request (auto populates) | \$ 104,818.00 | | | ERBM | Cash | Jan-24 | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Local match | \$ 52,580.00 | Min. Match | \$ 26,204.50 | Town of Meeker | Cash | Jan-24 | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Project Total | \$ 157,398.00 | | | BLM-WRFO, ERBM Admin Support | In-Kind | Oct-23 | \$ 4,000.00 |
| | | | | BLM-WRFO (local volunteer labor) | In-Kind | Jul-24 | \$ 5,990.00 |
| | | | | BLM-WRFO (RMYC hand crew one-week) | In-Kind | Jul-24 | \$ 11,590.00 |
| | | | | | | Match Total | \$ 52,580.00 |

| Description | Qty | Unit type | Cost per unit | Total | Type | CPW Grant | Local match | Balance |
|--|-----|-----------|---------------|---------------|---------|---------------|--------------|---------|
| Contracted Services | | | | | | | | |
| Trail 5 - mechanical | 320 | HR | \$ 150.00 | \$ 48,000.00 | Cash | \$ 36,480.00 | \$ 11,520.00 | \$ - |
| Trail 5 - hand crew | 320 | HR | \$ 75.00 | \$ 24,000.00 | Cash | \$ 18,240.00 | \$ 5,760.00 | \$ - |
| China Wall - mechanical | 80 | HR | \$ 130.00 | \$ 10,400.00 | Cash | \$ 7,904.00 | \$ 2,496.00 | \$ - |
| China Wall - hand crew | 40 | HR | \$ 75.00 | \$ 3,000.00 | Cash | \$ 2,280.00 | \$ 720.00 | \$ - |
| Lower Trails - mechanical | 80 | HR | \$ 150.00 | \$ 12,000.00 | Cash | \$ 9,120.00 | \$ 2,880.00 | \$ - |
| Lower Trails - hand crew | 80 | HR | \$ 75.00 | \$ 6,000.00 | Cash | \$ 4,560.00 | \$ 1,440.00 | \$ - |
| Hidden Valley - mechanical | 80 | HR | \$ 130.00 | \$ 10,400.00 | Cash | \$ 7,904.00 | \$ 2,496.00 | \$ - |
| Hidden Valley - hand crew | 40 | HR | \$ 75.00 | \$ 3,000.00 | Cash | \$ 2,280.00 | \$ 720.00 | \$ - |
| Mobilization (equipment) | 2 | EA | \$ 1,000.00 | \$ 2,000.00 | Cash | \$ 1,520.00 | \$ 480.00 | \$ - |
| Mobilization (personnel) | 3 | EA | \$ 500.00 | \$ 1,500.00 | Cash | \$ 1,140.00 | \$ 360.00 | \$ - |
| Field review and maintenance planning | 50 | HR | \$ 75.00 | \$ 3,750.00 | Cash | \$ 2,850.00 | \$ 900.00 | \$ - |
| Trailhead toolbox and tools cache | 1 | HR | \$ 4,000.00 | \$ 4,000.00 | Cash | \$ 3,040.00 | \$ 960.00 | \$ - |
| Salary/Wages | | | | | | | | |
| BLM-WRFO, ERBM, Town Volunteer Support | 200 | HR | \$ 31.29 | \$ 6,258.00 | In-Kind | | \$ 6,258.00 | \$ - |
| BLM-WRFO, ERBM Administrative Support | 100 | HR | \$ 40.00 | \$ 4,000.00 | In-Kind | | \$ 4,000.00 | \$ - |
| BLM-WRFO RMYC Organized Hand Crew Week | 1 | WK | \$ 11,590.00 | \$ 11,590.00 | In-Kind | | \$ 11,590.00 | \$ - |
| | | | | \$ - | | | | \$ - |
| Materials/Supplies | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | \$ - | | | | \$ - |
| | | | | \$ - | | | | \$ - |
| Additional Categories | | | | | | | | |
| MAMBA Insurance Costs | | | | \$ 7,500.00 | Cash | \$ 7,500.00 | | \$ - |
| TOTAL | | | | \$ 157,398.00 | | \$ 104,818.00 | \$ 52,580.00 | |



- Existing Trails
- Future Trails
- Roads
- Bureau of Land Management
- ERBM, Town of Meeker, Private

0 0.125 0.25 0.5 Miles



Meeker Trail System Maintenance Needs 2024



Significant gully formation throughout trail system

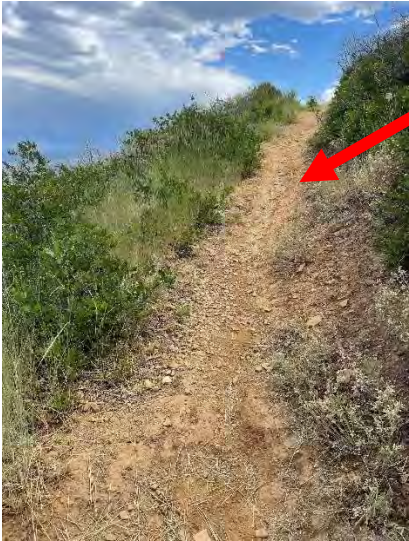
Extensive mechanical washout excavation necessary throughout trail system where they have completely filled up



Tree, Rock, obstruction removal in several areas



Berm rebuilds in several areas



High amount of steep grades with insloping tread and slough that creates drainage issue from low sheetflow, in need of grade dips, reinforced water bars, etc.



Make Meeker Trails Great Again!



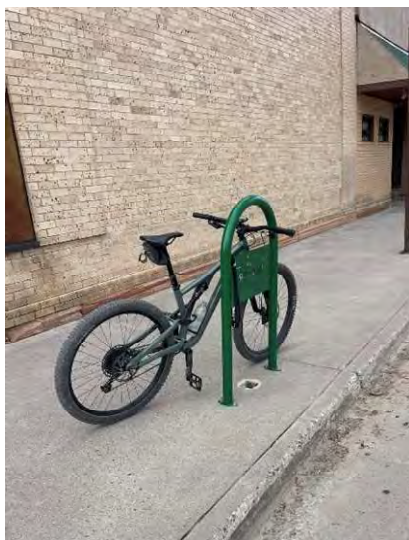
Meeker Trail System – Stewardship Success Stories



MAMBA inaugural event and trail stewardship groups from all over the state.



Annual volunteer trail stewardship activities.



Main St. Committee installation of 15 bike racks throughout Meeker, including at trailheads.



RMYC annual commitment from BLM-WRFO to assist with trail building and stewardship.



Annual National Public Lands Day volunteer activities.



Main St. Committee installation of wayfinding signage throughout town, including directions to trailheads.



United States Department of the Interior



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
White River Field Office
220 East Market Street
Meeker, CO 81641

In Reply Refer To:
8372 (CON05) P

September 22, 2023

Colorado Parks and Wildlife
State Trails Program
13787 U.S. Hwy 85 N.,
Littleton, CO 80125

To whom it may concern,

The Bureau of Land Management-White River Field Office (WRFO) fully supports the Non-Motorized Trail Grant application submitted by the Meeker Area Mountain Biking Association (MAMBA) and co-sponsored by the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District (ERBM). The Meeker Trail System Maintenance grant will provide funding to maintain hiking and biking trails that are authorized by the WRFO in the 2015 Meeker Trails Master Plan Environmental Assessment DOI-BLM-CO-N05-2014-0116 Decision Record. There are 11 miles of single-track trails that are open to hiking and biking. The trail system incorporates a number of new and existing trails developed by the local community and agencies. The surrounding area offers more recreational opportunities including high quality hunting and access to large and remote wilderness areas.

The WRFO has committed in-kind contributions of staff time for planning and monitoring the maintenance project, and a one-week youth corps trail crew funding for fiscal year 2024 if the grant is awarded. This project is also in alignment with meeting the goals and objectives the BLM National Recreation Strategy-Connecting with Communities. We are proud to partner with MAMBA, ERBM, the Town of Meeker, and Rio Blanco County to maintain this trail system, build on the existing momentum this trail system has created, and help bring even more socio-economic benefits to our local community.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact San Delana Riebold, Outdoor Recreation Planner, at (970) 878-3833 or by email at sriebold@blm.gov. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

William Mills,
White River Field Office Manager



September 19th, 2023

Re: MAMBA Meeker Trail System Maintenance - Trails Grant Application Support Letter

The Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan (ERBM) Recreation and Park District is pleased to submit this letter in full support of the MAMBA (Meeker Area Mountain Bike Association) CPW Non-Motorized Trails Grant application to secure financial assistance toward the extensive maintenance needs that currently exist for this beloved local / regional recreational amenity which enjoys substantial year-round usage. ERBM as a land managing agency for a portion of the Meeker Trails System on our local Philip and Dorcas Jensen Memorial Park property is an enthusiastic caretaker in the ongoing upkeep of the trails system overall and recognizes the need for this critical maintenance project to promote the long-term viability of these tremendous community assets.

ERBM and MAMBA, along with coordination from the other land managing agencies BLM-WRFO and the Town of Meeker, have collaborated on a number of stewardship projects over the past 10-years which seek to updated and improve the Meeker Trails System. However, increasing usage, impactful weather events, and limited local capacity in our remote rural community make extensive maintenance to the system a significant challenge without periodic mechanical assistance. MAMBA is well positioned to work alongside the land managing agencies overseeing the Meeker Trail System to leverage this vital grant funding assistance, along with tremendous local consensus and cohesion, toward this successful and much needed maintenance project.

This project is closely aligned with ERBM's mission is to "create year-round recreational, cultural, and outdoor experiences that improve well being and promote a vibrant community for the resident's, visitors and future generations of Eastern Rio Blanco County". Without this vital grant assistance, the Meeker Trails System will incur ongoing damage and risk falling out of favor with local and regional users which are so vital to our community. ERBM enthusiastically supports this grant application and is available to answer any further questions you may have regarding this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sean VonRoenn".

Sean VonRoenn
Executive Director
ERBM Recreation and Park District
cc. Board of Directors



September 25, 2023

To Whom it May Concern,

The Meeker Chamber of Commerce would like to offer our full support for the Meeker Area Mountain Bike Association (MAMBA) request for funding for a Colorado Parks and Wildlife Grant.

As the Visitor Center and a leader in tourism promotion for our area, we understand the importance of biking trails for recreation and our economy. MAMBA is growing as an organization and is committed to expanding mountain biking trails, education, and culture in Meeker. Their contributions have led to an increase in biking recreation, trails, events, and volunteers.

We support their request for funding for trail maintenance, as they rely on grants and donations to keep their efforts moving forward. The trails are close to town and provide easy and quick access to active recreation that is enjoyed by residents and visitors of all ages every day. Further, we are seeing an increase in visitors traveling to our area for trail riding and hiking. This brings in outside dollars to boost our economy, but also adds to the need for more maintenance.

The continued development and enhancements of our trail systems are critical both for the lifestyle of our local residents as well as for attracting regional recreation tourists to this area. The Meeker Chamber of Commerce fully supports the Meeker Area Mountain Bike Association (MAMBA) grant application, and we would gratefully look forward to the benefits this project will bring to our community and citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephanie Hanson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stephanie Hanson
Executive Director
Meeker Chamber of Commerce



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF RIO BLANCO COUNTY, COLORADO
RIO BLANCO COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE
555 MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 599
MEEKER, COLORADO 81641
970-878-9430

September 26, 2023

Colorado State Trails Committee State Trails Program
13787 S. Hwy 85 N.
Littleton, CO 80125

Dear Colorado State Trails Committee:

On behalf of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado, we are pleased to submit this letter in support of the grant application made by the Meeker Area Mountain Biking Association for the mechanical maintenance of the existing trails identified in the Meeker Trails Master Plan.

The initial phases of construction on ERBM's Philip and Dorcas Jenson Memorial Park, Town of Meeker's Ute Park and the BLM managed lands have been a tremendous success with local residents and the trails have inspired considerable tourism interest from visitors outside of Rio Blanco County. It is our strong position that the maintenance of this trail system is critical and will further stimulate vitally important economic development efforts within the Town of Meeker.

The convenience of recreating outdoors within such a close proximity to the downtown corridor is a valued amenity. These trails are well used for hiking, mountain biking and local race events. The continued maintenance is critical to maintain the infrastructure of this wonderful trail system and appears to align with the scope of the grant funding to improve outdoor recreation opportunities, while protecting wildlife, habitat, and cultural resources.

We commend the Meeker Area Mountain Biking Association and the Eastern Rio Blanco Metropolitan Recreation and Park District for developing this valued trail system. We encourage full funding for this worthwhile trail maintenance project. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Jennifer O'Hearon, the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

A blue ink signature of Ty Gates, a Commissioner of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

A blue ink signature of Doug Overton, a Commissioner of the Board of County Commissioners of Rio Blanco County, Colorado.

The Board of County Commissioners of
Rio Blanco County, Colorado

JENNIFER O'HEARON
Chairman

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Commissioner
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Commissioner



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345 Market Street, Meeker, CO 81641 - 970.878.5344

September 19, 2023

Colorado Parks and Wildlife
State Trails Program
13787 U.S. Hwy 85 N.
Littleton, CO 80125

Re: Non-Motorized Trails Grant application

Dear Grant Committee,

The Town of Meeker is in full support of the Meeker Area Mountain Bike Association (MAMBA) grant application for Non-Motorized Trail Maintenance. The Meeker Trails System is an incredible and collaborative project that has grown exponentially over the last decade with visitors from all over Colorado coming to hike, ride, and explore our Town. We recognize that the Meeker Trails are an asset to our tourism-based economy and a beloved feature for our citizens who choose to live here.

Used year round and for many purposes, including a growing interest in regional biking and running races, the Meeker Trails are experiencing over a decade of wear and tear with little capacity to match that with the required maintenance and upkeep. We recognize the amazing work that our local Recreation District staff, BLM volunteer crews, and MAMBA volunteers do to maintain safe and appealing access to the trails; however, the need for more advanced trail work is critical for the longevity of the system.

The Town of Meeker believes in taking care of our greatest asset – public land. As such, we are committed to supporting MAMBA's ability to create a financial match for the State Trails Program grant award. Our endorsement of this application is in the spirit of ensuring the sustainability of this incredible recreational opportunity for our community.

Sincerely,

Kent A. Borchard, Mayor
On behalf of the Board of Trustees

Document checklist



NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS GRANT APPLICATION – CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE

PROJECT DETAILS

Organization

Project title

DOCUMENTS

PRE-APPLICATION - SEPTEMBER

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Timeline | CPW template | PDF |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Budget | CPW template | Unprotected Excel file |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Photographs & maps | Applicant's own | Merged PDF (5 pages max) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Letters of support | Various | Merged PDF (5 letters max) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8. Resolution | Applicant's own | Signed PDF |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 9. Environmental forms | CPW Template | Signed PDF |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 10. Formal EA or NEPA* | Federal Template | Web link or PDF |

ADDITIONAL PROJECT INFORMATION

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:
15. Volunteers will be utilized on the project
Name of organization:

*Must be completed prior to application presentations in January.