



## LARIMER COUNTY OPEN LANDS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

### A G E N D A

Thursday, October 27, 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 e-mail or 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 September 22, 2011.
- Review Agenda and enclosures

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

### OLAB ANNUAL PHOTO - smile!

### INFORMATION:

- Hermit's Hollow Reconstruction project - Road work in the campgrounds has been completed and the county crew is building the new sites as well as sprucing up the old ones. The campground should be largely completed by end of the fall season. Vault toilets are in progress- the bid just went out this week. This will add 12 new vault restrooms to Hermit in 2012- 4 in the campground and 8 more singles at the cabins. We anticipate having them installed early spring. With crews in the area the switchbacks along the main road, which have become very degraded over time, will receive 4" of road base and re-grading.
- Other Hermit Park OS updates - Nice weather has kept the property steady on weekends. We will begin closing the other 2 campgrounds besides Bobcat after this weekend. Cabins will remain open for reservations. Plans are to close Hermit mid Dec-Feb again this winter. The closure worked well for staffing, and we had little to no negative comments from the public regarding the closure last year.
- Hermit Park OS grant projects – staff are working on two potential projects that will further complete the management plan. One is the Kruger Rock trailhead development and connector trail to Homestead Meadows, and the other the Kruger Equine Campground and trailer parking project. To date partners include Backcountry Horseman's Association and the Friends Group. Grants to GOCO, State Trails and Roundup Riders will be pursued.
- Submitted the Poudre River Trail concept paper in partnership with Fort Collins, Timnath and Windsor. It is currently estimated to be a \$3.6 million project. A GOCO decision to move forward with a full application will come on December 13<sup>th</sup>.
- An orientation tour of the Poudre River project is scheduled for November 14 leaving the Courthouse at 1pm and returning by 4:30 or 5:00 pm. Please let us know if you plan to attend.
- A date for the Annual Board holiday party must be selected – please bring your calendars!
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Regional Open Space Boards meeting is scheduled for 11/9 and will be held at the Courthouse Offices Building at 200 W Oak in the Boyd Lake room. An agenda will go out shortly. The November OLAB meeting will be held afterward.
- Prescribed burns occurred at Horsetooth Mountain OS (21 acres) and the west side of Devil's Backbone OS (.5 acres). Devil's Backbone fire had to be extinguished after a short time due to changing weather conditions but is rescheduled.



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- 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 October. See website <http://www.larimer.org/naturalresources>

## PRESENTATION:

- Regional Food Assessment Study: From Plant to Plate – Linda Hoffmann, Division Director of Planning & Building Services

## ACTION:

- Small Grants for Community Partnering – Sue Burke, Project Manager

## DISCUSSION ITEMS:

## FINANCIAL REPORT:

- Annual review of cash flow for Acquisition and Long Term Management funds – Lori Smith, Accountant

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

**BOARD COMMENT:** 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, November 9, 2011; Location TBD*

<u>Attachments:</u>	<u>Handouts:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agenda for October 27, 2011 meeting</li> <li>• Minutes of September 22, 2011 meeting</li> <li>• Sales tax report for prior month</li> <li>• Small Grants for Community Partnering committee recommendations</li> <li>• Natural Resources Capital Development and Acquisition Summary 2010 – 2012</li> <li>• Long Term Management financial update***</li> <li>• Annual cash flow review materials***</li> <li>• Newspaper Items</li> </ul>	<p>** Send to OLAB, BOCC and staff only</p> <p>*** Send to OLAB and staff only</p> <p>Public can view this item at <a href="http://www.larimer.org/openlands">www.larimer.org/openlands</a></p>