



Open Space & Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 9:00 AM
Council Chambers - Eagle Town Hall
200 Broadway Eagle, CO 81631

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9:00 a.m. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

9:05 a.m. PUBLIC COMMENT

9:10 a.m. APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES

9:15 a.m. DISCUSSION/ BUSINESS ITEMS

9:15 a.m. (30 min) OSRAC Committee Appointment Recommendation

9:45 a.m. (20 min) Respect the Wild 2023/24 Winter Recap Presentation

10:05 a.m. (15 min) Eagle Bureau of Land Management Environmental Assessment Projects Implementation Update

10:20 a.m. (10 min) New Business/ Future Agenda items

10:30 a.m. ADJOURN



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9:00 a.m. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

Call to Order at: 9:01 a.m.

Roll Call:

Committee members present: Erinn Hoban, Lizzy Owens, Ernest Saeger, Jessica Foulis, Roger Mitchell, Anna Nakae, and Phil Kirkman

Committee members absent: Chris Kehoe

Staff Present: Brian Lieberman, Open Space and Trails Manager and Mellisa Durna, Assistant Town Manager

Town Council Present: Ellen Bodenheimer

9:05 a.m. PUBLIC COMMENT

- None.

9:10 a.m. APPROVAL OF MARCH MINUTES

MOTION to approve the MARCH OSRAC meeting minutes by Foulis and second by Hoban. Motion passed with a vote of 7 in favor (Mitchell, Nakae, Foulis, Saeger, Owens, Kirkman, and Hoban) and 0 opposed.

9:15 a.m. DISCUSSION/ BUSINESS ITEMS

2024 Eagle Wildfire Mitigation Projects Presentation

- Hugh Fairfield-Smith, Fire Management Officer (FMO) with the Eagle River Fire Protection District and chair of Eagle Valley Wildland, presented the proposed fuel mitigation projects on town open space properties for 2024.
- Proposed projects include prescribed burns in the open space properties near Brush Creek and some thinning projects in Eagle Ranch open space properties.
 - o Thinning projects will target sick and dead pinion and juniper pine trees.
- Hugh noted that sage flats and hillsides are naturally being overtaken by Pinion Pine and Juniper. Helping hold this encroachment back will improve the water table and improve wildlife habitat.
- The Committee discussed the projects and provided feedback to Hugh.
- In general, the Committee was supportive of the projects, and no significant concerns were raised.
- No comments from the public.

OSRAC Vacancy Update

- Staff told the Committee that there were 5 applicants for the OSRAC vacancy as of April 2 at 9am.
- Applications will be accepted until April 5th.
- Applications will be reviewed by OSRAC in May to offer a recommendation to the Council for an appointment.

Open Space Management Plan Projects and Partnerships Updates

- Staff told the Committee that the Eagle Ranch Wildlife Committee (ERWC) has been interested in funding projects on Town open space properties that would improve vegetation cover for wildlife.
 - o The main focus would be improving vegetation cover for wildlife.
- The 2024 Open Space Management Plans identify areas with disturbed or impaired vegetation.
 - o Should the ERWC be interested in tackling a vegetation project, staff suggested that they could use the Management Plan to understand priority areas for revegetation projects.
- Current partnership is being established with TOE Staff and ERWC along with other organizations to assist with restoration.
- The Committee was generally supportive of this partnership, but had some concerns:
 - o Is the current proposed contractor qualified to complete the work?
 - o Should the committee interview other interested contractors before committing?
 - o Should we take a phased approach to ensure the method is working?
 - o We need a monitoring component for the project.
 - o Concerns about revegetation projects along Brush Creek because there are other proposed restoration projects.

- Staff will raise these concerns with the ERWC and will follow up with the Committee.

New Business/ Future Agenda Items

- Staff has been coordinating with Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) about the need for any extended wildlife closures. Currently, it seems unlikely any closures would need to be extended in the Eagle area.
 - o Staff will continue to coordinate with CPW if a need should arise.
- A Committee member expressed concern about the dog park not being fenced. They thought a fence would benefit the surrounding wildlife habitat and safety for dogs using the park.
 - o Staff said there is money in the 2024 budget for dog park projects. Staff will look into what this funding is slated for and update the Committee.

10:30 a.m. ADJOURN

MOTION to ADJOURN at 10:15 by Saeger and second by Foulis. Motion passed with a vote of 7 in favor (Mitchell, Nakae, Foulis, Saeger, Owens, Kirkman, and Hoban) and 0 opposed.



To: Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee

From: Brian Lieberman, Open Space and Trails Manager

Date: May 7, 2024

Agenda Item: OSRAC Committee Appointment Recommendation

REQUEST: Staff requests that the Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee (OSRAC) review the ten applications received for the alternate Committee member vacancy and recommend a candidate for the appointment by the Town Council.

BACKGROUND: Staff advertised the vacancy on the Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee (OSRAC) on March 8, 2024. Information about the vacancy was posted on the Town's website, Eagle Today newsletter, Town social media, and posted in the Vail Daily. Applications were accepted through Friday, April 5, 2024.

Ten applications were received for the vacancy and all applicants meet the residency requirement for the Committee. It's exciting to see such a high level of community interest in the committee's work. The applications received are included in the packet. They are organized alphabetically according to first names. The application form is included first followed by a cover letter or experience information (if submitted) for each applicant.

In addition, the prospective committee member evaluation rubric developed by Committee members and staff to evaluate candidates is attached.

ANALYSIS: According to the Committee Bylaws, staff establishes an application process to fill Committee vacancies. Committee appointments are ultimately made by the Town Council. Council generally appreciates recommendations from existing Committee members.

Staff requests that the Committee provide input for the appointment of a new alternate Committee member. Staff have included a rubric to help review prospective Committee members. Committee members are requested to review the applications and rubric ahead of the meeting. Staff will request that OSRAC vote on a nominee to recommend to Council at the meeting.

COMMUNITY INPUT: The Committee vacancy was advertised for almost a month on various outreach platforms. The Committee can accept public comment on this agenda item at the meeting. However, it is not required.

Applicants were invited to attend the OSRAC meeting. OSRAC can ask applicants participating in the meeting to answer any questions or provide additional background.

BUDGET/ STAFF IMPACT: No direct budgetary or staff impacts.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT / STANDARDS ACHIEVED: The Elevate Eagle Comprehensive Plan and the Open Space and Trails Master Plan speak to the importance of engaging an advisory committee to advise staff and the Town Council on open space and recreation management.

RECOMMEND ACTION OR PROPOSED MOTION: “Motion to recommend that the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado, appoint _____ as the alternate Committee member for the Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee to fulfill an existing term through December 2024.”

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Applications for the vacancy (ten)
2. Prospective Committee member evaluation rubric

Commission & Committee Application Form

Select the Council, Commission, or Committee applying for

Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Business Phone Number	8177264494
Occupation	Central US Business Developer - Bombardier Recreational Products - Owner Vail 4x4 LLC

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COMMITTEE INFORMATION:

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ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Are you or have you served on other Boards, Commissions, or Committees?	No
If yes, which	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Please list organization memberships and positions held	Volunteer Wilderness Ranger - Eagle Holy Cross Wilderness Alliance Friends of the Eagles Nest Wilderness - member Friends of the Dillon Ranger District - member National Forest Foundation - partnership Weston 1% for the Planet - partnership Weston Leave No Trace - member Stay the Trail - member CORE - member Eagle County 4x4 Club - member
Please List Areas of Special Interest	Environmental & wildlife protection, recreational access preservation, tourism insight, affordable housing, and childrens programs

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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What opportunities does the Town of Eagle have?	We have the opportunity to continue to provide the fairest possible sustainable access to our amazing public lands, while preserving those places for future users.
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What challenges currently exist in the Town of Eagle?

Currently we have many different kinds of people in different stages of their lives that recreate in different ways. My #1 priority on the OSRAC would be balancing those residents various desires to recreate on public lands with the protection of those lands.

As a Committee Member, how would you approach these challenges?

I would do my best to see all sides' views on access and use of our public lands. My 15 years of backcountry guiding experience, both motorized and non-motorized gives me a unique and first hand knowledge of how our public lands can be managed effectively. I would strive to provide a balance between allowing residents access of their choice to our public lands and protecting those lands for future generations as well as the wildlife that call them home.

Are you a resident of Eagle or do you own real property, own a business or work for an Eagle owned business?

Yes

Please attach a cover letter or experience information

[Ben Hilley OSRAC Application.pdf](#)

Ben Hilley
186 Ewing St.
Eagle, CO 81631

Qualifications & Affiliations:

15 year veteran backcountry guide - motorized and non-motorized

- Nova Guides
- Timberline Tours
- Vail 4x4 Tours - Owner - Current USFS Special Use Permit Holder

Volunteer Wilderness Ranger - Eagle Holy Cross Wilderness

Friends of the Eagles Nest Wilderness

Friends of the Dillon Ranger District

National Forest Foundation

1% for the Planet

Leave No Trace

Stay the Trail

CORE

Eagle County 4x4 Club

I believe I'd be an ideal candidate for a position on the Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee because I am a strong proponent for protecting our public lands while also providing sustainable access. I've based the past 15 years of my life around this goal as a backcountry guide and now the owner of Vail 4x4 Tours. I responsibly share our public lands with people from around the world year after year. I have an immense first hand knowledge of how different user types impact trail systems and wildlife, as well as the dynamics that exist between various user groups. The USFS saw me as an ideal candidate to award the most recent special use permit allowing commercial access to USFS lands in Eagle County because I'm known in the guiding industry as someone who respects and loves our public lands. I spent the past decade building partnerships in the outdoor industry for Weston Backcountry, another Eagle County born outdoor business, including the National Forest Foundation and 1% for the Planet. I am a proponent of LNT ethics and have taught "Backcountry 101" education for over a decade to new users interested in accessing the unique mountain terrain our state provides.

On top of this, I'm a father and homeowner in Eagle who primarily recreates on public land. I love splitboarding, mountain biking, hiking, camping, fishing, hunting, and jeeping just to name a few. I've worked hard to make a life for myself and my family here and I look forward to raising my two young children with the ability to experience the amazing wild places that made me stay here. I want to use my experience and time here in Eagle County to give back and make sure that we are making the best decisions for our current residents as well as our future generations.

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Business Phone Number	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Occupation	Customer Success Manager - Prove Identity

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Yes

If yes, which

I have been a committee member on the following committees and working groups.

Please list organization memberships and positions held

Regional Active Transportation Stakeholder Committee, Wilmington Bike and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Micromobility Working Group, Denver Vision Zero Technical Committee, Colorado Safe Routes to School Advisory Committee

Please List Areas of Special Interest

Active Transportation Planning and Safety Planning

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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What opportunities does the Town of Eagle have?

Eagle already has a robust open space and trails system. With all the development that will be coming to the town in the next several years there is a opportunity to continue to build on that system in a way that continues to promote active transportation and a healthy lifestyle that many residents live here for.

What challenges currently exist in the Town of Eagle?	With large amount of growth and development coming to Eagle there is going to continue to be push back from locals on change and the disruption on the local mountain town feel.
As a Committee Member, how would you approach these challenges?	I have served on many committees that have to balance development, safety, and connectivity. I have been on the engineering side and on the planning/more progressive side and feel like I can provide a balance between both perspectives. Eagle is going to grow quickly in the next several years. I would like to help embrace that growth by showing residents that grow and new development can be a positive thing for the town and bring in more money for our local business as long as the development continues to make our open space and trail systems better and prioritizes protecting those areas as the development takes place.
Are you a resident of Eagle or do you own real property, own a business or work for an Eagle owned business?	Yes
Please attach a cover letter or experience information	Beth Doliboa Resume.pdf

BETH DOLIBOA

Email: bethann1120@gmail.com
Phone: (937) 545-3938

Planner, Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG)

Denver, CO

August 2017 to May 2021

Performs advanced planning duties relating to the Denver regional roadway networks. Continually works with federal, state, and regional partnering agencies to develop and implement transportation plans and projects. Subject matter expert on regional objectives and deliverables.

Project Management:

- Regional Vision Zero Initiative – plan development, adoption, and implementation
- Regional Complete Streets Toolkit – plan development and adoption
 - Developed detailed scope of work, submitted RFP, organized consultant interviews, managed contract development.
 - Managed robust public involvement to initiate plan development. This included website content, video to promote the plan, social media ad campaign, regional events, survey, and interactive public comment map development.
 - Oversaw existing conditions analysis, toolkit for member governments and regional action initiatives with timeline for implementation years.
 - Worked with DRCOG's GIS team to collect crash data with partnering agencies. Used crash data to create the Regional Vision Zero interactive map for clients to easily view and filter data resources to identify target areas of concern.
 - Regular coordination with Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) to align efforts with the state's Strategic Safety Plan and to allocate \$77 million to safety projects in Denver Metro.
 - Managed the Regional Vision Zero Working Group and Complete Streets Steering Committee, made up of partners and clients from DRCOG's 58-member jurisdictions.
- Active Transportation Plan – plan implementation
 - Monitor and collaborate transportation demand projects and initiatives, including project selection, studies, and status updates.
 - Worked with the GIS team to collect and compile active transportation data. Kicked off a regional bicycle count program and on-line viewing platform.
 - Managed the Community Mobility Planning and Implementation set aside – establish program goals, focus areas, funding evaluation and project selection process and evaluation criteria for \$4.8 million of federal funds for planning and infrastructure projects that contribute to implementation outcomes.
 - Managed the TDM set aside - establish program goals, focus areas, funding evaluation and project selection process and evaluation criteria for \$1.8 million of federal funds to support marketing, outreach and research projects that reduce SOV travel.
- DRCOG's transportation safety-related planning activities and analysis:
 - Authored and completed all analysis for the Active Transportation Plan's Bicycle and Pedestrian Crash Report.
 - Work with DRCOG's GIS team, regional partners such as CDOT and the Department of Revenue to prepare annual regional crash data.

Advanced Planning:

- Managed the process to establish DRCOG's Fast Act-required safety, pavement, bridge, congestion, freight, and CMAQ performance measure targets, in coordination with Federal Highways Administration and CDOT.
- Assist in executing DRCOG's Public Involvement Plan to address federal requirements and internal objectives.
- Regularly review memorandums, letters, documentation, and technical reports for regional transportation projects.
- Develop memorandums and presentations to present to DRCOG's committees (TAC and RTC) and DRCOG Board of Directors

Education

BS / City and Regional Planning
The Ohio State University, 2012

AA / Architecture
Columbus State Community
College, 2009

Years of Experience

DRCOG	3.5 yrs
Wilmington MPO	2 yrs
AECOM	4 yrs
Catalyst Custom Homes	2 yrs

Areas of Expertise

Project Management
Client Relations
Presenting Deliverables
Developing Graphics
Technical Reports / RFP's

Skills

Microsoft Office
Adobe Creative Suite
ArcGIS Suite
AutoCAD / Civil 3D
MicroStation / Geopak
SketchUp

Certifications

Project Management Certificate
UNCW, 2016

**Associate Planner, City of Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization
Wilmington, North Carolina
November 2015 to August 2017**

Responsible for completing various transportation projects resulting in short- and long-range planning studies; assisting with GIS analysis, project analysis, project prioritization, public outreach, and planning activities to meet federal requirements. Included oversight of consultant staff, preparing, and reviewing memorandums and technical reports.

- Served as Secretary of the WMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
 - Oversaw committee by developing annual work plans and schedules, created monthly agendas, prepared monthly presentations, and facilitated meetings. Drafted policy resolutions of support for regional bike/ped plans.
 - Coordinated with Transportation Demand Management program to organize regional commuter events.
- Manage the Congestion Management Process - an ongoing procedure used to evaluate regional congestion.
 - Work with partnering agencies to oversee the schedule for data collection needed to analyze various roadway segments throughout the WMPO region. Created the first adopted CMP Biennial Data Report.
- Created and managed the regional geodatabase for WAVE Transit including all stops, routes, amenities, and facility updates.
- Served as WMPO representative on multiple Steering Committees for regional comprehensive plans, providing comments and review of existing and proposed facilities ensuring compliance with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan.
- Submitted transportation project funding request for statewide, division, and regional needs through the state of North Carolina's STIP process, for SPOT Prioritization 3.0, 4.0 and 5.0.
- Provided graphic support for government documents, branding documents, website illustrations and promotional events.

**Graduate Planner / Civil Designer, AECOM
Columbus, OH
May 2012 to November 2015**

Worked under multiple Project Managers, to support the preparation of planning documents for traffic studies, utilizing highway capacity software to develop alternate solutions for clients. Gained direct experience in construction plan production of roadway, drainage, bridge, maintenance of traffic, and right-of-way plans, assuring drawings were generated according to client standards and specifications. Participated in detailed reviews of plans and addressed stakeholder comments before being submitted for final review.

Projects included:

- Shared Use Path Connectivity, Dublin, OH - With a Senior Project Engineer, designed and produced the construction plan set for an asphalt shared-use path at four locations to provide connectivity between existing shared-use paths.
- Goodale Street Bikeway Improvements, Columbus, OH - Prepared and edited construction plans and specifications in accordance with ODOT and City of Columbus bikeway standards, the project included a connecting bikeway ramp from Goodale Street to the existing Lower Olentangy Trail below the bridge.
- Far East Freeway Project - Columbus, OH - This project targeted four major highway interchanges, managed all highway capacity analysis and developed a planning document including graphics that illustrated conceptual alternatives.

- Arterial Street Rehab - Hamilton Road, Columbus, OH - Assisted in the development of alternative analysis, illustration, and determination of roadway and complete street improvements necessary to address current capacity and safety issues.
- Detroit Rd Pedestrian and Parking Study - Rocky River, OH - Worked closely with the AECOM Akron office to review design alternatives and their impacts. Project closely coordinated with the City of Lakewood due to the impacts to local streets.

Designer, Catalyst Custom Homes**Dayton, OH****May 2010 to May 2012**

While completing my Bachelor of Science; regularly coordinated with the contractor to produce construction plan sets. These plans included, site plan development, plan views, elevations, and section views. Also, assisted in producing contracts for construction and specifications when needed.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Business Phone Number	<i>Field not completed.</i>
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Occupation	Non-Profit Program Director
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Boards/Committees

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Aspen Young Professionals, Aspen - Website Chair, Membership Chair | Buddy Program, Aspen - Board member | Spring Board, Aspen - Board Chair, Education Chair | CollegeTrek, Aspen - Founder | Colorado Association for Environmental Education - Board member, Secretary, Certification Committee, Professional Development Committee, JEDI Committee

Please List Areas of Special Interest

Public Lands, Arts, Culture, Events, DEIA

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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What opportunities does the Town of Eagle have?

With so much growth, there are opportunities for the Town of Eagle to assess current community resources and invest in financially responsible amendments and improvements to accommodate a growing population and interest in recreation.

What challenges currently exist in the Town of Eagle?

Growth is always a challenge. The draw of Eagle's recreation opportunities presents challenges related to multiple-use resources as well as considerations for our public lands and wildlife. Overall, navigating the variety of interests and demands of residents seems like the biggest challenge.

As a Committee Member, how would you approach these challenges?

With public service in mind, I would listen to understand and weigh different viewpoints to find solutions that make the most sense financially and serve our town and constituents. Everyone can't win, but their ideas can be heard and considered.

Are you a resident of Eagle or do you own real property, own a business or work for an Eagle owned business?

Yes

Please attach a cover letter or experience information

[CohenLetterResume2024.pdf](#)



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April 2, 2024

Town of Eagle
Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee
200 Broadway | P.O. Box 609
Eagle, CO 81631

Dear Committee Members and Selection Committee,

I am writing to express my interest in serving on the Town of Eagle - Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee. My desire to join this committee stems from a lifelong passion for community involvement and service. I have always found that volunteering has created strong community connections and has given me a sense of purpose in contributing back to where I live.

With these experiences in mind, I have been searching for an opportunity to join a Board or Committee since moving to the Eagle Valley in 2018. When a friend shared an opening on the Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee, it seemed like a perfect fit. Since purchasing a home in Eagle in 2021, I have fallen in love with our small town. My husband works for the town and takes so much pride in caring for our community. I would love to do my part as well.

In addition, my twenty-year career as an Environmental Educator has allowed me to learn a tremendous amount about public lands, management, and our human role in caring for and living within the natural world. Currently, as Youth & Graduate Programs Director at Walking Mountains Science Center, I work to educate both youth and adults about science, earth's systems, and environmental issues. As a teacher, I am tasked with sharing multiple perspectives with my students so that I am not teaching them what to think but rather how to think about the important issues of our day.

Valuing different perspectives is an innate quality and value of mine. As an avid recreationist and nature lover, I would bring a valuable and balanced viewpoint to the Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee. In addition, my varied professional and board experiences have allowed me to gain many of the experiences and skills needed to be a strong board member including strong listening and communication skills, flexibility, and attention to detail.

I have attached a resume that expands on my experiences and skills. I am available by phone or email and I know I would be a great addition to your board. Thank you for taking the time to review my application materials. I look forward to speaking with you soon.

Sincerely,

Chris Cohen

Education

The Colorado State University Fort Collins, Colorado
Master of Science in Human Dimensions of Natural Resources 2011

- Adjunct Professor for Undergraduate Environmental Education *EE in the Rockies* course.
- Certificate in Non-Profit Administration and Leadership.
- Successful grant writing experience.
- **Thesis:** Cohen.CE. (2011) Connecting Children and Families to Nature: Targeting Wildlife Agency Education Initiatives. *Report to Western Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies. ProQuest.* Fort Collins, CO: Colorado State University.

The Pennsylvania State University University Park, Pennsylvania
Bachelor of Science in Biology 2005

- Ecology option, minors in Economics and Spanish with honors in Wildlife and Fisheries Science.
- **Thesis:** Cohen.C.E. (2005) Biological and Socioeconomic Impacts of the removal of the Goof Hope Mill Dam. *ProQuest.* University Park, PA: Pennsylvania State University.

Relevant Experience

Walking Mountains Science Center Avon, Colorado
Youth Programs Director & Graduate Faculty 2018-present

- Oversee all aspects of Youth Programs Department including summer science camps, school field science programs, after school programs and in-school programs.
- Responsible for recruitment, hiring, training, supervision, and evaluation of 9-18 Youth Programs team members.
- Acting as visionary for all initiatives and departmental strategic objectives.
- Developing and managing department budget.
- Tracking and reporting all program data.
- Cultivating partnerships for collaboration with Eagle County School District and other education partners.
- Serving as administrator of special use permits.
- Acting as faculty advisor for graduate student action research projects and teaching graduate level coursework for the University of Northern Colorado.

Aspen Center for Environmental Studies Aspen, Colorado
Rock Bottom Ranch Program Manager 2013-2018

- Managed education staff and curriculum development for in-school and field-based education programs.
- Responsible for educator training and mentorship, professional development, and program scheduling.
- Maintained program budget, invoicing and facilities maintenance.
- Coordinated community outreach, special events, facility rentals and visitor engagement.
- Assisted in facilitation of Tomorrow's Voices *Political Geography* and *Politics of Sustainability* courses through University of Colorado CU Succeed.

Environmental Educator 2011-2013

- Developed standards-based curriculum and taught both in-school science specials and field programs for kindergarten through fifth grade.

Naturebridge: Olympic Park Institute Port Angeles, Washington
Field Science Educator 2010

- Developed curriculum and facilitated inquiry-based, residential environmental science field study programs within Olympic National Park.

Walking Mountains, formerly Gore Range Natural Science School Avon, Colorado
Natural Science Educator/Graduate Fellow 2008-2009

- Completed graduate fellowship in Environmental Education through partnership with Colorado State University.
- Developed curriculum and facilitated inquiry-based environmental science field study, summer camp and interpretive programs for students pre-school through adult.

Audubon Center at Bent of the River Southbury, Connecticut
Education Program Manager 2007

- Directed and evaluated school, community and summer camp programs.
- Managed education staff, education program budget and volunteer recruitment.
- Expanded program participation and increased marketing through development of new organization website, distribution of quarterly newsletter, weekly e-newsletter, and program brochures.

New Canaan Nature Center New Canaan, Connecticut
Assistant Director of Youth and Family Programs and Adventure Camps 2006

- Directed after-school and scout programs, birthday parties, and public outreach.
- Coordinated weeklong summer adventure trips for middle and high school students.
- Hired, trained, and evaluated full-time Environmental Educators and seasonal summer camp staff.

Community Involvement	<i>Colorado Association for Environmental Education</i>	Northwest Colorado
	Secretary and Board Member	2018-present
	Working to advance Environmental Education efforts across Colorado through programming, evaluation and advocacy work.	
	Northwest Colorado Regional Council Member	2016-present
	Working on a committee with a variety of Environmental Education providers from across the Western Slope of Colorado to enhance Environmental Education efforts across the state and at the national level as they relate to the Colorado Environmental Education Plan.	
	<i>Vail Leadership Academy</i>	Vail, Colorado
	Graduate	2018
	Completed a 6-month professional leadership program focused on values, integrity and communication.	
	<i>Roaring Fork Leadership</i>	Aspen, Colorado
	Graduate and Team Coach	2016-2018
	- Completed a yearlong professional leadership program with 100+ hours of training in personal, professional and community problem solving and effectiveness. - Served as a Civic Project Team Coach to mentor current leadership class.	
	<i>CollegeTrek</i>	Aspen, Colorado
	Co-Founder & Basalt High School Liaison	2013-2018
	Directed an innovative volunteer program pairing young professionals with high school students to assist in the college application process at Aspen, Basalt and Roaring Fork High Schools.	
	<i>Aspen Young Professionals Association (AYPA)</i>	Aspen, Colorado
	Membership & Website Chair	2015-2018
	Responsible for database and website management, member recruitment, and event coordination.	
	<i>The Buddy Program</i>	Aspen, Colorado
	Leadership Development Board	2014-2018
	Supported the Buddy Program through involvement in recruitment efforts and fundraising events.	
	Big Buddy	2012-2014
	Worked to make a difference in the Roaring Fork Valley community by connecting with and mentoring a young person.	
	<i>Spring Board Aspen</i>	Aspen, Colorado
	Board Chair	2012-2015
	- Managed strategic planning process, organizational redevelopment, branding and events. - Developed an educational framework and organizational structure focused on building the next generation of philanthropic leaders.	
Certifications	Colorado Association for Environmental Education Certified Master Environmental Educator WMI Wilderness First Responder NAI Certified Interpretive Guide American Red Cross - CPR/First Aid for the Professional Rescuer - Pet First Aid - Lifeguard, CPR, and First Aid for the Professional Rescuer - Canoeing and Kayaking TIPS Alcohol Service Certified BEETLES Leadership Institute Graduate	
Skills	Intermediate Spanish, Photography/Digital Editing, Graphic Design Personnel Management, Program Evaluation, Budget Management	

Additional Education: Scholarship recipient for professional courses in Environmental Education through University of Wisconsin Stevens Point (*Fundamentals of Environmental Education and Making Environmental Education Relevant for Culturally Diverse Audiences*).

Additional Work Experience: Public Safety - Vail Resorts, Market Salesperson - Avalanche Cheese Company, Research Assistant - Denver Zoo, Deckhand/Educator - Soundwaters, Summer Educator - Riverbend Environmental Center, Summer Educator - Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education, Educator - Upham Woods 4-H Environmental Center, Educator - Shaver's Creek Environmental Center, Educator - Aullwood Audubon Center and Farm, Research Assistant - Smithsonian National Zoo, Campaign Intern - American Rivers.

Additional Community Involvement: Worked as a volunteer with Urban Blazers, Snowboard Outreach Society, Foresight Ski Guides, CSU Environmental Learning Center, Environmentors, Briar Bush Nature Center, Sound Experience Aboard Adventuress, Connecticut Outdoor and Environmental Education Association Board Member, Pennsylvania State Literacy Corps.

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Please list organization memberships and positions held	<i>Field not completed.</i>
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Please List Areas of Special Interest	<i>Field not completed.</i>
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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What opportunities does the Town of Eagle have?	We have lived in Eagle almost 20 years and the variety of things to do.
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What challenges currently exist in the Town of Eagle?	Bike Trails, and bike Trail safety, bike trail surface issues.
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As a Committee Member, how would you	To be active in safe bike riding and education. How many times I see kids with helmets and not the parents.
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approach these challenges?

My wife and I are that over 50 user with pedal assist bikes and love our trails.

Are you a resident of Eagle or do you own real property, own a business or work for an Eagle owned business?

Yes

Please attach a cover letter or experience information

Field not completed.

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Are you or have you served on other Boards, Commissions, or Committees?

Yes

If yes, which

Eagle Ranch DRB, Eagle River Commercial Condominium association (ERCC) Holy Cross Powder Hounds Snowmobile Club, National Tile Contractors Association, Eagle River Community Wildlife Roundt

Please list organization memberships and positions held

ERCC Board President, Eagle Ranch DRB Board Member, HCPH Treasurer, NTCA Board of Directors, state ambassador, technical committee member, methods and standards committee member, reference manual edits/updates chairperson, Eagle County Community Wildlife Roundtable member.

Please List Areas of Special Interest

As a full time Eagle resident for 29 years and wanting to retire in this community my special interest is in the development of long term sustainable recreation planning to promote opportunities for healthy cohabitation of both humans and indigenous animals through a realistic 100 year outlook.

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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What opportunities does the Town of Eagle have?	The TOE has many opportunities for inclusion and enhancement of current and emerging technologies regarding recreational options for its citizens as well as visitors.
What challenges currently exist in the Town of Eagle?	In my opinion, regarding the topic of recreation and our impact as humans on the environment and how we cohabitate with indigenous animals. I believe one of the largest challenges is staying ahead of the coming changes we will be facing as a community. Primarily in recent years there seems to be challenges in public opinion regarding this.
As a Committee Member, how would you approach these challenges?	If accepted to the OSRAC, I would respectfully consider all viewpoints and weigh them on the scale of proven facts to evaluate if and how a certain matter would impact our community and the established long term goals set forth. I am not intimidated by anyone and will act and speak in the best interest of the community for the greater good of the community.
Are you a resident of Eagle or do you own real property, own a business or work for an Eagle owned business?	Yes
Please attach a cover letter or experience information	<i>Field not completed.</i>

Cover Letter Dan Lambert:

Re:

Position available with Town of Eagle Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee

Dear OSRAC

I am writing to express my interest in the position available on this committee.

As a multi faceted recreationalist and Eagle citizen since 1995 I believe that a position on this committee would be a good fit.

Since moving to Eagle I have served as a volunteer firefighter 1996-98 Served on the Eagle Ranch Design Review Board 2015-2022 Served two terms as a 5 state regional director for the National Tile Contractors Association (NTCA) Worked in the field of R&D and durability testing for various companies in the snowmobile industry.

Currently I am the chairperson for the NTCA Reference Manual updates and edits.

Technical committee member NTCA since 2011 NTCA Methods and Standards committee Emeritus.
NTCA Colorado State Ambassador.
Eagle County Community Wildlife Roundtable, board member. (ECCWR) Eagle River Commercial
Condominium Center (ERCC) Board president.
Holy Cross Powder Hounds snowmobile club (HCPH) Treasurer. 2016 - current

Through the associations and committees that I have and am currently involved with, I am thankful to be active in the betterment of these endeavors and to give back of my time for the passion I have for each of them.

I feel that the education I've gained through real world experiences through these avenues I've listed in addition to being a positive and productive member of this community with many years spent working with Hardscrabble Trails Coalition including countless solo adventures cleaning up abandoned local campsites, putting out abandoned campfires, clearing trees from trails, building and repairing bridges and more provide me a perspective that could be beneficial to the OSRAC and the community of Eagle.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

Dan Lambert

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Occupation	retired
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If yes, which	Eagle County Community Wildlife Roundtable (ECCWR), Adams 14 Education Foundation, Delta Dental of Colorado Board of Trustees
Please list organization memberships and positions held	Past President of the Adams 14 Education Foundation, current Executive Committee member. Provide leadership to the Adams 14 Education Foundation in the areas of strategic planning, succession management, governance, finance, audit and investments. Current community representative on ECCWR, past President of the Adams 14 Education Foundation, past President of the Delta Dental Foundation board, trustee on the Delta Dental of Colorado board, Compensation Committee Chair and Executive Committee member.
Please List Areas of Special Interest	As a resident of Eagle, I am interested in providing service to our community to ensure our quality of life is preserved. This includes conserving wildlife, habitat and corridors essential to their survival. This priority is a shared community value and I would be pleased to represent that interest.

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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What opportunities does the Town of Eagle have?

The Town of Eagle is growing and managing this growth is an opportunity as well as a challenge. People are drawn to our community because of the small town community lifestyle, natural environment and wildlife, access to the outdoors and recreation.

What challenges currently exist in the Town of Eagle?

As mentioned previously, growth provides opportunities as well as challenges. Housing affordability is an example of one challenge, providing access to affordable housing while also conserving land critical to ensure wildlife can thrive and ensuring smart growth principles are followed. Maintaining our small town community with manageable traffic, creating a fire-wise community, ensuring responsible recreation and doing our part to contribute to sustainability goals are the interests being balanced.

As a Committee Member, how would you approach these challenges?

As an OSRAC member, I would support our mission to "Maintain and enhance our community's quality of life by advising on resources, conservation, and sustainable management practices of open space, trails, recreation, and natural resources within the Town of Eagle and adjacent lands." As the Town of Eagle considers various pathways for the future, I would provide evidence-based advice and counsel and feedback from constituents so that the Board can make well-informed decisions.

Are you a resident of Eagle or do you own real property, own a business or work for an Eagle owned business?

Yes

Please attach a cover letter or experience information

[OSRAC Cover 2024.pdf](#)

Jacci McKenna



Executive Director HR, Eagle County Government

2014 – 2018

Executive Director of HR Eagle County, a full-service county with 500 employees. We are home to world-renowned ski resorts of Vail and Beaver Creek. Our Mission is to "Create a Better Eagle County for All." Strategic Priorities include Quality Services, Social Investment, Economic Vitality, Sustainable Communities, and Environmental Stewardship. We are an employer of choice whose HR strategies include creating a culture of empowerment, health and wellness, continual learning and professional growth resulting in service delivery excellence.



Sr Director HR, Kaiser Permanente

2008 – 2014

Senior HR Director for Kaiser Permanente Colorado leading Total Rewards, Employee & Labor Relations and Employee Health. Kaiser Permanente is Colorado's largest non-profit health plan, providing award-winning care for more than 580,000 members. With more than 7,000 staff and physicians, Kaiser is among Colorado's largest employers. Responsible for leading the Employee & Labor Relations, Total Rewards, and Employee Health & Safety functions. Primary accountabilities include design and execution of strategic Human Capital plans, development of best place to work environment, leadership and coaching, contract negotiation & grievance resolution, employee health & safety, integration of HR information systems and processes, compensation & benefits, performance management, payroll, and policy formulation across the region.



Chief HR Officer, Adams County School District 14

2006 – 2008

Chief HR Officer for Adams 14 School District, also served as the district's Chief Negotiator. Adams 14 employs approximately 900 employees and is unionized with two bargaining units; CTA which represents teachers and CCSEA which represents classified staff. Created and developed a strategic HR Program focused on human capital and talent management functions. Primary responsibilities include executive leadership and coaching, design and execution of strategic Human Capital plans, contract negotiations, total rewards programs, policy formulation and implementation, and integration of HR information systems and processes.



Director Employment Services, University of Colorado

1999 - 2006

Employment Services Director for the University of Colorado – Boulder campus. CU Boulder employs 7,000 employees, comprised of faculty, professional-exempt and classified staff. Directed HR initiatives and achieved strategic plan objectives relating to human capital management for 2,700 state employees. Served as a member of the CU Total Compensation Team providing transformational leadership to the four campuses regarding total reward strategies.

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Please list organization memberships and positions held	<i>Field not completed.</i>
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Please List Areas of Special Interest	<i>Field not completed.</i>
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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What opportunities does the Town of Eagle have?	Hiking, Biking, Fishing, river floats, adventure racing, dog friendly events and much more.
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What challenges currently exist in the Town of Eagle?	Lack of infrastructure for parking, camping and access.
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As a Committee Member, how would you	I have been in the commercial guiding world for 20 years. I understand how incredibly important our natural resources are for locals and visitors alike. I aim to strike a balance between
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approach these challenges?

providing more recreational opportunities, while also preserving what makes our town so special for everyone who lives here. I also have a deep respect for the wildlife that call our valley home and I have seen firsthand how much their habitat has been effected in the last 10 years, I would try to minimize human contact with wildlife as much as possible.

Are you a resident of Eagle or do you own real property, own a business or work for an Eagle owned business?

Yes

Please attach a cover letter or experience information

[Jason Holt resume.docx](#)

Jason Holt

Chief Operating Officer

205 Robins Egg Lane

Eagle CO 81631

(970)778-1619

Jason@sageoutdooradventures.com

Professional Summary

Accomplished Chief Operating Officer with extensive outdoor industry background and decisive leadership style. Offers strategic planning abilities, background in risk management and forward-thinking mindset. Ready for challenges and focused on meeting future demands.

EXPERIENCE

Sage Outdoor Adventures LLC-*Chief Operating Officer-5/22/22-Present*

- Maintain special use permits through various government agencies. USFS, BLM-Silt, BLM-Kremmling, CPW, AHRA, DORA, CDOT, Eagle County Open Space, Town of Eagle, Town of Glenwood Springs. Provide accurate post use reports to above agencies.
- Work closely with ownership to strategize capital expenditures and budget projections.
- Established Safety protocols and training policies to promote company culture and vision.
- Oversee maintenance, registration and repair for a fleet of 15 transportation vehicles. 24 SXS machines and 102 snowmobiles and 2 snow cats
- Train new guides for river and land based activities
- Maintain trail system on private 6000 acre property for an unrivaled guest experience.
- Maintain property owners agricultural tax status by growing hay and monitoring 200 pair of cattle
- Oversee the wellbeing of 34 rescue horses for horseback riding program

Sage Outdoor Adventures -*Lead Guide/Logistics-Oct 2012-May 2022*

- Maximize revenue by keeping close eye on equipment capacities and available guide staff
- Hire and train new river and land based guides
- Snowcat Operations
- Medical Training- Made up weekly scenarios that all guide staff attended
- Made the daily schedule
- Guide clientele on Class II-V whitewater around the state on the Eagle, Arkansas, Gore Creek and Colorado rivers.
- Guide guests in wintertime on snowmobiles for half and full day trips. Including advanced powder riding high performance trips.

Nova Guides, Camp Hale CO - *Lead Guide Oct 2005-Oct 2012*

- Guide high end guests on whitewater raft trips on the Eagle, Arkansas and Colorado rivers Class II-V.
- Take guests on Backcountry jeep tours
- Take Guests on Backcountry snowmobile trips for 1/2 day and full day excursions
- Train new guides on river and land based activities
- Guide guests on float and wade fly fishing trips

EDUCATION

Colorado Mountain College, Leadville CO - *Associates-Outdoor Recreation Leadership May 2005*

CERTIFICATIONS

- Emergency Medical Technician-Basic
- Swift Water Rescue Level III
- Avalanche Safety Level II
- First Aid CPR/AED Certified
- Class C Commercial Driver's License with passenger endorsement

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If yes, which	Union Creek Town Homes (HOA), Tahoma Ventures, Seaside Aquarium, Copper Labs, Stream.io, Bold Metrics, TempoDB, LineRate Systems, Kozio, Boulder Markets, Vsys
Please list organization memberships and positions held	Boulder Angels (Founder), Chips on the Deck (Founder)
Please List Areas of Special Interest	Outdoor recreation. Economics. Water Management. Climate Modeling

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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What opportunities does the Town of Eagle have?	Maintaining the excellent balance between multiple constituencies that use and enjoy ToE Open Space. Land acquisition to continue to grow the footprint of Open Space.
What challenges currently exist in the Town of Eagle?	Maintaining the quality of the Open Space when the population of the ToE quickly grows over the next several years.

As a Committee Member, how would you approach these challenges?

I would encourage my fellow committee members, OS staff and the ToE Council to consider the long term effects of ToE decisions. I would also advocate a higher priority being placed on Open Space and parks related funding.

Are you a resident of Eagle or do you own real property, own a business or work for an Eagle owned business?

Yes

Please attach a cover letter or experience information

[John Ives OSRAC Cover Letter.pdf](#)

JOHN IVES

356 Harrier Circle, PO Box 6123, Eagle, 81631 | 303-809-0787 | john.ives@me.com

April 1, 2024

Brian Lieberman
Open Space & Trails Manager
Town of Eagle
200 Broadway
Eagle, CO 81631

Dear Brian:

I am writing to express my enthusiastic interest in the opening on the Town of Eagle's Open Space Advisory Committee. With a deep-rooted passion for recreation and a keen understanding of the importance of preserving our natural landscapes, I am eager to contribute my skills and expertise to the vital work of this committee.

As a relatively new (circa 2022) resident of Eagle, I have quickly developed a strong connection to our community and a profound appreciation for the diverse and stunning open spaces that surround us. I firmly believe that a balanced approach to safeguarding these precious resources is essential for the well-being of current and future generations.

My background in mapping, recreation and serving on several corporate board of directors uniquely positions me to make meaningful contributions to the Open Space Advisory Committee. As an immediate neighbor to ToE Open Space, I am passionate about the use and management of Open Space lands.

Furthermore, I possess excellent communication and collaboration skills, which I believe are essential for fostering productive relationships with fellow committee members, town officials, and community stakeholders. I am dedicated to working collaboratively to develop and implement effective strategies for the preservation and enhancement of Eagle's open spaces.

I am particularly excited about the opportunity to expand the inventory of Eagle's open spaces, improving access while balancing the requirements of the local wildlife. I am confident that my passion, dedication, and skills would make me an asset to the committee, and I am committed to dedicating the time and effort necessary to fulfill the responsibilities of this role effectively.

Thank you for considering my application. I am eager to further discuss how my qualifications and experiences align with the needs of the Open Space Advisory Committee. I am available at your earliest convenience for an interview, and I can be reached at 303-809-0787 or via email at john.ives@me.com. You may also learn more about my professional career [here](https://www.linkedin.com/in/john-ives-210111/) [https://www.linkedin.com/in/john-ives-210111/].

I am honored to have the opportunity to contribute to the important work of the Open Space Advisory Committee, and I look forward to the possibility of serving our community in this capacity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John Ives', with a stylized flourish at the end.

John Ives

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ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Are you or have you served on other Boards, Commissions, or Committees?	Yes
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If yes, which	Eagle River Park Coalition
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Please list organization memberships and positions held	Board member, VP, Treasurer and Secretary
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Please List Areas of Special Interest	Project management, funding, technology
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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What opportunities does the Town of Eagle have?	I'm particularly interested in continued improvement of the river park and connecting that open space to downtown, possibly through creative planning related to the Case property between downtown and the river.
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What challenges currently exist in the Town of Eagle?	High development prices alongside the conflict between our desires to develop and progress vs our desire to conserve and protect are the most difficult challenges to decision making and prioritizing the town's limited resources.
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As a Committee Member, how would you approach these challenges?

Bringing people together to build friendships and strengthen community is the best way to get people to see that our desires and vision for the town mostly align, and these open space areas are the "3rd places" that let this happen. I would not have met the other members of the Eagle River Park Coalition if it hadn't been for the river park existing, and the more places like this we have that nurture peoples' diverse interests, the more connections the community will form.

Are you a resident of Eagle or do you own real property, own a business or work for an Eagle owned business?

Yes

Please attach a cover letter or experience information

[Eagle Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee Cover Letter.pdf](#)

Jon Christensen
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Town of Eagle
4/2/2024

Dear Eagle Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee,

I'm writing to express my interest in joining the Eagle Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee. As a resident of downtown Eagle since 2016 and the Eagle Valley since 2006, I have a deep love for our community and a vision for enhancing the recreational opportunities and natural beauty that make Eagle such an amazing place to call home.

One of my big dreams is to see Eagle connect the river park to the downtown area, allowing folks to enjoy the stunning natural surroundings along the waterway while also being able to easily access the great restaurants and shopping downtown. By making it possible to experience both without needing a car, we can create a more connected and accessible community for everyone.

As the VP, treasurer, and secretary of the Eagle River Park Coalition, a 501(c)(3) organization formed by a group of passionate river surfers and park users, I've been actively involved in efforts to maintain and improve the surfing features of the park. We've taken inspiration from the successful model in Salida, and I'm excited to bring this experience and perspective to the Advisory Committee.

Alongside my love for outdoor recreation, I bring strong leadership and project management skills to the table. Running my own 65-person software development services company has taught me a lot about guiding teams, managing resources, and delivering successful outcomes. These skills, combined with my understanding of our community's needs, make me well-prepared to contribute to the Advisory Committee's efforts.

As an avid trail user myself, logging around 1,000 miles a year on our local trails, I know firsthand how important it is to maintain and expand our outdoor recreation infrastructure. I'm committed to ensuring that our open spaces, parks, and trails remain accessible, well-maintained, and enjoyable for everyone.

I would be honored to serve on the Eagle Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee and contribute my passion, experience, and dedication to making our community even better. Thank you for considering my application, and I look forward to the opportunity to discuss further how I can support the Committee's mission.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jon Christensen', with a stylized, flowing script.

Jon Christensen

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Occupation	self-employed
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COMMITTEE INFORMATION:

Economic Vitality Committee: Monthly meetings are typically held on the third Thursday at 1:00pm.

Marketing & Events Advisory Committee: Monthly meetings are typically held on the first Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee: Monthly meetings are typically held on the first Tuesday at 9:00am.

Downtown Development Authority: Monthly meetings are typically held on the third Tuesday at 1:00pm.

Grand Avenue Stakeholder Committee: Meeting dates to be announced.

Town Council, Commission or Committee meetings are held in-person at Eagle Town Hall, 200 Broadway, with a secondary virtual option.

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ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Are you or have you served on other Boards, Commissions, or Committees?	Yes
If yes, which	Sheldon Chalet, Alaska Retreat
Please list organization memberships and positions held	Owner and board member of both Sheldon Chalet and Alaska Retreat
Please List Areas of Special Interest	Wildlife, recreation, the great outdoors

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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What opportunities does the Town of Eagle have?	To maintain & enhance our awesome quality of life and natural resources while carefully considering development and its long-term effects.
What challenges currently exist in the Town of Eagle?	People have discovered our lovely gem of Eagle and are moving here in droves.
As a Committee Member, how would you approach these challenges?	Study and connect with the many other established Open Spaces in Colorado to learn what has worked for them. Continue to learn from CPW wildlife biologists. Continue

researching data and articles online relating to Open Spaces nationwide and in Canada. Consult with additional experts as issues/challenges come up to learn solutions options. Work with OSRAC members and various entities toward viable solutions.

Are you a resident of Eagle or do you own real property, own a business or work for an Eagle owned business?

Yes

Please attach a cover letter or experience information

Field not completed.

Please accept this as my Cover Letter for the OSRAC application (Kate Sheldon):

I represent your average Town of Eagle citizen who lives here and enjoys regular trails use, and could help bring balance to OSRAC since I don't have any career or political benefits from serving on the committee.

For more than three years I've strived to learn how to best help our wildlife and specifically our E-16 Elk Herd, which CPW has identified as likely not being sustainable in 20 years. In the process of much research, I've become educated on noxious weeds, soil health, local plant life and endangered plants, trail etiquette, trail user issues, trail restoration, virtual fencing and other fencing, raptors, our dwindling deer population, gopher control methods, much about the various wildlife which populates our area, types of habitats and the political dynamic which controls it all.

Connecting with numerous established Open Spaces in Colorado has helped me to understand the particular challenges which our Open Space experiences; and studying their programs to learn what works (and doesn't) can be beneficial to OSRAC. In addition, I've studied Open Spaces in numerous other comparative states and also Canada, as there are many rich resources out there.

Please accept these following references for my application to OSRAC:

Bill Heicher, Eagle County Open Space Advisory Committee (970) 390-9075
Bret Hooper, Eagle County Open Space Advisory Committee (970) 376-2652
Jamie Harrison, (303) 915-2476

Sincerely,

Kate Sheldon
Eagle, CO

MAY 2024

indicates that the applicant completely meets the criterion. At the bottom of the table, add all the scores together for each applicant.

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To: Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee (OSRAC)

From: Brian Lieberman, Open Space and Trails Manager

Date: May 7, 2024

Agenda Item: Respect the Wild Campaign Update

REQUEST: None.

BACKGROUND: Representatives from the Vail Valley Mountain Trails Alliance (VVMTA) and the Hardscrabble Trails Coalition (HTC) will provide a recap on the Respect the Wild Campaign for the 23/24 winter.

The goal of the Respect the Wild Campaign is: “Education intended to better understand our relationship with wildlife and change human behavior to recreate responsibly and better co-exist. Key behavior changes include keeping dogs on leashes (therefore away from wildlife), respecting and obeying trail closures, and leaving wildlife alone & giving them their space.”

For the Town of Eagle, the campaign is mostly geared toward improving recreational behavior during the winter to reduce impacts on winter wildlife. Components of the campaign include creative messaging on signage and social media, data collection to better understand the amount and types of recreation occurring during the winter, and rewards that emphasize education and positive behavior.

More information can be found on the campaign website at this link:

<https://www.vvmta.org/respectthewild/>.

Town staff have requested the following data to be presented to the Committee:

- Total number of users on Haymaker and other open trails in Town where data collection occurred.
- Report on any closure violations observed on any of the cameras on closed trails in the Eagle area.
- What happens to the program over the summer?
- What is the planned future of the program for next winter?
- Debrief on the effectiveness of the paid trail ambassador.
- Any other takeaways from the winter?

BUDGET/ STAFF IMPACT: In 2023, the Town of Eagle contributed \$20,000 to the Respect the Wild Campaign. The funding was intended to help with creative messaging content development and

distribution, signage, and other outreach efforts. Staff time includes posting signage and social media and coordinating with campaign staff.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT / STANDARDS ACHIEVED: The 2022 Open Space and Trails Master Plan includes the following goals:

- AE1 – Wildlife Education: Develop educational materials about area wildlife and their habitat, how to recreate responsibly with wildlife, and the value of seasonal wildlife closures for wildlife and residents. These materials could be shared through trailhead kiosks, the Town of Eagle website, Town social media platforms, open houses, and via partners' networks.
- AE2 – Natural Resource Education: Develop educational materials about area natural resources and the fragile ecosystem and soils, and accordingly how to recreate responsibly. These materials should be shared through trailhead kiosks, the Town of Eagle website, Town social media platforms, and via partners' networks.

RECOMMEND ACTION OR PROPOSED MOTION: None.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Slide show presentation from VVMTA and HTC
2. Executive Summary from VVMTA and HTC

Executive Summary - Respect the Wild



Respect the Wild is an educational campaign based on positive rewards and peer pressure to change three behaviors to help protect wildlife: keep dogs leashed, respect trail closures, leave wildlife alone. We are seeing positive impact through camera data results and supported by anecdotal reports .

- 99.9% in 2022 and 99.5% in 2023 seasonal trail closure compliance - protects hundreds of acres of winter range surrounding the Town of Eagle development boundary from 12/1-4/15 annually.
- 73%-83% of people recreating on Haymaker so far this winter are being responsible - they don't have a dog or their dog is on a leash. More people are getting out on Haymaker without a dog.
- For those people who recreate with dogs on Haymaker, our data shows that year-over-year more of them are keeping their dogs on-leash.
- Majority of winter recreation is on the golf course, keeping impact contained within areas already impacted by urban density. Limited data on the golf course suggests that 70-90% of users are being responsible. This is supported by a large decrease in complaints received by the general manager.

Through significant paid advertising, local communications, signage and community outreach:

- We have successfully reached members of our community who were unaware of their impact, didn't know the rules and are willing to change. They are taking the pledge and changing their behavior to protect wildlife.
- At the onset, for those that don't care about the rules, we identified that enforcement or incentive to stop is likely needed to dissuade this group. The majority of people we have contacted who have their dog off-leash on Haymaker fall into this group. These conversations are proving difficult as they cross into enforcement without authority. Additional enforcement support on Haymaker could be beneficial. It should be community decision.

Impact Summary Winter 2023 and 2024

Budget	Deliverables	Result
2023 \$40,000 Eagle Ranch Wildlife Committee \$20,000 from Town of Eagle	Deliverables executed focused on bilingual display & social media advertising supported by an educational event, partner communications, trail signage and volunteer based education at the Haymaker trailhead.	• 434,911 impressions - how often the ads are shown • 2,389 clicks RespectTheWild.com • 304 pledge takers • 99.9% trail closure compliance
2024 \$15,000 from Eagle Ranch Wildlife Committee	With the success of the 2023 advertising campaign, the focus for 2024 is on a paid trail ambassador doing on-the trail education and positive rewards supported by partner communications, increased signage educational event, school outreach, and organic social media.	• Year over year improvement • Decreased complaints on golf course • Successful social media • 184 new pledge takers • 99.5% trail closure compliance

Quick Links

- [2023 Respect the Wild Proposal](#)
- [2023 Campaign Strategy & Goals](#)
- [2023 Creative Presentation -Council](#)
- [2023 Paid Advertising Results](#)
- [2023 Media Kit and Creative](#)
- [2024 Respect the Wild Proposal](#)
- [2024 Plan Summary & Impact to Date](#)
- [OSRAC Meeting - CPW Input on Recreation - Haymaker & Golf Course](#)

Data Trends - Haymaker

Usage Summary - Total Users from December 1 - April 15

Haymaker Loop 1	2021	2022	2023 (partial)
Total Human Users	908	863	1066
Total K9 Users	459	493	335
% Of K9 Users Off-Leash	82%	74%	64%
% Responsible Users - No dog or on-leash	60%	57%	78%

Haymaker Loop 2	2021	2022	2023 (partial)
Total Human Users	N/A	N/A	1605
Total K9 Users	N/A	N/A	398
%K9 Users Off-Leash	N/A	N/A	68%
% Responsible Users - No Dog or On-Leash	N/A	N/A	83%

Eagle Area Seasonal Closure Violations

Trail Name	2021	2022	2023
Haymaker 3rd Loop	2	1	9*
2nd Gulch/Arroyo	0	0	0
Turniphead	1	0	0

*4 violations were between 12/1 and 12/17 indicating that education around the date change from 12/15 to 12/1 would be beneficial



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Respect the Wild 2023-24 Winter Summary

May 7, 2024



Agenda

- Recap - Campaign Objectives
- Haymaker Camera Data
- Seasonal Closure Compliance
- Winter Trail Ambassador
- Trail Ambassador Summer Program
- Plans for 2024-35



Campaign Objectives

Change behavior, inspire conversations and educate

Humor and positive rewards intended to better understand our relationship with wildlife and change behavior to recreate responsibly.

- Seasonal Closures
- Keep Dogs Leashed
- Leave Wildlife Alone



Target Audience & Mindsets

- I'm just one person - I let my dog off leash, but it comes back when I call it. Besides, I'm just one person, how much harm could it do?
- I don't know the rules - I would follow the rules, but I don't know what they are. Educate me and I'll abide.
- I don't care about the rules - I don't care about the rules. I'm going to do what I want to do.
 - Incentive to stop or enforcement likely needed to change



Haymaker Camera Data

Loops 1 and 2

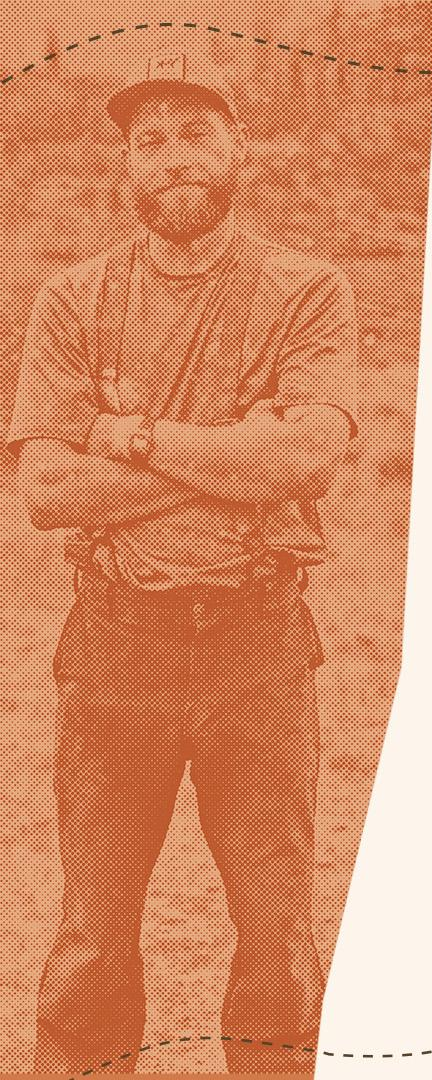
Year	Total Human Users	Total K9 Users	%Off Leash	% No Dog and/or On Leash
21/22	908	459	82%	60%
22/23	863	493	74%	57%
23/24	1066	335	64%	78%

Seasonal Closure Violations

Eagle Area Trails

Trail Name	21/22	22/23	23/24
Haymaker 3rd Loop	2	1	9*
2nd Gulch Arroyo	0	0	0
Turniphead	1	0	0

*4 were between 12/1-12/17 indicating more education around the date change could be beneficial



Winter Trail Ambassador

The Winter Trail Ambassador was challenging. The off-leash dog owners encountered fell into the “I don’t care about the rules” group. Conversations were angry and confrontational. Enforcement is needed to change.

- 58 hours on the trail with additional 18.5 hours IYCC
- Timing was challenging
- No authority to enforce made conversations difficult
- Safety is #1 concern moving forward



Summer Trail Ambassador

Working in a team, two Trail Ambassadors will provide education on the high-traffic trails regarding LNT principles, responsible recreation, and stewardship

- Supported by collateral, VVP videos and sustainable tourism initiatives
- Ongoing education - newsletters and Vail Daily column
- Mix on trail head and on-trail education

Plans for Winter 2024/2025

Change behavior, inspire conversations and educate

Continued focus on education through our social media, newsletters and Vail Daily column

- Respect the Wild Pledge and Prizes
- Eagle Ranch HOA Newsletter
- Signage at trailheads, paths and golf course
- VVP Sustainable Tourism
- No Trail Ambassador on Haymaker or golf course





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To: Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee (OSRAC)

From: Brian Lieberman, Open Space and Trails Manager

Date: May 7, 2024

Agenda Item: Eagle Bureau of Land Management Environmental Assessment Projects Implementation Update

REQUEST: None. Staff and the Vail Valley Mountain Trails Alliance (VVMTA) will provide an update on the Environmental Assessment and implementation timeline for projects on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

BACKGROUND: In early 2023, the Hardscrabble Trails Coalition (HTC) and the Vail Valley Mountain Trails Alliance (VVMTA) submitted a proposal for trail decommissioning, reroutes, and some new trail miles on BLM lands adjacent to the Town of Eagle. The proposed projects are largely derived from high-priority items identified in the Town's 2022 Open Space and Trails Master Plan (OST Plan). The Town's OST Plan can be viewed on the Town's website: <https://www.townofeagle.org/402/2022-Open-Space-and-Trails-Plan>.

The BLM evaluated the proposed projects through an Environmental Assessment (EA) as part of the requirements identified in the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The NEPA analysis included an evaluation of potential effects on botany/ vegetation, cultural, archaeological, wildlife, and recreation resources. The EA also included an opportunity for public and stakeholder comment.

As of early April 2024, the EA is completed. Some proposed projects have been changed or altered as a result of the EA. The Final EA, which details the approved projects on BLM lands, can be viewed here: https://eplanning.blm.gov/public_projects/2024351/200555545/20107999/251007999/DOI-BLM-CO-G020-2023-0037-EA_ac.pdf.

ANALYSIS: The EA approved the following projects on BLM lands adjacent to the Town of Eagle:

- "Construct 5.46 miles of single-track non-motorized trail (primarily reroutes of existing trail) and 0.68 miles of motorized trail (dirt bike use) to provide sustainable alignments, high-quality trail experiences and connect trails to hub points for a more user-friendly trail system.
- Decommission 15.63 miles of trail currently open to mountain bikes, of which 6.12 miles would be banked miles. These banked miles meet the following criteria: routes that serve as primary mechanized (mountain bike) routes, see regular and continuous use, and are associated with a reroute. Routes that don't meet this criteria would not be banked.

- Rehabilitate 3.85 miles of social trail routes. Change the bottom section of Road Gulch (0.82 miles) from motorized to a mechanized trail intended for ascending mountain bike riders.
- Routes proposed for decommission may be accessible for administrative uses including utility access and livestock grazing. Gates would be placed where needed on these administrative routes. Foot and horse traffic is allowed on administrative routes.
- Any decommissioned routes not identified for administrative access would be signed as closed. Additional rehabilitation would take place if monitoring shows continued use of the route. Rehabilitation would include brushing in the route with adjacent vegetation, ripping the tread with hand tools or motorized equipment (e.g., mini excavator) and planting a BLM approved seed mix. Some routes would be allowed to rehabilitate naturally. These are routes with no erosion issues and soft tread where plants can more easily take hold.”

All trails will continue to have a seasonal wildlife closure of December 1 – April 15 for motorized and mechanized use.

As most of this work is focused on rerouting unsustainable trail sections and improving loop opportunities, the impacts on Town open space and trails are expected to be minimal, if any.

COMMUNITY INPUT: Significant public input was collected to develop the Town’s 2022 OST plan. The EA NEPA analysis had an opportunity to provide public and stakeholder comments.

BUDGET/ STAFF IMPACT: VVMTA will implement the projects approved in the EA. The total cost for labor and materials is about \$95,000. The Town budgeted \$100,000 to contribute to the implementation of high-priority recreation and trail items identified in the 2022 OST plan. Staff time includes project coordination responsibilities with VVMTA and the BLM.

Implementation is scheduled to start in May 2024.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT / STANDARDS ACHIEVED: The 2021 Elevate Eagle Comprehensive Plan includes the following goals:

- Goal 3.10- Continue coordination with the BLM on trail network expansion.
- Goal 3-3. - Continue to maintain the incredible trail and park system and find new opportunities for expansion and connections to keep up with the adventurous residents’ lifestyle.
 - o Support efforts to enhance and expand parks, trails (hiking, biking, motorized), and recreation amenities.

The proposed projects are largely derived from high-priority items identified in the Town’s 2022 Open Space and Trails Master Plan (OST Plan).

RECOMMEND ACTION OR PROPOSED MOTION: None.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. The Town’s OST Plan can be viewed on the Town’s website:
<https://www.townofeagle.org/402/2022-Open-Space-and-Trails-Plan>.
2. The Final EA, which details the approved projects on BLM lands, can be viewed here:
https://eplanning.blm.gov/public_projects/2024351/200555545/20107999/251007999/DOI-BLM-CO-G020-2023-0037-EA_ac.pdf

3. The Elevate Eagle Comprehensive Plan can be viewed here: <chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcgclefindmkaj/https://www.townofeagle.org/DocumentCenter/View/17074/2021-Amended-Elevate-Eagle-Comprehensive-Plan>.