

TOWN OF BRECKENRIDGE
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMISSION
Monday, December 14, 2015
Lower Level Conference Room
Breckenridge Town Hall
150 Ski Hill Road

- 5:30 Call to Order, Roll Call
- 5:30 Discussion/approval of Minutes – November 16, 2015
- 5:35 Discussion/approval of Agenda
- 5:40 Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)
- 5:45 Staff Summary
- Colorado Fourteeners Initiative Grant Update
 - Fat Bike/Winter Use Update
- 6:00 Open Space
- Town Council Update
 - Swan River Restoration Update
 - 2015 Field Season Review
 - 2016 Workplan
- 7:15 Executive Session
- 7:45 Adjourn

For further information, please contact the Open Space and Trails Program at 970-547-3155 (Scott) or 970-547-3189 (Tony).

Memorandum

To: Breckenridge Open Space Advisory Commission
From: Open Space Staff
Re: December 14, 2015 Meeting

Staff Summary**Colorado Fourteeners Initiative Grant Update**

Attached is a final report from the Colorado Fourteeners Initiative (CFI) which outlines how the Town's 2015 grant funds were used. As you can see from the report, the \$2,500 grant from the Town of Breckenridge funded important trail work and user education on Quandary Peak. Barring any questions or concerns from BOSAC, staff will consider the 2015 CFI grant successfully closed.

Fat Bike/Winter Use Update

Based on previous BOSAC direction, staff is working with Breck Bike Guides to revise their current license agreement to allow winter grooming of several Town trails for fat bike and other non-motorized winter users. In addition, staff has been fielding questions from the press and the public regarding the growing popularity of fat bike use in the area.

To date, the Town and Summit County have allowed fat bike use to continue on joint Town/County trails and open space properties. However, the U.S. Forest Service has indicated that the existing Forest Plan for the White River National Forest prohibits winter bicycle use on most trails on the Dillon Ranger District. Staff is currently trying to gather additional information from the USFS staff and will report back to BOSAC once the policy is clarified. Also, Town staff plans to attend the [Fat Bike World Conference](#) in Crested Butte in January to learn more about how other communities are managing the increasing fat bike use on winter trails. Staff intends to bring this topic back for discussion by BOSAC once the USFS clarifies its fat biking policy.

Open Space**Town Council Update**

Council Representative Erin Gigliello will provide an overview of recent Town Council discussions and decisions.

Swan River Restoration Update

Brian Lorch will provide a brief update on the status of the Swan River restoration project for BOSAC.

2015 Field Season Review

Tony Overlock will provide a PowerPoint presentation on the 2015 field season for BOSAC.

2016 Open Space Workplan

Attached is the draft 2016 open space work plan. This document, updated annually, outlines the program goals for the year. Please note that there are two pages: ongoing duties and 2016

workplan. Staff will review both categories with BOSAC and seek answers to the following questions:

- 1. Does BOSAC have any questions regarding the tasks outlined?*
- 2. Does BOSAC have any edits or additions to the document?*
- 3. Does BOSAC approve the work plan, as revised?*

Roll Call

Jeff Cospolich called the November 16, 2015 BOSAC meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Other BOSAC members present included Jeff Carlson, Jeffrey Bergeron, Craig Campbell, Erin Gigliello, Chris Tennial and Elizabeth Miller. Staff members present were Scott Reid, Tony Overlock, Peter Grosshuesch, and Mark Truckey. Brian Lorch, Jeff Westcott, Nick Truitt, Turk Montepare, Todd Rankin, Nick Frey and Blaize Panariso were also present.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were approved as presented.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

Public Comments

Mr. Nick Truitt from Breck Bike Guides: Requested that Breck Bike Guides be allowed to groom several Town of Breckenridge trails that are easily accessible by bike. Grooming will be accomplished by towing a tractor tire or other implement in a way that will create a two-foot wide packed trail that will be slightly cupped, encouraging bikes and other winter traffic to stay on one track. It will be wide enough for cross country skiing and snowshoeing, but not wide enough for skate skiing or motorized access. The grooming will be done manually via skis as well as fat bikes. The trails that are under consideration to be groomed on a trial basis include Jack's Cruel Joke, Carter Park switchbacks, Moonstone, Barney Flow, Hermit Placer, Wellington trail, Vista Point trails, Columbia Lode, Corkscrew, Lower Flume, Middle Flume, Upper Flume, Mike's, and the bike path from Coyne Valley to Tiger road. The goal is to focus the use on the local trails which are already being used, by packing down the correct path and discouraging unfocused tromping. Mr Truitt would like to focus on grooming the recreation path on the days the Nordic center allows fat biking and focus on the town trails the other days, beginning with the easiest trails first and progressing to more difficult trails as employees and volunteers are available.

Mr. Bergeron: Would you prioritize the list of trails you are grooming?

Mr. Truitt: The recreation path would be our first priority. The rest of the trails would be groomed as needed, possibly once a week. We would hopefully rely on a list of volunteers to help with grooming.

Mr. Campbell: What type of groomer are you thinking of using?

Mr. Truitt: There are a variety of options, and we are trying to figure which one would best serve our purposes. We might even fabricate one.

Mr. Cospolich: What are you going to charge your clients?

Mr. Truitt: We are in the process of figuring that out especially with our partnership with the Gold Run Nordic Center. The recreation path would provide us a lot of trail for our tours and also an important connection to the Nordic Center.

Mr. Reid: We need to make sure you are running your tours within Town limits. Parts of the Flume trails are on joint property with the Town and County. The recreation path seems like a smart first step.

Ms. Gigliello: Do you have an estimate on what your tour numbers might look like for the season?

Mr. Truitt: We can accommodate two to three tours a day with a maximum of five people per tour.

Mr. Grosshuesch: What would be the width of the groomer track?

Mr. Truitt: We are in the process of figuring that out, but we think around two feet.

Mr. Westcott: I met with the Nordic Center and talked them about setting up a couple of races for the winter season; they were very supportive. I feel the Breckenridge Gold Run Nordic Center is being very progressive, allowing fat biking at Nordic Center several days a week and after operation hours.

Mr. Carslon: My only concern is, would Nordic skiers be able to stop in the track you plan to groom?

Mr. Bergeron: The trails on the proposed grooming list are not heavily used by Nordic skiers or hikers. Grooming these trails could possibly encourage proper use on them.

Mr. Tennial: I recommend that Town staff help monitor to ensure appropriate use of listed trails. I think it's great to support small business.

Ms. Miller: I'm in favor of grooming and giving fat bikes another place to ride. Maybe, have a map of the groomed trails for the public to access.

Mrs. Gigliello: I'm for it, but I think we need to educate users about proper trail etiquette.

Mr. Campbell: I agree with everybody else. One of my biggest concerns is about being too bike centric. This should benefit all non-motorized winter users and I think it will. I also think education about proper use should be a big part of this program.

Mr. Bergeron: I would recommend that Mr. Truitt check in, or write a letter to the neighborhood HOA boards before grooming their trails, like in Vista Point.

Mr. Cospolich: I'm on board too. We need to make sure that your tours are staying within Town limits.

BOSAC supported Breck Bike Guides' proposal to groom several routes on a trial basis. Staff will follow up on the proposal.

Staff Summary

Field Season Update

The field season has officially concluded and the seasonal trail staff members have moved on to their winter seasonal jobs.

The final few weeks of field work focused on:

- Drainage work to Sallie Barber Road and Turk's Trail.
- Repairs to the bridges, boardwalk, and stream bank along on the Sawmill Trail.
- Fencing installation on Block 11 to assist the Police and Public Works Departments.
- Installation of access posts and signage throughout the trail system.
- Cleanup of woody debris from the Stillson Patch Placer.
- Installation of fencing along the Lower Flume Trail.
- Seasonal fence relocation at both Nordic centers.
- Turnpike and drainage work in the Snowy Ridge and Blue Sky Breckenridge subdivisions (Reservoir Trail).

Staff will provide a complete field season overview at BOSAC's December meeting.

State Trails Grant Overview

As outlined for BOSAC at the October meeting, staff submitted a grant application to the Colorado Parks and Wildlife State Trails grants program. The grant application, partnership with Summit County Government, requested \$181,950 from the State Trails program to support seven new trail alignments in the Upper Blue Basin, with construction to occur in 2016 and 2017. Any approved grant money must be matched by the Town and County at 30% (\$54,585 if fully funded). Staff will update BOSAC when a decision regarding the grant application is made in early 2016.

Summit County Road Policy Changes Update

At its October 27th public hearing, the Summit Board of County Commissioners approved the closure of Baldy, Boreas Pass, Sallie Barber and Gold Run Roads (through the Nordic Center) to winter motorized use. This policy change ensures management consistency across different jurisdictions in the implementation of the White River National Forest Travel Management Plan. Town staff will work with the Summit County and U.S. Forest Service staffs to implement the policies.

Open Space

Town Council Update

Ms. Gigliello: The budget retreat added another \$1 million to the housing authority. There were a couple of requests that the open space program be involved in housing projects that have open space in them, like providing funding for pocket parks within the developments. We also, talked about BOSAC's retreat to Jefferson County Open Space program and their management techniques.

BOSAC Retreat Review

On October 30th, several BOSAC commissioners and Town and Summit County staff members attended a retreat at the offices of the Jefferson County (Jeffco) Open Space program. The objective of the retreat was to learn from Jeffco Open Space's example as a long-standing open space program. The discussion and site visit focused particularly on visitor management techniques including educational efforts, entry management and creative trail use policies (e.g. directional trails, temporal use restrictions, etc.)

General themes from the retreat included:

- Establish multiple communication outlets with visitors in multiple ways (e.g. public meetings, webcams, user group engagement, website, social media, paper handouts, entry kiosks, rotating sandwich board signs, etc.).
- Try creative trail management approaches to address visitor crowding or user conflict (e.g. directional trail use, temporal trail restrictions, designated use restrictions, odd/even user days, etc.).
- Engage the community in open space issues to engender stronger support (e.g. public forums, information dissemination, law enforcement rangers, volunteer rangers, trail volunteer projects, regular public meetings, etc.).
- Dog and owner management has become increasingly challenging and costly for the Jeffco Open Space program.

Staff requests BOSAC discuss the retreat, outline the lessons learned from the site visit, and then address the following questions:

1. *What were the primary lessons BOSAC learned from the retreat?*
2. *Which tools, techniques and approaches did BOSAC members witness that would be worth mimicking in Town? Which should be avoided?*
3. *What other topics related to the Jeffco retreat should be discussed by BOSAC?*

Mr. Campbell: One thing that made their program successful is having key people involved within the community. I also liked how they used local groups to invest into their program and parks. I also, thought it was interesting how they tried to improve their signage by focusing on fewer signs and stressing just the important facts needed for each park.

Mr. Carlson: It might be a good idea to have an Open Space / Friends of Breckenridge Trails tent at the local racing events. I also, liked how the local bike shops in Denver area encouraged and stressed proper trail etiquette to their customers. Having cameras at busy trailheads might be a good idea, maybe at the B&B or Sallie Barber Trailheads.

Ms. Gigliello: A few things that I took away were their use of social media and their sandwich board signs.

Mr. Cospolich: I also, think we should improve our social media networking and be more consistent with postings throughout the summer months.

Trail Map Revision

Town and County staff members plan to revise the current trail map this winter, with the third edition scheduled to be released for the 2016 field season. The goal of the revision is to ensure that the trails constructed since 2013 (e.g. Turk's, Weber Gulch, Sidedoor, Aspen Alley...) and road realignments (e.g. Prospect Gulch Road) are included on the map. We also want to improve the legibility by lightening the current color scheme or removing the aerial photo altogether.

As BOSAC recalls, the goal of the trail map is to provide updated, valuable public wayfinding information. The map is available [online](#) for free or a hard copy for \$15 at the Breckenridge Welcome Center and local outdoor stores. The \$15 hard copy cost covers map production costs. Proceeds from the sale of the map's second edition will be used for next map's production costs.

Mr. Reid: Asked BOSAC to send him any edits that they would like to see changed. He also, mentioned a couple of the major edits; improving the dark imagery and removing the aerial background of the map.

December BOSAC Meeting Date

Mr. Reid proposed rescheduling the December BOSAC meeting to 12/14. All BOSAC members agreed to that date.

Mr. Carlson made motion to enter into executive session to discuss property acquisition and negotiations at 6:45 pm. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion.

Mr. Cospolich made motion at 7:35 to exit executive session. Mr. Carlson seconded the motion.

Mr. Tennal made a motion to adjourn the BOSAC meeting. Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 14th at 5:30pm, in the Lower Level Conference Room at the Breckenridge Town Hall, 150 Ski Hill Road.

Jeff Cospolich, Chair

December 1, 2015

Scott Reid, Open Space and Trails Planner
Town of Breckenridge
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Dear Scott,

Thanks so much for the \$2,500 grant this year from the Town of Breckenridge to further Colorado Fourteeners Initiative's work on Quandary Peak. This is one of the state's most frequently visited 14ers, so is in constant need of reconstruction and maintenance work required to build out and maintain this important summit trail.

CFI's baseline condition inventory of the route that was performed in 2011-13 found that the standard East Slopes route, originally delineated in 2001-02, had a condition grade of "C+". The route required additional funding of \$500,000 to \$999,999 to bring it up to sustainable conditions. The secondary, user-created route via Blue Lakes had a condition grade of "C" and required additional funding of \$500,000 and \$999,999. CFI's projects held in recent years are helping address these trail reconstruction and maintenance needs, but this will be a long-term project. Here is a quick report about the work CFI performed on the trail this summer that was funded in part by the Town of Breckenridge. Also included is a report about the status of hiker counts on Quandary, the number of hikers contacted about Leave No Trace practices and the ambitious plans CFI hopes to carry out in future years on the mountain.



Volunteer Trail Stewardship

Colorado Fourteeners Initiative staff spent 56 days performing trail maintenance on the standard Quandary Peak ascent route. CFI crews ran eight projects that involved 96 individual volunteers who collectively worked 140 person days performing trail stewardship on this route. Partner organizations included YMCA Camp Chief Ouray (2 projects), Friends of the Dillon Ranger District, Markt on Demand, Kaiser Permanente (2 projects), Colorado School of Mines and Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado.

Staff and volunteers maintained 1.73 miles of the Quandary Peak trail. Efforts this past summer focused on restoring the old, closed, climber-trampled route that heads up the fall-line from tree line at around 11,750'. A large amount of rock work was also performed at 12,270', including construction of a 12-step rock staircase that is featured in one of the before/after sequences. During the two-day VOC project,

volunteers constructed a 296 square-foot back wall. Beyond these two areas that received focused attention, general trail delineation and braid closure work was performed along the length of the trail.



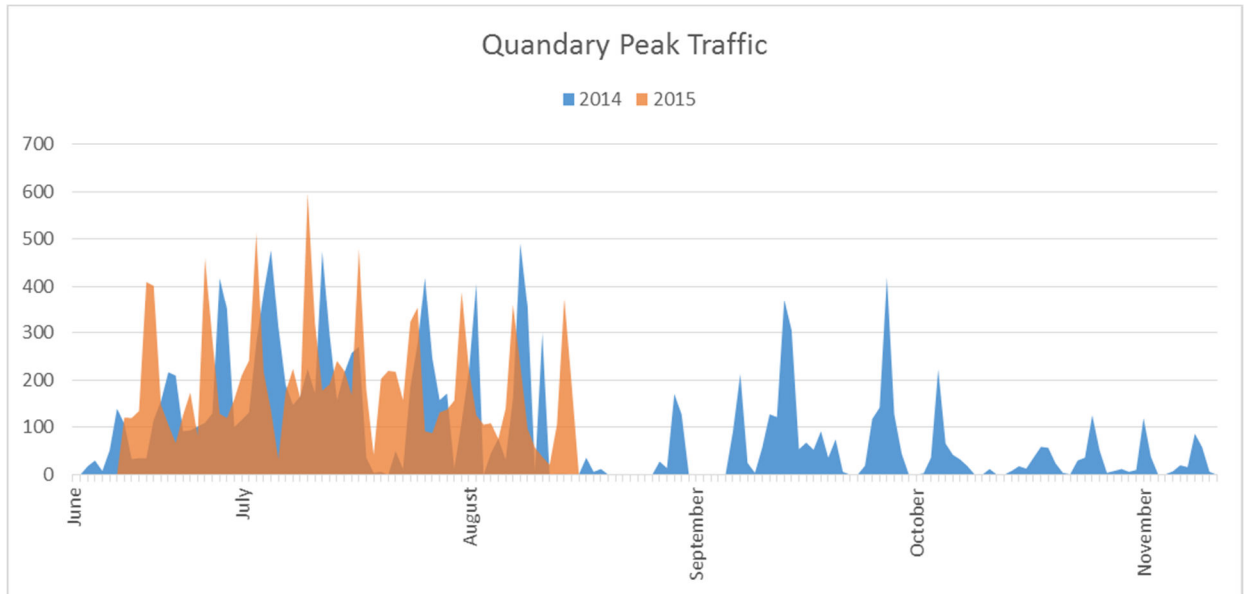
This is a listing of the specific trail maintenance and reconstruction work performed this season on Quandary:

- Square feet of walls constructed:
 - Back wall: 466
 - Mono wall: 30
 - Retaining wall: 175
 - Rubble wall: 113
- Rock steps constructed:
 - Crib steps: 36
 - Check steps: 11
- Trail drains:
 - Constructed: 34 feet
 - Cleaned: 80 feet
- Restoration:
 - Square feet of closed trail restored: 4,050
 - Number of vegetation plugs transplanted: 454



Sustainable Trails Hiker Counts

Quandary Peak was one of the five pilot phase locations used in 2014 as CFI experimented with deploying compact, infrared trail counters to gain a better understanding of hiking use on key 14er routes. The initial approach of burying a counter box in a cairn along the trail resulted in tampering and loss of data several times over the season—especially in the high-use month of August. This year CFI used a tree mount for the counter and obtained much more reliable data with, so far, no data gaps. Data for the 2015 season is incomplete. CFI staff need to return to the mountain to retrieve the counter and download the data that has been collected since late August. However, over the three months the counter was in place this year, there was no tampering. We assume the final data download will provide an accurate picture of the late summer and fall hiking season.

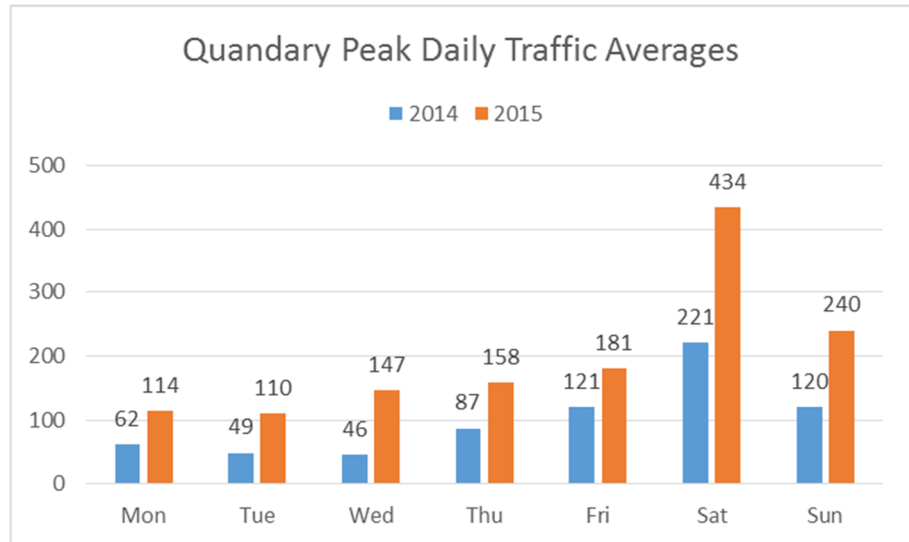


The accompanying charts help depict the hiking use levels on the main Quandary Peak route. It is hoped that placing the counter in the same location over the 2016 and subsequent seasons will allow for more accurate comparisons to be made now that we know this appears to be an ideal location for data collection. The apparent increase in hiking use between 2014 and 2015 likely stems from data gaps due to counter tampering during the 2014 field season. A recent pledge by a private donor will allow CFI to double the number of counters deployed in 2016 and subsequent years—20 counters total. Given the high use on Quandary and the counter’s proximity to CFI’s headquarters, we plan to have this as a data collection site for the foreseeable future. Data collected in future years should help ascertain multi-year trends, which I assume will be of keen interest to the Town of Breckenridge Open Space program, the Forest Service and other regional managers of recreation facilities.

Over two summers of data collection statewide one trend is striking: Saturday is by far the most popular day of the week to hike 14ers. This trend holds true whether use is tracked on the more accessible Front/Tenmile Range 14ers or on remote 14ers in the San Juan Mountains. As you can see from the following chart, Saturdays throughout the season tend to see around double the number of hikers as Sundays or Fridays. Midweek hiking use is significantly lower and more consistent from day to day.

CFI plans to have the focus of our second “14er Report Card” that will be released next June be 14er hiking use trends and the resulting economic impact on trailhead communities. We plan to incorporate the two seasons of CFI-collected trail use data and findings from other studies that point to how many

people may be climbing the 14ers annually. This information can be plugged into economic impact models to show how much value 14er hikers add to the local communities. Over the long term, CFI will incorporate this hiking use level information into our Sustainable Trails maintenance modeling program to see how changes in use levels translate into on-the-ground use impacts.



On-Mountain Peak Stewards

Though the principal focus of the Town of Breckenridge’s grant was to perform trail maintenance on Quandary Peak, CFI also had volunteer “Peak Stewards” on the mountain helping educate hikers about the fragile alpine areas and the need to utilize Leave No Trace practices to help minimize hiker-caused damage. Last summer these volunteers put in 13 days on Quandary and contacted 661 hikers. CFI crews contacted a further 2,805 hikers while working on the trail maintenance projects to better inform them about minimum-impact hiking practices.

Looking Toward the Future

CFI has found through our recent work that sustained maintenance presence on a peak is vital to building out the trail and, ultimately, ensuring it is sustainable for the long term. An experimental model utilizing a two-person mini crew has been used on Mount of the Holy Cross the past three seasons. This tandem can work on projects throughout the week and can manage volunteer projects on weekends. The concerted investment on Holy Cross saw the route condition grade move from a “C” to an “A-” as a result of this focused work. CFI is writing grant proposals this fall/winter that we hope will allow CFI to deploy a two-person crew on Quandary Peak for each of the next few seasons. This will allow CFI to build out one of the most popular 14er hiking trails in the state to protect the fragile alpine ecosystems while facilitating continued hiking use. We hope the Town of Breckenridge will continue to be involved in CFI’s work on Quandary in the years ahead.

Thanks so much for the continued support of the Town of Breckenridge. I hope this report provides sufficient detail regarding where your grant was deployed this summer. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Regards,

Lloyd F. Athearn
Executive Director

Additional Trail Maintenance Photos



2016 Project Workplan

Project	Proposed Completion Date	Priority	Notes
Assist USFS and Summit County Government with Travel Management Plan implementation	Summer 2016	High	Focus on route closures, road maintenance, signage, and new NEPA routes.
Perform overall trail system evaluation and repair	Summer 2016	High	Staff reviews all trails and maintains an annual trail maintenance log.
Implement forest health management via replanting, seeding, and weed eradication	Summer 2016	High	Seedling planting and seed distribution will occur in spring on previous forest treatment areas.
Manage Cucumber Gulch Preserve monitoring program	Summer 2016	High	Continue priority research; streamline costs and efficiencies.
Continue reed canary grass and other weed eradication efforts in Cucumber Gulch Preserve	Summer 2016	High	Year three of five-year project aimed to remove reed canary grass, Canada thistle, and other noxious weeds in Cucumber.
Realign and construct new non-motorized routes as outlined State Trails grant	Summer 2016	High	Two-year grant application submitted in November 2015 includes Galena Ditch, Iowa Hill, Tom's Baby, Mineral Hill, Hard Luck, Toxic Forest, Upper Nightmare and Wellington Trails.
Complete several new trail construction efforts (outside State Trails grant)	Fall 2016	High	See draft list below.
Improve Wellington Bike Park	Spring 2016	High	Add beginner to mid-level circuit at entry way. Contractor approach.
Evaluate and improve signs and sign posts throughout trail system	Summer 2016	High	Enhance existing trail posts for more directional information. Address new trail signage needs.
Partner with Public Works to initiate McCain/Blue River restoration	Summer 2016	High	Utilize open space funding to assist with completion of two-year river restoration project. with PW on trail locations as outlined in McCain Master Plan and on riparian enhancements (e.g. plantings).
Work with Public Works to complete Blue River Parks Plan	Summer 2016	High	Develop a more specific river-parks plan through Block 11; pursue GOCO grant support for parks plan.
Evaluate partnership opportunities for improving USFS and Summit County trails to enhance overall trail network	Summer 2016	High	Specific routes and scope of work to be defined but could include Baker's Tank, Burro, Spruce Creek and other trails close to town.
Assist Summit County with the proposed Swan River Restoration plan	Summer 2016	High	Utilizing grant funding, assist with implementation of river restoration project.
Continue trail counts and system-wide monitoring program	Summer 2016	Medium	Ongoing process. Counters located at Sallie Barber/Lincoln entrance and B&B Trailhead year round, Cucumber Gulch entries (summer only), and Gold Run/Peabody entrance (winter only).
Manage OS&T-related social media and website	Summer 2015	Medium	Distribute information on acquisitions, trail projects, trail conditions, etc.
Pursue options for relocating the Peaks trailhead	Unknown	Low	Property acquisition failed; USFS not accepting new trail or trailhead proposals at this time.
Develop management plans for open space parcels deemed appropriate	Unknown	Low	

Proposed Trails projects include: Shekel Trail, Lower Mike's Trail realignment, Lower Flume minor realignment, Middle Flume minor realignment, Klack Placer Trail, Claimjumper Trail and Sunrise Point realignment.

Ongoing Duties

Project	Priority	Notes
Oversee open space acquisitions, including acquisition priorities	Required	Strategically and cost-effectively acquire open space properties based on BOSAC and Town Council direction, partnerships, and goals outlined in the Open Space Plan.
Review and respond to development-related open space and trail referrals	Required	Respond to referrals produced via Town Planning, Summit County, U.S. Forest Service, and others. Town responses summarized or formally presented to BOSAC and Town Council as needed.
Staff BOSAC meetings	Required	Produce packets, manage site visits, provide administrative support, and assist with Town Council/ BOSAC communications.
Direct trail crew-related work	Required	Undertake routine system maintenance annually. New trail construction specified annually in workplan.
Implement forest health treatments on open space lands	Required	Promote healthy, diverse forested landscapes while managing wildfire risk in the WUI pursuant to the MPB Hazard Analysis on Open Space or other reports.
Manage Open Space and Trails data	Required	Update open space data layer (property ownership) and trails data layer regularly to reflect program management needs.
Fulfill B&B Mine consent decree requirements	Required	Implement Wellington/Oro water treatment plant operations, VCUP projects, property use limitations, and reporting requirements as outlined in the B&B Mines consent decree.
Update open space pro forma to reflect BOSAC and Council priorities	Required	Revise and present pro forma to address budgeting allocations and revenue projections based on policy direction from BOSAC and Town Council.
Review federal land conveyances	Required	As opportunities arise, implement federal land exchanges to acquire federal lands for Town or Town/County open space parcels.
Perform routine evaluations of Town trail system	Required	Maintain familiarity with all Town trails to determine maintenance needs and trail conditions.
Oversee open space concessionaires	Required	Nordic Sleigh Rides, Good Times Adventures, and Breck Bike Guides are current concessionaires under license agreement with the Town.
Oversee open space-related special event permitting	Required	Review approximately 20 trail-based special events to determine approval conditions, costs, and impacts to open space and trail facilities.
Implement Golden Horseshoe management tasks	Required	Work cooperatively with USFS and Summit County partners to implement Golden Horseshoe Management Plan.
Manage Cucumber Gulch Preserve monitoring program	Required	Track water quality, vegetation, wildlife, and wetland health to inform management decisions; report on overall wetland health as outlined in the Cucumber Gulch Management Plan.
Assist with TDR transactions involving joint open space	Required	Coordinate Town role with Summit County Upper Blue TDR program, including TDR bank and wetland TDR exchanges.

Ongoing Duties

Project	Priority	Notes
Establish long-term trail priorities and secure trail easements	Required	Secure existing social trails, provide long-term vision for future trail connections, and revise Town Trails Plan and Upper Blue Master Plan (Summit County) accordingly.
Coordinate Friends of Breckenridge Trails (FOBT) volunteer program	Required	Encourage community stewardship, sweat equity, and open space program support via a volunteer program as outlined in the Open Space Plan.
Oversee Gold Run and Breck Nordic operations	Required	Ensure long term trail access is secured for both nordic centers and managed per USFS, Summit County, and Town requirements to protect open space values.
Provide annual report for open space program	High	Report program expenditures, property acquisitions, and trail system management in annual State of the Open Space.
Manage Town open space-related public outreach	High	Respond to public inquiries, promote the Town's open space program, and manage the Town website as a public interface for educating citizens on program goals, current projects, wayfinding, trail conditions, etc.
Implement weed and pest control on open space	High	Eradicate noxious weeds on open space properties to improve native habitat and reduce the spread of invasive species.
Pursue funding opportunities for trail projects	High	Identify, apply for, and secure grants for trail and open space projects (e.g. State Trails, GOCO).
Manage Bike Friendly Community Program	High	Oversee infrastructure and education for Town bike-friendly program. Pursue bike-friendly higher recognition levels.
Monitor state and federal legislation that impacts open space management	High	Keep Town administration, BOSAC and Town Council apprised of open space-related legislation.
Participate in statewide open space planning organizations	Medium	Learn from other programs and remain statewide leaders in open space management through participation in Colorado Open Space Alliance. Arrange periodic BOSAC retreat to meet with peer communities
Assist with historical site preservation, stabilization, and interpretation on open space lands	Medium	Work with Breckenridge Heritage Alliance, Summit County, USFS and other partners to determine next steps for preservation and management of the historical sites on open space, including the Reiling Dredge.
Oversee open space and trails-related grant program	Medium	Accept, review and manage grant applications from non-profits that will enhance trail and open space projects on the Upper Blue river basin.
Work cooperatively with other agencies to address wildlife issues basin-wide.	Medium	Track area wildlife trends, manage wildlife habitat, and assist with education for wildlife/human interactions.