

**BOISE CITY RIDGE TO RIVERS FY23 FOURTH QUARTER PARTNERSHIP MEETING**  
**BOISE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023**  
**8:30 A.M.**

Partners Present: Lisa Duplessie (Boise Parks and Recreation); Dave Draheim (Bureau of Land Management); Scott Koberg (Ada County); Brad Lowe (Idaho Department of Fish and Game); J.W. Cleveland (US Forest Service); David Gordon (Ridge to Rivers); Joey Eckles (Clerk).

Others Present: None

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**MEETING SUMMARY NOTES:**

**A. FY 2023 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Budget and Work Plan Review**

D. Gordon provided FY 23 planned project updates. Thunderstorms caused significant damage to trails that required additional maintenance. S. Koberg confirmed contribution of fifty thousand dollars to the Ridge to Rivers program in the next fiscal year.

**B. Summer Trail Update**

Ridge to Rivers (R2R) finished brushing and maintaining upper elevation trails; Bogus Basin contributed with staff and material. Dry Creek maintenance occurred to replace two-foot bridges and utilized a mini-excavator for the first time. R2R could not access portions of Stack Rock Trail with mini-excavator necessary to perform heavy maintenance as adjacent property owners did not grant access across their land.

**C. Lower Hulls Gulch Reserve Accessibility Enhancement Projects**

The Grove Trail loop section contract was awarded. Received some pushback back due to on-leash section change. Red-Winged Blackbird Trail received accessibility enhancements. Minor changes will need to be made still, but positive feedback received.

**D. Hawkins Reserve Feedback**

The Hawkins Reserve was well received, and people heavily used the trails. Feedback was received about directional trail use. D. Gordon was meeting with an engineer for water routing concerns near trailhead turnaround and rock diversion. The gate on-site is solar operated.

**E. Oregon Trail Reserve Interpretive Signage Completion**

The Oregon Trail Reserve signage project finished last month and was a huge improvement. The project included Boise Parks and Recreation, BLM, and Arts and History.

**F. Special Use Guidelines Discussion Summary**

L. Duplessie informed partners there was no additional information to add. D. Gordon acknowledged his appreciation for the current partnership members.

**G. R2R Partner Updates**

**Idaho Department of Fish and Game**

B. Lowe informed partners that minor brush clearing took place. Mountain bike event proposed for next June was denied but is now under review. The vault toilet was no longer going in.

**Bureau of Land Management**

D. Draheim worked with the cities of Eagle/Star to find out what will be done with certain land parcels. Trailheads would minimize motorized vehicles in the winter. BLM to meet Avimor ecologist in regards to motorized vehicle use. Acknowledged that everyone wants R2R feedback and input for trail system programs.

**Ada County Parks and Waterways**

S. Koberg informed the partners their three-person crew had been busy throughout the trail system; the bike park was the primary focus. The master plan process had gone well so far.

**US Forest Service**

J. Cleveland informed partners that staff were busy with trail and campsite projects. The US Forest Service CIO was visiting the Boise area and wanted clarification on various R2R statistics and information.

All partners acknowledged staffing complications with hiring and the quality of newly hired staff.

**V. IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Partnership, the meeting adjourned.