

## Exhibit A – Project Information

### NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS SUPPORT APPLICATION

Applicant or Organization Name:		
Complete Mailing Address:		
Applicant Lead Contact Name:		Title:
Telephone:	Email:	Is this the primary contact for this grant <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

### PROJECT MANAGER (this person will have day-to-day responsibility for the project)

Name:	
Telephone:	Email:

### PRIMARY PARTNER INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)

Name:		
Mailing Address:		
Partner Contact Name:		Title:
Telephone:	Email:	Is this the primary contact for this grant: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Project Title:	
Grant Request: \$	Match Amount (Min. 25%): \$
Total Project Cost: \$	
<p><b>Project Description:</b> Please write a 2-3 paragraph description of your project and the expected accomplishments. Be sure to include Who, What, When and Where. <b>This is your scope of work.</b> (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 that information in question #1 of the Selection Criteria.)</p> <p><b>WHO?</b> Who will complete the work, and who will oversee the project? Provide a brief description of your community or organization, highlighting its mission and purpose.</p> <p><b>WHAT?</b> 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?</p> <p><b>WHERE?</b> Explain in detail the location of your project. Where is the project located? What county? What National Forest/BLM Office? Provide the names of the trail(s) or trail system and where the work will be performed. List the land manager agency or municipality.</p> <p><b>DEFINITIONS?</b> Please define all acronyms and specialized terms that are used in your project description.</p>	

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Project Description

Previous CPW grants awarded (last 3 years) List award year, category and project name



September 28, 2022

Colorado Parks & Wildlife Division  
Trails Program  
13787 US Highway 85 N  
Littleton, CO 80125


Dear State Trails Review Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to be considered for a Colorado Parks and Wildlife State Trails Planning and Capacity Grant. RFOV's mission is to promote stewardship of our public lands by engaging our community in education, restoration and conservation projects. For 27 years, Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers (RFOV) has been the lead organization to mobilize volunteers to maintain and steward of our region's local trails.

In addition to offering community volunteer events open to the public, RFOV developed group projects and Adopt-a-Trail programs in 2012. These programs have grown significantly and now comprise over half of our project season. The value of this model is that it allows more flexibility on the part of our volunteers, attracts more diverse volunteers who may not normally choose to come out on a weekend, and provides a reliable workforce for our land managers to get small projects done throughout the week. Since hiring a full-time Program Coordinator in 2021 to oversee these programs, we have seen a 30% increase in group projects and more than double the number of Adopt-a-Trail groups. We are requesting two-years of funding to partially fund this position such that we can mobilize more volunteers throughout the season and support the increasing need for stewardship.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and confirm our Board of Directors' resolution to support this proposal, not to exceed \$45,000, committing the matching resources in cash and in-kind, to the purposes listed therein.

Sincerely,

  
Chris Geiger  
Chair, Board of Directors

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LAND OWNERSHIP			
1. Provide the name/s of the property owners: All public land jurisdictions			
2. The trail corridor is controlled by: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Simple <input type="checkbox"/> Lease <input type="checkbox"/> Easement <input type="checkbox"/> License <input type="checkbox"/> Right-of-Way <input type="checkbox"/> Other:			
USER INFORMATION (Please check all that apply)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hiking, Walking, Running	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equestrian	
<input type="checkbox"/> Skateboarding, In-Line Skating	<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Sports (non-motorized)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADA Accessible	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
TRAIL SURFACE			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Concrete	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crusher Fines	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
PROJECT LOCATION (For multiple project sites attach a separate list.)			
Nearest Town or City: Carbondale, CO			
County(ies): Garfield, Pitkin, Gunnison, Eagle			
Latitude & Longitude Coordinates (in decimal degrees): 39.3936896, -107.2103424			
State Congressional District ( <a href="https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members">https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members</a> ): CO 3			
<i>Please fill out all applicable categories for your project:</i>			
Acreage of new trailhead	na	Miles of trail being planned	na
Miles of new trail construction	na	Miles of trail maintenance	na
Miles of inter-connecting trail	na	Miles of trail reroute	na
Miles of trail to be decommissioned	na	Miles of trail to be restored	na
Miles of trail to be signed	na	Miles of trail grooming	na
Other		Other	

Applicant Printed Name: Rebecca Schild

Applicant Signature: Rebecca Schild Digitally signed by Rebecca Schild  
Date: 2022.10.03 15:46:41 -06'00' Date: 10/03/2022



## SUPPORT GRANT SCORING CRITERIA

All applicants must respond to the following criteria questions. Use the numbered blank pages at the end of this section. 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. Outside reviewers and State Trails staff will review each project. Each project will be reviewed by outside reviewers and CPW Trails Program staff. Projects will be ranked according to reviewer and staff scores.

Grant review subcommittee members review and score grant applications based on the totality of information available. This may include not only the answers provided to the application questions, but also additional information provided to the review subcommittee from agency staff and subcommittee member knowledge and information that is relevant to the proposed project.

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.

Respond in **12-point font**. Reference all attachments.

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### 1. Scope (10 points)

Describe the proposed project. What are the benefits of this effort to trail users and groups in the communities, region, and/or state? How will this support request enhance or increase volunteer capacity and stewardship for organizations via training and education? Please be sure to include a couple of site photos and a map of the project/training area(s).

### 2. Need (15 points)

Describe why this support project is important at this time (resource damage, user safety, increased trail usage, etc.) and how this project will meet those needs. What is the project's urgency and why are CPW State Trails' funds necessary to complete this project? What opportunities are lost if the grant is not awarded? Describe the community this project will serve and provide relevant population and economic data. Discuss the significance of the support grant outcomes to users.

### 3. Planning and Prioritization Process (10 points)

How does this project demonstrate a significant improvement to community trail systems? Discuss the planning process that identified this project as a priority. Is this project part of an approved master plan, federal Forest or Resource Management Plan, or a landscape level regional planning effort (such as an Outdoor Regional Partnership)? If so, what priority is it given in that plan? Has this project been deemed a priority by any other agencies or given any significant designations?

#### 4. **Wildlife & Natural Resources (15 points)**

Describe how potential impacts to wildlife and natural resources will be evaluated during the planning process for the on the ground work completed through this grant (such as utilizing resources listed in Planning Trails with Wildlife in Mind). Describe any plans for avoiding sensitive habitat as well as minimizing, and/or mitigating wildlife and natural resource impacts. How will CPW staff members be engaged in the planning process? Describe how their recommendations will be implemented.

#### 5. **Collaboration (10 points)**

Explain the extent to which the project demonstrates unique, innovative, and/or important multi-agency, organization and/or private partnerships. Describe how these partnerships will be a benefit to the planning, development, and long-term management/maintenance of the trail systems impacted by this support grant. Partnerships may include public agencies, conservation groups, stewardship groups, recreational groups, environmental groups, non-profit organizations, schools, businesses, and/or individuals.

#### 6. **Sustainability (10 points)**

What is the long-term vision for the future of the work supported by this grant? Describe how the outcomes of this grant will be maintained and managed for long-term sustainability beyond the timeline of this project. Please explain the plan in detail including the estimated annual costs and funding plans.

#### 7. **Public Engagement (10 points)**

**Public notification is mandatory for all projects.**

Describe the public process that identified this support project as a priority. What community collaboration has taken place to determine priorities (regular meetings, public meetings, working groups, etc.)? How was it determined that this support request is a priority for the land management agency and trail users? Please highlight any collaborative approaches that were taken and summarize the feedback received from the public that determined the need for this project. Describe any received opposition to the project, and how the concerns have been addressed.

#### 8. **Implementation Process and Outcome (5 points)**

Describe the strategy for monitoring and evaluating implementation of this project. What tangible or measurable products will result from this project? If funded, what metrics will be utilized to measure the success of this project? List (in bulleted form) and provide a brief, specific description for each:

- Objectives
- Tasks / Project Milestones
- End products and/or deliverables that will result from this support effort

### **9. Matching Funds and Partnerships (10 points)**

Discuss partnerships established for this project and their contributions. What other funding sources have been dedicated or are anticipated to be dedicated to this project? If matching funds are not yet secured, what are the plans for raising those additional funds? Will applicant and/or partner funds be lost if State Trails funds are not awarded? Submit letters of commitment/support from landowners and/or funders as a separate attachment (resolution from the governing body should include support and resource commitment; a separate support letter is not required). Beyond these letters, up to 5 non-funding letters of support may be submitted.

### **10. Ability/Contingency (5 points)**

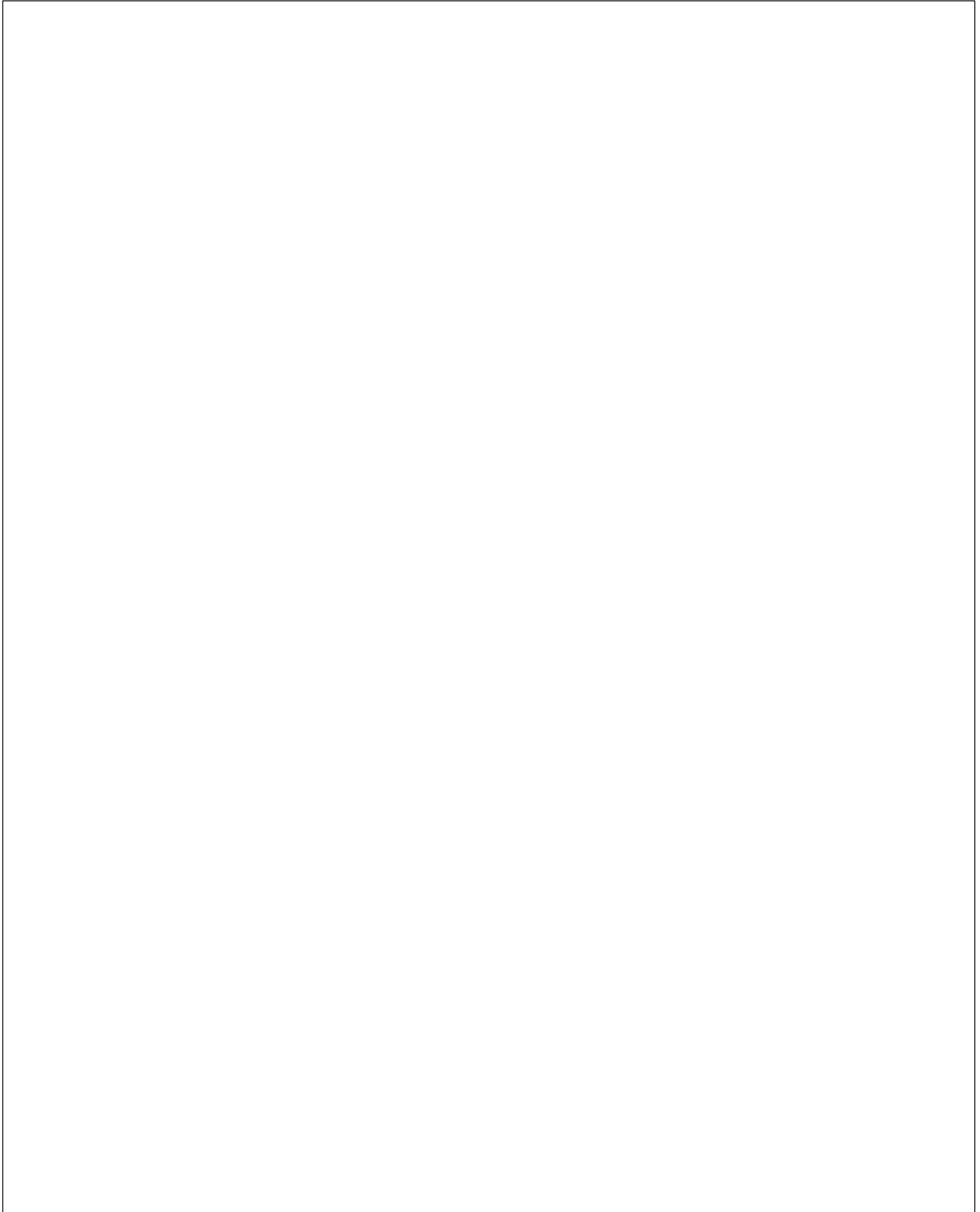
Describe your organization's ability to complete the specific grant transaction(s) that will be necessary to accomplish this project. Please provide examples (if any) for grant projects of similar magnitude that demonstrate your organization's ability to manage the requested level of grant funding; including the project title, grantor, award amount and year the project was funded. If State Trails funding is not awarded, what is the plan to complete the project?



**1. Scope of Work (10 points)**

**2. Community Need and Benefit (15 points)**

### 3. Planning and Prioritization Process (10 points)



**4. Wildlife and Natural Resources (15 points)**

**5. Collaboration (10 points)**

**6. Sustainability (10 points)**

**7. Public Engagement (10 points)**

**8. Implementation Process and Outcome (5 points)**



**9. Matching Funds and Partnerships (10 points)**

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**10. Ability/Contingency (5 points)**

Section 3 - Project Budget

Project Name: <input type="text"/>		For Office Use: <input type="text"/>						
SOURCE OF FUNDS	Date Secured				CPW Trails Grant Request [A]	Total Project Match [B]	Total Funding (\$) [C]	
<b>CASH</b>								
Great Outdoors Colorado	1/6/2022					\$ 55,200.00	\$ 55,200.00	
Group projects and Adopt-A-Trail donations	12/31/2024					\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	
CPW State Trails Grant	TBD				\$ 45,000.00		\$ 45,000.00	
Pitkin County Open Space and Trails	1/1/2023					\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	
Town of Carbondale	1/1/2023					\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
RFOV membership	12/31/2024					\$ 8,800.00	\$ 8,800.00	
<b>IN-KIND</b>								
Volunteer labor						\$ 179,700.00	\$ 179,700.00	
<b>TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS</b>					<b>\$ 45,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 323,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 368,700.00</b>	
[CASH] Description of Work	Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total (B*D)	CPW Funds	Total Project Match (\$)	Total Funding (\$)	Balance [should be 0]
<b>Category 2 - Salary/Wages</b>								
Program Coordinator Salary and benefits for two years	2	years	\$ 72,500.00	\$ 145,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 145,000.00	0
Program Director (20% of salary)	2	years	\$17,500.00	\$ 35,000.00		\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	0
Grant administration	2	years	\$4,500.00	\$ 9,000.00		\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	0
<b>USE OF FUNDS - CASH SUBTOTAL</b>					<b>\$ 45,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 144,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 189,000.00</b>	
<b>*ESTIMATE NUMBER OF CREW HOURS [GRANT AND MATCH] CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE</b>							<b>*REQUIRED INPUT</b>	
[IN-KIND] Description of Work	Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total (B*D)			Total Funding (\$)	Balance [should be 0]
<b>Additional Categories</b>								
Volunteer labor	6000	HR	\$ 29.95	\$ 179,700.00		\$ 179,700.00	\$ 179,700.00	0
<b>IN-KIND SUBTOTAL</b>						<b>\$ 179,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 179,700.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL PROJECT COST</b>					<b>\$ 45,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 323,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 368,700.00</b>	
<b>25% REQUIRED MATCH</b>						<b>\$ 11,250.00</b>		

# APPENDIX A: RFOV PROJECT LOCATIONS 2022



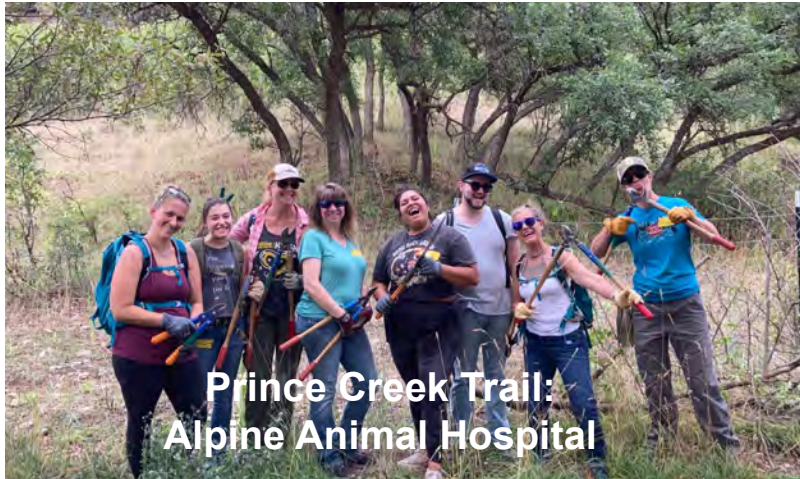
# ADOPT-A-TRAIL OSMIA ORGANICS RUTHIE'S RUN, CARBONDALE



# ADOPT-A-TRAIL WOMEN FOR WILDLANDS AVALANCHE CREEK TRAIL



## GROUP PROJECTS SAMPLE





Colorado Parks & Wildlife Division  
Trails Program  
13787 US Highway 85 N  
Littleton, CO 80125

Dear State Trails Review Committee,

Please accept this letter in support of the proposal from the Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers (RFOV) to obtain grant funding through the CPW State Trails Non-Motorized Trail Planning and Capacity Program to continue two-years of funding for RFOV's Program Coordinator. Since 1995, RFOV has been an important partner to Pitkin County and has a strong track record of getting volunteers to assist Open Space and Trails (OST) on trail and restoration projects. Accomplishing projects with volunteers allows OST to direct more funding to large acquisitions, expanding the conservation of wildlife habitat and recreational opportunities throughout the Roaring Fork Valley.

Starting in 2021, RFOV and OST, through a GOCO Resilient Communities Grant, significantly increased our partnership. This grant allowed us to scale up volunteer stewardship of public lands in Pitkin County to address impacts from increased visitation coupled with decreased staff capacity as a result of the pandemic. Our hope is that we can build more resilience in our public lands by empowering community members to make a tangible impact and educating them to be more responsible stewards. This year alone, RFOV has contributed almost 1,000 volunteer hours and an additional 206 RFOV staff hours of stewardship work on Pitkin County Open Space and Trails properties. As the GOCO grant will sunset at the end of 2022, we are looking for ways to continue operating at the level of partnership that the grant funded. Already, we have committed \$20,000 in our annual budget to RFOV in 2023. A grant from CPW would leverage this funding and enable RFOV to continue growing and enhancing its volunteer programs here in Pitkin County.

RFOV has been an excellent partner achieving the goals we set for them. Their ability to accomplish specific project objectives while bringing the community together has been truly inspiring to see. We fully support a grant from CPW to continue funding their new Program Coordinator position.

Sincerely,

Gary Tennenbaum  
Director, Pitkin County Open Space and Trails



Colorado Parks & Wildlife Division  
Trails Program  
13787 US Highway 85 N  
Littleton, CO 80125

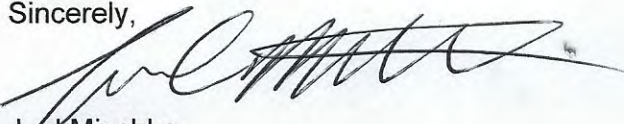
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Please accept this letter in support of the proposal from the Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers (RFOV) to obtain grant funding through the CPW State Trails Non-Motorized Trail Planning and Capacity Program to continue two-years of funding for RFOV's Program Coordinator. RFOV has been a valued organization to this region for over 27 years, empowering our community members and visitors to take part in stewarding the amazing public lands that exist in our backyard while helping land managers keep up with the growing backlog of maintenance on our local trails. Basalt Bike and Ski is proud to be a partner and supporter of RFOV as their mission resonates with our company and customer values.

In recent years, RFOV has focused on growing its custom group projects and Adopt-a-Trail programs to increase the amount of work they can get done while bringing in new and diverse volunteers who may not normally come out on a weekend. In 2022, RFOV was able to hire a full-time Program Coordinator to support and expand these programs. As a result, the number of Adopt-a-Trail groups has doubled and the number of group work days has increased 30%. As our region has a strong ethos of giving back to the community, these two programs have a lot of potential to continue bringing in new volunteers while engaging our business community in meaningful ways to contribute directly to on the ground projects. Basalt Bike and Ski has adopted the B-Line trail on Red Hill in Carbondale - a very popular mountain bike trail accessed directly from town - the past two seasons and has truly enjoyed the opportunity for team building outside of the office and shop, learning new technical trail building and maintenance skills, and having the opportunity to invest directly in the resources that our customers and stakeholders value.

With increasing recreation use in our region, the need for stewardship capacity is essential. We believe RFOV is uniquely capable of empowering volunteers to accomplish stewardship projects at scale, not only supporting land managers, but enhancing the communities who rely on these valuable natural resources.

Sincerely,



Joel Mischke  
Owner  
Basalt Bike & Ski  
Basalt/Aspen/Carbondale



# TOWN OF CARBONDALE

511 Colorado Avenue  
Carbondale, CO 81623  
(970) 963-2733 Fax: (970) 963-9140

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September 22, 2022

Colorado Parks & Wildlife Division  
Trails Program  
13787 US Highway 85 N  
Littleton, CO 80125

Dear State Trails Review Committee,

Please accept this letter in support of the proposal from the Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers (RFOV) to obtain grant funding through the CPW State Trails Non-Motorized Trail Planning and Capacity Program to continue two-years of funding for RFOV's Program Coordinator. The Town of Carbondale has partnered with RFOV for decades to bring community members together to steward our local trails and open space. As RFOV has grown its capacity, this partnership has strengthened and we now depend on RFOV for much of the critical annual maintenance needs of our local trails through their Adopt-a-Trail program, group projects, and large community volunteer events. This year alone, RFOV has completed 688 volunteer hours, 288 student hours, and an additional 230 RFOV staff hours of stewardship work in Carbondale.

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Our region relies heavily on a recreation-based economy and quality of life. RFOV's ability to engage the public through multiple entry-points, leverage government funds with other revenue sources and volunteer labor, address stewardship needs across multiple jurisdictions, and adapt nimbly to changing conditions make them a critical partner in the management and stewardship of our public lands. For all of these reasons, the Town of Carbondale enthusiastically supports this application.

Sincerely,

Eric Brendlinger-Parks & Recreation Director

# PLANNING OR SUPPORT GRANT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

## MANDATORY:

Signed letter of resolution from the Governing Body (Board of Directors or Commissioners, City or Town Government, etc.) that includes resources/support committed to the project

Timeline form has been filled out

Budget uploaded as an unprotected Excel document

Maps/Photos/Graphics uploaded as PDF document(s)

Letters of Support (maximum of five) uploaded. No letters from clubs, groups or individuals who are specifically working on the project. No letters from CPW staff.

Project should be completed within 2.5 years from receiving grant

Required MATCH funding is secured, including CASH match funds. If not secured at time of application, add a note in the additional comments sections at the bottom of this form.

Scope of work and project location map emailed to CPW Area Manager & Regional Trail Coordinator by September 6, 2022 (not required for Support grants).

**ALL projects will be reviewed for wildlife impacts**

## 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 of organization)

## Comments