

# Mid Valley Trails Committee Meeting Minutes

July 27<sup>th</sup> 2023

7:30am- 8:53am

1340 Main Street Carbondale, CO 81623 – RFTA Office

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## INVITED ATTENDEES

- George Trantow – MVTC Chair
- Phillip Ring – MVTC Treasurer – **Attended.**
- Alan Luu - MVTC Member – **Attended.**
- Perry Kleespies – MVTC Member – **Attended.**
- Temple Glassier – MVTC Project Manager – **Attended.**
- Rebecca Schild – Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers
- Michelle Daniels – Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers
- Mike Pritchard, Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association – **Attended.**
- Karin Offield, Roaring Fork Valley Horse Council – **Attended.**
- Michelle Thibeault, Town of Basalt Planning Director
- Angela Henderson, RFTA – **Attended.**
- Brett Meredith, RFTA – **Attended.**
- Jud Lang, RFTA
- Abbey Pascoe, RFTA – **Attended.**
- Sarah Faichney, RFTA – **Attended.**

## AGENDA

1. Review and approval of May's meeting minutes. **Approved.**
2. Updates from MVTC Partnerships
  - Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association (RFMBA) Update – Mike Pritchard
    - Requesting additional funding for the Crown Trail Project. *Please reference images B1-B2.* **Mike said that he will provide an update on the work the seasonal employees are completing on Basalt Mountain next meeting. They are mostly working on the Mill Creek trail and Basalt Mountain trails. He will have more clarity on the Cattle Creek trail next meeting to open the big loop on Basalt Mountain. There was about 30 fallen trees and a scope of work still needs to be determined. Mike shared an overview of the Crown Trail budget. Mike stated this committee has been super supportive. The RFMBA has also had support from its members, business partners, fundraisers and grants. Phillip asked what is the Catena Foundation based on the overview of the budget. (reference image B2) Mike said it was a family foundation that has been around for about 5-8 years and they're located in Carbondale, CO. They have a lot of different initiatives but one of their focuses is trail building and youth cycling. They help fund different projects in the four corners, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah and Colorado. Mike wanted to point out the purple on the budget overview.**

These are in-Kind volunteer hours. It is not cash but without these in-Kind hours RFMBA wouldn't have gotten as far on these projects without them. Mike is requesting an additional \$55,000 to bridge the funding gap that is need for these projects. Mike showed where the \$55,000 would be needed on Basalt Mountain for the trails. The cost increase has gone up and a lot of the trails need fine tuning all around. The \$55,000 additional funding would go to the projects in that are highlighted in blue. Those lines items in the projects still need to be funded. Mike says the MVTC contribution would go towards the Middle Crown Royale project and if RFMBA did not get this contribution from MVTC it would delay this project. RFMBA would be able to do a part of the Middle Crown project but wouldn't be able to open the trail to the public. Temple mentioned this is a pretty big ask and it would decrease the MVTC fund balance by a lot. Phillip asked what RFMBA would ask for 2024. Mike is estimating around to \$30,000 after asking for the additional \$55,000 this year. The committee is not keen on the idea of giving their entire budget to one partnership. They would like to schedule a budget meeting to discuss further on the decision.

- Roaring Fork Valley Horse Council (RFVHC) Update – Karin Offield
  - Requesting funding for TSPP signs in Eagle County. *Please reference images B3-B13.* Karin said she researched and found that hikers and horseback riders get lost around the Emma Open Space. Karin would like to put up signs in that area to prevent that. She will work with land managers to get approvals for putting up signs and work with Rocky Mountain Youth Core to help install them. Karin put together a budget to show quotes she has received to make the signs. Karin is not sure how many signs she will need for the area. Karin is still working with the land managers to decide how many would be appropriate. Karin is estimating the signage project will be under \$5,000. Temple pointed out that Karin missed the budget meeting last year for 2023 and that is why the Roaring Fork Horse Council is not on the official budget but on the 2023 revised budget. On the revised budget the RFVHC was allocated \$1,000 for Trail Organization Contribution and \$5,000 for Nancy Path/Glassier gates. Karin is requesting that MVTC reallocated the \$5,000 to the TSPP signs project instead of the Nancy path/Glassier gates. Karin stated the gates that need repairs are not in Eagle County. Phillip, Perry and Alan voted to approve reallocating the \$5,000 to the TSPP project instead.
  
- Basalt Parks, Open Space and Trails (POST) Update – Michelle Thibeault
  - No updates at this time.
  
- Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers (RFOV) – Rebecca Schild
  - No updates at this time.

### 3. New Business

#### ➤ Sarah Faichney

- MVTC Budget
- MVTC Work Plan

Discussed progress on the MVTC work plan. There have been two new members added this year. Temple provided updates on the Stage Trail. There is going to be new ownership of the land that is near that and it won't be finalized until October. Temple has been talking to Board on Cedar drive. They have an annual meeting in the late fall and Temple is hoping to attend that meeting. Temple will let everyone know once it is scheduled.

- Shadow Rock HOA meeting summary

Sarah shared the meeting summary and told the committee that Shadow Rock is open to the idea of having an access through them but they have some concerns about safety and getting approval of the homeowners.

- Polices being set in place.

Sarah created an attendance policy to be set in place for expectations of committee members. The committee members agreed to this policy.

### 4. Action Items

- Budget Meeting for MVTC members scheduled August 17<sup>th</sup> .



Our mission is to create and sustain the best possible mountain bike trail system and experience in the Roaring Fork Valley.

## Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association BLM Crown Trail System Improvements

### Funding Request to Mid Valley Trails Committee of Eagle County

RFMBA, in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management's Colorado River Valley Field Office, with generous support from our members, sponsors, and granting entities, is currently implementing new and rerouted trails on the Crown Special Recreation Management Area during a multi-year project approved in 2022. As some costs have increased during the project (for required surveys and bio-monitoring required by BLM, and for increased trail contractor rates), RFMBA is requesting additional funding support through MVTC during summer of 2023. This page summarizes the request, while the following page includes budget details for the overall project.

Total 2022 + 2023 Funding Secured: \$341,010

Funding Expended as of 7/10/2023: \$168,610

Remaining Secured Funding: \$172,400

Total Budgeted Remaining 2023 Expenses: \$224,927

**Requested Additional Funding from MVTC: \$55,000**

Remaining Secured + Requested Additional MVTC Funding: \$227,400

**Imagine! The best trails on the planet – right outside your door!**

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BLM Crown Trails Projects - Budget Updates for MVTC Funding Request from RFMBA			7-10-23	
<b>Project Funding Sources</b>				
Entity	Amount	Notes		
Mid Valley Trails Committee of Eagle County 2022	\$40,000	MVTC board approved \$30k support in Sept. of 2021, approved increase to \$40k in Fall of 2022.		
Mid Valley Trails Committee of Eagle County 2023	\$50,000	MVTC project support during 2023. Coordinated support within budget during Sept. 2022, approved on 9/9/2022 at \$50k.		
RFMBA	\$57,000	RFMBA Memberships, Business Sponsors, + major grants. (\$10k in 2022, \$22k in early 2023, \$25k in late 2023).		
RFMBA STC Program Funding	\$33,000	Seasonal trail Crew Program funding allotted for new trail projects in 2022 & 2023.		
RFMBA 2022 + 2023 Fundraising Events	\$15,848	Season Kickoff Movie Night Event Proceeds. 2022 net profit is \$9,1963 + 2023 net profit is \$6,685.		
Revel Dream Bike Raffle	\$40,162	Revel Bikes - 2022 Dream bike raffle proceeds Estimate.		
Catena Foundation	\$105,000	Catena Foundation Grant to support 2022/23 Crown Trail projects		
<b>Total 2022+ 2023 Funding:</b>	<b>\$341,010</b>			
<b>Funding Expended 2022 &amp; 2023 as of 7/10/23:</b>	<b>\$168,610</b>	See below for actual costs, highlighted in yellow cells		
<b>Remaining Secured Funding:</b>	<b>\$172,400</b>			
RFMBA - volunteer time - confirmed	\$21,389	Volunteer hour in Colorado is valued at \$31.50/hour. 522 hours for IG and FoGC projects.		
RFMBA - volunteer time - projected	\$15,750	Volunteer hour in Colorado is valued at \$31.50/hour. 500 hours projected for FoGC, Innie Reroutes & Buckhorn Down.		
CMC/BLM Funding for CMC Crew on Overie	\$3,600	In-kind support from Colorado Mt. Club & BLM to support construction of Overie Trail.		
RMYC Funding for Crew Leader Training Week	\$20,000	In-kind support from RMYC to support construction of Imperial Gardens Trail.		
BLM Funding for 2 RMYC Crew Weeks	\$20,000	In-kind payment to RMYC to support construction of Imperial Gardens Trail.		
BLM Provided Signage Posts & Fence Posts	\$1,500			
<b>Total Value of In Kind &amp; Volunteer Time:</b>	<b>\$82,239</b>			
<b>Additional Funding Request to MVTC:</b>				
Mid Valley Trails Committee of Eagle County 2023 - Additional	\$55,000	MVTC potential additional support during 2023.		
<b>Remaining + Requested Funding:</b>	<b>\$227,400</b>			
<b>Total of Budgeted Remaining 2023 Expenses:</b>	<b>\$224,927</b>	See below for details.		
<b>Trail Project Cost Estimates &amp; Actual Costs - As of 7-10-2023</b>				
		<b>(Actual Costs are highlighted)</b>		\$141,610
New Trail Name / Project Expenses	Trail Length	2022 Budget Estimate	2023 Budget Estimate	Notes
Plant & Cultural studies needed prior to 8/2022 BLM FOGC Approval		\$4,500	\$4,869	Actual cost as of 7/10/22
Bio Monitor per BLM req. - Fall 2022 (for Overie, FoGC & LCR)		\$0	\$2,856	New BLM requirement, not in original budget. Actual cost as of 11/30/22, just under SGM's \$3k estimate.
<b>Overie Trail</b>	1.25 miles	\$26,204	\$6,900	Est. volunteer & staff time at \$4/foot.
IG - RFMBA STC staff time		\$6,000	\$6,900	230 hours of staff time at \$30/hour avg.
IG - CMC conservation crew time		\$0	\$3,600	120 crew hours at \$30/hour for Overie project.
<b>Father of Ginormous Crossovers</b>	0.32 miles		\$9,270	309 hours hours of staff time at \$30/hour avg.
FoGC - RFMBA STC staff time		\$6,000	\$9,270	
FoGC - volunteer time		\$6,000	\$6,000	Volunteer hour in Colorado is valued at \$31.50/hour. 125 hours so far, 200 total estimated hours for FoGC projects.
<b>Imperial Gardens Trail</b>	3.27 miles		\$10,830	361 hours of staff time (as of 7/10/23) at \$30/hour avg.
IG - RFMBA STC staff time		\$6,000	\$10,830	
IG - RFMBA volunteer time		\$15,000	\$15,089	Volunteer hour in Colorado is valued at \$31.50/hour. 479 estimated hours for IG projects.
IG - RMYC 4 crew weeks		\$36,000	\$40,000	RMYC contract rate is \$10k/week for crew of 10 working 400 total hours/week (\$25/hr).
IG - RMYC 2 crew weeks		\$0	\$20,000	RMYC contract rate is \$10k/week for crew of 10 working 400 total hours/week (\$25/hr).
IG - RMYC crew leader training week		\$0	\$20,000	Estimated value, ~40 RMYC crew leaders and trainees working ~800 total hours over ~3 days.
<b>Crown Royale Trail</b>	5.5 miles		\$66,368	Built mostly Fall 2022, finished Spring 2023.
Lower Crown Royale (Builder: Team Harmony Worldwide)		\$49,110	\$100,265	Trail contractor costs/foot higher than expected. Final length of trail est. to be 15% longer than approved design due to grades.
Middle Crown Royale (Builder: Gumption Trail Works)		\$76,425	\$114,862	(\$128,234 revised estimate.) Contractor costs/foot higher than expected. Final length est. to be 23% longer than approved design due to grades.
Upper Crown Royale (Builder: Dirt Tek Trails) (Est. Remaining)		\$69,300	\$13,372	Final Design flagging + uppermost trail segment is now complete.
Upper Crown Royale (Invoices Paid as of 7/10/23)			\$13,372	
Bio Monitor + MBTA nest surveys per BLM req. (for CR, IG)		\$0	\$4,392	New BLM requirement, not in original budget.
Bio Monitor - Additional 2023 Est. costs		\$0	\$3,000	New BLM requirement, not in original budget.
Additional cultural survey for UCR final alignment per BLM req.			\$2,728	final alignment revised beyond initial 15m cultural survey corridor.
<b>Cattle Fence Rideover Structures per BLM</b>		\$0	\$9,587	6 structures from Easy Fence LLC
Innie - RFMBA STC staff time		\$6,000	\$6,000	10 hours x 4 crew x 5 structure installs = 200 hours x \$30/hour staff time cost.
Innie - RFMBA volunteer time		\$0	\$0	Volunteer coordination TBD
Basic signage for intersections, budgeted / est. remaining		\$1,215	\$800	(not upgraded signage for entire Crown...)
Basic signage for intersections, actual costs so far			\$166	standard decals for intersection signage
<b>Total of Actual 2022/23 Expenses:</b>			<b>\$168,610</b>	
<b>Total of Budgeted Remaining 2023 Expenses:</b>			<b>\$224,927</b>	
<b>Total of 2022 Budgeted / 2023 Revised Expenses:</b>		\$286,754	<b>\$393,537</b>	
<b>Total of In-Kind / Volunteer Labor 2022/23 Value:</b>		\$21,000	<b>\$64,689</b>	
<b>Total of 2023 Revised Actual / Budgeted Expenses &amp; Value:</b>		\$307,754	<b>\$458,226</b>	
<b>2024/2025 Scope of Work to complete BLM approved trails</b>				
Below future scope is approved, and fundraising is now ongoing. MVTC's future support in 2024/25 would be greatly appreciated.				
New Trail Name / Project Expenses	Trail Length	2022 Budget Estimate	2023 Revised Budget Estimate	Notes
Bio Monitor per BLM req. 2024/2025		\$0	\$7,000	Harrington's Penstemon monitoring for Innie & Buckhorn Down
<b>Outie Reroutes</b>			\$71,690	Original estimate was for \$6/ft., now increased to \$10/ft.
trail contractor cost estimate		\$43,014	\$71,690	
<b>Innie Reroutes</b>	0.72 miles	\$15,196	\$6,000	Est. volunteer & staff time at \$4/foot.
Innie - RFMBA STC staff time			\$6,000	200 hours of staff time at \$30/hour avg.
Innie - RFMBA volunteer time			\$5,040	Volunteer hour in Colorado is valued at \$31.50/hour. 160 estimated hours for I-R project.
<b>Buckhorn Down</b>	0.74 miles	\$15,564	\$3,600	Est. volunteer & staff time at \$4/foot.
Innie - RFMBA STC staff time			\$3,600	120 hours of staff time at \$30/hour avg.
BD - RFMBA volunteer time			\$5,670	Volunteer hour in Colorado is valued at \$31.50/hour. 180 estimated hours for BD project.
Upgraded signage for Crown Trail System		\$15,000	\$15,000	(you-are-here maps, new kiosks, etc.)
<b>Total of 2024/25 Budgeted Expenses:</b>		<b>\$88,774</b>	<b>\$103,290</b>	
<b>Total of In-Kind / Volunteer Labor 2024/25 Value:</b>			<b>\$10,710</b>	

JULY 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

Action: "Please present documentation of each of your plans to have the signs installed. Purpose of the plan, locations, approvals, estimates etc. That way we can add to the budget appropriately."

**MVTC: We need documentation of a plan.**

*The Roaring Fork Valley Horse Council plans to promote safe equestrian education in the Eagle County - Mid Valley region. We are concerned for the safety of our equestrian members, visiting horseback riders, hikers and all types of recreational users.*

**PURPOSE OF THE PLAN:**

*In this proposal we are asking the Mid Valley Trails Committee for confirmation of the 2023 funding to the RFVHC to begin the planned installation of the Trails Safe Passing Plan (TSPP) Stop! Speak and Stand Back RFVHC trail signs, and RFVHC carsonite trail markers on dual sided posts as directional signs to indicate the trail accurately. We believe there is wide-spread community support for the project.*

*RFVHC believes correct signage will increase trail use safety, reduce trespassing on leased lands and be an asset for all trail users. The RFVHC is requesting permission from land managers – RFTA, BLM, the Town of Basalt and CPW, Pitkin County & Eagle County to install these RFVHC signs and carsonite signposts. We will use funding from the MVTC to pay for, or to help to expedite ] land managers fund the signage and labor, when and where appropriate. RIO GRANDE TRAIL CAMPAIGN says it best, "Connect, Protect, Respect".*

**LOCATIONS:**

1. TSPP signs installation at multi-use intersections, kiosks, and parking lots \*
2. Two Roots Farm directional signs to Rio Grande Trail and Light Hill \*
3. Basalt Mountain equestrian trails, especially at busy mountain bike intersections
4. Eagle County equestrian trails where needed.

*\*These two locations to be addressed in part 1 of the 2023 Summer Plan.*

*The overall goal in the Mid-Valley for the RFVHC is to educate users at trail intersections for what to do when encountering people with horses on the trails and to maintain our older historical trails to allow trail riding away from the increasingly busy highways, roadways and single-track bike trails.*

*The Mid-Valley and Emma Open Space is bordered by protected property on three sides with the state-protected Basalt State Wildlife Area to the north, privately conserved Grange Ranch conservation easement to the East, and the federally protected Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Light Hill area to the south.*

*Respect for the beautiful mid-valley lands is of foremost concern and added signage can ensure no horses/hikers will wander off the trail and stray onto the farmland. Our RFVHC signage will be very important for education, way finding and to keep this very special place pristine.*

*The dramatic increase in valley recreation during and after the Covid pandemic has increased both the importance and urgency of such trail work. Many equestrians in the RFV wish to share trails with all users, bikers and pedestrians, and equestrians are asking us for safe rules that are understandable and helpful. Please see their requests in the Survey Monkey Reports attached below.*

**REASONS WHY THE RFVHC BOARD OF DIRECTORS SEE A NEED FOR THIS TRAIL IMPROVEMENT IN THE MID-VALLEY:**

The Emma area and the mid-valley host a network of protected lands including working farms and ranches as well as open space and wildlife habitat in both public and private ownership. Together the lands create a fertile crescent and a break in development within the Roaring Fork Valley. \* (Emma Open Space Management Plan)

*This region boasts recreation and tourism potential, and horseback riding and hiking is the access allowed by the BLM on Light Hill which adjoins Emma Open Space. On the southeast corner of Emma Open Space, there is an old, two-track road/trail that connects up the slope and across a sage meadow, located on the BLM-managed Light Hill. The BLM manages Light Hill for "Priority Wildlife Habitat." The BLM has designated the two-track road/trail as "foot and horse" access only identified as trail 8335 a/b. Where the two-track road/trail is located on Emma Open Space, it shows signs of occasional foot use. Many of our members have ridden this region extensively over the years. The RFVHC wants to help preserve this historical recreational opportunity and the Emma Open Space Management Program supports trails, trail access and horse trailer parking.*

*A goal listed in the Mid Valley's Emma Open Space Management Plan is to maintain current parking facilities at trailheads in good condition with specific areas designated for horse trailers. Our RFVHC trail signage meets this need. The Emma Caucus that protects BLM's Light Hill emphasizes undeveloped solitude, natural character and wildlife habitat, with an emphasis on non-motorized use. The RFVHC directional signposts will discourage any new access points to the public lands, which is a goal of the caucus.*

**REASONS WHY THE RFVHC MEMBERSHIP AND RF VALLEY EQUESTRIANS SEE A NEED FOR THIS TRAIL IMPROVEMENT IN THE MID-VALLEY:**

*The Survey Monkey Reports that are attached give the reasons and the locations, in general, where our RFV equestrian community currently rides and hopes to continue traveling by horseback, well into the future. Eagle County lands, Pitkin County lands and BLM lands all share similar history, culture and agricultural land uses. The RFVHC aims to provide access to these public lands and improve opportunities for high quality dispersed recreation. Posting the Trails Safe Passing Plan (TSPP) Stop! Speak and Stand Back RFVHC Trail Signs will generate conversations, further education and provide all trail users with an understanding of what people with horses need other trail users to understand, for safe trail passing when encountering people with horses on trails.*

[Purpose of Installing Equestrian Education Signage for Rio Grande Trail](#) / Survey Monkey  
[Purpose of Installing Equestrian Signage in El Jebel/Basalt Mountain.](#) / Survey Monkey

**1. APPROVALS BEING SOUGHT FOR THE TRAIL SIGN PROJECT ON THE RIO GRANDE TRAIL:**

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 RFTA Trails and Corridor Manager  
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 970.384.4975

**2. APPROVALS FOR THE TRAIL SIGN PROJECT ON LIGHT HILL**

BLM: Alan Czepinski – In discussion  
 Outdoor Recreational Planner  
[aczepinski@blm.com](mailto:aczepinski@blm.com)  
 970-319-7965

**3. APPROVALS FOR THE TRAIL SIGN PROJECT FOR EMMA OPEN SPACE**

Pitkin County: Gary Tennebaum and Ted Obrien – In discussion  
[Gary.tennebaum@pitkincounty.com](mailto:Gary.tennebaum@pitkincounty.com)  
[Ted.obrien@pitkincounty.com](mailto:Ted.obrien@pitkincounty.com)

**4. APPROVALS FOR THE TRAIL SIGN PROJECT FOR EAGLE COUNTY/MID-VALLEY**

Eagle County: Brian Lieberman Open Space and Trails Manager – In discussion  
 970-404-9710  
[Brian.lieberman@townofeagle.org](mailto:Brian.lieberman@townofeagle.org)

**5. APPROVALS FOR THE TRAIL SIGN PROJECT FOR BASALT MOUNTAIN CPW AND TOWN OF BASALT**

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**COSTS INVOLVED WITH THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS AND POSTS:**

Crew Project Hours – One week/350 hours for Rocky Mountain Youth Corps

Labor: \$2800.00

Carsonite Posts: \$560.00 plus shipping fees (20)

Fed Rec Decals: \$300.00 plus shipping (as needed)

{Voss Signs: [Cathy@vosssigns.com](mailto:Cathy@vosssigns.com)

12"vs 8 " aluminum prices. See Invoice for both sizes with pricing quotes for 25,50,100, and 250 signs. TBD}

Cost of 50 signs:

\$522.00 plus shipping

Please see the invoice below outlining the costs of different orders, and sizes.





Voss Signs, LLC, 112 Fairgrounds Drive  
 PO Box 553, Manlius, NY 13104-0553  
 Phone 1-800-473-0698 or 682-6418, Fax (315) 682-7335  
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## Quotation 1025116

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Phone: , Fax:

Subject: Our quote number 1025116, Customer number

Description	QUANTITY	PRICE EACH	SETUP CHARGE	ART CHARGE	TOTAL
8" x 8" x 8" on .032 aluminum	25	\$11.77	\$45.00		\$339.25
1/2" radius corners	50	\$7.78	\$45.00		\$434.00
	100	\$6.26	\$45.00		\$671.00
	250	\$4.50	\$45.00		\$1,170.00
12" x 12" x 12" on .032 aluminum	25	\$14.94	\$45.00		\$418.50
1/2" radius corners	50	\$9.54	\$45.00		\$522.00
	100	\$8.34	\$45.00		\$879.00
	250	\$7.56	\$45.00		\$1,935.00

*Terms:* credit card with order  
*Delivery:* ships about 3 weeks after proof approval  
*Via:* UPS  
*Sales Tax:* NA

Shipping +	\$15.00
Sub Total	<b>\$6,383.75</b>
Tax +	\$0.00
Grand Total	<b>\$6,383.75</b>

Thank you for the opportunity to quote your sign needs. You will get a proof of your sign to approve before we print. Please send QR code in a separate file. Let me know size and location of mounting holes if desired.

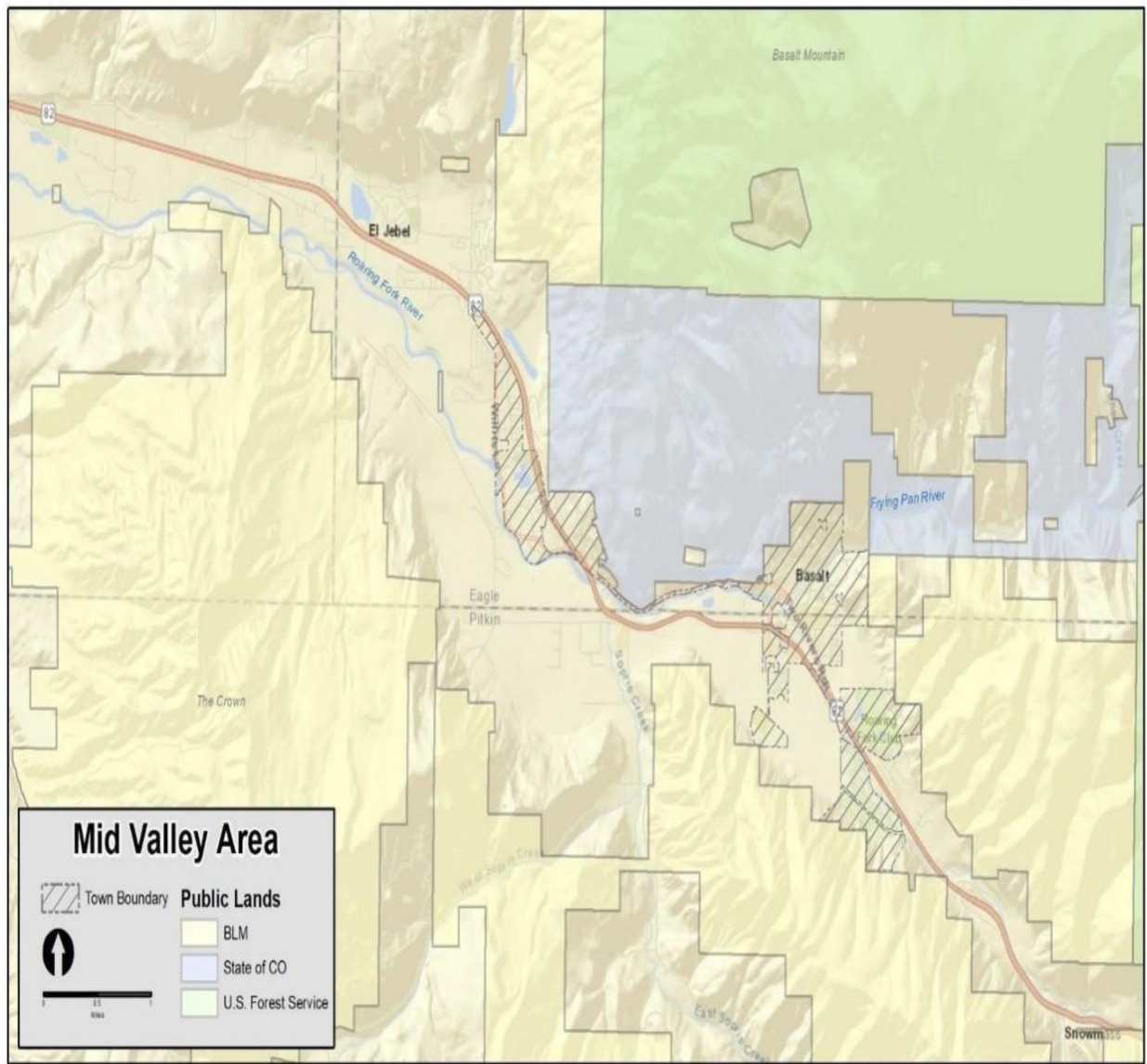
Sincerely,

Cathy Byrnes

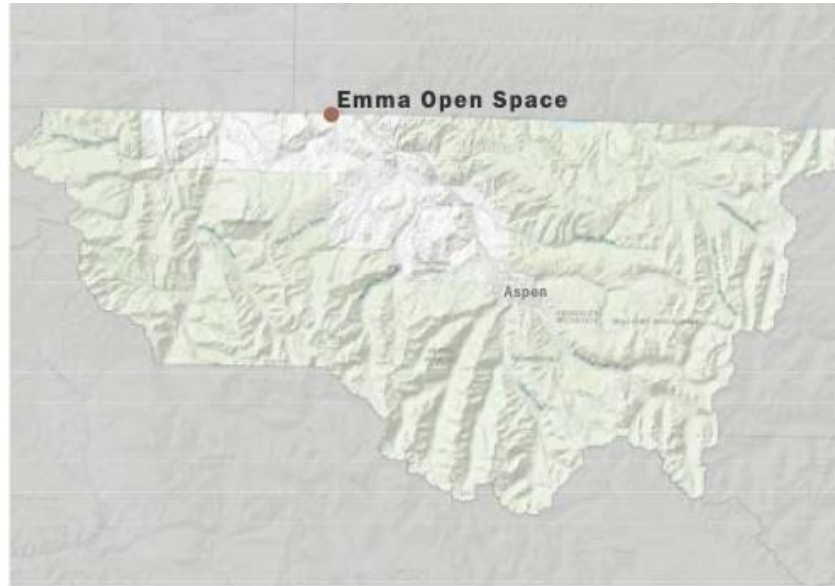
The following pages includes maps and photographs of this region.

# Mid-Valley Vicinity Map

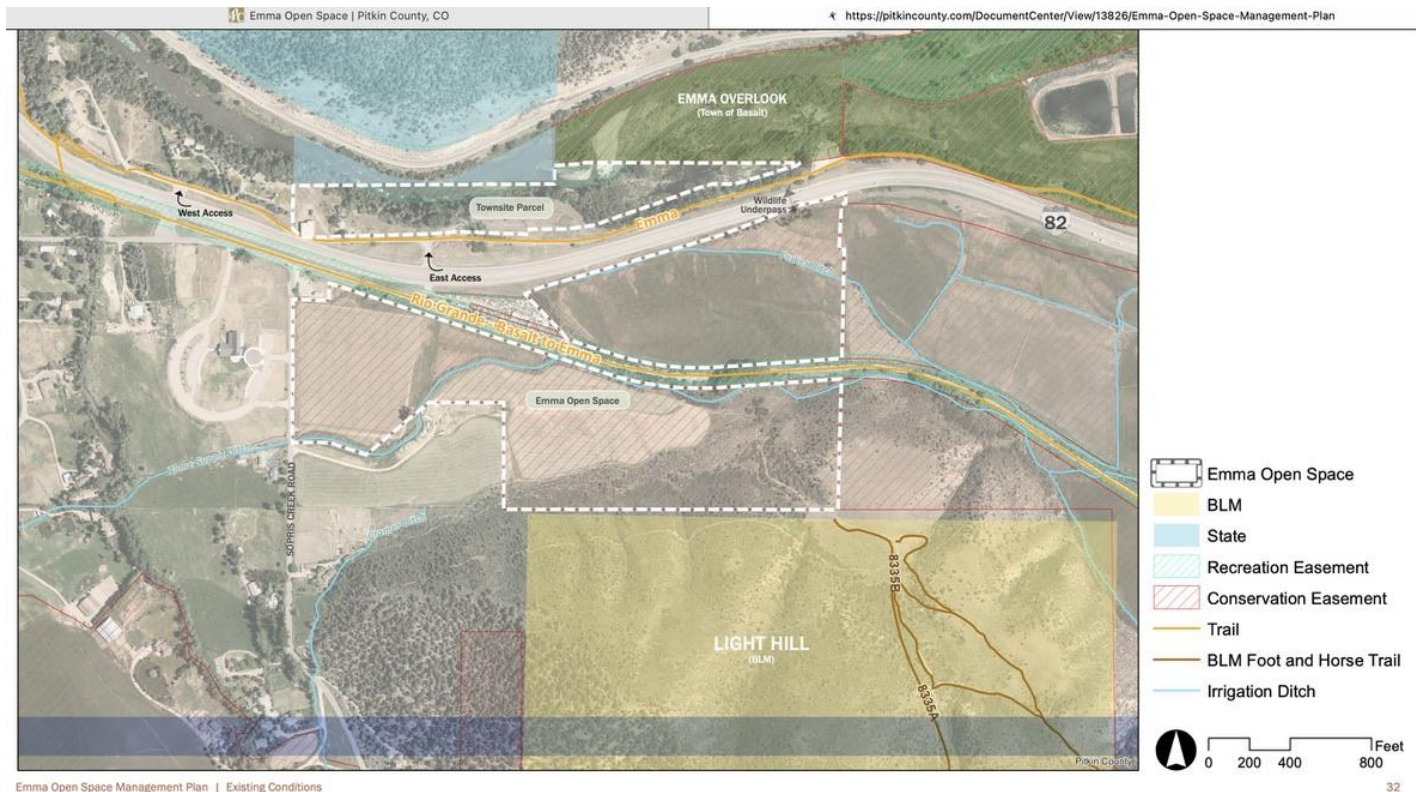
Draft Map – E.C. GIS is working on improving this map



### Eagle county on the north and Pitkin County's shared interest in Emma Open Space. Each county shared



Location within Pitkin County.



In the photo ABOVE, you can see the brown BLM Trails on the right corner, descending down toward Light Hill, and onto Emma Open Space.

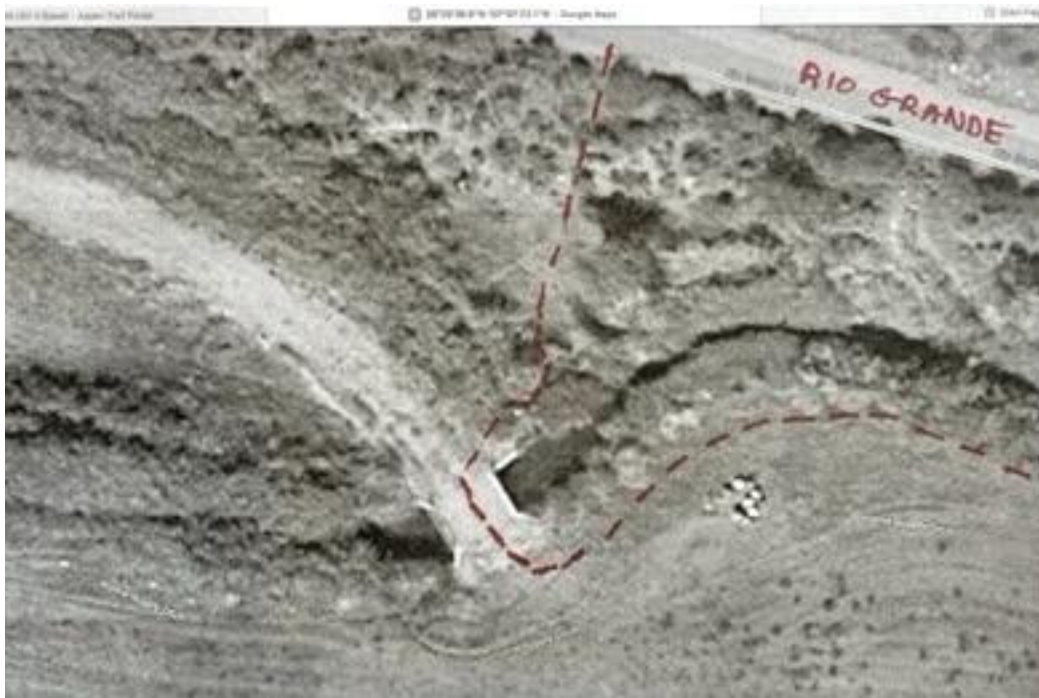


In the photo BELOW, you can see the immense size of our public lands and how they converge in the Mid Valley as Open Space.



In the photo ABOVE you can actually see the BLM Trails descending Light Hill, the trail on Emma Open Space that skirts the south boundary of the 11-acre leased parcel. The middle HeadGate is marked by a red circle, and the newly built bridge over the Home Supply Ditch allows foot and horseback riders to access the Rio Grande Trail as noted in other photographs and maps. Without directional signs to this short access, hikers and horses always end up on the leased agricultural lands at a dead end with nowhere to go.

In the photo BELOW you can see the red broken lines on the right side of the photograph leaving from Light Hill towards and over the new bridge crossing the Home Supply Ditch, then leaving the two track and bearing right to an old trail under the willows that adjoins the Rio Grande Trail. This newly cleared access was part of the Rocky Mountain Youth Corps work with the RFVHC in June 2023.

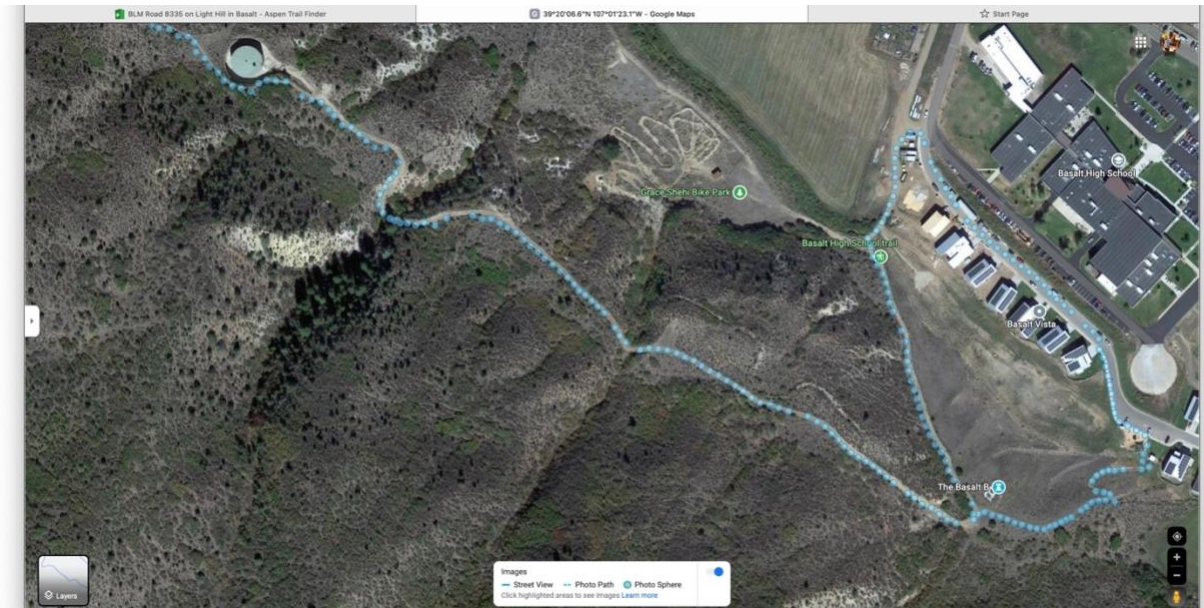
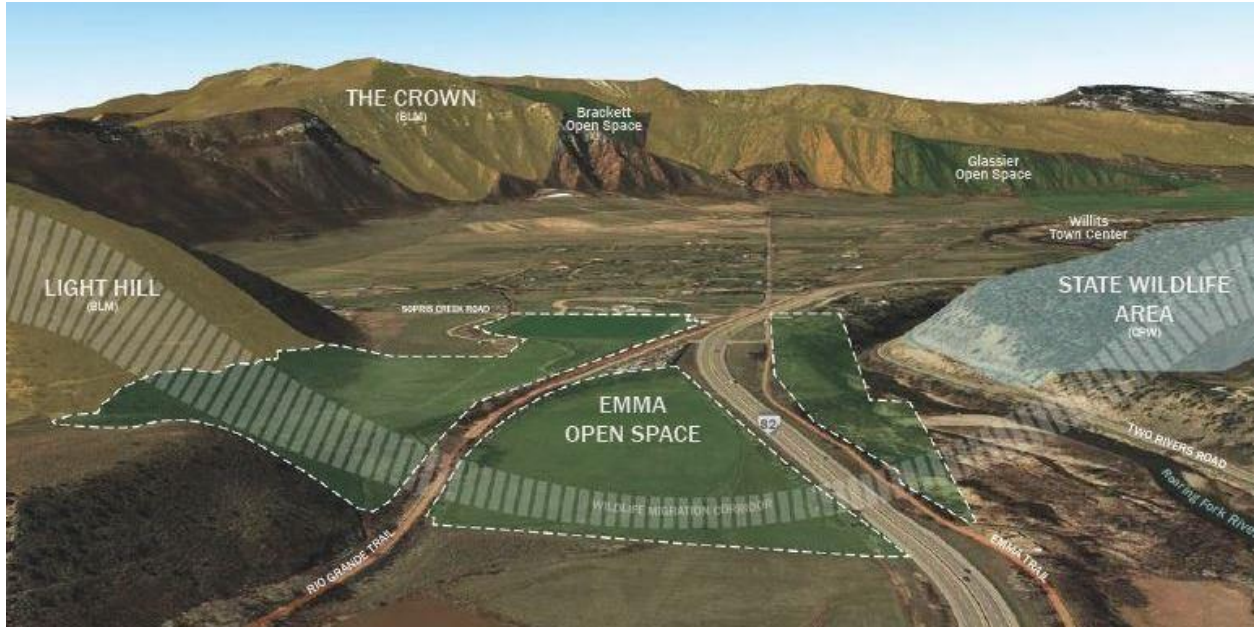


Emma Open Space and Townsite viewed from the southeast.

Photo ABOVE: Older photograph viewing the Emma Open Space's Two Roots leased land, from Light Hill



Photo BELOW: See how all the pieces of Open Space lands fit together.

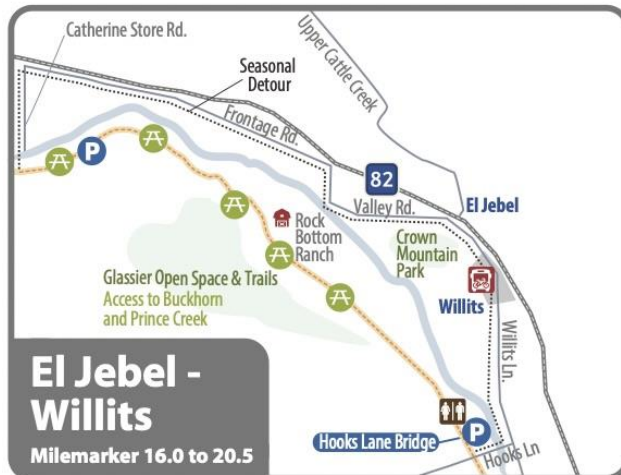
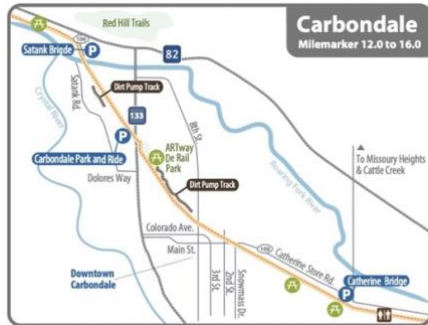


ABOVE: A horse/hiker trail from BASALT HIGH SCHOOL to the EMMA SCHOOL HOUSE. The blue dotted line shows the trails leaving Basalt High School, where there is ample truck and trailer parking, and ascending onto Light Hill and east towards Emma School House. Note the round water reservoir.

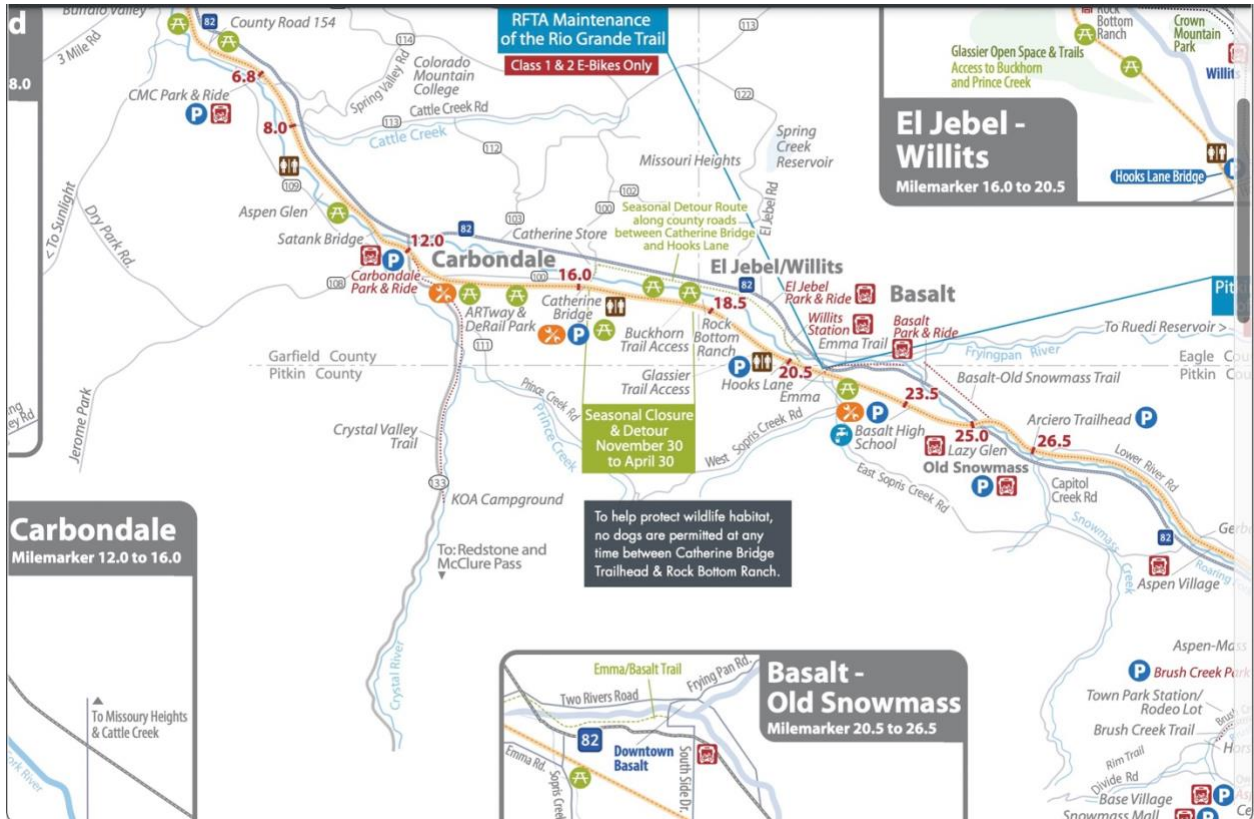
In the photo BELOW, hikers and horseback riders can stay high on old roads and trails, from the round reservoir before heading down Light Hill towards Emma Open Space lands.



Where does the RIO GRANDE TRAIL fit in? Parking Lots, kiosks, and Trails Safe Passing Plan (TSPP) Stop! Speak and Stand Back RVHC Signs installed from mile markers #12 to #26.5 at trail heads and parking lots. Equestrians and multi-users use the soft tracks and hard pavement Rio Grande Trail to access their home stables, the Carbondale Rodeo Grounds and valley wide trails.







Credits : <http://www.rfta.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/trailmap.pdf>;

<https://eagleoutside.com/explore/trails/>

<https://pitkincounty.com/DocumentCenter/View/13826/Emma-Open-Space-Management-Plan>







# 2023 Mid-Valley Trails Committee Work Plan

## Mid Valley Trails Projects

1. Marketing/Recruitment
2. Stage Trail
  - #5 Table 6. Proposed Project for Singletrack Unpaved Trails Pg. 30 of Trails Plan
3. El Jebel to Basalt Mtn Trail connection

## Partnerships & Their Projects

- Town of Basalt Post
  - Basalt Medical Center Trail
  - Duroux Park
  
- Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers
  - Trail described on Page 55 of Mid Valley Trails Plan
  - Trail Maintenance – Eagle County Projects
  
- Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association
  - Mid Valley Trail Maintenance
  - Crown Trail System Improvements
  
- Roaring Fork Valley Horse Council
  - Educational signs
  - Nancy's Path
  - Glassier Horse path / gates

July 11<sup>th</sup> 2023

5:30pm via Microsoft Teams

## **Summary of Shadow Rock HOA Meeting**

Attendees representing MVTC

- George Trantow – MVTC President
- Temple Glassier – MVTC Project Manger
- Jud Lang – RFTA Trails Supervisor
- Sarah Faichney – RFTA Business Specialist I

George and Temple presented the Shadow Rock HOA about having their support in creating a single foot hiking trail with an access point coming through Shadow Rock. George explained that Mid-Valley Trails Committee is a committee who is funded by the Eagle County tax payers and RFTA. The goal of MVTC is creating trails for people in the Roaring Fork portion of Eagle County to use. The Shadow Rock HOA approved supporting the conceptual idea of having an access next to their property. They did have some concerns about safety, parking, fencing, how busy the trail would be and the approval of the homeowners who would be next to the trail. George and Temple will work together to come up with a trail plan to address all of these concerns. The next step is for George and Temple to meet on site at Shadow Rock and look at the potential access points.

## Mid-Valley Trails Committee Member Attendance Policy

Mid-Valley Trails Committee values the punctuality, attendance and correspondence from its members. The committee needs at least 2/3 of the committee members present in order to conduct a meeting and vote on items therefore attendance is very important.

Outlined below are rules to follow as committee members, if there is failure to follow the rules termination of being a committee member will be considered.

1. Must attend meetings in person. If you cannot attend in person please reach out to Sarah Faichney at [sfaichney@rfta.com](mailto:sfaichney@rfta.com) and state why at least 10 days in advance.
2. If you miss more than 3 meetings you will no longer be a committee member.
3. Contact Sarah Faichney at [sfaichney@rfta.com](mailto:sfaichney@rfta.com) if you cannot attend the monthly meeting at least 10 days in advance.