

# EXHIBIT A



**COLORADO**  
**Parks and Wildlife**  
 Department of Natural Resources

## 2024-2025 **SNOWMOBILE PROGRAM** **Grant Application**

<b>Name of Project:</b> Toilet Replacements at Cottonwood Canyon		<b>Date of Application:</b> 4/13/24	
<i>(Please limit the project name to 5 words or less)</i>			
<b>Total Project Cost:</b> \$ 154,155.00		<b>Grant Request:</b> \$ 72,000	
<i>Amount Requested (round off to the nearest \$1) must match the Project Budget Form:</i>			
<b>PROJECT SPONSOR</b> (Name and Address for entity legally responsible for project)			
Organization Name: Buena Vista Snowmobile Club			
Mailing Address: PO BOX 3133, BUENA VISTA, CO 81211			
		Fax:	
Telephone:		Email:	
<b>PROJECT CONTACT</b> This is the person with day-to-day responsibility for the managing the project, ensuring the contract scope of work will be fulfilled. Please notify us if <i>Project Contact</i> changes.			
Name: Zachary Shacter		Title: President	
Mailing Address: PO BOX 381, Nathrop CO 81236			
Telephone: 904-482-2089	Fax:	Email z.shacter@gmail.com	
Is this the primary contact for this grant: YES			
<b>PROJECT CLOSE-OUT CONTACT</b> This is the person responsible for submitting receipts for project spending and close-out. Please notify us if <i>Project Contact</i> changes.			
Name: Jennifer Fenwick		Title: Central Colorado Recreation Program Coordinator	
Mailing Address: PO Box 1104, Salida, CO 81201			
Telephone: 720-245-0026	Fax:	Email: jfenwick@nationalforests.org	
Mailing Address:			
Telephone:	Fax:	Email:	
<b>PROJECT LOCATION</b>			
Nearest Town or City: Buena Vista, Colorado			
County(ies): Chaffee County			
Township/Range/Section:			
State Senate District #: 4		State Representative District #: 13	
Land Ownership: USFS			
State	Federal - X	Private	Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:			
<b>TRAILHEAD USER INFORMATION :</b>			
Snowmobile	40 %	X-Country Skiing	8%
Snow Shoeing	2 %	Camping/Hiking	45% Fat Biking 5%

<b>SCOPE OF WORK – Project Description:</b>	
Project Name: Toilet Replacement at Cottonwood Canyon	Project No.: (to be completed by CPW)
Project Sponsor: Buena Vista Snowmobile Club	Application Year: 2024-2025
Project Contact: Zachary Shacter	Application No.: (to be completed by CPW)
Total Project Cost: \$154,155.00	Grant Request: \$72,000

**Project Description:** Please write a brief description of your project: Only need to describe what you intend to purchase with grant funds. All other information such as project background, needs and benefits will be address in the Project Selection Criteria (Exhibit D).

The National Forest Foundation (NFF) currently has contractors lined up to decommission and replace the toilet at the Denny Creek Trailhead. With GAOA funds, NFF will cover the full cost of removing the toilets and asks for funding support for installation. Please see the funding breakdown below: A remain 42% of the budget still needs funding for work to begin. Funds will go directly towards:

- Decommission cost: \$3,895 – Familiar Face Xcavation, Inc. (Cotopaxi, CO)
- Replacement cost: \$61,260 – UBC Precast (Blackfoot, ID)
- Total Cost = \$65,155

Provided cash match: \$35,155

Request for CPW funding: \$30,000 towards replacement costs (42% of total costs)

Also in the pipeline is the replacement of the Avalanche Trailhead toilet. NFF has an agreement with the USFS to replace this restroom as well. NFF will begin the procurement process this year. Based on recent quotes, we estimate costs to be higher:

- Decommission cost: \$4,000 (plan to modify current contract with Familiar Face Xcavation, Inc.)
- Replacement cost: \$73,000 (based on more recent quotes)
- Total Cost = \$77,000

Provided cash match: \$47,000

Request for CPW funding: \$30,000 towards replacement costs (39% of total costs)

NFF has a standard indirect rate of 20% on non-federal agreements. NFF's indirect supports administrative expenses including staff time and salary for sub-contracting, reporting, and management; operating costs including travel, office supplies, bookkeeping costs; and security expenses, legal fees, and insurance.

-Request for CPW Funding: \$6,000 for each toilet, totaling \$12,000.

Any funds awarded for this project should be dispersed directly to the Nation Forest Federation.

**2024-2025 SNOWMOBILE CAPITAL GRANT BUDGET FORM - EXHIBIT B**

**CLUB NAME:** BV Snowmobile Club

**PROJECT NAME:** Toilet Replacements at Cottonwood Canyon  
 \*\*\*ITEMS LISTED IN THE BUDGET BELOW SHOULD BE SPECIFIC AND CORRESPOND TO THE PLANNED ACTIVITIES INDICATED IN THE PROJECT DESCRIPTION (SCOPE OF WORK) ON YOUR GRANT APPLICATION.\*\*\*

**PROJECT FUNDING SOURCES (Only enter data in cells that are NOT shaded)**  
 List all sources and amounts of project funding in this section

SNOWMOBILE CAPITAL GRANT REQUEST AMOUNT			\$72,000.00
Funding Source	In-Kind (Non-Cash) Contributions	Cash	
<b>Club Funds</b>			\$ -
National Forest Foundation with USFS GAOA Funding (Denny Creek Trailhead)		\$ 35,155.00	
National Forest Foundation with USFS GAOA Funding (Avalanche Trailhead)		\$ 47,000.00	
Volunteer Support			\$ -
Contributions/Donations			\$ -
Trade In			\$ -
Other			\$ -
<b>Total</b>		\$ 82,155.00	\$ 82,155.00
		<b>TOTAL PROJECT COST (grant request plus other funding sources)</b>	<b>\$154,155.00</b>

**USE OF GRANT FUNDING**  
 List uses of Capital Grant Request Amount below

Denny Creek Trailhead Toilet Replacement (contractor to manufacture, deliver, and install toilet)	\$ 30,000.00
Admin/Indirect for Denny Creek Trailhead Toilet*	\$ 6,000.00
Avalanche Trailhead Toilet Replacement (contractor to manufacture, deliver, and install toilet)	\$ 30,000.00
Admin/Indirect for Avalanche Trailhead Toilet*	\$ 6,000.00
*NFF has a standard indirect rate of 20% on non-federal agreements. NFF's indirect supports administrative expenses including staff time and salary for sub-contracting, reporting, and management; operating costs including travel, office supplies, bookkeeping costs; and security expenses, legal fees, and insurance.	\$ -
	\$ -
	\$ -
<b>TOTAL USE OF GRANT FUNDING</b>	<b>\$ 72,000.00</b>



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**Complete only if application is for a capital construction project  
FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION and LAND MANAGER APPROVAL**

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

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Project Name	Toilet Replacements at Cottonwood Canyon Trailheads	Project Sponsor	Buena Vista Snowmobile Club
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**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 titled:

Land and Resource Management Land Pike and San Isabel National Forests; Cimarron and Comanche National Graslands      Date: 11/18/1984

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

Date and title of document:

March 18, 2024 USFS Decision Memo for Denny Creek Trailhead Toilet Replacement

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If not, please state reason and the estimated date when NEPA will be complete. [No funds will be distributed until any required NEPA documentation is completed.]

The Avalanche Trailhead toilet does not have full NEPA clearance, but it's scheduled to be completed by Spring to early Summer 2025.

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For more information contact:

Perry Edwards; 719-530-3960 James.Edwards1@usda.gov

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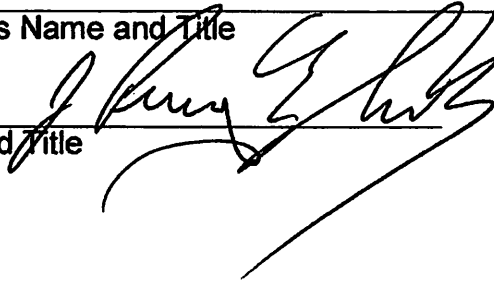
4. The next planning process that may affect this project is planned for.

Spring 2025

Print or type Land Manager's Name and Title

Salida District Ranger

Land Manager Signature and Title



4/22/2024

Date



## Decision Memo

### Denny Creek Trailhead Toilet Replacement

#### U.S. Forest Service

### Salida District, Pike-San Isabel National Forests and Cimarron & Comanche National Grasslands

#### Chaffee County, Colorado

This decision incorporates all information in this document and included in the project file.

#### Decision

I have decided to authorize the activities described in the “Proposed Action” section, including any modifications that resulted from environmental analysis and review of regulatory compliance.

#### Applicable Categorical Exclusion and Extraordinary Circumstances

The “Applicable Categories” section identifies the appropriate category/categories for this action and provides rationale for categorically excluding this action from documentation in an environmental assessment (EA) or environmental impact statement (EIS) and for using the identified category/categories. The “Environmental Analysis” section documents rationale to support my finding that no extraordinary circumstances exist, along with findings required by other applicable laws and regulations to demonstrate compliance with the regulatory framework for the activities authorized by this decision.

#### Agencies, Organizations and Persons Contacted

A list of Agencies, Organizations and Persons Contacted regarding this proposal is provided, along with a brief overview of comments/feedback received and how they were considered.

#### Implementation Date

I intend to implement the decision upon signature

#### Administrative Review

Decisions that are categorically excluded from documentation in an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement are not subject to an administrative review process (Agriculture Act of 2014 [Pub. L. No. 113-79], Subtitle A, Sec. 8006).

#### Contact

Phillip Kriebel, Forest Engineer, Pueblo CO 81201, [phillip.kriebel@usda.gov](mailto:phillip.kriebel@usda.gov)

J. Perry Edwards

Date

District Ranger



## Project Information

**Proposal Name:** Salida RD Toilet Replacements – Denny Creek Trailhead

**Project Contact:** Phil Kriebel

**Responsible Official:** Perry Edwards, District Ranger,

**Unit:** PSICC

**Ranger District:** Salida

**Counties:** Chaffee

**State:** Colorado

**Anticipated Implementation:** Summer 2024

**Signing Authority:** District Ranger

**General Location:** Denny Creek Trailhead (CR 306)

**Applicable Management Areas:** MA 2B – Rural and Roaded Natural Recreation Opportunities

**Legal Description:** Denny Creek TH(T14S, R80W, Sec 21)

**Elevation Range:** 8,600' to 10,700'

**Watersheds:** Cottonwood Creek (1102000103), Hayden Creek (110200010905 )

## Proposed Action

The proposed action is to authorize the decommissioning through demolition and removal of the existing toilet above ground structures and subsurface vault tanks and replaced with a two seat, precast concrete vault toilet building at the Denny Trailhead. The new two seat toilet building would measure 11 feet, 11 inches by 14 feet, 4 inches Double Cascadian Vault Restroom style building. The toilet building will house two toilet risers and grab bars that are compliant with ADA. The subsurface structures on which the toilet building will sit, will consist of two concrete vaults, each with a 1,000-gallon capacity size with a clean out hatch. The location of the new structure is at the edge of the trailhead parking area approximately 37 feet away from the existing toilet building (see photo below).

Both the decommissioning of the old toilet buildings and installation of the new toilet buildings will be performed by a contractor in which removal of any above ground structures (wooden outhouse building with toilet risers) will occur. The subsurface areas of containment (vault made of concrete walls) will be demolished in place and removed in debris pieces off-site. Use of a small excavator and a haul away dump truck or trailer will be required for this portion of project implementation. Installation will require additional excavation, backfilling, and placement of the precast concrete vault toilet.

The contractor will excavate for the installation of the toilet vault to a depth that will allow the structure to be free draining after completion. All excavation left overnight will be covered, fenced, or flagged to restrict access and prevent wildlife entrapment. If needed, sand or aggregate bedding material for leveling will be installed. The concrete vault will be set in place and checked for level or appropriate scope. Excavated material will be used for backfilling except for any rocks larger than six inches. Filling will continue in eight-inch loose lifts and compacted with a minimum of two passes by a whacker-type compactor or equivalent. Any excess soil will be spread along the perimeter of the building with an



# Salida RD Toilet Replacements – Denny Creek Trailhead



intended of no more than five percent. The toilet risers and exhaust pipes will be installed lastly and sealed with silicone at the seams.

Work is estimated to occur in summer 2024.

## Design Elements

The following design elements are incorporated into the proposed action to ensure land management plan compliance:

**Table 1. Design elements**

Design Element Label	Design Element Description
Hydro-1	Use erosion control such as slash, wattles, water bars, or other measures on disturbed areas outside of the designated parking areas to reduce soil erosion.
Hydro-2	Avoid soil disturbing actions during periods of heavy rain or wet soil. Do not operate equipment when soil conditions will result in rutting of soils.
Hydro-3	Locate vehicle service and fuel areas, chemical storage and use areas, and waste dumps on gentle upland sites. Mix, load and clean on gentle upland sites. Dispose of chemicals and containers in State-certified disposal areas.
Hydro-4	Locate trailheads and outhouses in upland areas, outside of floodplains and riparian and wetland areas.
Wildlife-1	Recommended Raptor Buffer Guidelines (Colorado Parks and Wildlife) will be reviewed for guidance in the instance an occupied raptor nest is discovered during implementation. Active nests will be avoided.
Engineering-1	No work will be completed during frozen or saturated ground conditions
Engineering-2	All aggregate brought onsite will be approved by engineering before placement
Engineering-3	Drainage features and grading will be approved by engineering prior to construction
Invasives-1	All ground disturbing equipment must be washed prior to entering project area.
Invasives-2	Areas should be avoided where noxious weeds are present within the project.
Invasives-3	If used, erosion control materials such as slash, wattles, or hay should be certified as weed-free.



## Project Maps



## Categorical Exclusion Review

### Applicable Categories

This proposal is categorically excluded from documentation in an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement because it fits the following category or categories, pending extraordinary circumstance determinations:

**Applicable Category or Categories:**

36 CFR 220.6(e)(22) (DM Required)

This category is applicable for this project because it includes construction, reconstruction, decommissioning of buildings, infrastructure, or improvements at an existing recreation site.

### Agencies, Organizations and Persons Contacted

The project was posted on the Schedule of Proposed Actions beginning December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Internal scoping did not identify potentially affected persons or issues.





## Environmental Analysis

### National Forest Management Act (NFMA) - Land Management Plan Consistency

The pertinent specialists have reviewed the proposal, incorporating specific Design Elements listed above to ensure consistency with applicable land management plan direction. The following summarizes the analysis and conclusions supporting plan consistency.

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**Botany:** Adhering to design elements for hydrology (listed above) will help minimize erosion and maintain seed beds and nutrients for plants.

**Cultural/Heritage** Prior surveys were completed for a separate CDOT project. These were sufficient surveys within the Denny Creek trailhead project area of potential effects.

**Hydrology:** Ground disturbance is in a small, localized area. The impacts to soils and hydrology would be short duration in small, localized area, being the greatest during construction and decreasing over time. The design elements above ensure there will be no long-term impacts to soils or hydrology from this project.

**Wildlife:** Adhering to design elements for hydrology (listed above) will help minimize erosion causing turbidity and protect wildlife and macro-invertebrates living in the riparian corridor adjacent.

**Range:** Design elements for invasive plants/noxious weeds comply with LRMP and agency direction

The following resource evaluations are not applicable for this project, silviculture, fisheries, minerals, special management areas, scenery, fuels, lands and special uses. The purpose and need addresses engineering and recreation.

### Other Law, Regulation and Policy Consistency

The following laws, regulations, or policies pertinent to this project include:

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#### Clean Air Act

This project will comply with the Clean Air Act.

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#### Clean Water Act

There will be no measurable impact to water quality due to the small footprint of the project in the watershed and the implementation of design elements. This project meets the requirements of the Clean Water Act.

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#### Endangered Species Act - Threatened, Endangered, Proposed and Candidate Species and Critical Habitat

No terrestrial T&E species or habitat exist in this parking lot or where the existing toilet is being replaced.

No T&E plant species or habitat exists at the new construction site. Deconstruction and rehabilitation of the vegetation at the current toilet location is not likely to provide habitat for T&E plant species in the future.



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**Sensitive Species (FSM 2670)**

No terrestrial sensitive species in habitat this parking lot or the toilet being replaced presently. If a bat or raptor were to take up residence (roost) in the existing toilet, the District Wildlife Biologist will be contacted, and construction activities will cease.

No sensitive plant species or habitat exists at the new construction site. Deconstruction and rehabilitation of the vegetation at the current toilet location is not likely to provide habitat for sensitive plant species in the future.

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**National Historic Preservation Act – Section 106 Review**

No historic properties affected - 36 CFR 800.4(d)(1).

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**Government to Government Consultation (EO 13175)**

The responsible official identified the following regarding Government-to-Government consultation:

No Tribal Governments to consult.

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**Relevant Executive Orders**

The responsible official determined the proposal complies with the following Executive Orders, which were deemed relevant based on the nature of the proposal.

*EO 11988, Floodplain Management* – requires determination of action occurring in a floodplain, using HUD floodplain map or more detailed map if available.

See above

*EO 11990, Protection of Wetlands* – avoid actions within wetlands unless there are no practical alternatives, and the action includes all practicable means to minimize harm to wetlands.

See above

*EO 12898, Environmental Justice* – identify and address disproportionately high and adverse effects on minority and low-income populations.

No effects and therefore no disproportionately high and adverse effects

*EO 13007, Indian Sacred Sites* – avoid adversely affecting the physical integrity of these sites.

See above

*EO 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments* - agencies consult with Indian tribes and respect tribal sovereignty as they develop policy on issues that impact Indian communities.

See above

*EO 13112, Invasive Species* – prevent the introduction of invasive species and provide for their control and to minimize the economic, ecological, and human health impacts that invasive species cause.

See above

*EO 13186, Migratory Birds* – identify actions that may have a measurable negative effect on migratory bird populations.

This project will have no adverse impact to migratory birds- no long term effects.

*EO 13443, Facilitation of Hunting Heritage and Wildlife Conservation* – expand and enhance hunting opportunities.

No effects to hunting opportunities or wildlife conservation.





## Extraordinary Circumstance Determinations

Pertinent specialists have reviewed the proposal and made the following determinations with regards to degree of effects for the resource conditions considered:

**Table 2. Resource conditions considered for extraordinary circumstance determinations**

Resource Conditions Considered for Extraordinary Circumstances	Is there a degree of potential effect that raises uncertainty over its significance? Briefly explain.
Federally listed threatened or endangered species, designated critical habitat, and Forest Service sensitive species	NO, there is no uncertainty. Rationale for yes/no: See above
Floodplains, wetlands, or municipal watersheds (including EO 11988, EO 11990)	NO, there is no uncertainty. Rationale for yes/no: See above
Congressionally designated areas, such as wilderness, wilderness study areas, or national recreation areas	N/A, not present
Inventoried roadless areas	N/A, not present
Research natural areas	N/A, not present
American Indians and Alaska Native religious or cultural sites (including EO 13007)	NO, there is no uncertainty. Rationale for yes/no: No sites identified
Archaeological sites, or historic properties or areas	NO, there is no uncertainty. Rationale for yes/no: Surveys in area of potential affect occurred

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## Exhibit D

### PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA

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#### **Needs and Urgency of the Project (40 points):**

**A. Describe the need for this project.**

Cottonwood Canyon. The public bathrooms at the Denny Creek & Avalanche Trailheads were originally constructed in the mid 1980s, and both show the wear to prove their worth. These are the busiest trailheads within our winter trail system, as well as major entry points to the Collegiate Peaks Wilderness in the summer. Not only are these facilities highly utilized by a variety of recreational users, these are common "rest stop" bathrooms for summer auto traffic going over Cottonwood Pass.

With expected use of these facilities to continue increasing, it is ideal timing to ensure all users have access to clean, accessible, comfortable, and safe restrooms when recreating in our backyard.

Additionally, replacing these toilets is important to protecting our clean waters. The concrete vaults that hold human waste are presumed to have cracked, leaking contaminants into the ground.

**B. What is the importance of this project to your grooming program, the Colorado Snowmobile Program and your local community?**

These bathroom facilities are crucial to cleanliness of our trailheads. All users and operators will be able to take advantage of using nicer, updated facilities. The nearest alternative public bathroom would be in Buena Vista; a 25-minute drive.

These updates will also create ADA accessible facilities for more users to benefit from.

**C. Why is it important to undertake this project now instead of at a later time? Please describe any elements that make this project urgent or time sensitive?**

We currently have 54% of the needed funds, dedicated by the National Forest Federation. Obtaining the remaining funds now will ensure that these matching NFF funds do not get reallocated to other projects elsewhere.

**D. What is the impact on the Statewide Snowmobile Program if this project does not get funded?**

It may be several years before another opportunity arises to update the bathroom facilities at these trailheads. Missing this opportunity for funding would be like throwing away money from the National Forest Federation.

## Exhibit D

### PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA

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#### Benefits (30 points):

- A. What benefits will this project provide to the community and the Colorado Snowmobile Program?

New bathrooms will be a major upgrade for winter & summer, motorized & non-motorized users alike. The updated bathrooms will be more sanitary, easier to clean, better access, and brighter with more natural light.

Often times, these trailhead bathrooms are the first experience our recreational and "rest stop" users have of our area. This update will improve user's perception of our local trail systems, and showcase the good work that government and non-profit cooperation can do in our community.

Additionally, these more modern toilets are ADA compliant, providing a necessary amenity for the public.

- B. How does your grooming program protect and improve winter trail opportunities?

The BV Snowmobile club maintains good relationships with our County Commissioners, local stakeholders and USFS ranger district. We have successfully challenged access issues in St. Elmo with local landowners attempting to limit public winter access and the wilderness initiative in both St. Elmo and Cottonwood from the GORP Act. Our activism within the community serves to maintain public access for both motorized and non-motorized users.

- C. What is unique about your trail system?

The club operates on some of the highest groomed snowmobile terrain on the continent, including 2 groomed passes over 12,000ft. The connectivity of our trail systems gives riders unprecedented access to 100s of miles of terrain without needing to trailer equipment from one trailhead to another.

Being so centrally located in the state means we see many out-of-state users, but also users travelling from all over Colorado to recreate from these trailheads. Each of these trailheads serve motorized and non-motorized users along the groomed trails. It also is unique in that both trailheads also serve as popular entry points into the Collegiate Peaks Wilderness. Additionally, with both trailheads being directly located along a major summer travel corridor, these facilities service people from all backgrounds who are passing through our area.

- D. What types and skill level of trail users does your trail system attract?

Our terrain attracts all levels of skill. Beginner riders have hundreds of miles of connected, groomed, and maintained trails that can take them through multiple basins, counties and towns. We also have exemplary access to some extreme backcountry terrain for advanced riders.

We also service a large amount of non-motorized users who enjoy the benefit of groomed trails. On top of cross-country skiers and snowshoers, we see fat-bikers and backcountry skiers utilizing our trail system on a consistent basis.

For the past 3 seasons, we have groomed the route for the Cottonwood Crusher Fat-bike event, and the CDTC community XC ski event for the last 2 seasons.

- E. Does your club offer any educational programs such as snowmobile safe riding or avalanche awareness? Explain what classes were offered last season.

This year we hosted an Avalanche Safety Lab with CAIC that was open to the public for free.

## **Exhibit D**

### **PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA**

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#### **Partnerships (10 points):**

- A. List all agencies or organizations that your grooming program partners with and how these partnerships enhance and improve each other's program.

Cottonwood Crusher – Grooming for annual fat bike competition over Cottonwood Pass  
Continental Divide Trail Coalition – Grooming for cross country skiing events in St. Elmo  
CAIC – Avalanche Safety Programming in Buena Vista  
BV Single Track Coalition – Coordination of trail grooming reports for the Chaffee County area within the community of non-motorized recreationalists  
Chaffee County SAR North – Comms integration to support search and rescue efforts  
USFS: Salida Ranger District – Partnered in permitting process, bathroom maintenance, infrastructure improvements, and trail projects  
National Forest Federation – Grant partnership in capital improvements to bathroom infrastructure at winter and summer trailheads within program area

Our partnerships increase the engagement between non-motorized recreationalists and the motorized community. We work alongside of the above communities to promote all types of engagement with the outdoors of Colorado. By providing services to all users with the funds we receive from CPW, we connect common goals and create a more diverse, enjoyable environment. The sheer beauty of Colorado's alpine terrain in the wintertime is experienced by more people because of our collaborative effort.

- B. If your club is awarded this grant, describe how the club will promote or acknowledge the use of Colorado snowmobile registration funds and the capital grant program as a funding source for the project?

We will include a plaque on each bathroom acknowledging the partners and funding that brought this project to fruition.

We annually take out a series of local newspaper ads and are featured in a yearly article about the club's grooming program. In this next year's ads and article we will be certain to feature a portion highlighting CPW's grant programs and their incredible support of the state's winter recreation. Additionally, we will promote it through our social media postings.

## Exhibit D

### PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA

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#### Leverage (20 points):

- A. List and describe all sources of revenue or in-kind services that will be used to fund your grant funded project. List and explain any donations, contributions or other ways this project will be funded.

We have \$82,155 of matching funds from the National Forest Federation for this project. We have also provided volunteer hours to attend project planning meetings, on-going correspondence, and for the compilation of this application.

- B. Describe what aspects of the clubs grooming operations are provided by volunteers. Explain and highlight the number of volunteer hours provided last grooming season.

All aspects of club operations are provided by volunteers.

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Maintenance: 30 hrs

Grooming/travel: 445 hrs

Trail maintenance/clearing: 250 hrs

CSA Convention hosting: 580 hrs

Total hours: 1305 hrs

- C. Does your program pay, contract or compensate for any services or aspects of its operations. Explain and highlight all compensated expenses from your last grooming season.

The club doesn't pay, contract or compensate any service or aspects of our operations.

- D. What are the compensation rates and how are they established?

Not applicable

- E. Is your club trading or selling a snow cat or any equipment as part of this grant funded project? What is the value of trade/sale and how was this price established?

Unfortunately, it is not viable to sell or trade any part of the deconstructed bathrooms.



REVIEW COMMITTEE:

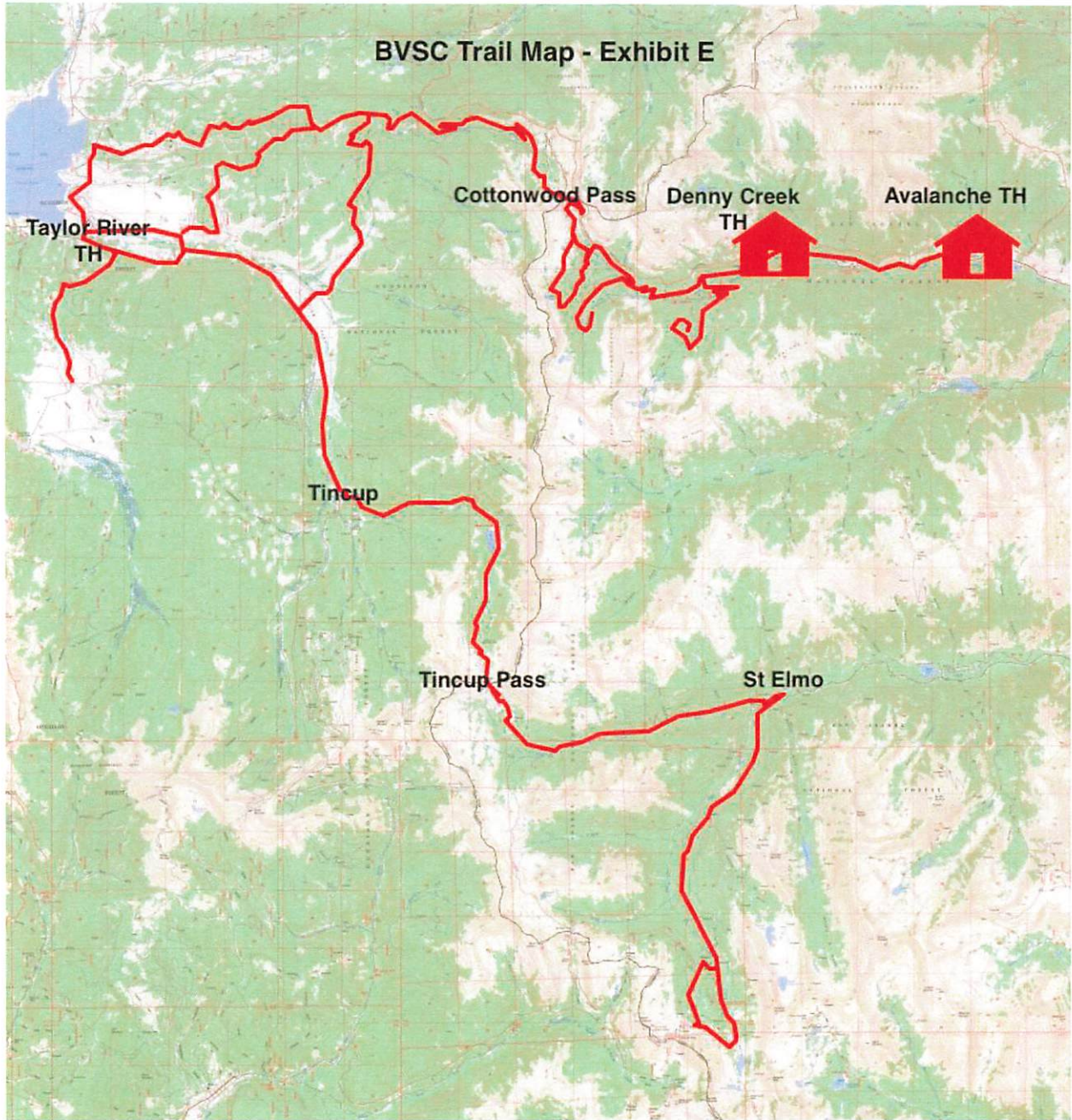
Do you wish to present your project to the Review Committee: Yes

Name of Presenter: Zachary Shacter & Jennifer Fenwick

Phone number: 904-482-2089

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# BVSC Trail Map - Exhibit E





# Exhibit E

TOILET LOCATION



United States Department of Agriculture  
Forest Service

(R02)  
ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION

PROJECT NAME

PSICC GAOA VAULT  
TOILET REPLACEMENT

PIKE AND SAN ISABEL  
NFS, CIMARRON AND  
COMANCHE NGS

SALIDA RANGER DISTRICT

DRAWING TITLE

DENNY CREEK TH DBL

DATE

1/11/2022

ARCHIVE NO.

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DESIGNER

S.LABELLA

DWG SHEET NO.

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PROJECT NO.

SHEET 15 OF 28

## GENERAL NOTES

- 1) THIS PROJECT SITE IS LOCATED IN CHAFFEE COUNTY.
- 2) THIS PROJECT SITE IS LOCATED 9,880 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.
- 3) BUILDING #8202
- 4) CONTRACTOR SHALL CUT ASPHALT USING DEMO SAW TO INSTALL BUILDING.

## DIRECTIONS TO SITE:

FROM BUENA VISTA, COLORADO, TRAVEL WEST ON COUNTY ROAD 306 (PAVED) FOR APPROXIMATELY 11 MILES. THE TRAIL HEAD IS LOCATED ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE OF THE ROAD.



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File Code: 7310  
Date: April 18, 2024

CPW Snowmobile Program Grants  
13787 S Santa Fe Drive  
Littleton, CO 80125

RE: Letter of Support – Buena Vista Snowmobile Club & the  
National Forest Foundation

The Pike-San Isabel National Forests & Cimarron and Comanche National Grasslands (PSICC) is pleased to support the Buena Vista Snowmobile Club's (BVSC) proposal to the CPW Snowmobile Program Grants to replace two toilets on the Salida Ranger District on the PSICC. We fully support the project, and all applicable permissions are in place or scheduled to be in place.

This work will address deferred maintenance of trailhead toilets (Denny Creek and Avalanche), which are old and may adversely affect our water resources due to wear and tear. Replacing these toilets will protect our waters and soils from leaking human waste-based contaminants and provide an accessible (ADA-compliant) recreational experience for all people.

A grant through the CPW Program Grants will be highly leveraged, providing crucial match for federal funding. The NFF has a partnership agreement with the PSICC through Great American Outdoors Act (GAOA) funding to undertake the decommission and replacement of up to 30 toilets across the PSICC over the next 4 years. Non-federal match is required to unlock these funds.

The BVSC and NFF have a proven track record of successful collaboration with the U.S. Forest Service and other partners. This strong partnership has enabled us to manage a variety of projects that benefit and protect forests and watersheds. We are confident in our ability to execute this project effectively and efficiently. We encourage your support for BVSC's proposal to the CPW Snowmobile Program Grants. Thank you for considering funding this important project that will restore crucial infrastructure, improving the recreational experience while protecting our forests and water resources.

Sincerely,

Phillip M. Kriebel, PE  
Forest Engineer

