



MINUTES

Colorado State Parks Board

Wednesday, March 14, 2007
Board Meeting: 2:00 PM - Adjournment

Location:
Centennial Building – Room 623A
1313 Sherman Street, Denver 80203

Wed., March 14th
2:00 PM

PARKS BOARD MEETING

(A) – Agenda Amendments, if necessary

PUBLIC COMMENT

2:15 PM

AGENDA:

(A) – 2007 GOCO Parks Trail Grant Awards
(A) – Youth Corp Grant Oversight

- Larry Kramer
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(A) – Action Items (I) – Information Items

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ATTENDANCE

Parks Board Members: (via conference call)
Dr. Tom Ready, Chair
Antonette DeLauro, Secretary
Kevin Holst

Division Staff: (1313 Sherman Street, #618, Denver, CO)
Larry Kramer, Deputy Director
Gary Thorson, Deputy Director
David Giger, HP Region Manager
Maria Yslas-Brandt, Maria

(via conference call)
Kurt Mill, RM Region Manager
Lori Malcolm, State Trails and LWCF Program Manager
Tom Metsa, OHV Program Manager

Guests: (via conference call)
Jen Freeman, Colorado Youth Corps Association

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AGENDA AMENDMENTS - None

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

- o Jennifer Freeman, Director - Colorado Youth Corp discussed the importance of Colorado State Parks funding to their program in support of the Action Item before the board.

ACTION ITEMS

2007 GOCO Parks Trail Grant Awards

PURPOSE: Approve the GOCO Parks Recreation Trail Grants as recommended by the State Trails Committee.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On February 8th, 2007 the State Trails Committee met and took formal action, approving the grant funding proposals submitted by staff and the subcommittees. On March 2nd the State Parks Board approved the grants funded with Recreation Trail Program (RTP), LWCF, and OHV. The Great Outdoors Colorado Board approved GOCO Parks Quadrant funding at their March 8th meeting.

Funding: GOCO Parks funding for trail grants is \$624,650.00

DISCUSSION AND SUMMARY: Using direction from the Trails Program’s Strategic Plan, the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) and staff, the Trails Committee recommends priority funding of the following grants to be funded with GOCO Park dollars.

Grant Project Name	Project Sponsor	Proposed Funding
<i>Beginning Balance</i>		<i>\$624,650.00</i>
S. Park Fourteeners Signage		\$19,700.00
Grand Valley Volunteer Coordination Project		\$20,000.00
Forest Stewards Program Capacity Building		\$18,700.00
The Colorado Birding Trail		\$18,100.00
Comprehensive Trail Map		\$15,000.00
Conservation Project Management Training		\$10,000.00
Democrat/Bross Planning Project		\$19,890.00
Fruita/Urban Interface Trail Plan		\$20,000.00
City Loop Master Plan		\$20,000.00
Poudre Platte River Trail Plan		\$20,000.00
Friends of Eagles Nest Trail Equipment		\$15,000.00
Gunnison Sno-Trackers Groomer Purchase		\$65,000.00
Trail Pros Volunteer Equipment		\$4,500.00
Mahan Lake Trail Rehabilitation		\$10,000.00
RVOF 2007 Projects		\$12,500.00
Main Massive Preservation Project		\$150,000.00
Regional 14er Maintenance		\$66,260.00
Windom Peak		\$100,000.00
Total		\$604,650.00

The priority funding lists contain the recommended awards for each grant category.

DIVISION RECOMMENDATION: Staff and the State Trails Committee recommend approval of GOCO Parks funded grants and that minor adjustments of project funding levels be permitted at the discretion of the Director.

SUGGESTED MOTION: “I move that the Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation approve the 2007 GOCO Parks funded grant awards and that minor adjustments of project funding levels be permitted at the discretion of the Director.”

Moved: Antonette DeLauro
Seconded: Kevin Holst
Vote: Unanimous

Youth Corps Grant Oversight

PURPOSE: Approve the proposed allocation of \$15,000 to Colorado Youth Corps Association (CYCA) for trail grant oversight.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On February 8th, 2007 the State Trails Committee met and took formal action, approving Youth Corp oversight funds in the amount of \$20,000.00 from the Recreation Trails Program and \$20,000.00 from the OHV program.

On March 9th, 2007, Colorado Youth Corps Director, Jen Freeman requested a reduction in funds from \$40,000.00 to \$15,000.00 since oversight will not include as many tasks as in past years. The reduction in services includes site visitation, receiving and distribution of the trail grant funds to Youth Corps, and withholding payment to Youth Corps for poor quality work.

DISCUSSION AND SUMMARY:

Reduced Services include:

- Helping corps to create individual agreements with their sponsors for these projects
- Assisting corps to secure payments from sponsors
- Providing report and data management services to State Trails and OHV Committee
- Providing accountability and quality control for corps projects
- Accrediting corps that work on State Trails and OHV projects
- Training crew leaders that work on State Trails and OHV projects

DIVISION RECOMMENDATION: The State Trails Committee recommends approval of Oversight Funds to CYCA. The State Trails OHV Subcommittee is opposed due to setting a precedent without applying through the competitive grant process. Staff does not support the oversight funds as this is not a competitive grant.

SUGGESTED MOTION: “I move that that the Board of Parks and Recreation not approve the CYCA Oversight Funds in the amount of \$15,000.00.”

Moved: Antonette DeLauro
Seconded: Kevin Holst
Vote: Unanimous

MEETING ADJOURNED

Dr. Ready, Chair

Antonette DeLauro, Secretary