



## LARIMER COUNTY OPEN LANDS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

### A G E N D A

Thursday, March 26, 2009

5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Loveland Library, 300 N. Adams St., Loveland

*The mission of the Larimer County Open Lands Program is to preserve and protect significant open space, natural areas, wildlife habitat, and develop parks and trails for present and future generations. These open lands provide opportunities for leisure, human renewal and protection of our natural and cultural resources.*

*Please call Olivia at 970-679-4534 if you are unable to attend a meeting. Votes require a quorum. Thanks!*

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

- Approval of the meeting minutes for February 2008.
- Review Agenda and enclosures

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT: Items not on the agenda.**

#### **INFORMATION:**

- Open Lands Visual Artist of the Year selected. Diane Findley from Fort Collins has been chosen as the 2009 Open Lands program Visual Artist of the Year. Dianne is a painter who is very involved with the local art community and we are very excited to be partnering with her this year on her pieces and education program. Also, thank you to all of the artists that submitted their work for consideration.
- The Colorado Coalition of Land Trust's Annual Policy Conference was held in Denver March 18th-20<sup>th</sup>. Conference highlights included updates on progress made since House Bill (HB) 1353 was implemented, including the partnership of the Division of Real Estate and Department of Revenue, the State certification process, and HB 1014 that provided funding for the Land Trust and local government certification process. Numerous sessions on open space funding, stewardship of Conservation Easement programs, becoming Land Trust Alliance accredited and numerous networking opportunities.
- Bob Ramsay, donor of land for the Ramsay-Shockey Open Space, as well as \$250,000 towards construction of our offices, passed away on 3/11/2009.
- The Education Program is up 200% this quarter as compared to this time last year regarding the number of programs offered, and the number of people attending!
- Red Mountain Open Space – Construction Timeline and Budget Update.
- Funding for the County Forester and Pine Beetle. With pine beetle issues at the forefront of forest management and media attention, we will be approaching the BOCC on March 30th to discuss forest management and request full funding for the county forester position to address these issues in 2009.
- Natural Resource Events for March. See website.

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

- Open Lands Program Small Grant Awards Presentation – Sue Burke, Executive Assistant and Larimer County Commissioners Kathay Rennels, Steve Johnson and Tom Donnelly. See attachment.



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## BOARD COMMENT: Items not on the agenda

## FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Update: Natural Resources Capital Development and Acquisition Summary 2009 - 2011.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** (24-6-402(4) (a) C.R.S. Purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real or personal property interest.

*Next regular meeting: Thursday April 23, 2009; Loveland Library, 300 N. Adams St., Loveland*

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### Attachments:

Agenda for March 26, 2009 meeting  
Minutes of February 26, 2009 meeting  
Sales tax report for February, 2009  
Open Lands Program Small Grant Awards  
Newspaper Items

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### Handouts:

RMOS Budget Update  
Natural Resources Capital Development and Acquisition  
Summary 2009-2011 – 3/2009

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