Clear Creek County Open Space
Annual Report 2016-2017

Clear Creek Open Space Commission

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Mission Statement

The mission of the Clear Creek County Open Space Commission is to preserve and maintain the county’s unique character and natural environment by protecting our streams, woodlands, meadows, wildlife habitat, recreational opportunities, prominent vistas, geologic features and cultural resources to enhance the quality of life for residents and the enjoyment of the out-of-doors for residents and visitors.
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INTRODUCTION

Annually, the Clear Creek County Open Space Commission (OSC) presents a report of its activities during the previous year. Having been in existence since 2000, the OSC has seen an increase in the amount of acreage under its management. It is now responsible for managing 5,127 acres.\(^1\) In recent years, the OSC has undertaken a number of large construction projects to enable the citizens of Clear Creek County and others to more easily access Open Space lands. These projects include the Lawson White Water Park, the Philadelphia Mill Site Fishing Area, and a portion of the Clear Creek Greenway in Clear Creek Canyon.\(^2\) As the past two years have been very busy, this report covers both 2016 and 2017. This report gives some background to the larger projects and an update on new acquisitions.

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The Clear Creek County Open Space Program is funded by the Open Space Trust Fund. It was established in 2000 by a vote of the Clear Creek County voters; it authorizes one mil to be collected and placed in the Open Space Trust Fund. Initially, distribution of the funds was allocated 75% land acquisition and 25% management. In 2010, the voters changed the allocation to 60% land acquisition and 40% management. Management includes any activity not associated with the purchase of land. Planning efforts, facility construction, and maintenance are paid for from the management category. In addition to the Open Space Trust Fund, the Open Space Program has successfully received grants from organizations such as Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO), Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), Colorado Department of Parks and Wildlife (CPW), Colorado History, and Gates Family Foundation.

Since its inception, the OSC has bought or received by donation about 2,802 acres. In addition, the BOCC has given the OSC management authority for 3,229 acres of former Bureau of Land Management lands, often called “County Lands”. The OSC currently oversees 5,127 acres. See Appendix A Clear Creek County Open Space Properties (2018).

\(^{1}\) The acreage managed by OSC is less than the two values combined because 904 acres of Beaver Brook Watershed were sold to the US Forest Service as that was the goal when the land was purchased in 2005.

\(^{2}\) The Clear Creek Greenway is the portion of the Peaks to Plains Trail which goes from the confluence of Clear Creek and the Platte River that traverses Clear Creek County.
MANAGEMENT

Open Space managed properties vary in size, terrain, accessibility, and intensity of use. Management activities include developing management plans, actual construction of trails and other facilities, and day-to-day maintenance (e.g. weeds, erosion control, trash collection, cleaning, and painting of fences, buildings, etc.). In addition, the OSC spends time on efforts that relate to the “workings” of open space which include submitting grant applications for funds, the management of grants and contracts received, and participation in County and State efforts that relate to open space.

Following is a summary of management activities undertaken in 2016 and 2017. Many of them were on-going during both years:

- **Peaks to Plains Trail- Clear Creek Greenway Canyon Phase 1** – This project started in 2012 as part of GOCO’s River Corridor Initiative and was completed in 2016. Based on input from strategic planning sessions around the State, GOCO provided one-time funding for river corridor projects. GOCO received 78 concept papers for proposed projects. After reviewing the concept papers, GOCO approached both Clear Creek County and Jefferson County to consider submitting a joint application as it was thought that the resulting project would be of “statewide significance.” GOCO also encouraged the joint effort as it created cost efficiencies as well as provided momentum for further trail construction both up and down the Canyon.

Both counties agreed and were among the 17 projects chosen to submit full applications. The joint application proposed the construction of a recreation trail/Greenway trail in Clear Creek Canyon; the Project was called Peak to Plains Trail: Clear Creek Canyon Phase 1. The proposed trail would follow Clear Creek from a point east of Mayhem Gulch in Jefferson County through the Oxbow Parcel in Clear Creek County to the west side of Tunnel 5. One of 9 projects selected, Clear Creek and Jefferson Counties were awarded funding for a joint project that would build approximately 3 miles of 10 feet wide concrete trail from Mayhem Gulch in Jefferson County to the west side of Tunnel 5 in Clear Creek County. Jefferson County was awarded $1.8 million and Clear Creek County was awarded $2.8 million. Jointly the Counties provided $11 million in matching funds which included contributions from other entities.

Much of 2016 was spent finishing up the last trail segments and finishing details such as railings, staining the concrete, and placing signs. The Clear Creek County portion of the trail is one mile long and includes an underpass that takes the trail under US6. The trail
hugs the bank between US6 and the Creek as it leaves Jefferson County. When it exits the underpass, it follows the old railroad grade around the Oxbow at Tunnel 5. It currently ends at the Tunnel 5 Oxbow Trailhead Parking Lot. The lot provides an additional 12 parking places of much needed parking which is a scarce commodity in the Canyon. See Peaks to Plains Flyer in Appendix B for statistics about the entire project including the portion in Jefferson County. Maps of the project are on the next page.

Construction work on the trail was completed and the trail was opened to the public on July 28, 2016. The grand opening was attended by many people including Board of County Commission members from both Jefferson and Clear Creek Counties. Dignitaries from Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW), Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO), and Colorado Department of Natural Resources (DNR) also attended. After the speeches concluded and the ribbon was cut, many attendees rode bicycles or walked the newly open trail. See the photographs titled grand opening ceremony and showing portions of the trail in use.

In 2016, Governor Hickenlooper announced the Colorado Beautiful Initiative. A key component was to make Colorado a “world class” place for cycling and hiking. To facilitate that becoming a reality, he asked for nominations of trails to be designated as priority trails to be completed. He was looking for “16 trails in 2016” that had the most important trail gaps, missing trail segments and unbuilt trails across the State. The Peaks to Plains Trail of which the Clear Creek Greenway is a segment was selected as one of the 16. That designation should help obtain future efforts to obtain funding for the completion of the Greenway through Clear Creek County. Efforts were undertaken in 2016 to secure such funding.

In September 2016, Governor Hickenlooper, as part of his effort to showcase the results of the Colorado Beautiful Program and portions of the 16 trails that had been completed, visited the trail and rode its length. Additional photographs titled “Trail in Use” show the trail being used in many ways and illustrate how the trail was placed with surgical precision which minimized impacts, protected vegetation, and created an outstanding user experience.

Due to its location at the eastern most end of the County, Clear Creek County Open Space has contracted with Jefferson County Open Space to provide maintenance of the trail. Observations by the Jefferson County Open Space rangers and others are that the trail is seeing a different group of users- those who want a more leisurely experience whether young or old or differently abled.
The quality of the trail construction and design and the experience it provides has been recognized several times:

- Muller Engineering received the Honor Award for the Peaks to Plains Trail, from the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC). The national awards ceremony took place on April 25, 2017 in Washington D.C.
- Jefferson County was one of eight recipients of the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) 2017 Metro Vision Awards for The Peaks to Plains Trail. The award is for the three-mile segment of the Peaks to Plains Trail that was opened in 2016 which includes the Clear Creek County segment, and DRCOG focused on the community partnerships involved and the future connections the trail will make in the State.
- Concrete Express Incorporated (CEI) won an award from the Colorado Contractors Association.
- Stream Design Landscape Architecture won the 2016 Honor Award and 2016 Landscape Stewardship Award from the American Society of Landscape Architects

Peaks to Plains Trail - Clear Creek Greenway Canyon Phase 2—In 2015, CDOT awarded Clear Creek County $422,080 which was matched by the County with $105,520 from Conservation Trust Funds to design the next segment of the Greenway – from the Tunnel 5 Oxbow Trailhead Parking Lot under the US 6 bridge and upstream to and around Tunnel 6. Early in 2016, the design contract was awarded to Muller Engineering who did the design and engineering on Phase 1. They began the design process by validating the conceptual design and identifying proposed trail types for the segment. That level of design provided enough information to determine a cost estimate for submission to the GOCO Connect Initiative grant program in 2016. A map of Phase 2 is on the next page.

On the advice of GOCO staff, County and the City of Idaho Springs submitted jointly as one project with the next segment of Canyon trail at the east end and Idaho Springs’ project to build greenway trail through the City at the west end. Out of 18 projects submitted at the Concept Paper stage, 9 were selected to submit complete applications. The Clear Creek project was selected. However, competition was tough and the application was not funded. As the Connect Initiative grant program had funding for three years, the Canyon project had two more chances to obtain funding.

In consultation with GOCO staff, it was suggested that the two projects submit separately in 2017. GOCO staff also suggested that the County seek additional matching funds for the Canyon project. Open Space staff submitted an application to CDOT for
THE PEAKS TO PLAINS TRAIL:
CLEAR CREEK GREENWAY CANYON
SEGMENT PHASE 2

Tunnel 6 Segment
Old Railroad Grade on Back Side of
Tunnel 6 Oxbow Provides Bench for Trail

Old Railroad Bench

East Colfax Climbing Area
THE PEAKS TO PLAINS TRAIL:  
CLEAR CREEK GREENWAY CANYON  
SEGMENT PHASE 2  

Trail Location Between Tunnel 5  
and Tunnel 6:  
Steep and Narrow Creek Bank  
Parallels US 6  

Trail Will Require an Engineered  
Bench
the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds for construction funds to supplement the design funds already received. They also submitted to Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) Recreational Trail Program. Both applications were successful. The Canyon project was awarded $400,000 from CDOT TAP funds and $250,000 from CPW with a match of $120,000 from the County’s Conservation Trust Fund. With the additional funding from CPW and CDOT, the Connect Initiative application in 2017 was successful. The Canyon Project was awarded $2 million to build the Peaks to Plains Trail: Clear Creek Greenway from the west side of Tunnel 5 upstream and around Tunnel 6.

Wildfire Risk Reduction in Beaver Brook Watershed – In 2016, OSC continued its efforts to remove slash from the area treated in 2015 to reduce wildfire potential. Residents from the Floyd Hill area took truckloads of slash to the County Transfer Station to reduce the fuel loading in the area. Open Space also provided firewood to individuals willing to take it away. In addition, a number of trees were left in 12-16 foot lengths for use by the Open Space as fencing, defining parking areas and parking bumpers, etc.

Silver Dale Management Plan – Having acquired additional land in the Silver Dale area, in 2014, the OSC approached the Historic District Public Lands Commission (HDPLC) about undertaking a planning effort to address recreational management of the Silver Dale area. The area is heavily used and the OSC and HDPLC were concerned that when the US Forest Service eliminates camping along the Guanella Pass Road as planned, the campers would look elsewhere and it was likely it would be in the Silver Dale area. The goal was to be proactive and address the issues before they got worse. Observations in the Silver Dale area, especially the Upper Silver Dale area were showing the negative impacts of unregulated use. Numerous fire rings existed showing a “hodge podge” of camping. Social trails crisscross the area contributing to environmental degradation. Vegetation damage and erosion are occurring. Lack of sanitation facilities has public health implications as the area surrounds the Georgetown Reservoir which provides drinking water to Georgetown. The potential for wildfire is also a concern. As elsewhere in the area south of Georgetown, the land ownership is a mix between Clear Creek County, Town of Georgetown, and Historic Georgetown mining claims. Thus, to facilitate resource management a consistent plan for the entire area was needed.

The HDPLC members were receptive and OSC submitted a GOCO Planning Grant application twice in 2014 to develop a recreation management plan. In support of the application, OSC designated matching funds for the grant. The application was not funded either time. Having had some time elapse and recognizing that the project was not going to get outside funding, OSC in conjunction with the HDPLC members decided to reduce the scope of the project to the Upper Silver Dale area and use the money designated as match to pay for the plan. Located further south along the Guanella Pass
Road, the area is accessed by a historic road, the Waldorf Road that takes off to Waldorf Basin. The land near this turn off is heavily used by campers in dispersed sites. (See map on next page. An RFP was advertised in 2016 and awarded to ERO Resources. The recreation management plan was completed in 2017. The recommendations included closure of a few campsites to protect the Creek and the removal of some campfire rings. In addition, recommendations were made for signage, rules, etc. that will help manage camping in the area. The OSC is working with the other HDPLC members to implement the recommendations. The Clear Creek County Trail Crew removed a number of the excess fire rings in 2017.

\textbf{Shadows Ranch} – Due to concerns about potential natural and manmade hazards on the property as well as the buildings, Shadows Ranch property has been managed with limited public access since it was acquired. In 2017, the OSC did an assessment of the facilities and other hazards located on the property and identified actions to be undertaken to reduce potential hazards (e.g. remove small pedestrian bridge, take out float from pond, etc.) A work plan to accomplish these activities was prepared. The OSC planned to open the parcel to the public in 2018.

Although closed to the general public, a number of activities have utilized the Shadows Ranch parcel. OSC has allowed the County’s Cooperative Extension Office to use one of the small cabins for storage of equipment and other materials. Use of the cabin saves money for the Extension Office as they do not have to rent storage space. The parcel has also served as the meeting location and demonstration site for the Colorado Professionals in Onsite Wastewater - On-site Wastewater Treatment System Education Day for their annual meeting in 2016 and 2017. They set up demonstrations as well as held discussions. See photographs of activities below.

The property has also hosted Burro Races organized by Bill Lee, a local person who races burros, in both 2016 and 2017. About 30 people each year and 16 burros participated.

The Shadows Ranch parking lot was also used as a storage site for the Courthouse remodel and energy efficiency effort. Two storage containers were placed there rather than taking up parking spaces at the Courthouse complex.

\textbf{CDOT Wetlands Restoration Project}—OSC members and staff have worked with staff from other County departments, CDOT, and THK Associates to identify the Greenway trail location through the CDOT owned property immediately downstream from Shadows Ranch. CDOT is planning to change the route of the Creek through this parcel with the project beginning Spring 2018. It was determined that defining where the Greenway will be located will enable the projects to complement each other. In
addition, there have been discussions between CDOT and the County about the latter possibly being responsible for recreation management of the CDOT parcel in the future.

OSC is involved because the trail will connect with the Greenway portion through Shadows Ranch and it is likely that the parking for the fishing program will be on the Shadows Ranch parcel. As a part of the recreation management discussions between the County and CDOT, the idea of establishing a permitted fishing program on both the CDOT and Shadows Ranch parcels has been identified. Several OSC members have been looking at possible ways to manage the fishing. They identified a permit fishing program being implemented by the Town of Granby on the Colorado River which could serve as a model for the County's program. They made a site visit to Granby to see how it works as well as to talk with the staff responsible for development of the program.

Ohio Gulch Property—When OSC acquired the two parcels in Dumont, next to the Animal Shelter, an old house and two old sheds were on the property. All were in significant disrepair and not worth fixing or keeping. Open Space oversaw the contract to demolish them. After the professionals were done, OSC members raked the disturbed areas and seeded it to stabilize the soil. OSC also worked with the Clear Creek County Trail Crew to construct trail and rock steps down to the Creek in two places on the property to provide fishing and emergency access.

Floyd Hill Open Space—This 108 acre parcel was purchased in 2017 with funding from Clear Creek County, Jefferson County, and GOCO. The acquisition was facilitated by Trust for Public Lands (TPL) and Mountain Area Land Trust (MALT) who holds the conservation easement. (See discussion under Acquisitions.) Public access is now available from the I70 corridor to a contiguous expanse of open space that protects key wildlife habitat and offers diverse recreational opportunities. The 108 acres provides a trailhead easily accessed from I70. With this connection, access to Clear Creek Canyon from the I70 corridor is now possible.

Much interest was expressed by the local Clear Creek community as well as the mountain biking community to develop multi-use trails on the recently purchased property and up into the other County-owned lands. To help guide development, a Steering Committee was formed to provide advice on the development of the trail system. It is composed of the two Counties that own the property and MALT who holds the conservation easement as well as others who are interested in the future uses of the area [Volunteers for Outdoors Colorado (VOC), Colorado Mountain Bike Association (COMBA), Team Evergreen.]
Given the high level of interest, it was decided that a professionally prepared Trail Master Plan was needed to guide decisions and to be used to seek funds for trail construction. Fortunately, MALT had received some initial funding to use for trail development from TPL, OSC, and itself totaling $15,000. In addition, they had successfully submitted a grant application to the Gates Family Foundation for $25,000 in 2017 and $50,000 in 2018 for trail construction and development. It was decided to use the $15,000 to develop the trail master plan. In addition, $5,000 was received from COMBA and $10,000 from Team Evergreen for development of the trail master plan. A consulting firm, ERO Resources, was hired and prepared a draft Trail Master Plan and associated cost estimate for construction of approximately 15 miles of trail. It is expected that the Trail Master Plan will be finalized in March 2018.

The cost information and the proposed trail system were used to apply to both GOCO and CPW Trails Program for $250,000 for trail construction. Those grant applications were submitted in November 2017 with award decisions in March 2018. The $50,000 from Gates Family Foundation as well as in-kind labor from VOC and COMBA was used as match. VOC committed to 6 work days with 80-100 volunteers to build trail over the next two years. COMBA committed to 1,000 hours of volunteer labor. MALT staff continued to seek funding opportunities and, in consultation with Open Space staff, submit grant applications.

As a part of the Trail Master Plan development, a public involvement process to engage the interested public was developed. The first Open House was held on October 18, 2017 to obtain input on desired uses and concerns. The comments gathered were provided to the Trail Master Plan consultant for use in development of the Plan. When a draft plan is developed, a second Open House in late February or early March 2018 will seek public feedback. The input received will be incorporated into the final plan.

When purchased, the Floyd Hill Open Space parcel had no trails in existence, only old logging roads. Due to increased public use during the Summer 2017, Clear Creek County Open Space and its partners built the first segment of trail, approximately one half mile, across the meadow from the parking lot area to the rock overlook on the parcel’s west side. A small spur trail was also built to connect with existing logging roads to provide users with the opportunity to hike or cycle 1.3 miles of trail. This additional trail section is quite steep in parts, a 30% grade, but creates an opportunity for those who want the challenge. Construction of the initial trail section and spur channels users, thus, preventing resource degradation of the meadow. Open Space was able to build the trail quickly thanks to the grant from the Gates Family Foundation for trail and infrastructure work and availability of the Clear Creek County Trail Crew who provided $10,000 of in-
kind labor. The initial trail work was completed in less than a month during September 2017.

OSC submitted a Public Ways application to the Planning Commission in Fall 2017 to allow a parking lot to be built at the trailhead. As a part of the application, OSC hired Muller Engineering to design a 20 car parking lot for the trailhead. A portion of the Gates Family Foundation 2017 funding was used for the parking lot design. The plan is to build the parking lot once CDOT has concluded its redesign of the Floyd Hill to Hidden Valley portion of I70 to be sure the planned changes do not impact the trailhead. In addition, funding to construct the parking lot will need to be raised. In the interim, a parking area has been defined with railroad ties procured from the Georgetown Loop Railroad.

Revegetation at Several Sites—During the past two years, Open Space evaluated the condition of a number of properties where the vegetation has been disturbed due to construction/demolition and/or erosion. Where needed, OSC members and staff reseeded the areas with a mix of native species developed to grow in this area with its rocky soils and limited rainfall. Revegetation efforts were undertaken at the Ohio Gulch parcels, Philadelphia Mill Site, and Bear Pen Ranch.

OSC Involvement in County Efforts — Open Space Staff and members of the OSC regularly participate in County efforts where Open Space manages lands are involved or nearby and/or our expertise in land management and recreation is relevant. These efforts include:

- CDOT Floyd Hill Technical Team which is considering the redesign of I70 from Floyd Hill to Hidden Valley;
- OHV Task Force which is addressing issues with Off Highway Vehicles
- Shooting Range Working Group – a multi-county effort to find places for recreational shooting;
- County Master Plan Update to ensure open space concerns were addressed;
- Recreation Working Group which provided input to the County Master Plan Update and continued to meet to address recreational issues in a comprehensive manner;
- Rutherford Trail Parking Area Purchase where OSC helped provide funds to purchase land at the bottom of the Rutherford Trail;
- County Rafting Program as a number of the put ins or take out points are on Open Space land. Pat Access which is on Open Space land, located just past the Frei Quarry and the intersection of US 6 and 40, was added to the program as a takeout point; and,
- CDOT RAMP funded Greenway Design Project (Hidden Valley to Empire) Steering Committee which advised the effort undertaken by the County and managed by the Clear Creek Greenway Authority (CCGA) to determine the Greenway’s route through this segment and develop 30% construction drawings for priority trail segments. OSC was involved as portions of the route cross Open Space land and Open Space staff has experience from Greenway construction in Clear Creek Canyon.

**ACQUISITIONS**

- **Floyd Hill Open Space** – In 2016, OSC worked with Trust for Public Lands (TPL), Mountain Area Land Trust (MALT), and Jefferson County Open Space to prepare and submit a Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Open Space grant application to purchase 108 acres of land on the north side of I70 just after the Floyd Hill/Beaver Brook exit. The application asked GOCO for $500,000 to match the $300,000 from Clear Creek County Open Space and $200,000 from Jefferson County Open Space. The application was successful and the land was purchased by TPL and then transferred to Clear Creek and Jefferson County in joint ownership with MALT holding the conservation easement on the property. As discussed under management, the Floyd Hill Open Space provides access from the I70 corridor to over 600 acres of Clear Creek County Open Space and over 12,000 acres of Jefferson County Open Space. In the future it will also provide connections to the Peaks to Plains Trail. It was bought with intent to develop a trail system that explores the Floyd Hill ridge and connects to Clear Creek Canyon and beyond.

  As a part of the grant to purchase the property, MALT received a generous 2017 “Connecting Youth” GOCO grant for $5,000. Using that funding, MALT successfully completed a series of five educational hikes for 94 underserved middle school aged youth in summer camp programs from the Denver Metro area between June and August 2017.

- **LDS Parcels Adjoining LDS Church** – As a part of the County’s purchase of the LDS Church in Dumont, Open Space purchased the four vacant land parcels also owned by the Church. These parcels, 6.292 acres, are adjacent to other Open Space managed parcels and the Animal Shelter. These parcels will be managed in conjunction with the Ohio Gulch parcels by the Creek.

- **Donations of Mining Claims** – Possible donations of land to Open Space are evaluated as to their location and open space values before the OSC recommends to the BOCC that the County accept the donations. During the past two years, Open Space received
Floyd Hill meadow from bottom.

Floyd Hill Meadow from south side of I70
View to the east from the ridge.

View to the west from the ridge.
donation of several mining claims from individuals who no longer wanted them. Recently received claims include claims visible from Georgetown and claims in the Sheepkeep.

PLANS FOR 2018

As we look ahead to 2018, the fast pace of activity is expected to continue. The following large projects will be the focus of our efforts involving construction, fundraising, and on-the-ground management:

- Peaks to Plains Trail: Clear Creek Canyon Phase 2
- Floyd Hill Open Space Trail System
- Upper Silver Dale Management
- Shadows Ranch

Other on-going activities will continue. In addition, we will respond to Open Space opportunities as they arise.
APPENDIX A

CLEAR CREEK COUNTY

OPEN SPACE PROPERTIES
# CLEAR CREEK COUNTY OPEN SPACE PROPERTIES

## PURCHASES AND DONATIONS

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**SUBTOTAL** 2,802 | 3,678,565 | 6,945,480 | 10,624,045 |

## BLM TRANSFERS (COUNTY)

| Snyder Mtn          | Evergreen | BLM-3 | 2002 | 40 | NC | NC | 0 |
| Alp Mtn              | Idaho Springs | BLM-3 | 2003 | 340 | NC | NC | 0 |
| Saxon Mtn            | Georgetown | BLM-2 | 2003 | 600 | NC | NC | 0 |
| Arrastas             | Mill Creek | BLM-3 | 2004 | 27 | NC | NC | 0 |
| Sheep Habitat        | Sheepkeep | BLM-3 | 2005 | 1600 | NC | NC | 0 |
| Lawson WWP           | Lawson    | BLM-3 | 2005 | 10 | NC | NC | 0 |
| Guanella Pass Road   | Silver Dale | BLM-3 | 2012 | 22 | NC | NC | 0 |
| County Lands         | Alp Mtn/Sheepkeep | BLM-3 | 2012 | 330 | NC | NC | 0 |
| FH--CCCanyon         | Floyd Hill North | BLM-3 | 2012 | 300 | NC | NC | 0 |

**SUBTOTAL** 3229 |

## LEGEND

- **OS**: Open Space
- **GOCO**: Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO)
- **BLM-1**: Property deeded to US Forest Service
- **BLM-2**: Property transferred to Silver Plume, Georgetown, State of CO, and CCC for specific purposes.
- **BLM-3**: Land transferred to County for sale or dedication to specific recreation and public purpose uses.
- **MALT**: Mountain Area Land Trust
- **CCC**: Clear Creek County

## NOTES

1. Property costs listed are only for the property itself. Costs do not include appraisal, closing-related expenditures, environmental assessment cost, and other closing-related expenditures.
2. In 2009, US Forest Service purchased 304 acres of Beaver Brook Watershed. GOCO, MALT, and CCC OS split the money received proportionately to original commitment.
3. Jeffco Open Space contributed $200,000. It is included in the Open Space column.
APPENDIX B

PEAKS TO PLAINS TRAIL FLYER
Opens July 28, 2016
This trail will ultimately connect the Plains to the Continental Divide along its anticipated 65-mile stretch. Peaks to Plains construction occurs in phases. Stats on this newly opened segment...

3 new trail miles
2 in Jefferson County
1 in Clear Creek County

500 feet in elevation gain

6 river access points

Recreation opportunities abound.

New construction incorporated local stone and cor-ten weathering steel. Both pay homage to Clear Creek Canyon's rich mining and railroad history.

10' wide concrete trail tread
3 bridges
6 overlooks
16 boulder benches

Great Outdoors Colorado River Corridors Grant $4.6M + $11M invested by Clear Creek and Jefferson Counties

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