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**SUMMIT COUNTY
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA**

Wednesday November 5, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

LOCATION: [Summit Combined Housing Authority, 331 W. Main Street, Frisco](#)

- 5:30 pm** Call to Order
- 5:30 pm** Roll Call and Introductions
- 5:40 pm** Approval of Agenda
- 5:40 pm** Public Comments on Items Not Included in the Agenda (3-minute limit, please)
- 5:50 pm** Discussion with Town of Breckenridge Open Space Advisory Commission
- 5:50** Visitor Use Monitoring Study Results
- 6:30** Aspen Alley Outreach Recap
- 6:45** Recreation Access Management Initiative (RAMI) Study – Upper Blue Recommendations
- 7:45** Hazardous Fuel Reduction Grant – Possible Upper Blue locations (see memo)
- 8:00 pm** Approval of Minutes from October 2025 OSAC Meeting (attached)
- 8:00 pm** Discussion and Acceptance of OSAC Summary Report (attached)
- 8:05 pm** Executive Session to Discuss Acquisition of Real Property Interests
- 8:25 pm** Other Business / Announcements
- 8:30 pm** Adjournment

Packet Enclosures and Additional Materials

- [Visitor Use Data Presentation, including Aspen Alley Outreach Recap](#)
- Recreation Access Management Initiative Memo and [Presentation](#)
- Hazardous Fuel Reduction Grant Memo and Maps
- October 2025 Meeting Minutes
- November 2025 Summary Report
- Miscellaneous Newspaper Articles
 - [10 Western Slope Landscapes Most Vulnerable to Threats Against Public Lands](#)
 - [Dillon Dam Recpath to Close for Rock Scaling](#)
 - [Lower Blue River Access Concerns](#)

In-person attendance is strongly encouraged. A virtual meeting link is provided below if needed:

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Meeting ID: 252 016 239 041 **Passcode:** bm2PC7JF

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TO: Open Space Advisory Council (OSAC) and Breckenridge Open Space Advisory Commission (BOSAC)
FROM: Duke Barlow, Town of Breckenridge Open Space and Trails Manager
DATE: October 29, 2025
RE: Dillon Ranger District Recreation Access Management Initiative (RAMI)

BACKGROUND

Demand for trailhead access across the Dillon Ranger District has continued to increase without associated improvements to trailhead infrastructure, resulting in degradation of natural resources, waste issues, overcrowding, and safety concerns. A collaborative effort involving the United States Department of Transportation's Volpe Center (Volpe), United States Forest Service (USFS), Summit County, and the Towns of Breckenridge, Frisco, and Silverthorne aims to address this issue by conducting a county-wide trailhead analysis, taking into account the common land ownership pattern in Summit County, in which the County or the municipalities often own and/or manage access points to the National Forest. Titled the "Summit County - Dillon Ranger District Recreation Access Management Initiative (RAMI)", the goal of this project is to accommodate, direct, and manage existing use - not develop resources to attract additional visitation.

Ben Rasmussen from the Volpe Center will be attending the meeting virtually to present the project background, methodology, and an analysis of the project's trailheads located in the Upper Blue River Basin. Included in this analysis is a "toolbox" of available strategies for recreation management, specific recommendations for each trailhead based on existing use and land ownership, and a tiered trailhead classification system that will help guide future management efforts. Importantly, this is a draft version of the trailhead analyses and their accompanying recommendations, as USFS staff have not yet had the opportunity for full review of the document due to the current federal government shutdown.

QUESTION FOR OSAC/BOSAC

- I. What feedback do OSAC and BOSAC have on the recommendations in the RAMI study?

ATTACHMENTS

- I. [RAMI Background, Process and Upper Blue Recommendation slides](#)



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TO: Open Space Advisory Council (OSAC) and Breckenridge Open Space Advisory Commission (BOSAC)
FROM: Jordan Mead, Senior Resource Specialist
DATE: October 29, 2025
RE: Western Wildland Urban Interface Grant Fuel Reduction Grant

BACKGROUND

The Western Wildland Urban Interface grant opportunity provides up to \$300,000 in matching funds for hazardous fuels reduction (HFR) work. Colorado State Forest Service (CSFS), Summit County Open Space, and Red, White & Blue Fire Protection District have identified three potential locations for fuel reduction treatments on Town and County Open Space property in the Breckenridge area. Matching funds would be provided through the Summit County Strong Futures Fund.

TREATMENT LOCATIONS

The locations, listed in order of priority, are French Gulch (Map 1) in the vicinity of Sidedoor, Backdoor, Minnie Mine, and X10U8 trails, Copper Canyon/Fuller Placer (Map 2), and Brown Gulch (Map 3). The French Gulch area includes up to 155 acres of mature lodgepole pine forest with lesser amounts of aspen. Treatment in this area would focus on removing abundant standing dead and down lodgepole while preserving forest cover and recreational experience on trails with the goal of reducing wildfire intensity and increasing habitat and forest age-class diversity. Live lodgepole in and around existing aspen stands would be cut to reduce competition and expand aspen cover. This effort would build on the previous Wellington and Mineral Hill HFR work, which reduced the risk of catastrophic wildfire and encouraged expansion of aspen cover on 90 acres of Open Space Forest Service land around Prospect Gulch. Copper Canyon/Fuller Placer would include up to 16 acres of dense lodgepole pine between Boreas Pass Road and Baldy Road. This effort would help protect the water tank along Illinois Creek, egress along area roads, and several adjacent neighborhoods. Finally, Brown Gulch HFR would include up to 35 acres of mature lodgepole pine and spruce/fir forest along Tiger Road with the goal of diversifying age-class and habitat types in the northern portion of the Golden Horsehoe along the Swan River while protecting ingress and egress routes along Tiger Road.

TIMELINE

Grant applications are due in December 2025. CSFS hopes to have the initial draft of the application completed prior to Thanksgiving holiday. If awarded, initial project layout and contracting would occur in 2026 with implementation in 2027. Grant funds would be good through 2029 and allow for phased implementation. Additional opportunities for feedback will be available as project planning progresses.

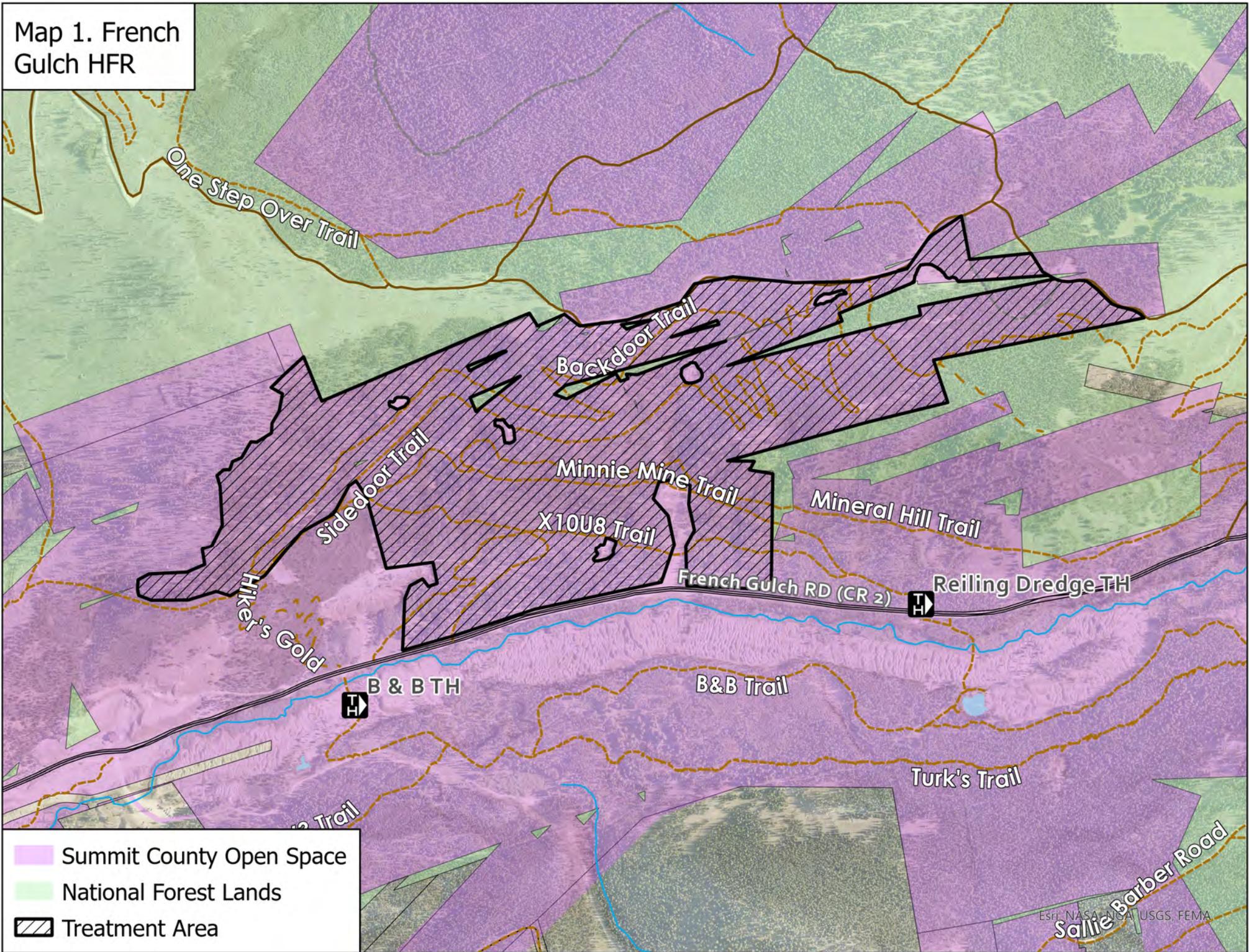
QUESTION FOR OSAC/BOSAC

- I. Do OSAC and BOSAC support moving forward with the grant application including these locations?

ATTACHMENTS

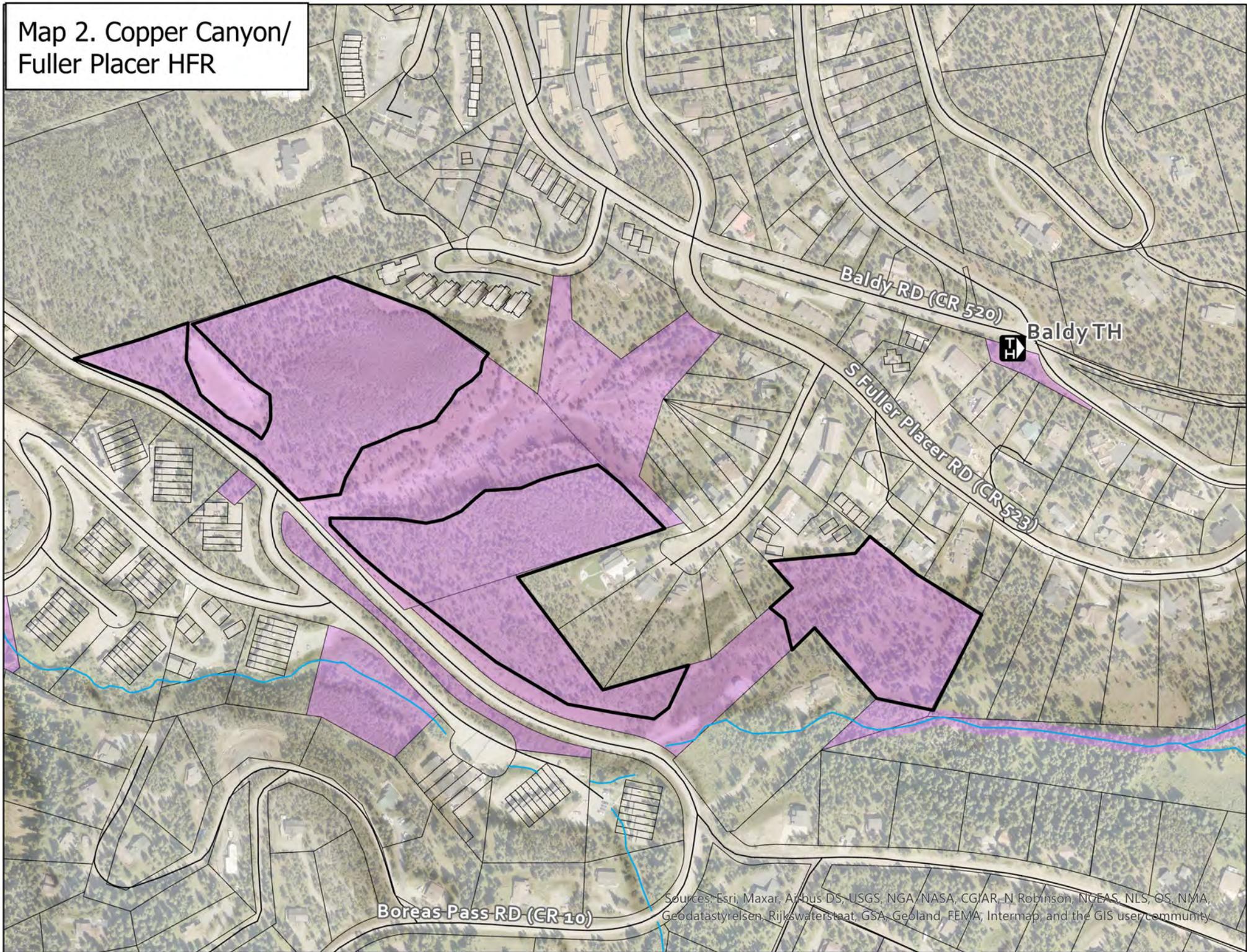
- Map 1. French Gulch HFR
- Map 2. Copper Canyon/Fuller Placer HFR
- Map 3. Brown Gulch HFR

Map 1. French Gulch HFR



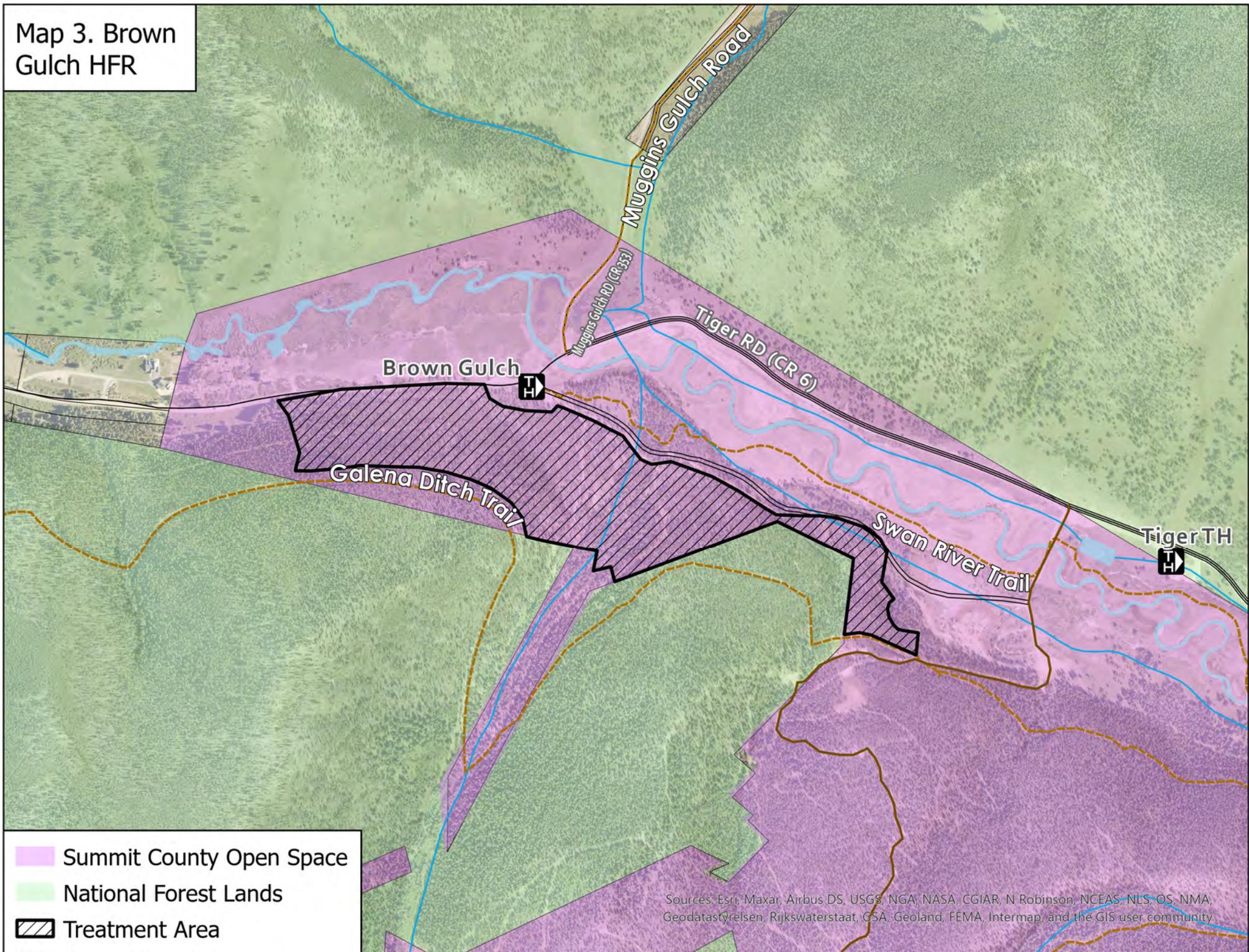
- Summit County Open Space
- National Forest Lands
- Treatment Area

Map 2. Copper Canyon/
Fuller Placer HFR



Sources: Esri, Maxar, Airbus DS, USGS, NGA, NASA, CGIAR, N Robinson, NCEAS, NLS, QS, NMA, Geodatastyrelsen, Rijkswaterstaat, GSA, Geoland, FEMA, Intermap, and the GIS user community

Map 3. Brown Gulch HFR



SUMMIT COUNTY OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COUNCIL
Minutes of October 1, 2025 Regular Meeting

OSAC MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Nothnagel, Brandon Bruegger, George Kokoefer, Greg Guevara, Jim Alexander, John Uban, Libby Pansing, Peter Grosshuesch, Meagan Yahr, Narendra De, Jerod Swanson, Paul Semmer

OSAC MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeff Zimmerman

STAFF PRESENT: Katherine King, Allison Morton, Jordan Mead

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC PRESENT: Alex Stach – Town of Breckenridge, Steven Herrman and Nikki Turner – Town of Silverthorne, Larry Geispeel and Larissa O’Neil – Breck History, Sam Streletsky – SCOMBA, Turk Monepare – citizen

Call to Order: Libby Pansing called the meeting of the Summit County Open Space Advisory Council to order at 5:31 PM.

Approval of Agenda: OSAC unanimously approved the agenda as submitted.

Motion to approve the amended agenda.

Motion by: Peter Grosshuesch

Second by: John Uban

Motion approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: OSAC unanimously approved the September 10, 2025 OSAC minutes as submitted.

Motion to approve the September 10, 2025 meeting minutes.

Motion by: Bob Nothnagel

Second by: George Kokoefer

Motion approved unanimously.

Approval of Summary Report: OSAC unanimously approved the summary report as submitted. Katherine briefly mentioned that the new Laurium Trail connection, which now links to the new parking lot, was completed this past Monday. The trailhead signs and new kiosk will be installed soon.

Public Comments: None

REGULAR AGENDA:

Open Space Management:

Breck History 2025 Season Recap and Work Plan

Larissa and Larry from Breck History provided an update on the projects that they completed in 2025 as well as their plans for historic preservation in 2026. This information was included as a memo in the October meeting packet.

The 2025 completed projects included:

- I. Preston Townsite – Breck History preserved two cabins by disassembling both and then putting them back together. Their goal was to address drainage and foundation issues as well as build a new roof.

The public will not be allowed inside since a building permit was not obtained, so both cabins are closed. However, Breck History has installed interpretive signage outside each cabin.

2. Laurium Mine – This mine is one of the earliest hard rock mines in Breckenridge, and Breck History focused on restoring the boarding house and blacksmith shop. To restore the boarding house, the team panelized the structure and then put it back together, fixed the erosion and foundation issues, and installed a new roof. Since Breck History had their team and equipment on site, they were also able to restore the blacksmith shop, which they lifted up 30+ inches and put on gravel to address the drainage issues which were causing the structure to fall apart.
3. Wellington Ore Bin – In September, someone spray painted antisemitism symbols and messages on the mine. Breck History wanted to thank the OST team for removing the graffiti within a day of detecting it. Breck History commented that the mine seems to be a hangout spot and there has been graffiti and trash here before. However, this is the most extreme incident and had the worst messaging. As such, they sealed up all the places people can get inside the mine, and they are looking into installing cameras in the future.
4. Jessie Mill – Due to some scheduling challenges, Breck History is still working to remove the temporary bridge. This bridge was left onsite since last summer so Breck History could put concrete pads inside the mill to support the beams. Once Columbine Hills (the contractor) can rent a crane, they will be able to finish some revegetation work and can wrap up the project.

The proposed 2026 projects include:

1. Arctic Stamp Mill – Breck History would like to move the stamp battery from its current, remote location in Monte Cristo Gulch to the Jessie Mill. It is currently lying on the ground near an adit on North Star Mountain. However, there is a USFS survey marker that goes right through the mill, so it is unclear whether the battery is located on Colorado Springs Utilities property or National Forest. Therefore, Breck History must determine whose land the battery is located on before they are able to move it. A property survey will be completed as part of the STRAP project, so Breck History is hopeful the survey will confirm the mill is located on Colorado Springs Utilities property since they are supportive of Breck History removing the battery.
 - a. OSAC commented that there might be moonwort on the north side of the property, so Breck History will need to address any environmental concerns first. This area includes the old two-track road where Breck History wants to access the property.
 - b. OSAC also stated that if the battery is located on National Forest, they might need to go through NEPA.
2. Mine Stabilization Projects (total cost is around \$100,000 for the following projects)
 - a. Mountain Pride Mine – Breck History is interested in stabilizing a few of the cabins as well as addressing drainage issues and cleaning up the site. A few of the cabins were altered in the 1970s so Breck History might keep a mix of both the old and altered cabins to show the different residential structures over the years.
 - i. OSAC made a comment that the restoration efforts should incorporate both the mining-era history and some elements of the 1970s “modern” history, as each tells an important and distinctive part of the site’s story.
 - b. Laurium Mill- The frames of the mill are still intact, so Breck History would simply like to re-erect the large timber frames. They will place interpretive signage at the mill to help people appreciate the history. Robin Theobald has donated the timber for this project already.
 - c. One Step Over Cabin – Breck History would like to restore the cabin since a lot of traffic goes past it.
 - d. Extension Mill – The large, circular Portland filter remains intact so Breck History is interested in removing a few trees so people can have a better view of it.

OST staff stated that historic preservation is part of the OST Master Plan and the other reason why Breck History is here today is to see if OSAC is interested in contributing funding toward these projects. Typically, the County provides approximately 10% of the total project costs. Breck History stated that the total cost for the 2026 projects is \$230,000.

OSAC provided the following comments regarding the 2026 projects:

- OSAC asked Breck History how they address the debris left at the sites. Breck History mentioned that the debris at the Jessie Mill was intentionally left in place to help tell the site's story. If a debris field is stable and does not need to be disturbed, they would prefer to leave it as is. OSAC voiced some concerns about visitor safety, particularly regarding people wandering on top of the debris piles. Breck History stated that a fence was installed around the Jessie Mill, and at Laurium, people can walk around the buildings safely. OSAC recommended Breck History install fencing to prevent visitors from entering unstable structures, and Breck History was open to this idea.
- OSAC also discussed the importance of signage to encourage visitors to respect the sites (i.e., "look but don't touch").
- OSAC recommended that Breck History harden some of the trails to help direct visitors to the sites/historic relics such as the crusher-fine trail that leads to the new drill at the B&B Trailhead. Hardening the trails would help manage traffic and minimize impacts.

OSAC then discussed whether the cabins should remain open so the public can walk inside them or if they should be closed. Breck History indicated a preference to close them and focus more on preservation but said they are open to allowing public access based on OSAC's recommendations. Staff commented that OST's standard approach for historic cabins is to remove hazardous features (such as stoves) and then post "Enter at Your Own Risk" signs. Breck History stated that if cabins are left open, it would be a more complex review process as they would need to have engineered plans with a professional stamp (since the cabins would be intended for occupancy), and the roofs would need to meet snow-load requirements (which might not align with the structures' historic appearance). Katherine mentioned she could talk to the Building Department to see if they could possibly waive any fees since the cabins are located on open space. One OSAC member stated that allowing the public to go into the cabins provides a more immersive and different experience, although it might not be appropriate at all the sites. OSAC provided the following recommendations:

- Determine which structures could remain open and which ones should be closed.
- Construct a nearby kiosk with a roof to provide shelter but close up the historic cabins. This "ghost structure" could be replicated at other locations such as Preston and Laurium, which would save money.
- Install buck-and-rail fencing around the cabins and historic structures where the County wants to prevent people from entering.

OSAC requested additional information regarding the CO/engineering review process, cost of the engineered plans, and what the management costs for these sites would be if they were left open to the public. Overall, OSAC was supportive of the historic preservation projects but did have mixed sentiment about keeping the cabins open.

OSAC unanimously voted to support the County contributing 10% of total project costs.

Bird Monitoring

Staff provided OSAC with an overview of the third year of bird monitoring studies. These surveys were conducted in June and July at Cobb and Ebert, Doig Homestead, Swan River Restoration Area, and Tenderfoot Meadows. Each property had four randomly selected points, and each point was surveyed four times for a total of 16 surveys at each property. This year, staff added a fifth property (Peabody Placer) to understand how forest treatments affect avian diversity. Highlights of the study included:

- Staff completed 88 surveys at the five properties and detected 1,446 individual birds representing 67 unique species.

- Pine siskin, American robin, common raven, and broad-tailed hummingbird were the four most abundant species in 2025. These are all habitat generalists meaning that they live and breed in a wide variety of habitats.
- With 46 unique species detected, Doig Homestead had higher species richness than any other property, followed by Swan River, Peabody Placer, Cobb and Ebert, and Tenderfoot Meadows.
- To quantify the biodiversity at each property, staff used the Simpson Index of Diversity. All five properties had very high diversity in 2025 and an index of over 0.9.

Staff then reviewed key findings and management recommendations from each of the five properties. The 2025 Report was included in the OSAC meeting packet, which provided an in-depth summary of the results from each property.

OSAC provided the following comments:

- Staff might consider having volunteers to help conduct point counts. Is there a way to engage schools? Staff should reach out to Susan Bonfield, who has property at Pebble Creek and conducts bird-related programs.
- Staff should make the report publicly available on the website.
- Staff might consider installing bird boxes to provide habitat for different species.
- Staff should pair these point counts with biodiversity studies, such as the ones CSU completes each year. OSAC mentioned that the biodiversity studies could help provide staff with more focused management strategies.

Dillon Valley Trail Feasibility

The Dillon Valley District has approached OST several times in the past regarding donating their property or granting an easement on two parcels in Dillon Valley. The District also reached out to the BOCC, who requested that staff evaluate potential costs and feasibility of constructing a trail in the District's wetland parcel (Parcel 1) and bridge crossing (Parcel 2).

Parcel 1

Parcel 1 primarily consists of wetlands along Straight Creek Drive. OST realized that constructing a trail through this parcel would be very difficult due to the terrain, extensive wetlands, and the number of bridges that would be required. There are currently no social trails on this parcel, as it is mostly covered in willows. However, the BOCC requested that staff explore the feasibility of a trail because Dillon Valley lacks trail connectivity and access to green space.

Therefore, OST hired Icon Engineering to complete a wetland delineation, floodplain analysis, and feasibility study. The results showed that over 90% of the parcel consists of wetlands and are within the FEMA floodplain. Icon estimated that the cost to build a trail would range between \$770,000 and \$900,000 (excluding wetland mitigation). With mitigation, the total cost would be approximately \$1.2 million.

Staff stated that the benefits of this trail are seasonal, off-street recreational opportunities as well as improved access to green space for Dillon Valley residents. The challenges are that the trail would only be used seasonally, construction would cause over 0.5-acres of wetland disturbance, there would be floodplain and regulatory processes that would need to be addressed, the trail would be extremely close to the houses, and the cost of the project is very high.

Overall, the project would result in substantial habitat disturbance and would place the trail close to private homes, so OST staff recommended leaving the parcel in its natural state to preserve the riparian zone and associated wildlife habitat.

OSAC provided the following comments about Parcel 1:

- Since there are no existing social trails, it appears to receive little to no use, especially since the neighborhood dates back to the 1980s. Therefore, the question is if the Dillon Valley residents see a need for this trail.
 - Staff stated that the District wants the trail, but OST has not conducted any public outreach because it was important to understand if this project was even feasible first.
- The area is heavily vegetated and functions as a riparian corridor for wildlife. OSAC is concerned about the fragmentation and disturbance this trail would cause.
- It is worth noting that the District offered this property as a donation approximately 20 years ago, which OST declined at the time.
- If the County decides not to pursue this trail, how can OST provide access to green space and trails for Dillon Valley residents without degrading sensitive habitats?

Parcel 2

Parcel 2 contains the Dillon Valley District's operations yard and water treatment facility. Currently, the public uses an informal social trail that passes near the treatment building and crosses Straight Creek on a rickety user-created bridge. The District has expressed concerns about this informal use but does not want to formalize the existing route through their yard. Staff stated that OST has an existing agreement with Denver Water to create a trail connection from Parcel 2 to the Straight Creek Trail system. This connection would be secured through a formal trail easement. Some wetlands exist within the area, resulting in approximately 0.1-acre of disturbance (this would require an Army Corps permit). Icon estimated that the cost for the bridge and trail crossing would range between \$90,000 and \$150,000. From a staff perspective, this project addresses an existing need by formalizing the social trail and improving access to the larger trail network. Staff did note that they would not have selected the location of the trail alignment, but it was the only option the District is considering.

OSAC provided the following comments about Parcel 2:

- Are there any potential parking issues? Staff stated that they could install signage and physical barriers if needed. However, the current use patterns suggest parking demand is minimal.
- Will the District help fund the project? Staff commented that the District asked OST to fund the entire project but will donate the easement. Funding for this project is included in the 2026 OST budget.

Apart from the two parcels, OSAC recommended that there should be a broader regional discussion with the Road and Bridge Department to explore bike lanes and sidewalks in Dillon Valley to provide residents with better access to trail portals and improve overall safety. The top community priority should be safe, year-round walkability in and out of the valley. Staff mentioned that there is no accident data to support that this area is an accident-prone area. Therefore, we would need data to support grant applications, right-of-way acquisitions, or condemnation actions.

OSAC unanimously voted not to pursue the Parcel 1 trail due to environmental concerns and the high cost but is supportive of moving forward with Parcel 2. OSAC also recommended engaging the District in discussions about shared funding responsibilities.

Executive Session:

Peter Grosshuesch made a motion to enter Executive Session and John Uban seconded. OSAC entered Executive Session at 7:35 PM.

Paul Semmer made a motion to leave Executive Session and John Uban seconded. OSAC left Executive Session at 8:29 PM.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Katherine mentioned that the next meeting will be a joint OSAC-BOSAC meeting on November 5 at 5:30pm. Potential topics might include the Quandary shuttle and parking program, STRAP public comments, RAMI study, and visitor use monitoring in the Upper Blue.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Morton

Allison Morton, Open Space and Trails Resource Specialist

MEMORANDUM

TO: Open Space Advisory Council
FROM: Open Space and Trails staff
DATE: October 28, 2025
SUBJECT: Summary Report on Open Space & Trails Activities for November 5, 2025 OSAC Meeting

The purpose of the summary report is to save time at OSAC meetings by providing an update on open space and trails management activities not requiring specific action by the OSAC. Any questions can be discussed at or prior to the meeting with staff. More information on past and future projects will be presented at the OSAC meeting.

Open Space Acquisition

- The BOCC will review the donation of Lee’s Lakeshore Lot 2R Block I Sub (owned by Mike Turek) on November 18th.

Open Space & Trails Management

- Staff completed forest regeneration surveys at previously treated Open Spaces on September 29th at Barney Ford and Willowbrook. Colorado State Forest Service will prepare a report of the results and recommendations for future management, which should be ready early 2026.
- Recent County trail crew projects include cleaning up a squatters camp on Iron Springs OS, trail restoration work on Snake River Bluffs and Fallen Soldier Trails, finalizing signage and a trail connection at the new Laurium Trailhead, major vegetation brushing on the Tenmile, Vail Pass and Summit Cove area Recpath sections, installing wayfinding signage on the Recpath connections surrounding the County Commons, and installing a new Tenderfoot Meadows winter closure gate to replace the one that was vandalized.

Open Space & Trails Planning Efforts

- Higher Ground Earthworks is under contract for construction of the Ranch at Breckenridge Phase 2 trail alignments. Work to clear corridors for the new trail alignments will begin as soon as possible with completion anticipated for the early summer of 2026.
 - The final plat and updated trail easement agreement for these trails is currently under review and should be recorded within the month.
- Staff are working with Summit Fire and EMS to finalize the burn plan and permits for the machine piles at Peabody Placer for the winter of 2025-2026. Access will be coordinated with the Gold Run Nordic Center and Town staff to ensure that access routes do not interfere with trail grooming activities.
- Staff are working with SCOMBA and Town of Frisco to draft license agreements for the Bobsled Trail at Tenderfoot Meadows and the Tincup and Ruby Trails at Iron Springs. All three trails are anticipated to be constructed in 2026.
- Staff are working with the Planning Department to revise Section 3807 of the Land Use and Development Code to allow special uses to occur on Open Space property. This code update will allow environmental non-profit groups to utilize County trails and open spaces for their environmental education and conservation-based camps. This case is currently out for referral with comments due on November 3. OST and the Planning Department will review the code update, policy, and referral comments at the Countywide Planning Commission meeting on December 1.
- Staff continue to monitor 23 trail counters (11 trail, 1 bike, 3 vehicle, and 8 Recpath) as well as 5 trailhead cameras, which are currently located at Hoosier Pass, Lower McCullough, Lincoln, Deer Creek, and Willowbrook Trailheads. Staff will review the data and provide a summary of the Upper Blue trail counters and trailhead cameras with OSAC and BOSAC during the November 5 meeting.
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Recpath Management

- Mountain Striping completed centerline striping on Fremont Pass and Swan Mountain Recpath in October. All the County managed sections of Recpath now have consistent centerline striping.
- The final Recpath kiosk was installed on October 23 at the boardwalk near Lakepoint Condos. A new pull-off and retaining wall were installed by Hood Landscaping the week of the 13th to provide an optimal installation location and safe viewing area.
- Stantec Inc. finished inspecting the condition of 19 bridges on the Recpath on October 17. With the field work portion completed, Stantec will now review the field notes and create a report that summarizes the condition of each bridge and provides a list of repair and maintenance recommendations. The report will be submitted by the end of the year.

Special Events

- The County and DRReC have permitted, or are in the process of permitting, 28 events and/or event series in 2025. The events currently scheduled in November are the Town of Frisco's Turkey Day 5k, Girls on the Run, and Copper Mountain Stifel World Cup.

Volunteers

- The Headwaters Chapter of the Sierra Club completed seed collection and dispersal efforts at Horseshoe Gulch and Swan River Reach A on October 11th from 9am to 12pm.

Staffing

- Johnny Kilroy finished his trail technician season on 10/24. The other two trail technicians will be working limited hours in the coming weeks as their schedule and weather allows.
- The resource specialist position vacated by Jessica Forsyth is not being advertised, per a County-wide hiring freeze. Staff is hopeful this position can be filled in early 2026.