

Exhibit A – Project Information

NON-MOTORIZED TRAIL CONSTRUCTION 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>Project Description: Please write a 2-3 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 that information in question #1 of the Selection Criteria.)</p> <p>WHO? 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>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?</p> <p>WHERE? 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>DEFINITIONS? 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

File Code: 1580
Date: September 27, 2022

State Trails Committee
Colorado Parks & Wildlife
13787 US Highway #85 N
Littleton, CO 80125

Dear State Trails Committee Members,

The Arapaho National Forest, Sulphur Ranger District, supports the Headwaters Trails Alliance (HTA) request for state trails grant funding for construction of trails and trail related facilities associated with the Trails Smart Sizing Project. HTA is Grand County's non-profit trails entity and has actively participated in and assisted the Forest Service with trail projects for many years. This includes the NEPA process leading to the signing of the Forest Service Trails Smart Sizing Decision on August 29th, 2017. Since this decision, we have been working with the Headwaters Trails Alliance to implement up to 16 miles of new trails on National Forest System Lands, as well as, the construction and improvement of trailhead facilities including the installation of new kiosks, bulletin boards, and trail signs. Improvements associated with the Trails Smart Sizing Project are located within the proclaimed boundary of the Arapaho National Forest (ANF) (as decreed in 1907), the boundaries of which have remained mostly unchanged since that time.

With this funding request, HTA hopes to continue with the following work on FS lands:

1. Pinball Ridge Trail - 1.5 miles new trail
2. Lower Chickadee Trail - .4 miles reroute construction and new bridge over Little Vasquez Creek

The scope of work for this application includes 2 miles of new trail construction, 3 miles of trail maintenance, 1.25 miles of reroute construction, and a bridge construction over Little Vasquez Creek. The goals of this work are to continue to improve trail connectivity and sustainability. The overall project cost is over \$250K and is leveraged with other partner contributions and grants. These are the final significant projects within these larger, multi-year projects.

The existing partnership between HTA and the Forest Service has significantly leveraged our limited resources and enhanced our ability to provide high quality recreational trail opportunities on National Forest System Lands in Grand County. We look forward to continuing our partnership with HTA as we implement various phases of the Trails Smart Sizing Decision moving forward. I hope you will give due consideration to the grant request by Headwaters Trails Alliance for funding to improve trails on the National Forest in the Fraser/Winter Park area. Thank you for your attention to this request.

State Trails Committee

Sincerely,

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Sulphur District Ranger





United States Department of the Interior



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Kremmling Field Office
2103 East Park Avenue, PO Box 68
Kremmling, Colorado 80459

In Reply Refer To:
8300 (CON020)

September 27, 2022

State Trails Committee
Colorado Parks & Wildlife
Sent via email to Headwaters Trail Alliance

Dear State Trails Committee:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Kremmling Field Office, supports the Headwaters Trails Alliance (HTA) request for state trails grant funding for the reroute and construction of trails associated with the Strawberry Trail System (Phases) project. HTA is Grand County's non-profit trails entity/partner and has actively participated in and assisted the BLM with trail projects for many years, including the NEPA process leading to the recent signing of the BLM Strawberry environmental assessment on May 15, 2020. Now that the final decision has been issued, Headwaters Trails Alliance is authorized to work in partnership with the BLM to fully implement this decision in which more than 7 miles of existing trails to be improved and 5 miles of new trails to be constructed in the Strawberry area. Additionally, more than 4 miles of trails would be rerouted to make them more sustainable, and about 4 miles would be decommissioned and rehabilitated. The plan also includes improvements to four trailhead parking areas, including increased parking, signage, kiosks, and restrooms. Improvements associated with the Phases project are located within the boundaries of public lands and the project will remain within the administrative jurisdiction of the BLM for the foreseeable future.

The existing partnership between HTA and BLM has significantly leveraged our limited resources and enhanced our ability to provide high quality recreational trail opportunities on public lands within Grand County. We look forward to continuing our very successful partnership with HTA as we implement various segments of the Phases trail project decision moving ahead. In conclusion, for the reasons stated herein, I hope you will consider the grant requested by HTA for funding to improve trails in the Strawberry area on BLM public lands.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

**RYAN
KAY**

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Ryan Kay
Acting Field Manager



September 26, 2022

Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Trails Program
13787 US Hwy 85 N
Littleton, CO 80125

Re: State Trails NM Construction Grant for 2023

Dear State Trails Committee:

Headwaters Trails Alliance (HTA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advocacy of trails in Grand County. Our mission is to identify, maintain and expand an accessible, interconnecting trail system for appropriate multi-user groups. Our goals include collaborating on local, state and national levels to bring funding and other resources to Grand County for the benefit our local trail system.

HTA is composed of a 13-member Board of Directors who are all aware of and approve the submission of this grant proposal for the Fraser Valley Trail Redevelopment Project on BLM and USFS lands for 2023. These projects are multi-year trail improvement projects that strive to not only increase trail sustainability, but seek to protect wildlife habitat and migration corridors, sensitive riparian environments and watersheds. Annually, the Board and federal land managers prioritize projects for implementation the following year through consideration of wildlife impact and displacement, resource damage, recreational impact and usage, and available funding. This grant request will cover the 2023 and possibly 2024 field seasons and will allow significant improvements to occur in heavily used trail systems. Based upon 2020-22 resident and visitor usage (and considering the huge spike during the pandemic), these trail systems are critical for our community and recreation tourism based economy.

Meara McQuain has been HTA's Executive Director for eight years and is responsible for the organization's funding, including grant submissions. She has full Board approval to submit this funding request to Colorado Parks and Wildlife for the Phases/Strawberry and Trail Smart Sizing Redevelopment projects. HTA is committed to ensuring that this project is completed in a timely and fiscally responsible manner.

Very truly yours,

Roger Hedlund

Roger Hedlund, HTA Board President

CONSTRUCTION GRANT SCORING CRITERIA

All applicants must respond to the 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. 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.

1. Scope (10 points)

Describe the proposed project including the length/width of trail construction, and major components necessary to complete the trail such as materials, under/overpasses, bridges, trail heads, trail sections, etc. Address each trail component separately, specifically mentioning its characteristics. Please describe if this is a multi-phase project, and the plan for how future phases will be funded. Discuss the ownership status of the trail corridor and any easements or land acquisitions that have been acquired for the trail. Please include a few site photos and a map of the area.

2. Access/Trail Connections (5 points)

Briefly discuss how this project expands trail loops, links, improves and/or restores trail use and connectivity to other trails, parks, and/or other outdoor recreation opportunities. If the project is connected to a larger trail system, describe the size, extent, and predominant uses of that system.

3. Need (15 Points)

Describe the project's urgency and why it is being pursued at this time. Who are you building the trail for and how does it benefit them? Does this project create or enhance experiences that otherwise do not exist in the area? Why are CPW State Trails funds necessary to complete this project and what opportunities are lost if the grant is not awarded? Describe the community this project will serve and provide population and economic data. Briefly describe how the proposed trail will accommodate non-motorized uses within the region. List each user group and estimate their percentage of overall trail use, e.g., bicyclists - 40%, hikers - 50%, equestrian - 10%. What features make this trail suitable for these uses?

4. Planning and Prioritization Process (10 points)

Discuss the planning process that identified the construction of this trail(s) 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? Please explain any existing trails in the area and describe the need for additional trail routes to be constructed.

5. Design and Construction (10 points)

How is the trail designed to ensure longevity and sustainability to meet current and future use levels? Who is designing/will design the trail and oversee the trail work and what are their qualifications? What best management practices will be used to construct the trail to ensure that the trail and its amenities will be sustainable? Who will build the trail (staff, volunteers, conservation corps, contractors, etc.)?

6. Maintenance and Sustainability (10 points)

Describe how the project will be maintained and managed for long-term sustainability. Has an operations and maintenance plan been developed for the project areas? If so, please explain the plan in detail including who will be responsible for this work, the estimated annual costs and funding plans. Have trail reroute options been considered for current on-the-ground unsustainable trails and trail sections in the project area? If so, are there plans to decommission and/or restore these unsustainable trail sections?

7. Wildlife and Natural Resources (15 points)

Describe how potential impacts to wildlife and natural resources were evaluated during the planning process for the trail (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. Describe the plan for trail management and monitoring after construction. Were CPW staff members engaged in the planning process? Describe how their recommendations will be implemented. For example, if a seasonal closure is recommended, what are the dates of the closure and how will it be implemented to be effective (signage, gates, game cameras, etc.)?

8. Public Engagement (10 points)

Public notification is mandatory for all projects.

Describe the public process for this trail project (regular meetings, public meetings, working groups, etc.). 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.

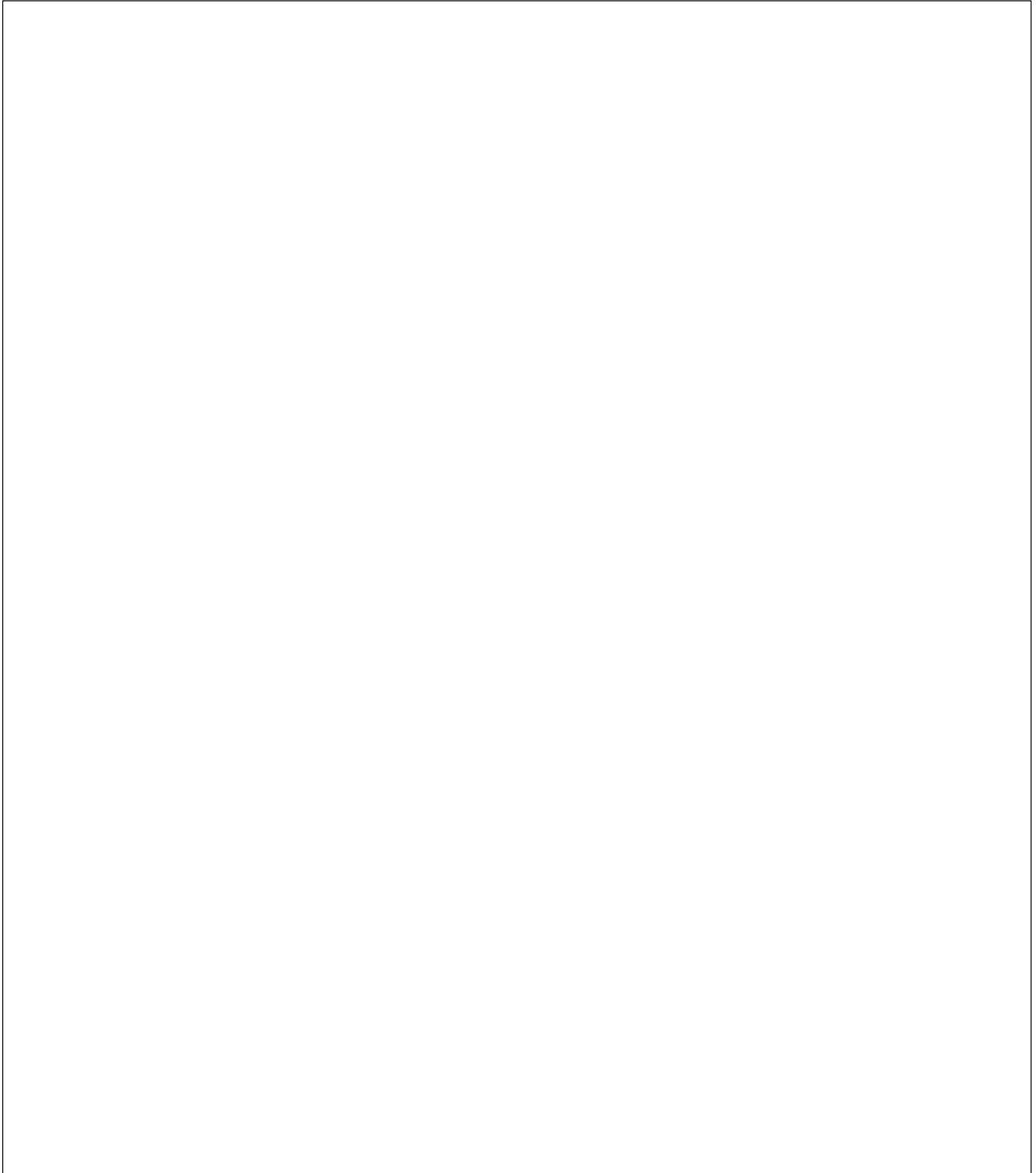
9. Matching Funds and Partnerships (10 points)

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.

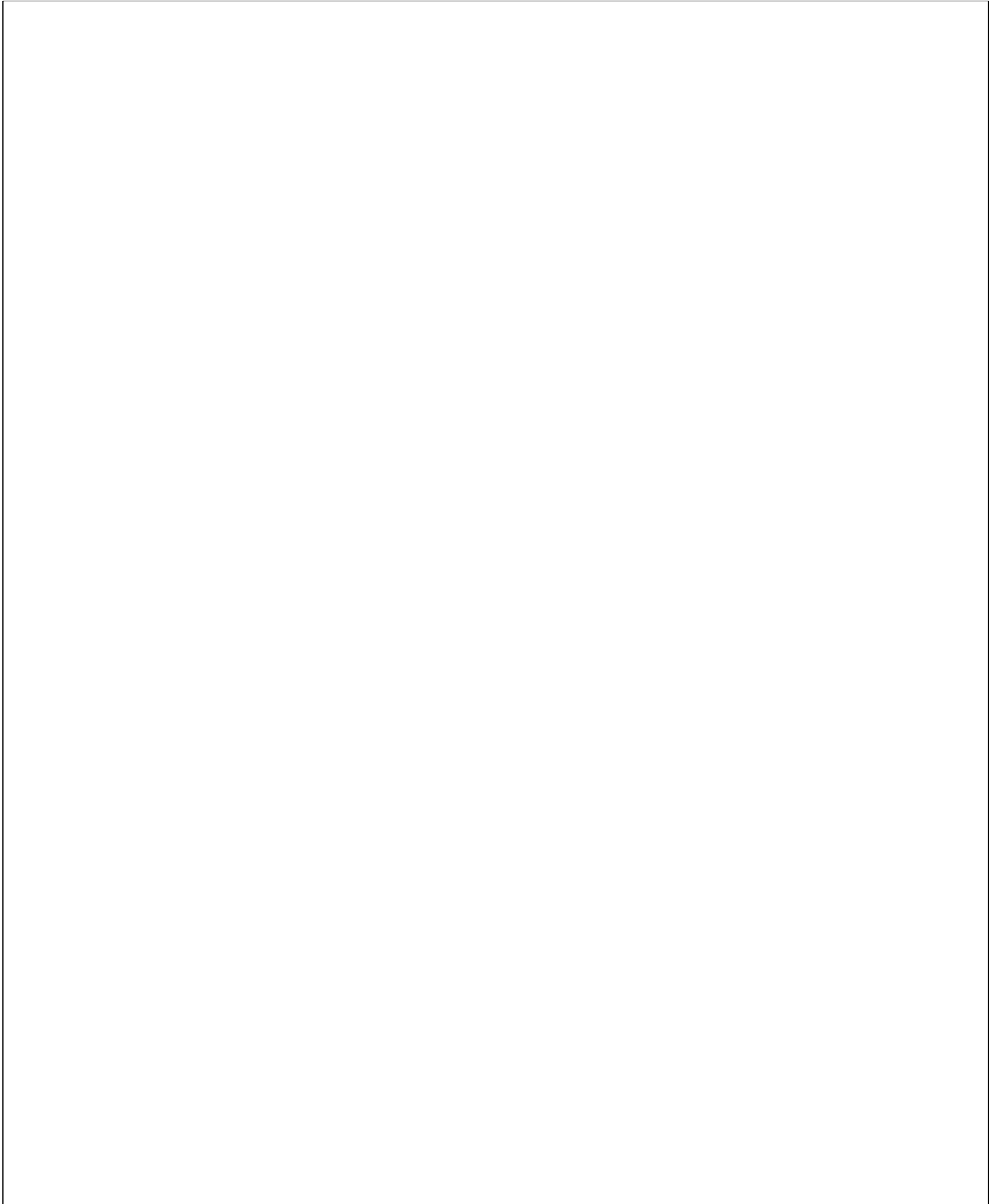
10. Ability/Contingency (5 points)

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. Access/Trail Connections (5 points)



3. Need (15 points)

4. Planning and Prioritization Process (10 points)

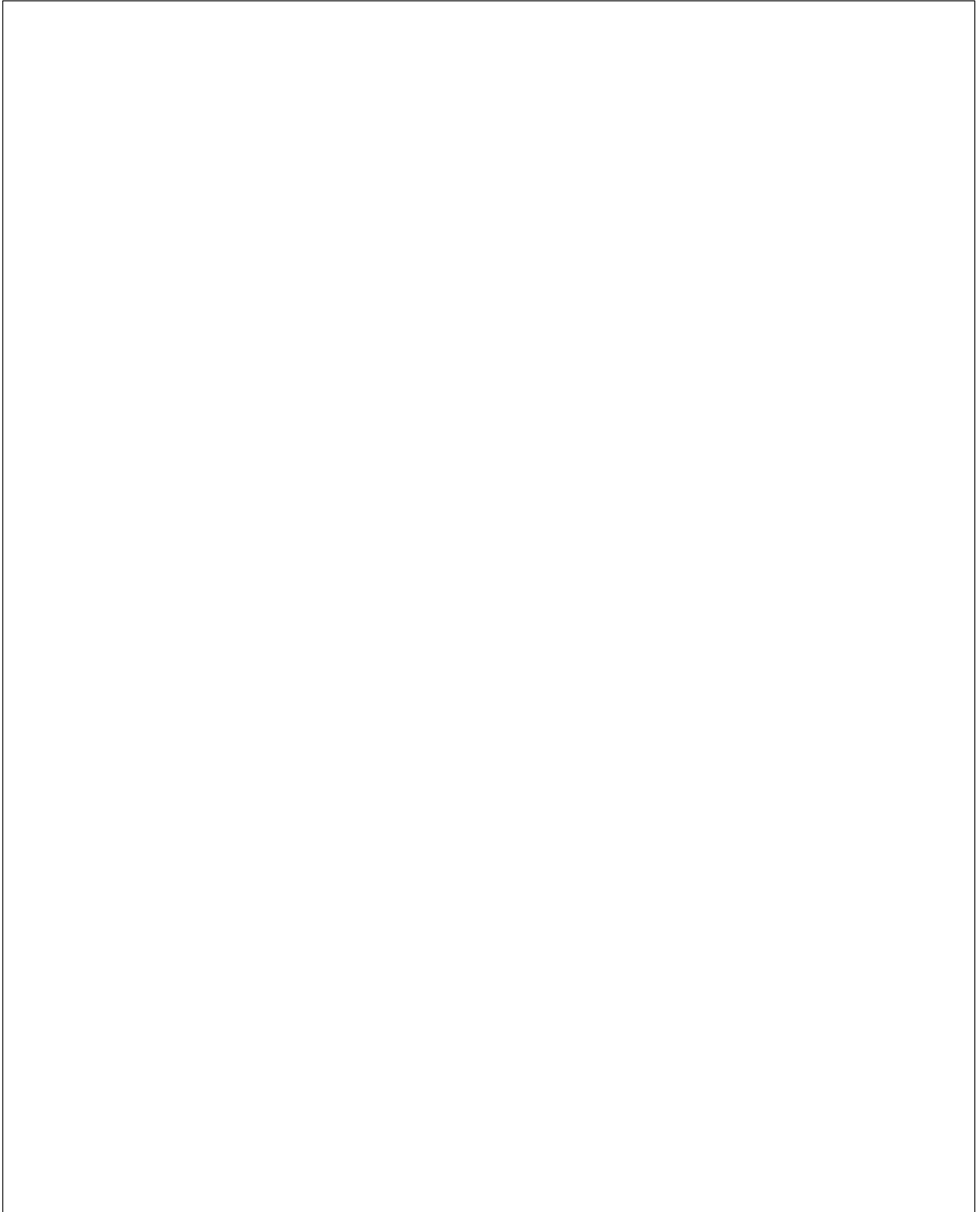
5. Design and Construction (10 points)

6. Maintenance and Sustainability (10 points)

7. Wildlife and Natural Resources (15 points)

8. Public Engagement (10 points)

9. Matching Funds and Partnerships (10 points)



10. Ability/Contingency (5 points)

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 Fraser Valley Trails Redevelopment

Project Sponsor Headwaters Trails Alliance

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: The 1997 Revision of the Land and Resource Management Plan for the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland (Forest Plan)

Date of document: November 19, 1997

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

Title of document: Trails Smart Sizing - Decision Notice & Finding of No Significant Impact

Date of document: August 29, 2017

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

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

Name: Eric Freels

Phone number: 970-531-4505

Email: Eric.k.freels@usda.gov

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

Land Manager's Name: Eric Freels

Land Manager's Title

Land Manager's Signature: SRD District Ranger

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Multi-Project Budget Summary

For Office Use:

Project Name:	Fraser Valley Trail Redevelopment		
	CPW Trails Grant Request	Total Project Match	Total Funding (\$)
USFS Trail Smart Sizing	\$83,920.00	\$63,138.00	\$147,058.00
BLM Phases Redevelopment	\$47,018.00	\$62,254.00	\$109,272.00
Total	\$130,938.00	\$125,392.00	\$256,330.00

Please rename the tabs with the project location name

USFS Trail Smart Sizing Project - 1

SOURCE OF FUNDS	Date Secured				CPW Trails Grant Request [A]	Total Project Match [B]	Total Funding (\$) [C]	
CASH								
Town of Winter Park Transport. Funds	1/5/2023					\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	
Town of Fraser Trail Project Funds	11/15/2022					\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	
GC Open Lands, Rivers, Trails Fund	10/6/2022					\$ 26,488.00	\$ 26,488.00	
GOCO Youth Corps Grant	To Apply					\$ 8,800.00	\$ 8,800.00	
CPW NM State Trails Construction Grant	Pending				\$ 83,920.00		\$ 83,920.00	
IN-KIND								
USFS Staff Labor - site work, flagging						\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	
Volunteer Labor						\$ 3,594.00	\$ 3,594.00	
Volunteer Tools						\$ 756.00	\$ 756.00	
TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS					\$ 83,920.00	\$ 63,138.00	\$ 147,058.00	
[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>								
Rocky Mountain Youth Corps - saw crew	1	week	\$ 8,800.00	\$ 8,800.00		\$ 8,800.00	\$ 8,800.00	0
Contractor Labor: Planning	2	days	\$ 950.00	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 1,900.00	\$ -	\$ 1,900.00	0
Contractor Labor: Maintenance	7920	feet	\$ 3.50	\$ 27,720.00	\$ 18,960.00	\$ 8,760.00	\$ 27,720.00	0
Contractor Labor: Decommission	1584	feet	\$ 3.00	\$ 4,752.00	\$ 4,752.00	\$ -	\$ 4,752.00	0
Contractor Labor: New Trail Construction	7920	feet	\$ 7.75	\$ 61,380.00	\$ 45,360.00	\$ 16,020.00	\$ 61,380.00	0
Contractor Labor: Reroute Construction	2620	feet	\$ 6.50	\$ 17,030.00	\$ 3,868.00	\$ 13,162.00	\$ 17,030.00	0
Category 2 - Salary/Wages								
HTA Field Staff Manager	60	hours	\$ 27.00	\$ 1,620.00	\$ 1,620.00	\$ -	\$ 1,620.00	0
HTA Field Crew	60	hours	\$ 24.00	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 1,440.00	\$ -	\$ 1,440.00	0
HTA Executive Director	40	hours	\$ 33.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 1,320.00	\$ -	\$ 1,320.00	0
CATEGORY 3-Materials/Supplies <small>Identify as: Signs, crusherfines, native seed, weed barrier, etc.</small>								
15' Bridge Materials - Lumber & Hardware	1		\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00		\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	0
Signage	10	signs	\$ 40.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00	0
Native Seed	2	bags	\$ 150.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 300.00	0
Map Updates - printed (15,000)	1	Cost	\$ 2,796.00	\$ 2,796.00		\$ 2,796.00	\$ 2,796.00	0
Additional Categories								
Contractor Lodging	1.5	month	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 3,750.00	0
Contractor Mobilization	1	fee	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	0
USE OF FUNDS - CASH SUBTOTAL					\$ 83,920.00	\$ 55,288.00	\$ 139,208.00	
*ESTIMATE NUMBER OF CREW HOURS [GRANT AND MATCH] CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE					180	320	*REQUIRED INPUT	
[IN-KIND] Description of Work	Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total (B*D)			Total Funding (\$)	Balance [should be 0]
Category 1 - Contracted Services								
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
Category 2 - Salary/Wages								
USFS Staff Labor - site work, flagging, bridge	100	hours	\$ 35.00	\$ 3,500.00		\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	0
Volunteer Labor	120	hours	\$ 29.95	\$ 3,594.00		\$ 3,594.00	\$ 3,594.00	0
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
Category 3 - Materials/Tools								
Volunteer Tools - Use, mainten., replacement	12	unit	\$ 63.00	\$ 756.00	\$ -	\$ 756.00	\$ 756.00	0
Additional Categories								
IN-KIND SUBTOTAL						\$ 7,850.00	\$ 7,850.00	
TOTAL PROJECT COST					\$ 83,920.00	\$ 63,138.00	\$ 147,058.00	
25% REQUIRED MATCH						\$ 20,980.00		

BLM Phases Trail System Project - 2

SOURCE OF FUNDS	Date Secured				CPW Trails Grant Request [A]	Total Project Match [B]	Total Funding (\$) [C]	
CASH								
Town of Winter Park Transport. Funds	1/5/2023					\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	
Town of Fraser Trail Project Funds	11/15/2022					\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
GC Open Lands, Rivers, Trails Fund	10/6/2022					\$ 22,760.00	\$ 22,760.00	
GOCO Youth Corps Saw Crew	To Apply					\$ 8,800.00	\$ 8,800.00	
CPW State Trails NM Construction	Pending				\$ 47,018.00		\$ 47,018.00	
IN-KIND								
BLM Staff Time (flagging, site visits, etc.)	9/1/2022					\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	
Voluntter Labor - NPLD						\$ 3,594.00	\$ 3,594.00	
TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS					\$ 47,018.00	\$ 62,254.00	\$ 109,272.00	
[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 Identify as: Youth Corps, Engineering, Contractor, etc.								
Rocky Mountain Youth Corps - saw crew	1	week	\$ 8,800.00	\$ 8,800.00		\$ 8,800.00	\$ 8,800.00	0
Contractor Labor: Maintenance	7920	feet	\$ 3.50	\$ 27,720.00		\$ 27,720.00	\$ 27,720.00	0
Contractor Labor: New Trail Construction	2640	feet	\$ 6.00	\$ 15,840.00	\$ 15,840.00	\$ -	\$ 15,840.00	0
Contractor Labor: Decommission	1666	feet	\$ 3.00	\$ 4,998.00	\$ 4,498.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 4,998.00	0
Contractor Labor: Reroute Construction	5280	feet	\$ 6.00	\$ 31,680.00	\$ 21,680.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 31,680.00	0
Category 2 - Salary/Wages								
HTA Field Projects Manager	50	hours	\$ 27.00	\$ 1,350.00		\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,350.00	0
HTA Executive Director	25	hours	\$ 33.00	\$ 825.00		\$ 825.00	\$ 825.00	0
HTA Field Staff	60	hours	\$ 24.00	\$ 1,440.00		\$ 1,440.00	\$ 1,440.00	0
CATEGORY 3-Materials/Supplies Identify as: Signs, crusherfines, native seed, weed barrier, etc.								
Lumber (Bridge planks, extra material)	1	EA	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00		\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	0
Class C	2	loads	\$ 150.00	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	0
Hardware & Misc. Supplies (flagging, timberloks, nuts, bolts)	1	EA	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00		\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00	0
Signs	10	signs	\$ 40.00	\$ 400.00		\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00	0
Native seed	2	bag	\$ 150.00	\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	0
Additional Categories								
Contractor Lodging	2	months	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	0
Contractor Mobilization	1	fee	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 4,000.00	0
USE OF FUNDS - CASH SUBTOTAL					\$ 47,018.00	\$ 56,560.00	\$ 103,578.00	
*ESTIMATE NUMBER OF CREW HOURS [GRANT AND MATCH] CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE					600	1,050	*REQUIRED INPUT	
[IN-KIND] Description of Work								
Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total (B*D)	CPW Funds	Total Project Match (\$)	Total Funding (\$)	Balance [should be 0]	
Category 2 - Salary/Wages								
BLM Field Staff - site visits, etc.	60	hours	\$ 35.00	\$ 2,100.00		\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	0
Volunteer Labor - 15 people	120	hours	\$ 29.95	\$ 3,594.00		\$ 3,594.00	\$ 3,594.00	0
IN-KIND SUBTOTAL						\$ 5,694.00	\$ 5,694.00	
TOTAL PROJECT COST					\$ 47,018.00	\$ 62,254.00	\$ 109,272.00	
25% REQUIRED MATCH						\$ 11,754.50		



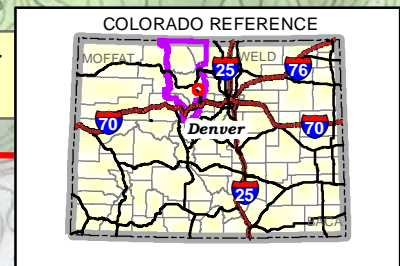
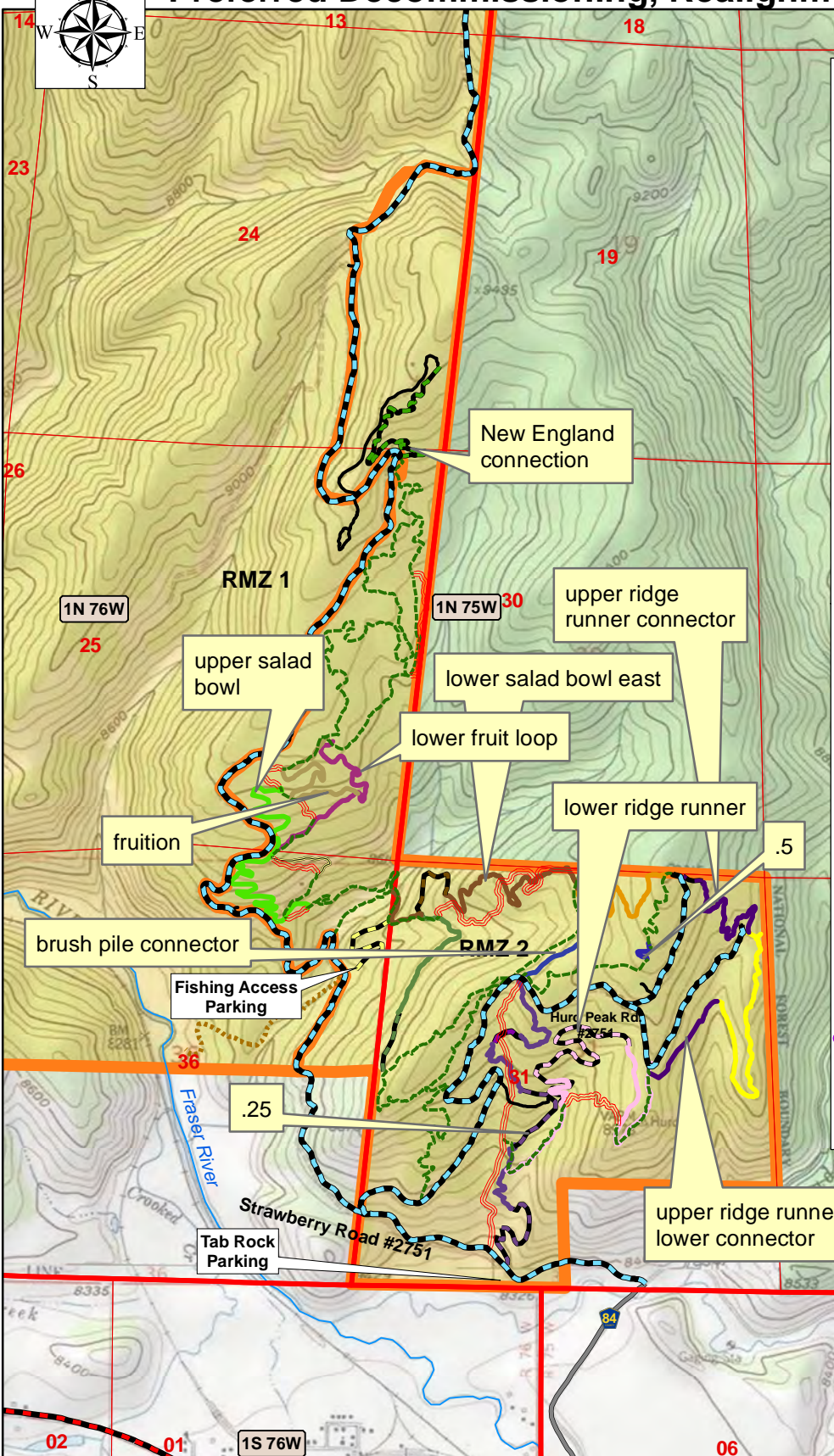
Strawberry Special Recreation Management Area Preferred Decommissioning, Realignments and Connections



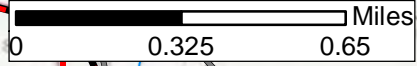
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Legend

- BLM Maintained Roads
- 2015 Designations & Proposed Changes**
- Decommission
- Foot Only Trail
- Foot/Horse Trail
- Full Size Vehicle
- Mechanized
- Mechanized - Realign
- Brush Pile Connector
- Fraser Canyon Access Parking Connector
- Fruit Loop
- Fruition
- Lower Bowl Parking Connector - Preferred
- Lower Fruit Loop
- Lower Ridge Runner
- Lower Ridge Runner - Preferred
- Lower Salad Bowl East
- Lower Salad Bowl East - Preferred
- New England Connection
- Phase .25
- Phase .25 - Reroute Upper Preferred
- Phase .25 Lower Reroute Preferred
- Phase .5
- Phased and Confused
- Phased and Confused - Preferred
- Upper Ridge Runner
- Upper Ridge Runner Extension
- Upper Ridge Runner Extension Preferred
- Upper Ridge Runner Lower Connector
- Upper Salad Bowl
- Upper Salad Bowl East
- Upper Salad Bowl East Extension
- Upper Ridge Runner change from Closed to Open
- Proposed Parking Area Improvements

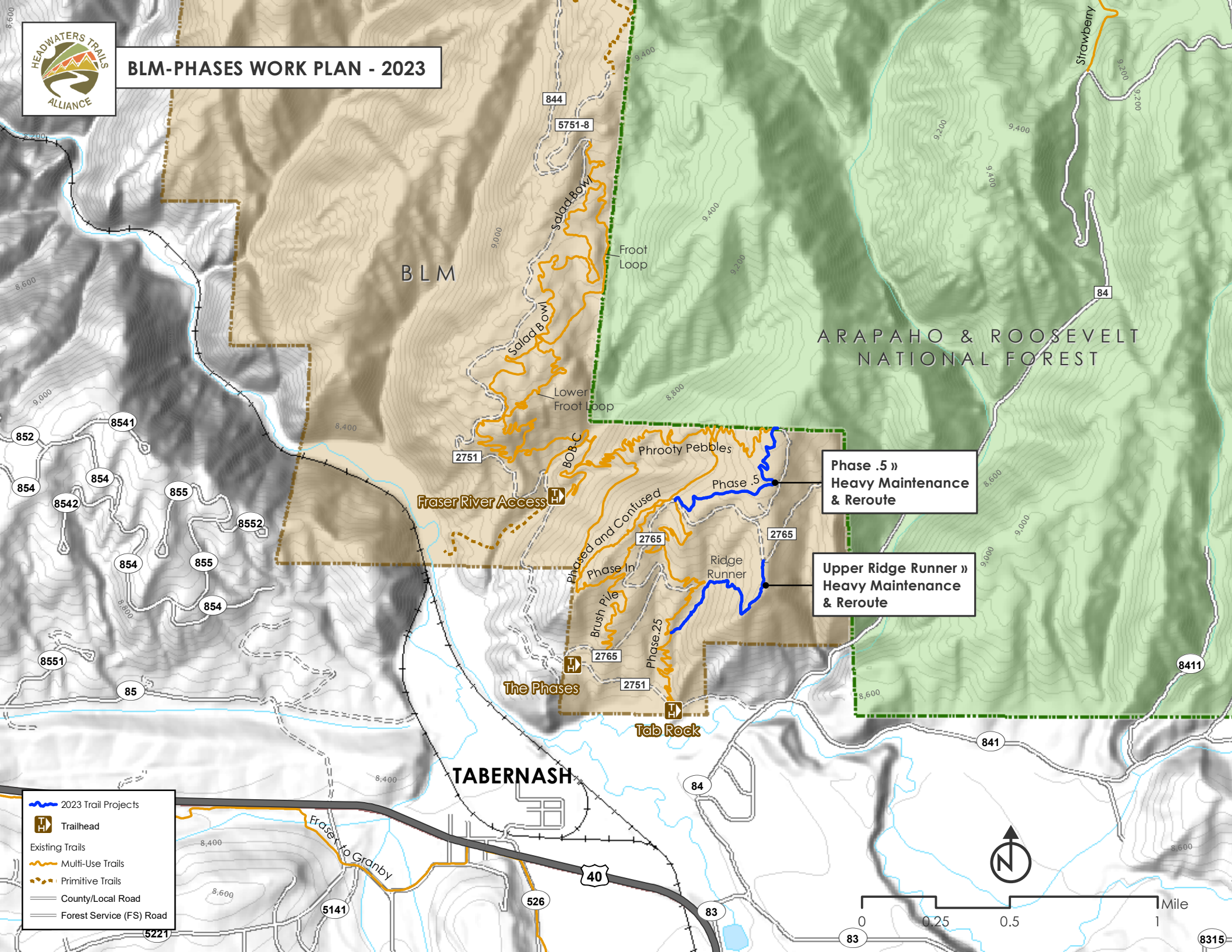


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BLM-PHASES WORK PLAN - 2023



ARAPAHO & ROOSEVELT NATIONAL FOREST

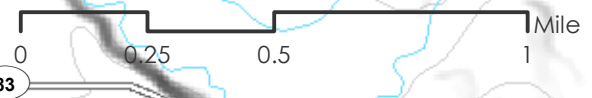
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Phase .5 » Heavy Maintenance & Reroute

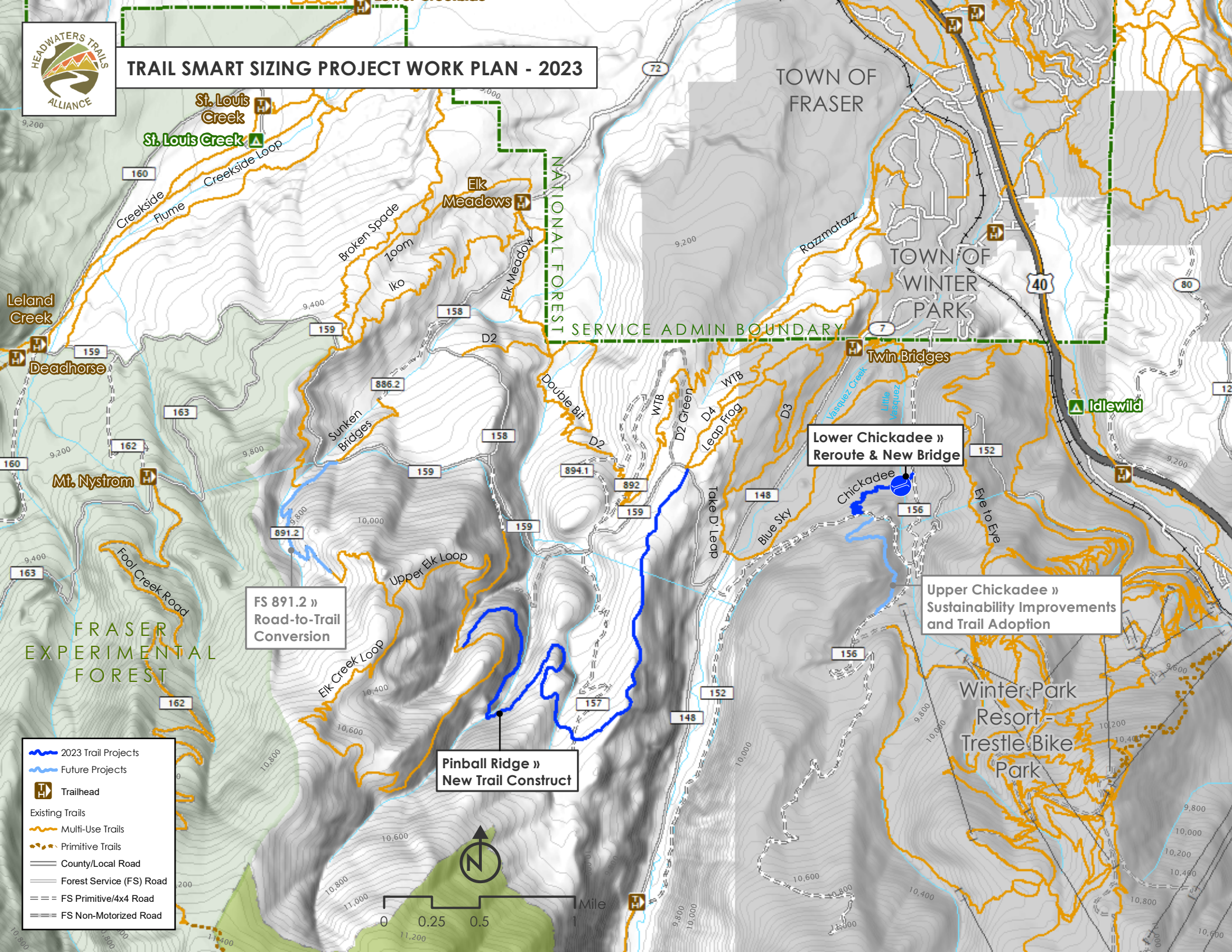
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- 2023 Trail Projects
- Trailhead
- Existing Trails
 - Multi-Use Trails
 - Primitive Trails
- County/Local Road
- Forest Service (FS) Road





TRAIL SMART SIZING PROJECT WORK PLAN - 2023



St. Louis Creek
Creekside Loop
Flume

Elk Meadows

NATIONAL FOREST
SERVICE ADMIN BOUNDARY

TOWN OF FRASER

TOWN OF WINTER PARK

Leland Creek

Deadhorse

Mt. Nystrom

FRASER EXPERIMENTAL FOREST

FS 891.2 »
Road-to-Trail Conversion

Pinball Ridge »
New Trail Construct

Lower Chickadee »
Reroute & New Bridge

Upper Chickadee »
Sustainability Improvements
and Trail Adoption

Winter Park
Resort -
Trestle Bike
Park

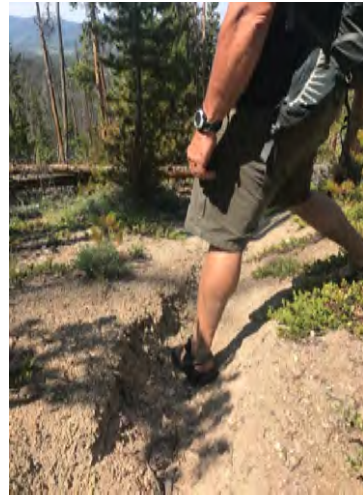
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- 2023 Trail Projects
- Future Projects
- Trailhead
- Existing Trails
 - Multi-Use Trails
 - Primitive Trails
- County/Local Road
- Forest Service (FS) Road
 - FS Primitive/4x4 Road
 - FS Non-Motorized Road



Current Trail System Conditions:

Cupping, trenching, erosion, standing dead beetle kill, deadfall, poor alignment, poor connectivity



Project Partners:





September 28, 2022

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

RE: Fraser River Valley Trails Redevelopment Project

Dear Grant Review Committee:

On behalf of the Town of Winter Park, I would like to formally extend our support for the Fraser River Valley Trails Redevelopment Project. The trails associated with this project greatly enhance the recreational opportunities to our residents and visitors of the Fraser Valley. Winter Park reaps tremendous economic benefits from our vast and varied trail systems. Improvements to the trails in this application will only make them more valuable to our Town and area.

From what I understand the proposed work encompasses the four trails known as Pinball Ridge Trail, the Lower Chickadee Trail located in the U.S. Forest Service and Upper Ridge Runner, and Phase .5 located within our BLM recreation area. The scope of work within this application includes 2 miles of new trail construction, 3 miles of trail maintenance, 1.25 miles of reroute construction, and a bridge construction over Little Vasquez Creek. The goals of this work are to continue to improve trail connectivity and sustainability.

Access to high-quality trails remain of vital importance throughout the Fraser Valley. The surge of people recreating outdoors continues to be strong following the pandemic. We have become a destination for multiple outdoor recreational pursuits and meeting the demand is challenging. We truly appreciate assistance from CPW in improving and maintaining our trail systems.

Thank you for your consideration of this project.

Respectfully,

Gerry Vernon

Public Works Director

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September 27, 2022

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

Re: 2022 Non-Motorized Trails Grant Application

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter will serve as official support from the Town of Fraser for the 2022 Non- Motorized Trails Grant Application (Construction Category.) The Town of Fraser is in full support of this opportunity to continue the tremendous progress Headwaters Trails Alliance has achieved thus far and to further Increase the sustainability and connectivity of trails, improving the recreational experience and safety of all users.

The Town of Fraser depends upon the tourism created by the recreational use of Grand County's trails. Although the Fraser Valley trail improvement projects completed thus far have already had a tremendous, positive impact on recreational enjoyment and trail connectivity, this grant opportunity will facilitate the completion of additional, essential projects that will be highly beneficial to the local community, as well as the recreational tourism that our Town depends upon. Grand County is part of the Northwest Region of the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan which creates local tax dollars. In order to compete for additional funding dollars for trails, the Town of Fraser must be able to continue to improve and diversify trail systems for all users.

The Town of Fraser commends and continues to support the Headwaters Trails Alliance and both the Phases Trail Improvement Project and the Trail Smart Sizing Project. The Town of Fraser provides operational and trail project funding to the Headwaters Trails Alliance on an annual basis per our Memorandum of Understanding.

Thank you for your consideration of this State Trails Grant request.

Ed Cannon
Fraser Town Manager

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September 30, 2022

State Trails Committee

Colorado Parks & Wildlife

13787 US Highway #85, N
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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in support of funding the Fraser Valley Trails Redevelopment Project as requested by Headwaters Trails Alliance (HTA). The request includes constructing 2 miles of new trail, rerouting 1.25 miles of trail, and constructing a new bridge over the Little Vasquez Creek.

Colorado Headwaters Land Trust (CHLT) advocates this project due in part to its proximity to a conservation easement held by CHLT. The Miller Easement, granted in 2010 and located just south of the project area, is 88 acres of perpetually conserved open space and viewsheds. The conservation easement is attractive to recreators passing by; this attraction calls for greater attention paid to the longevity of the trail system.

This project has great potential to benefit smart trail construction and use in Grand County. CHLT envisions an inclusive conservation community in the county dedicated to a balance between protected open space and recreation, and this trail project exemplifies such inclusivity and balance.

CHLT supports funding this project as proposed by HTA given the advantages the trail construction and improvements could provide both for the recreation and conservation communities of Grand County.

Sincerely,

Jeremy D. Krones
Executive Director





Grand Mountain Bike Alliance
PO Box 3136 Winter Park, Colorado 80482

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Trails Program
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9/30/22

This letter is to support the Headwaters Trails Alliance (HTA) grant application.

Grand Mountain Bike Alliance (GMBA) is the non profit advocacy mountain bike organization in the Winter Park/Fraser and Grand County area. GMBA was formed in 2011 in order to help address the lack of a current trails plan for the Winter Park/Fraser area and Grand County. GMBA is also an International Mountain Bike Association Charter.

The Winter Park / Fraser area is dependent upon tourism that tourism is based upon outdoor recreation. There is virtually no industry in the area.

GMBA strongly supports the efforts of HTA.

The projects identified for the 2023 year are very important to the local trail system.

Pinball Ridge Trail- this trail not only will offer a quality experience for the users but is an important part of the overall trail system. The Pinball Ridge Trail will give users an alternative north and south route which will reduce density of use as north and south travel routes in that area are currently very limited.

Lower Chickadee Trail- The stream crossing is not only problematic during high water and winter but can negatively impact water quality. Addressing this issue will be a key improvement.

Upper Ridge Runner- This trail is located in the area known as the Phases on BLM. The Phases offers a typically more challenging user experience that is not found in the Fraser Valley. Improvement of existing trail is much needed in order to create a long term quality trail.

Phase .5 is a connector trail to Ridge Runner as well as a key trail in the Phases trail system. Improvement of this trail is much needed in order to create a long term quality trail.

The grants are part of the Trails Smart Sizing project as well as trails the compliment Trails Smart Sizing.

The Trail Smart Sizing project that was approved in 2017 by the USFS and is the first trails plan for the Grand County area. This plan will greatly improve the recreational opportunities for all user groups by developing new trails, aligning existing trails to create a better trail experience and improving existing trails to better meet the user needs. In addition there are many other facets of the plan that address recreation, biology, wildlife and a wide range of different user groups. The Trail Smart Sizing project will create trails that currently fill a void for trail users. In regards to mountain bike trails. 65% of the trails in the Sulphur Ranger District and Grand County are closed to mountain bikes. Prior to the start of developing this plan in 2011 there was virtually zero trail construction done on public land in the Winter Park/Fraser area. This lead to user created trails to address the lack of a recreational or management plan for the area. The Trail Smart Sizing project will virtually eliminate user created trails due to lack of recreational trail opportunities.

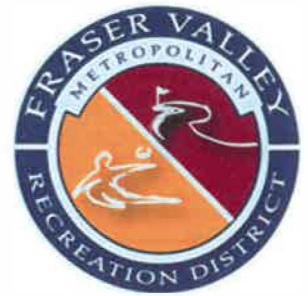
The Trail Smart Sizing project also merges well with the trails and recreational infrastructure built by the Town of Winter Park which seamlessly connects to USFS trails and land. The eventual goal is to have a trail system for the Grand County area that connects trails and trail "subsystems" as well as the communities. This is the first step in reaching that goal.

The Winter Park Chamber of Commerce markets its self as Mountain Bike Capital USA. Mountain Biking is a key market segment that the Winter Park Chamber of Commerce has identified as a key component in the recreational use of the area.

Mountain Bikers and other user groups form a large volunteer base in the area. The majority of downed trees on trails are cleared by volunteers. In addition there is a strong base of trails adopted through the local adopt a trail program.

In closing, thank you for considering this grant. Completing the Trails Smart Sizing project will have a tremendous positive impact on Winter Park/Fraser and Grand County, not only for recreational users but as a positive benefit for the entire ecosystem.

Keith Sanders
GMBA President and Founder



State Trails Committee
Colorado Parks and Wildlife
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Littleton, CO 80125

October 3, 2022

Re: Non-Motorized Trail Grant

Dear Selection Committee:

The Fraser Valley Metropolitan Recreation District (FVMRD) strongly supports the Headwaters Trails Alliance's (HTA) grant application for the Fraser Valley Trails Redevelopment Project near Fraser and Winter Park in Grand County, Colorado.

The scope of work for this application includes 2 miles of new trail construction, 3 miles of trail maintenance, 1.25 miles of reroute construction, and a bridge construction over Little Vasquez Creek. The goals of this work are to continue to improve trail connectivity and sustainability on the trails listed below:

- Pinball Ridge Trail - USFS in Winter Park
- Lower Chickadee Trail - USFS in Winter Park
- Upper Ridge Runner - BLM
- Phase .5 - BLM

We hope that you will look favorably upon our request. We feel that with leveraged funding our growing community can continue to provide excellent trails for our citizens and guests for years to come.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Ledin".

Scott Ledin
Executive Director
Fraser Valley Metropolitan Recreation District

CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE GRANT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

MANDATORY:

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

Formal authorization from land manager (federal lands only)

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 comments sections at the bottom of this form.

Scope of work and project location map emailed to CPW Area Manager by September 6, 2022.

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

Formal Environmental Assessment (EA) or NEPA (Must be completed prior to applicant presentations in January 2023. Include web link to EA).

Construction projects have been evaluated for required permits. If required, permits have been acquired (404 permit, etc.)

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