

Area Report – Open Space Operations for 2/28/13

General-

- Attended Agricultural Advisory Board , Habitat Protection Program and Open Lands Advisory Board meetings
- Open space trail heads have been at or over capacity because of the unseasonable winter weather
- CSU chronic wasting disease research group will be capturing collared deer at Red Mountain OS in February. They will also be placing several communication nodes along the ridge between Red Mountain and Soapstone that will be used to track deer movements and interactions.

Rangers-

- Ranger Parker encountered a vehicle fire on County Road 18E near Pinewood. Ranger Parker assisted the 82 y/o female out of the vehicle along with her cats and other belongings before the vehicle burned. Kirby, Fleming and Atwood assisted.
- Planning for Ranger Excellence School 2013
- On-line application process for Red Mountain hunting program is February 1st – 28th
- 2013 Volunteer Ranger Assistant training is February 19th, 21st and 23rd
- Red Mountain Open Space re-opens on March 1st
- Trespass issues reported by neighbor (Culver) at Horsetooth Mountain
- Horsetooth Mountain automated pay station sold 8,811 self-service permits from 2/1/12 to 2/1/13

Maintenance/Projects/Leases-

- Crew finished road maintenance work at Indian Creek valley/Devil's Backbone, second half of project will be completed this fall
- Crew trucked in several loads of recycled asphalt and graded Blue Sky trail head
- Met with Corten Benton at Red Mountain OS about access for mine reclamation on Gallegos property