



# OPEN LANDS ADVISORY BOARD (OLAB)

## AGENDA

**DATE:** May 26, 2016

**TIME:** 5:00- 8:00 PM

**LOCATION:** Courthouse Offices Building • 200 W Oak, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Fort Collins • Jewell Lake Room (495)

*Please call 970-619-4592 if you are unable to attend a meeting. Votes require a quorum. Thanks!*

- 1) CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
- 2) PUBLIC COMMENT
- 3) AGENDA REVIEW
- 4) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES
- 5) INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - a. The 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary Passport Program will kick off at the end of May. Commissioner Donnelly will lead a family passport hike at the Devil's Backbone on June 3 at 8:30am. Please sign up at [www.larimer.org/nrregistration](http://www.larimer.org/nrregistration)
  - b. [2015 Annual Reports](#) are out – hopefully you all received one in the mail, but extras will be on-hand to pass around.
  - c. Implemented fire scar restoration project with 22 volunteers assisting 7 staff members at Hermit Park Open Space. Treated 60 fire scars and revegetated the meadow across from the pavilion.
  - d. Staff continue to work on water sharing agreement options as part of the Colorado Water Conservation Board grant. Multiple meetings with multiple municipal water providers, as well as Northern Water continue to move this discussion further.
  - e. Awarded \$60,000 from the Colorado Water Conservation Board to remove Russian-olive and tamarisk trees from flood damaged sites in the Big Thompson Watershed on City of Loveland Natural Areas
  - f. [Bison calves](#) - 2 born as part of the Laramie Foothills Conservation Herd on Red Mountain and Soapstone
  - g. The Hidden Valley Trail at the Devil's Backbone is targeting end of May for completion.
  - h. Parks Master Plan kick off set for June 1st. Public process will include stakeholder interviews and regular working meetings of the Parks Advisory Board.
  - i. The Colorado Conservation Exchange and Larimer County, Northern Water and the CSFS are partnering to treat ~60-80 acres of forest on Ramsay-Shockey Open Space and the Pinewood State Land Board parcel as a pilot project for the exchange which seeks to create a market for stewardship on public/private lands that benefit downstream end users.
  - j. City of Fort Collins Natural Areas is updating the Fossil Creek Area management plan which includes all city natural areas within the Fossil Creek basin. This includes Fossil Creek Reservoir Natural Area of which Larimer County Natural Resources is a 50% owner.
  - k. Soderberg trailhead redesign Phase I is set to complete by end of May. The area was redesigned for safety and improved traffic flow by moving 7 horse trailer parking spots away from regular parking, to an adjacent area. Phase II will add 8 new standard parking spots within the existing parking footprint, providing a total of 37 parking spots at the trailhead.
  - l. Open Space Operations District Report
  - m. Sales Tax Report from prior month

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- n. 2015-2018 CapDev&Acq Summary 05-26-16
  - o. Natural Resources [events and registration](#) and [NR News](#)
- 6) ACTION ITEMS
- a. Ward Property – financial partnership request of \$250,000 and third party conservation easement hold for the City of Loveland
  - b. Orr Property (Poudre River Trail partnership) – third party conservation easement hold with the Town of Windsor for City of Greeley
- 7) OTHER BUSINESS
- 8) EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to C.R.S. (24-6-402(4)(a) for discussion of the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real or personal property interest,
- a. We will hold an Executive Session
- 9) ADJOURN

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***Included in PDF:***

- Agenda
- Minutes of last meeting
- Open Space Operations District Report
- Sales tax report for prior month
- 2015-2018 CapDev&Acq Summary 05-26-16
- Final Review - Ward
- Final Review - Orr

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***Attached Separately:***

- 1. News articles