



## LARIMER COUNTY OPEN LANDS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

### A G E N D A

Thursday, May 26, 2011

5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Loveland Council Chambers, 500 E. Third 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 Zac 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 April 28, 2011.
- Review Agenda and enclosures

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

### INFORMATION:

- *OLAB members are reminded that your attendance is needed at each meeting and to notify Zac if you are unable to attend. We've had difficulty maintaining a quorum in the past few meetings which hinders the ability for staff to move forward on projects as needed.*
- Department of Natural Resources 2010 Annual Report released
- The Education Pilot Project had its first meeting on 5/25 with the Advisory Committee
- At the request of GOCO, staff worked with City of Fort Collins & Timnath to put together information regarding river and trail corridor projects. GOCO will use this to develop a Request for Proposals for either a Fall 2011 or Spring 2012 cycle.
- In partnership with the Larimer County Youth Conservation Corps, we are submitting a grant as part of a new GOCO initiative to help fund youth corps state-wide, to complete 3 projects: Siberian elm removal at River Bluffs Open Space, buckthorn tree removal project at Lions' Open Space and trail maintenance.
- We've been awarded 3 new forest stewardship grants – 2 from the Colorado State Forest Service for Hermit Park Open Space (\$75,000) and Chimney Hollow Open Space (\$75,000) and 1 from FEMA for Hermit Park Open Space (\$58,000) all to be completed during 2011 and 2012.
- CJ Cullins, DNR Volunteer Coordinator, was recognized as the "Volunteer Coordinator of the Year" by the United Way and Director's of Volunteers in Agencies. Congratulations CJ!
- The Sylvan Dale Cedar Creek CE donation will likely close in June after approval is requested from the BOCC on 5/31. This 560 acre parcel adds to the 1060 acres already under easement at Sylvan Dale Ranch. It is a full donation, the County is only paying for transaction costs.
- Department Volunteer Boards summer picnic – 8/24 at Horsetooth Reservoir South Bay Swim Beach
- Report from the Open Lands Operations Manager - See handout
- To sign up for Parks Advisory Board minutes go to <http://larimer.org/subscriptions.cfm> put in your email and click 'subscribe', then check "Parks Advisory Board" box
- Natural Resource Events for May. See website <http://www.larimer.org/naturalresources>

### ACTION:

- River Bluffs Education Plan final review



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## DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- Heron Lakes update
- City 2010 spending reports received to date (Fort Collins, Loveland and Estes Park)

## FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Update: Natural Resources Capital Development and Acquisition Summary 2010 – 2012 – No Updates

## BOARD COMMENT: Items not on the agenda

## PRESENTATION:

- Energy By Design – Megan Kram, The Nature Conservancy

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Items not on the agenda

**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, June 23, 2011; Loveland Council Chambers, 500 E 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Loveland*

<u>Attachments:</u>	<u>Handouts:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Agenda for May 26, 2011 meeting</li><li>• Minutes of April 28, 2011 meeting</li><li>• Sales tax report for prior months</li><li>• Newspaper Items</li><li>• 2010 City spending reports for Estes, Fort Collins and Loveland</li><li>• ***Initial Review for potential real estate transaction</li></ul>	<p>** Send to OLAB, BOCC and staff only</p> <p>*** Send to OLAB and staff only</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Updated OLAB contact list</li></ul> <p>Public can view this item at <a href="http://www.larimer.org/openlands">www.larimer.org/openlands</a></p>