

EXHIBIT A

GRANT APPLICATION CHECK LIST

MANDATORY:

- Signed letter of resolution from Governing Body
- Exhibit A - Application
- Exhibit B - Budget (Unprotected Excel CPW form)
- Environmental Forms (not required for Regional Trails Planning grants)
- Maps/Photographs/Graphics (5 page max, pdf, letter sized pages)
- Letters of Support (maximum of 5). No letters from clubs or groups specifically working on the project
- Project can be completed within 2.5 years from receiving grant
- Required MATCH funding is secured, including CASH match funds
- CPW Area Wildlife Manager has been contacted and informed of construction projects by July 1st. Note that ALL projects will be reviewed by CPW for wildlife impacts
- (Construction only) Project area is owned by public land agency or has easement that designates the area to be open to public outdoor recreation for at least 25 years
- (Construction Only) Formal Environmental Assessment (EA) or NEPA has been completed with final approval for the project area (federal lands only).

ADDITIONAL PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS:

- Youth Corps or youth organization will be used on the project (name of organization)
- Volunteers will be utilized on the project (name organization)

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COLORADO THE BEAUTIFUL CONSTRUCTION APPLICATION		
Applicant or Organization Name: Town of Frisco		
Mailing Address: PO Box 4100 Frisco, CO 80443		
Applicant Lead Contact Name: Pete Swenson	Title: Nordic and Trails Manager	
Telephone: 720-289-6547	Email: petes@townoffrisco.com	Is this the primary contact for this grant: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

PROJECT MANAGER (this person will have day-to-day responsibility for the project)	
Name: Pete Swenson	
Mailing Address: attn Nordic Center PO Box 4100 Frisco, CO 80443	
Telephone: 720-289-6547	Email: petes@townoffrisco.com

PRIMARY PARTNER INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)		
Name: US Forest Service Dillon Ranger District		
Mailing Address: PO Box 620 Silverthorne, CO 80498-0620		
Partner Contact Name: Sam Massman	Title: Mt. Sports Administrator	
Telephone: 970-309-3268	Email: samuel.massman@usda.gov	Is this the primary contact for this grant: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

Project Title: Frisco Nordic Center Trails Project	
Grant Request: \$ 168,390	Required Match: \$ 50,517
Total Project Cost: \$241,901.50	

Project Summary: Please write a short (1 paragraph) summary of your project. This information will be posted online and in grant application and reviewer information packets.

Detailed Project Description: Please write a 3-4 paragraph description of your project and the expected accomplishments. Be sure to include Who, What, When, and Where. **This is your scope of work.** (This section is not the place to talk about the project background, the benefits, the funding, or anything other than the actual work to be accomplished. Please address this information in question #1 of the Selection Criteria.)

WHO? Who will complete the work and who will oversee the project? Provide a description of your community or organization, highlighting its mission and purpose.

WHAT? Explain what you are going to do or accomplish. What is the goal or the reason for your project? Break down the project into a list of specific activities to be completed. These should be quantifiable items that correspond to the categories on your budget page. Include quantity or quality as part of your description of work to be performed. How long? How many? How many feet? How many miles? What materials will be used? Is a specific standard or guideline being used?

WHERE? Explain in detail the location of your project. Where is the project located? What county? What National Forest/ BLM Field Office? Provide the names of the trail(s) or trail system and where the work will be performed. What agency manages or is responsible for the land where the project is located?

DEFINITIONS? Please define all acronyms and specialized terms that are used in your project description.

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LAND OWNERSHIP		
1. Provide the name/s of the property owners: US Forest Service, Denver Water, Town of Frisco		
2. The trail corridor is controlled by: <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Simple <input type="checkbox"/> Lease <input type="checkbox"/> Easement <input type="checkbox"/> License <input type="checkbox"/> Right-of-Way <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: National Forest and Denver Water/Town of Frisco co-ownership		
USER INFORMATION (Please check all that apply)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hiking	<input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycling	<input type="checkbox"/> Equestrian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Walking	<input type="checkbox"/> Four-Wheeling	<input type="checkbox"/> ADA Access
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Running	<input type="checkbox"/> All-Terrain Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input type="checkbox"/> Skateboarding	<input type="checkbox"/> Snowmobiling	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input type="checkbox"/> In-Line Skating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Snowshoeing	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X-Country Skiing	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
TRAIL SURFACE		
<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natural	<input type="checkbox"/> Crusher Fines	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
PROJECT LOCATION (For multiple project sites attach a separate list.)		
Nearest Town or City: Town of Frisco		
County: Summit County		
Latitude & Longitude Coordinates: 39.5841 N, 106.0642 W		
State Senate District #: 8	Refer to https://leg.colorado.gov/find-my-legislator	
State Representative District #: 61		
Acreage of new trailhead		Miles of trail grooming
Miles of new trail construction	11.75	Miles of trail being planned
Miles of trail maintenance		Miles of trail reroute
Miles of trail reconstruction	3.75	Miles of inter-connecting trail
Miles of trail to be signed	15.5	Other
Miles of trail restoration		Other

Applicant Authorized Signature: Pete Swenson Date: 8/1/19
(From Applicant Organization)

Land Agency Authorized Signature: Sam Massman Date: 8/1/19
(From project location land agency, if different from applicant)

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All applicants must respond to the following selection criteria questions in **nine pages or less in 12 point font with 1” page margins**. Answers can be longer than one page, as long as the total number of pages is less than or equal to nine.

This application will be scored on a 100 point basis. The maximum number of points that can be awarded for each question is shown in parentheses. Projects that make it beyond the initial review will be scored by outside reviewers, State Trails, GOCO, and DNR staff. Projects will be ranked according to reviewer and staff scores.

Failure to provide a response to any question (unless otherwise noted) will reduce your project's score. Please read and understand all application questions prior to answering. Reference all attachments.

1. COMMUNITY NEED: (15 points)

Introduce the community this project will serve. Provide population and income data. Discuss the recreational interests of your community and how this project ties in to those? Provide estimates of trail usage in your community. Discuss the ways in which the community currently is or is not compensating for the lack of the proposed project components. Why does the community need this trail segment and why is it important to them? Discuss the significance of this trail segment to its users.

2. SCOPE (15 points) Describe the proposed project including the length/width of trail construction, any major components necessary to complete the trail such as under/overpasses, bridges, trail heads, etc. – describe what exactly will be built. Discuss the ownership status of the trail corridor and any easements or land acquisitions necessary to complete the proposed trail. Address each trail component separately, specifically mentioning its characteristics. If the project is intended to enhance or replace an existing trail and/or trail amenities, describe their existing state, why they are no longer acceptable, and how they arrived at the condition they're in. Discuss the significance of the trail segment to users. List each user group and estimate their percentage of overall trail use, e.g., motorized users – 20% mountain bikers – 70%, hikers – 10%) How did you arrive at those estimates? Include any site photos.

3. TIMELINE (15 points) List the permits, licenses, and approvals required to complete this project. For each one, discuss where you are in the process of securing it and when you anticipate securing it. For easements or land acquisitions, provide details on where you are in negotiations with the landowner. Discuss any wildlife concerns that may impact the implementation of this project. How will they be addressed? Have CPW wildlife specialists provided input or consultation on this project? Reviewers will evaluate the responses using CPW's Wildlife Assessment and the applicant's Environmental Forms.

4. ACCESS (10 points) Describe the larger trail network this project is a part of. How does it contribute to local, regional and/or statewide trail opportunities? Will the proposed trail(s) increase access to existing recreational, open space, and/or environmental education opportunities for youth and families? Will the project increase park, trail, or open space access for marginalized communities and/or serve communities with large prevalence of health conditions (i.e. obesity)? Which studies or community level data were used to make this determination?

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- 5. PLANNING (10 points)** Describe any comprehensive planning efforts that this project has undertaken or has been a part of. If this project is part of an approved master plan, what priority is it given in that plan? ***Public comment and involvement is mandatory for all projects.*** Describe the public planning process that identified this trail as a priority. Summarize the feedback received from the public and describe the involvement of user groups and/or communities that are within the project's region. Have any potential user group conflicts been identified? If so, how will they be addressed/managed? Has this project been deemed a priority by any other agencies or given any significant designations? Has there been public opposition to the proposed project? If so, describe the opposition and what has been done to address it.
- 6. COLLABORATION AND MATCHING FUNDS (10 points)** Discuss partnerships established for this project and their contributions. Discuss the sources of matching funds. How much match is secured beyond the required 30%? How much of it is yet to be raised and what are your plans for raising those additional funds? Submit letters of commitment/support from landowners and/or funders as a separate attachment. Beyond these letters you may submit up to 5 letters of non-cash support.
- 7. URGENCY AND NEED FOR FUNDS (5 points)** Briefly describe the project's urgency. Why are Colorado the Beautiful funds necessary this grant cycle? What opportunities are lost if the grant isn't awarded?
- 8. MAINTENANCE (10 points)** Describe how the project will be developed, maintained, and managed for long-term sustainability. Has an Operations and Maintenance Plan been developed for the project areas? Prior to considering new trail construction, have current trail reroute options been considered for current on-the-ground unsustainable trails and trail sections in the project area? Estimate the annual costs to maintain the project. How did you derive those numbers; how do you intend to fund operations and maintenance; and who is responsible?
- 9. CONTINGENCY/ABILITY (10 points)** What other funding sources have been dedicated or are anticipated to be dedicated to this project? Will applicant and/or partner funds be lost if funds are not awarded? If you are not awarded funding, what measures will be taken to complete the project? Describe your ability to complete the specific grant transaction(s) that will be necessary to accomplish this project. Please provide examples (if any) for grant projects of similar magnitude that demonstrate your ability to manage the requested level of grant funding; including the project title, grantor, award amount and year the project was funded. Was reporting and close-out requirements completed? How well was it managed from your perspective? Will you be applying for additional funding through CPW State Trails Program in the future?

Project Summary

This project comprises 15.5 miles of trail construction and improvements on the Peninsula Recreation Area. The project is the implementation phase of the Frisco Trails Master Plan (funded by a GOCO grant in 2016) and the Frisco Nordic Center Master Development Plan (MDP). It has been approved and is shovel-ready per a 6/15/19 Forest Service Decision Memo.

Project Description

Who – Trails construction will be overseen by the Town of Frisco Nordic and Trails Manager, and trail building staff of two. Additional Town seasonal staff, RMYC, volunteers, and trail contractors will complete the construction crew.

What - Trail construction and improvement:

- 3.75 miles of new, 16 foot wide Nordic trails
- 8 miles of new 24” tread summer use singletrack and 36” tread multi-use singletrack (groomed for winter fat bike and snowshoe use)
- 3.75 miles of existing trail improvements that include: rock removal, re-alignment, drainage improvement, camber grading (Nordic), re-vegetation (Nordic)
- 6 location signs, 46 trail signs, creation of a planned network of connecting trails

In order to construct 15.5 miles of trails within three building seasons (May-Oct), the Town will: 1) Hire seasonal “finish grade” staff, 2) Use RMYC groups on appropriate segments, 3) Contract segments to professional trail builders, 4) Increase volunteer trail building days. The Town owns an excavator, Canycom, water buffalo, all needed tools and a volunteer crew tool kit.

Where - This project’s 15.5 miles of trail construction and improvements are located on 585 acres of the White River National Forest operated by the Town of Frisco under a Special Use Permit on the Frisco Peninsula. 650 feet of trail improvement is on land co-owned by Denver Water and Town.

Definitions –

CDOT: Colorado Department of Transportation

CPW: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

FNC: Frisco Nordic Center

FS: Forest Service

MDP: Master Development Plan

PRA: Peninsula Recreation Area

Town: Town of Frisco

RMYC: Rocky Mountain Youth Corps

1. Community Need:

The Town of Frisco's population is 3,100 with a median income of \$67,938. The Town covers 1,280 acres and is surrounded by public lands including; Forest Service, Summit County, Denver Water and the Town's parks and open space. All of these lands are assets that provide access and connectivity to trailheads, the shores of Lake Dillon, wildlife habitat, open space vistas, campgrounds and recreation areas. With over 4.5 million people in Denver and within a two hour drive, *Frisco's visitors are also its community*. The White River National Forest surrounds Frisco on three sides and is the most visited National Forest in the country.

This trails construction is a needed expansion and overall improvement of trails on the PRA; existing trails consist of old logging roads and social trails (see pictures) – all with poor connectivity. Existing singletrack on the PRA is unsustainable, “old school” design with poor drainage and no thought of a network. Until this summer, none of the existing Nordic trails had been improved with machinery. The Perimeter Trail (see pictures) our most popular summer trail is unsustainably constructed and literally washing into Lake Dillon. This project creates a planned, *connected network* of summer singletrack, winter multi-use trails and Nordic trails.

Despite the roughness of existing trails, the PRA is heavily used. The PRA has the only lakefront trail in Summit County and is the most used of the five National Forest trail heads in Frisco. The Frisco Triathlon on the PRA sells out at 300 entrants, we have 185 kids in the Mountain Goat kids race on Tuesday nights, our Frisco Youth Bike camps sold out in 5 minutes with 34 kids currently on the wait list. These events, in addition to public use, create an overcrowding problem due to the lack of trails and no network to disperse users to appropriate trails. The PRA has the location, terrain and accessibility to expand and accommodate the future 500+ users on a peak days that we expect in two years. This trails project adds the needed trail signs, improves existing trails and adds a planned, sustainable, connected network that will serve hikers, runners and cyclists now and in the future.

2. Scope:

The majority of the new trail building and signage will be on NF land on the PRA. The trail building corridors, construction plans and environmental plans have been developed in cooperation with the NF via a Master Development Plan and approved in the 6/15/19 FS Decision Memo. Trail improvements on 650 ft. of land owned by Denver Water and managed by ToF is approved in the Town/Den. Water user agreement.

Currently, PRA user groups are as follows: 70% mountain bike, 20% trail run, 10% hike. With trail improvements (signage in particular) the hike percentage will increase. We'll have a “recommended hiking loop” to give hikers a best possible route and direct bikes to more

enjoyable trails. These percentages are based on surveying visitors at the Dickey Day Trail Head, the Adventure Park lot and counting users on the Jody's Nugget Loop (most used trail) at the PRA. On an average summer day, PRA trails see an average of 315 users – 167 visiting hikers/runners/cyclists in addition to 125 residents from the following user groups. These groups meet one to three times per week.

- Frisco Day Camp hikers (ages 6-10) 50
- Frisco Adventure Camp hikers (ages 6-10) 17
- Frisco Bike Camp mountain bikers (ages 6-10) 17
- Masters Cycling group (65 + age) 15
- Summit Nordic Ski Club (ages 7-18) 25
- Summit Endurance Academy runners/cyclists (ages 7-17) 15
- Summit Middle School XC practice (ages 12-15) 12
- Summit HS MTB practice (ages 15-18) 15
- Cycle Effect MTB Club (ages 12-17) 15

In addition to the above known summer user groups, we believe we have approximately 30,000 day visitors to the PRA throughout the 5 months of dry conditions. This number is based on our parking lot counts of hikers and cyclists. In winter we average 51,000 visitors. This number is based on season pass holders, Nordic Center ticket sales and tubing hill sales.

Construction Plan – The current trail system consists of old logging roads (see pictures) that aren't graded (off-camber) for Nordic skiing and are rough (rocks) for biking. This plan builds new single track to move runners and cyclists to better terrain and improves trail connectivity. Existing trails were built to access timber or are evolved 'social trails'; the all-new trails are aligned purely for recreational enjoyment and take advantage of the best possible terrain.

New Summer Trails - 8 miles of new singletrack will be built with a 24" tread. The build will not be "bike optimized" (3' + berms/table tops/drops), but will be "bike friendly". The trail needs to run/hike as well as it rides. Sight lines are excellent and there is not a need for directional trails at this time. The planned trails are in areas that optimize recreational use and connectivity while relieving congestion near existing trailheads.

New Nordic – 3.75 miles of new Nordic trails will be built with a minimum width of 16 feet. The current Nordic trail network is mainly comprised of existing old logging roads that run north-south. The new trails include east-west segments that will better connect the entire trail network. In addition, new segments are planned in more desirable terrain that will provide a better ski experience.

Trail Improvements – 3.75 miles of the PRA’s “signature trail” the Perimeter Trail, will be improved for summer use with a 36” tread, re-routes and rebuilding in many areas. This trail will likely become one of Colorado’s most-used scenic trails upon completion do to its unique accessibility to Lake Dillon and views. Currently, it’s a local’s favorite social trail with iconic views but it is not in sustainable condition (see pictures).

3. Timeline:

Approvals -

FS: All trails construction contained in this grant request is approved by the NF per the 6/15/19 Decision Memo ‘Frisco Nordic Center Trails Project’. All NF files regarding this project are available at:

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55904>

CPW: On June 24th, 2019 Tom Davies, the District Wildlife Manager for Area 9 Summit County West, confirmed via email with Town Trails Manager Pete Swenson and NF Administrator Sam Massman that CPW staff had discussed the Decision Memo Frisco Nordic Center Trails Project. This email confirmed CPW support for the project and requested additional proper signage for active wildlife in the area, specifically moose and coyotes, which has since been posted.

Denver Water: Trail improvements to the 650 feet of trail co-owned by the Town and Denver Water are approved via the existing ‘Joint Ownership Agreement’.

4. Access

The existing trail network on the PRA consists of 15.6 miles of winter trails and 11.5 miles of summer trails. With the exception of one 0.4km trail, *none of the existing trails were specifically designed for recreational use*. It is not a planned trail network and lacks connectivity. Currently, the Nordic trails are comprised of old logging roads and campground access roads. In the summer season, one track of the tow-track logging road acts as singletrack. (See pictures) Additionally, summer singletrack trails are evolved social trails with many unsustainable grades and significant ‘rock gardens’. Trails are primarily aligned North-South and do not take advantage of the most desirable terrain for skiing/cycling/hiking/trail running.

Winter and summer trail construction of 15.5 miles of new trail (FNC Trails Project) and upgrades to existing trails adds connections, utilizes the most favorable terrain for recreation, and completes a cohesive, planned network of trail heads and trails. In 2021 CDOT will build a pedestrian tunnel under highway 9 to connect the PRA with the Frisco Rec path. This connection will facilitate year round recreation opportunities including; biking, pedestrian access, and skiing (will be groomed in winter) from town, the Hospital and County Commons area (parking and population density) and the bus stop. We believe this critical tunnel will significantly increase

visitation and use of PRA trails. With additional trails, a planned trails network, trail construction improvements and corresponding sign program; the PRA will be ready for an increase in users.

The construction of more trails will better disperse user groups and give runners, skiers, cyclists and hikers a better experience. The current trails work because they have to, but do not currently capitalize on the opportunities of the terrain. The PRA is centrally located in Summit County for after-school and summer camps, making it the best option, but increasing the trail density with a planned network will help existing and new user groups concurrently enjoy PRA trails. Our visiting user, in particular, is looking for a family-friendly hike or first-time mountain bike ride. Locals and visitors alike will be better served with the additional signage, better constructed trails, improved trail connectivity, and more entry level trails.

5. Planning

What we've learned over the past five years of outreach to the Frisco community is that the *consistent number one request is for additional trails*. (A golf course has been voted down twice, relocating the college was voted down and other amenities all poll between 5% and 20%.)

- In 2015 the town conducted a statistically valid survey asking what improvements residents would like to see at the PRA. The #1 answer at 60% was “improvements to summer hiking trails”, 54% answered “improvements to mountain biking trails”, and 44% answered “winter trail improvements”.
- 2016 Town produces a “Frisco Trails Master Plan” (supported by a GoCo grant) that identifies and prioritizes Town hard and soft surface trail needs.
- 2017 three PRA Town meetings collect feedback from residents.
- 2017 Design Charette composed of user groups further defines community feedback regarding trail improvements.
- 2018 Town begins Master Development Plan with consulting group (SE Group) to plan and map winter and summer PRA trails. Also, the Town hires year-round Trails Manager position to complete mapping and finalize MPD for Forest Service approval.
- Jan 2019 FS approves MDP with construction of 9.3 miles of Nordic/winter 17 miles of summer. (Note new trail segments on Town land on PRA are currently under construction so don't appear in the Decision Memo.)
- May 2019 Town hires two ten-month positions to build trails in summer and groom Nordic in winter. This crew of two begins trail construction on Town land on the PRA.
- June 2019 FS Decision Memo approves construction of 17.1 miles of trail. (Following completion of this 17.1 miles or ‘phase 1’, the Town will apply for a second ‘Categorical Exclusion’ to complete the approved trails.)
- August 2019 Town applies for CPW grant to support construction of 15.5 miles of trail on FS land as approved in the Decision Memo

The Town has received no opposition to trail construction on the PRA. The only negative feedback from user groups is “when will the new trails be done?” and “why is it taking so long?”

6. Collaboration and Matching Funds

For the 2020 calendar year, The Town of Frisco will commit \$35,320 to trails construction on the PRA. In addition to this expenditure, in summer '19 the Town purchased an excavator (\$37,000), Canycom (\$7,500), water buffalo, tool cache and volunteer tool cache. In addition, the Town will continue to apply for grants from Denver Water, GOCO and entities with an interest in the PRA.

7. Urgency and Need for Funds

The current trail density on the PRA needs to increase to keep pace with the growing resident population and visitor numbers. The State Demographer predicts Summit County’s permanent resident population will grow by 56% between 2010 and 2030, or 785 new residents per year. Town of Frisco visitation increased 32% between 2016 and 2018. The Town’s most recent visitor survey asked “what is the main purpose of your visit to Frisco this trip?” 57% responded ‘outdoor recreation’, 25% responded ‘leisure and sightseeing’. (Visiting relatives was third at 12%). The outdoors IS Frisco’s draw to visitors.

With grant funding for additional staff, contractors and RMYC, the Town will be able to build out 15.5 miles of trail within 2.5 years of funding. If the Town does NOT receive grant support, we project these trails will be constructed in sections over 5-6 years. Without this grant, population growth and visitation will outpace construction rate.

8. Maintenance

In 2019, the Town approved two year-round trail crew positions whose job description includes construction and maintenance. A benefit of building new trails is that the Town will insure that trails are constructed to be sustainable and won’t require excessive maintenance. Additionally, the Town is closing and re-vegetating 2.7 miles of trails that are not sustainable. The costs of maintaining current and new trails on the PRA are built into the two year-round positions of the trails staff and their equipment.

The Town has demonstrated the ability to maintain projects such as the Frisco Bike Park that received GOCO funding in 2010. The Town was awarded the “Colorado Lottery Starburst

Award” in 2013 for excellence in use of lottery funds for the Frisco Bike Park. In addition to staff, the Town supports the Frisco Bike Park with \$10,000 of annual maintenance funds.

9. Contingency/Ability

Frisco Town Council has committed to \$35,320 in PRA trails funding for 2020. Council has not approved funding beyond 2020 and there is no automatic funding mechanism. We believe the political climate is positive for the introduction of a funding mechanism such as; a tax on lodging or sales with revenues that would be earmarked for trails and open space acquisition. The Town will also be implementing, in 2020, PRA trail user fees with revenue-generating entities (such as coached training groups) to put money directly back into the PRA trails.

While the Town of Frisco has the resources (year round trail staff of two and equipment) to build and maintain 15 miles of trail, this grant would focus funding on additional staff, contractors and equipment to complete the construction in two seasons versus an estimated 5-6 years.

The Town will continue to apply for all grants such as this CPW grant that apply to connectivity and trails construction. Specifically, we are planning a “practice loop” MTB trail on Town land that we believe will be appropriate for a GoCo parks and recreation mini-grant.

ADDITIONAL PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS:

Youth corps or youth organizations used on this project:

Town of Frisco Adventure Camp and Bike Camp
Rocky Mountain Youth Corps

Volunteers utilized on the project:

Frisco Nordic Center Ambassadors
EPIC Promise volunteers

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 Frisco Nordic Center Trails Project

Project Sponsor Town of Frisco

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: White River National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan

Date of document: 2002

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

Title of document: Decision Memo - Frisco Nordic Center Trails Project

Date of document: June 20th, 2019

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:

All required NEPA documentation is complete for this project.

Name: Sam Massman

Phone number: 970-262-3484

Email: samuel.massman@usda.gov

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

Land Manager's Name: William Jackson

Land Manager's Title: District Ranger

Land Manager's Signature: William Jackson


Exhibit B
Budget Form - Project Name:


SOURCE OF FUNDS	Date Secured				CPW Trails Grant Request [A]	Total Project Match [B]	Total Funding (\$) [C]	
CASH								
Colorado Parks and Wildlife (GOCO)	TBD				\$ 168,390.00		\$ 168,390.00	
Town of Frisco	11/1/2019					\$ 35,320.00	\$ 35,320.00	
							\$ -	
							\$ -	
IN-KIND								
Volunteer Contribution	6/15/2019					\$ 6,357.50	\$ 6,357.50	
Town of Frisco Trail staff	6/15/2019					\$ 31,834.00	\$ 31,834.00	
							\$ -	
							\$ -	
TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS					\$ 168,390.00	\$ 73,511.50	\$ 241,901.50	
[CASH] Description of Work								
Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total (B*D)	CPW Funds	Total Project Match (\$)	Total Funding (\$)	Balance (should be 0)	
CATEGORY 1-Contracted Services <small>Identify as: Youth Corps, Engineering, Contractor, etc.</small>								
Trail contractor for specific technical build trail segments	6,000	feet	\$ 6.50	\$ 39,000.00	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 39,000.00	0
RMYC	6	week	\$ 7,910.00	\$ 47,460.00	\$ 31,640.00	\$ 15,820.00	\$ 47,460.00	0
				\$ -			\$ -	0
				\$ -			\$ -	0
Category 2 - Salary/Wages								
Town of Frisco Trails' 4-person 2020	20	weeks	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 48,000.00		\$ 48,000.00	0
Town of Frisco Trails' 4-person 2021	20	weeks	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 48,000.00		\$ 48,000.00	0
CATEGORY 3-Materials/Supplies <small>Identify as: Signs, crusherfines, native seed, weed barrier, etc.</small>								
Excavator rental	5	months	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00		\$ 8,500.00	0
Canycom rental	5	months	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00		\$ 7,500.00	0
Revegetation (wildflower and grass)	6	50 lbs bags	\$ 260.00	\$ 1,560.00	\$ 1,560.00		\$ 1,560.00	0
Constuction materials (dirt mixtures)								
Wood post/hardware for signs	65	ea	\$ 16.00	\$ 1,040.00	\$ 1,040.00		\$ 1,040.00	
Signage (trailhead maps, on trail signage, safety signage)	65	ea	\$ 38.00	\$ 2,470.00	\$ 2,470.00		\$ 2,470.00	0
18"x12" "you are here" maps	6	ea	\$ 30.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 180.00		\$ 180.00	0
Additional Categories								
				\$ -			\$ -	0
				\$ -			\$ -	0
				\$ -			\$ -	0
				\$ -			\$ -	0
USE OF FUNDS - CASH SUBTOTAL					\$ 168,390.00	\$ 35,320.00	\$ 203,710.00	
[IN-KIND] Description of Work								
Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total (B*D)			Total Funding (\$)	Balance (should be 0)	
Category 1 - Contracted Services								
Volunteer Trail Construction	250	hours	\$ 25.43	\$ 6,357.50		\$ 6,357.50	\$ 6,357.50	0
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
Category 2 - Salary/Wages								
Town of Frisco Trail Crew	22	weeks	\$ 610.00	\$ 13,420.00		\$ 13,420.00	\$ 13,420.00	0
Town of Frisco Trail Crew Lead	22	weeks	\$ 837.00	\$ 18,414.00		\$ 18,414.00	\$ 18,414.00	0
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
Category 3 - Materials/Tools								
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
Additional Categories								
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
IN-KIND SUBTOTAL					\$ -	\$ 38,191.50	\$ 38,191.50	
TOTAL PROJECT COST					\$ 168,390.00	\$ 73,511.50	\$ 241,901.50	
30% REQUIRED MATCH						\$ 50,517.00		



**Town of Frisco
Trails Master Plan
Context Map**



-  Frisco Town Boundary
-  Denver Water Property
-  USFS Trails
-  Summit County Bike Paths

 Activity Areas in Need of Improved Connectivity (Schools, Parks, Commercial Centers & Trailheads)



White River National Forest
Dillon Ranger District

FRISCO NORDIC CENTER Approved Trails Projects

June 2019

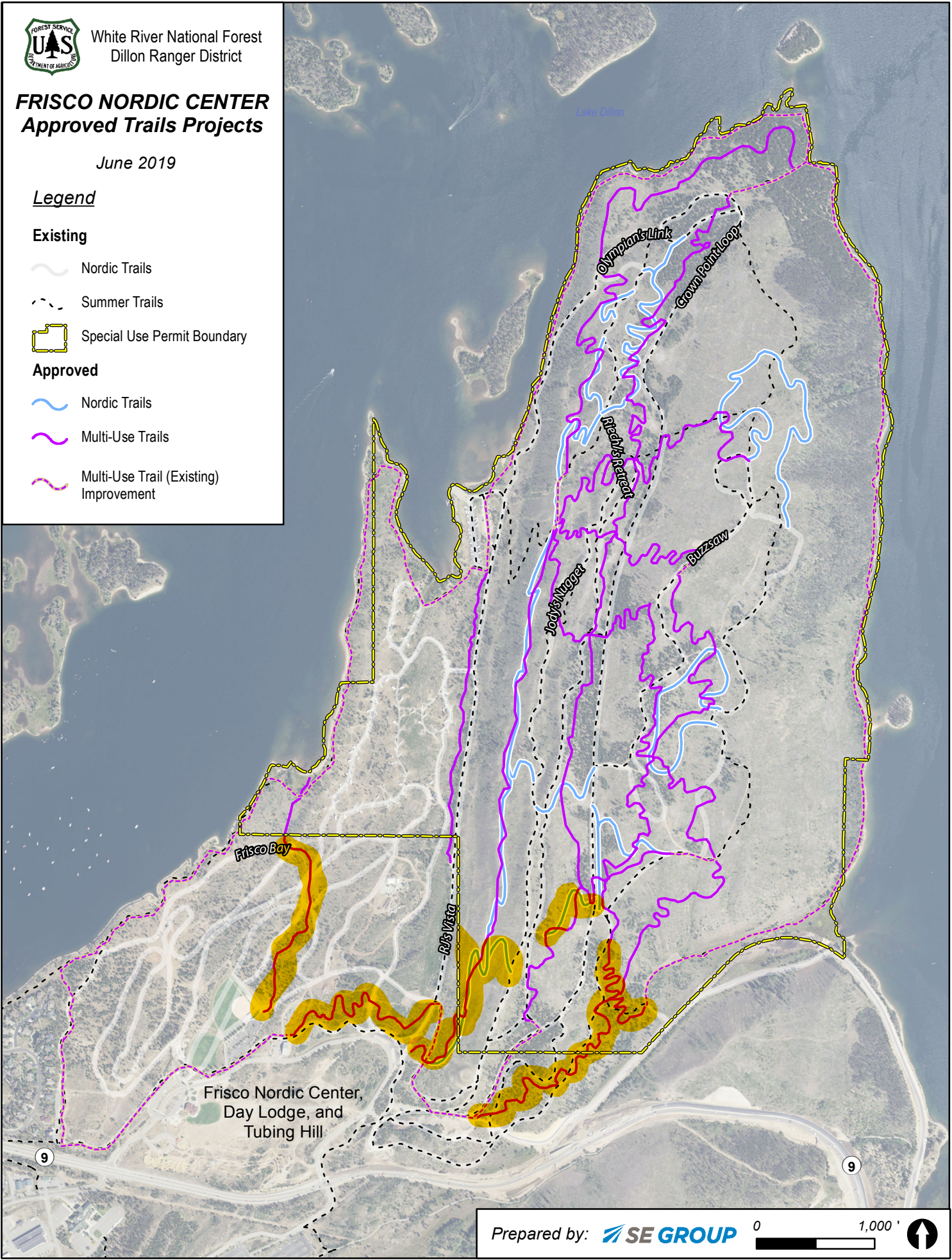
Legend

Existing

- Nordic Trails
- Summer Trails
- Special Use Permit Boundary

Approved

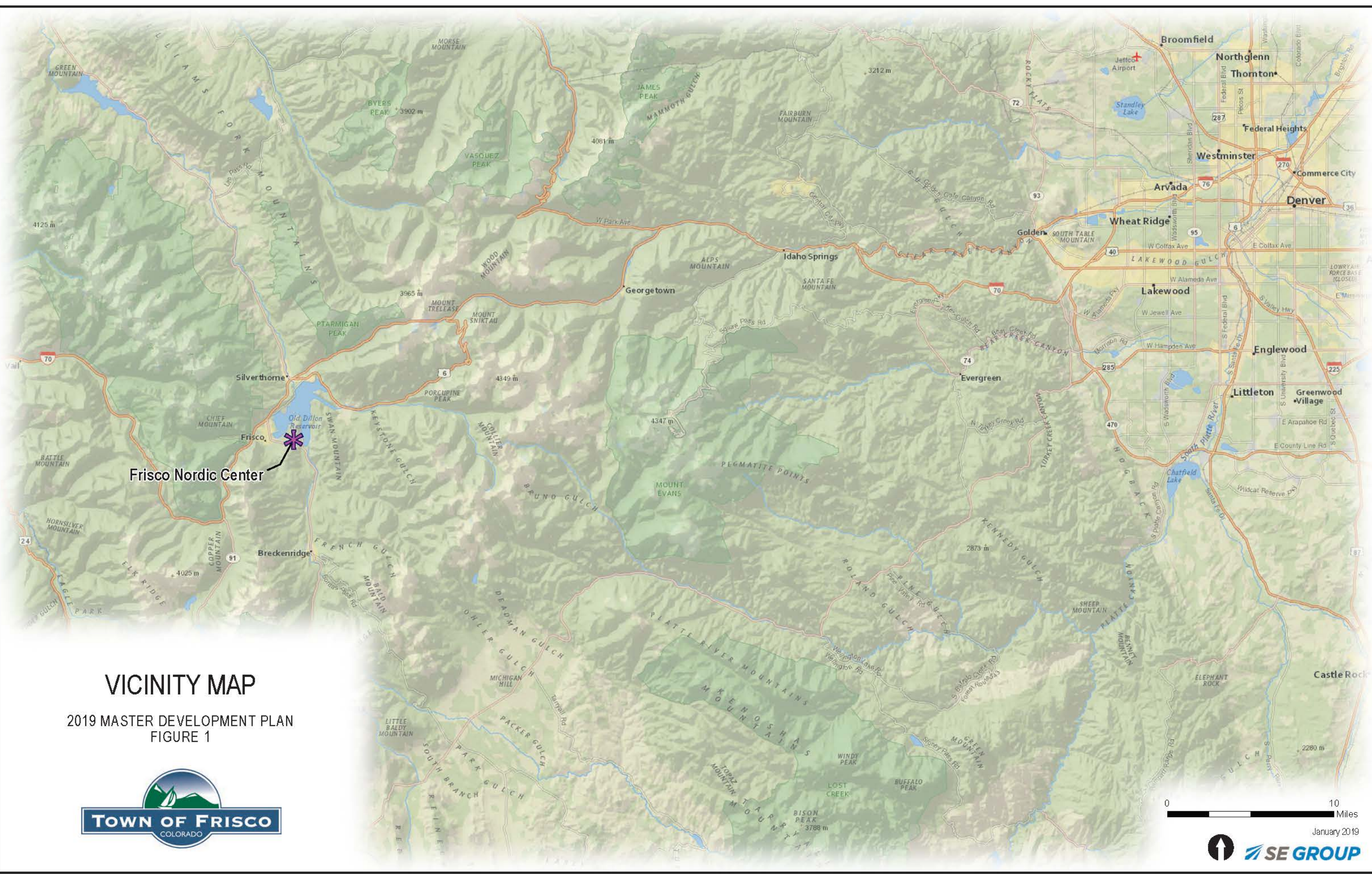
- Nordic Trails
- Multi-Use Trails
- Multi-Use Trail (Existing) Improvement



Prepared by: SE GROUP

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VICINITY MAP

2019 MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN
FIGURE 1



January 2019



















"Linking community, education and environment through service"

Phone/Facsimile: (970) 879-2135
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Colorado the Beautiful Grant Program

August 12, 2019

Re: Frisco Nordic Center Trails Project

Colorado the Beautiful Grant Committee,

It is with great pleasure that I submit this letter of commitment to the Frisco Nordic Center Trails Project. Rocky Mountain Youth Corps (RMYC) believes that outcomes of this project are essential to help ensure current and future generations of residents and visitors are able to enjoy the area's natural beauty and recreational opportunities.

A locally based RMYC Community Development Crew worked in partnership with the Town of Frisco Nordic Center in the summer of 2019 conducting priority outdoor projects. We are excited about this opportunity to continue to collaborate with the Frisco Nordic Center to serve more Summit County youth in 2020 while accomplishing meaningful projects.

The Frisco Nordic Center Trails Project will engage RMYC to provide crews to construct trails in this high-use area. These trails will be a fantastic benefit to many residents and visitors to our region and will benefit both the environment and user experience.

Rocky Mountain Youth Corps crews are the perfect venue to assist in the completion of this high priority conservation project. The outcomes of the work extend far beyond the obvious benefits to the users to include training and employment of the next generation of committed environmental stewards of the land. The training encompasses the technical hard skills of trail work as well as independent living skills and leadership education.

RMYC is committed to recruiting competent and high-quality corps members and leaders for these crews. RMYC provides opportunities for long-lasting environmental education around Colorado's precious lands through this type of project. This education includes the importance of protecting the unique recreational resources of Colorado, the rare and endangered plant and animal species, the importance of civic service and involving citizen volunteers in the stewardship of public lands, and the empowerment of these young adults to make a difference in these issues, and to lead the way. We look forward to continuing to partner with the Frisco Nordic Center and are poised to engage local youth on this project. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mark Wertheimer
Associate Director



Welcome to
MAVERICK
SPORTS PROMOTIONS



Great Outdoors Colorado

303 E. 17th Ave. Suite 1060

Denver, CO 80203

Dear Great Outdoors Colorado,

Maverick Sports Promotions strongly supports the Town of Frisco's GOCO Grant Application to fund trail construction. In 2015 I wrote a letter of support for the Trails Master Plan and I look forward to the completion of the plan and support the Town's request for funding to build the trails that the community needs.

This June, Maverick Sports promoted the annual Frisco Roundup MTB race. We had a total junior field of 89 racers between the ages of 8 and 15. The trails are good but could be better – they are a mix of double track and old singletrack. Additional "new school" trails will better serve Summit County's youth population. We want kid's first experiences a mountain bike to be positive and more singletrack will be welcome. This grant will be a great help to the Town as they work to make the Peninsula all it can be.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jeff Westcott

Owner / Maverick Sports Promotions



July 30, 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in support of trail development on the Frisco Peninsula. I represent Summit Nordic Ski Club a local non-profit serving Summit County youth. Our programs run yearround and are focused on creating a love of Nordic skiing and our natural environment. We are heavy users of the Frisco Peninsula with approximately 200 members each year. Our programs run June - April each year and meet everyday of the week. Most of our programs meet at the Frisco Peninsula and many rely solely on the peninsula's trail system as our training grounds. We have also created the event, Eat, Ski and Be Merry which encourages locals and visitors to ski or snowshoe on Frisco Peninsula trails by candlelight at night. This event draws nearly 500 people each year.

In addition to our regular programs and events, SNSC also hosts races at the Frisco Peninsula. These events can draw up to 400 racers from the western region including collegiate teams and racers. SNSC would like to see an expanded trail network to include a 2-5K homologated race course for these events. Currently Summit County is the only major Nordic ski hub in the state without a homologated course.

We are also summertime trail users and would support further development of summer trails for running, hiking and mountain biking. Thank you for your consideration of our club's needs.

Sincerely,

Whitney Hedberg
SNSC Executive Director

7/25/19
Wayne Haley
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970-262-7749

To GoCo Grant Committee,

I'm writing on behalf of a group of 148 mostly senior mountain bikers here in Summit County to very strongly support the Town of Frisco's request for a grant to build additional joint use trails on the Frisco Peninsula. We are an active group of riders, usually riding 3 times each week. The Peninsula is a particularly attractive place to ride because it's conveniently close, dries out quickly in the spring and after rain, and contains a nice, but limited, selection of trails; we go there frequently. The Town's plan to expand the trails network and also improve existing trails is really exciting and something long overdue. The current trails network is only 12 miles or so yet the terrain can easily accommodate 2 to 3 times that mileage and introduce a wide variety of trails to satisfy many users, from those out for an easy hike or ride to those looking for more adventure.

Their plans also address something missing in Summit County; family-friendly trails suitable for younger folks to learn to ride on and thus gain experience and confidence to move on to more advanced trails. Another major benefit we see is the relief of pressure on our backcountry trails by concentrating use in a smaller, more accessible, more easily maintained area. Because of our proximity to Metro Denver, our trails are being loved to death and the Forest Service is ill equipped to deal with the overwhelming maintenance requirements of the backcountry network. So the addition of a really well thought out and executed trail plan in Frisco's urban environment we think would entice many riders to use that facility rather than the more remote backcountry trails."

Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in on this grant request. Once again we totally support it and encourage you to approve it. Please contact me if you'd like more information.

Thank you,

Wayne



June 30th, 2019

To whom it may concern,

My name is Joe Howdyshell, owner of the Summit Endurance Academy.

Our mission is to teach transferable life skills to our local youth through mountain biking, trail running, and ski mountaineering racing. This summer, through our programs enabled by the Town of Frisco and the Peninsula Recreation Area, we've been able to impact the lives of 43 youth athletes in five different programs. Due to its central location in the county, and its early melting of snow, the PRA is a critical to our programs. As the population of both Summit Country and Colorado increases, the PRA is becoming more and more popular, and extending the trail network would be a huge help to continuing our work and the enjoyment of the general population.

Thanks for your time,

Joe



File Code: 2720
Date: July 30, 2019

Great Outdoors Colorado
303 E. 17th Avenue, Suite 1060
Denver, CO 80203

To Whom It May Concern,

Through this letter, the Dillon Ranger District of the White River National Forest offers its full support to the Town of Frisco's Colorado the Beautiful grant proposal to construct trails on National Forest System lands at the Frisco Peninsula Recreation Area (PRA). The necessary National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis work for this project is complete.

The proposed trail construction on US Forest Service land is located within the Town of Frisco's Term Ski Area Special Use Permit. Dillon Ranger District and Town of Frisco staff have worked cooperatively to develop the proposed trail system in this area and we believe the new trail construction will be an important component in a well-connected, multi-jurisdictional trail system. In addition, we have worked together to develop a Master Development Plan for the Town's Special Use Permit area which is in place as a guiding document for the current proposal.

The Town of Frisco has been a valued partner of the Dillon Ranger District for many years. This longtime working relationship has allowed us to advance recreational opportunities on both municipal and federal-owned lands at the PRA including mountain biking, hiking, cross country skiing, tubing, and snowshoeing. We intend to continue to work closely with the Town through the construction of additional trails on the PRA.

I look forward to seeing the Town construct trails on the PRA. The Dillon Ranger District fully supports the Town of Frisco's grant application and I encourage your approval. Feel free to contact Dillon Ranger District Mountain Sports Administrator Sam Massman at 970-262-3484 if you have any questions about this letter.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM JACKSON
District Ranger

