

# OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** July 15, 2013

**AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:** 3F

**STAFF:** Juan F. Guzman, Open Space Manager

**REQUEST:** Discussion only regarding trail projects – Ash Canyon to Kings Canyon, Carson River Trail from Morgan Mill Road River Access Area, V&T north of Combs Canyon Road to the Hospital, Waterfall, and Clear Creek Trailhead.

### GENERAL DISCUSSION:

#### Ash Canyon to Kings Canyon Trail:

Muscle Powered has resumed construction on the Carson City trail segment. The summer work schedule is: Wednesdays and Fridays from 5:15pm to 8:15pm-ish and Sundays 8am to 3pm. Meeting locations will switch between the Upper Ash Creek Trailhead and the Kings Canyon/Waterfall Road Trailhead. Information and updates will be available on the Muscle Powered website. This trail section is strictly volunteer-based, so help is also needed and appreciated. During May, 20 volunteers logged 228 hours of work; and during June, 71 volunteers logged 710 hours constructing another 1,200' of new trail. During the same period, Great Basin Institute has also resumed construction on the much longer trail segment located on U.S. Forest Service-administered lands.

Muscle Powered, along with volunteers and staff, celebrated National Trails Day on June 1<sup>st</sup> by working on the Ash Canyon to Kings Canyon Trail.





Carson River Trail from Morgan Mill Road River Access Area:

Muscle Powered hosted their first work day of the year on April 13<sup>th</sup> and started construction on a single-track trail leading from the Morgan Mill Road River Access Area to the cottonwood gallery at the Deer Run Road Bridge. Approximately 400' of trail was constructed with 26 volunteers. A second work day was held on April 27<sup>th</sup>, but the 1,500' trail is not yet completed. Staff is hopeful in working with a scout project sometime this year.

V&T north of Combs Canyon Road to the Hospital:

Mark Kimbrough has contacted all private property owners and has received positive results. The next step is to obtain the legal easements. Two permits have been filed with the State of Nevada for access and public use of the old railroad grade plus a loop back into the existing trails at the Carson-Tahoe Hospital.

Waterfall Trail:

Mark Kimbrough conducted training sessions for the Great Basin Institute that resulted in the extension of the upper trail and maintenance to the lower one. A field trip with staff and the USFS District Ranger was conducted. We anticipate receiving USFS approval to cross the North Canyon Creek by late summer.

Clear Creek Trailhead:

The Nevada Division of State Lands did not approve a request from The Nature Conservancy, the Carson Valley Trail Association, Carson City, and Mark Rotter with Manhard Consulting for a trail and/or trailhead on their property. This effort will continue towards finding a suitable location since the trails extension from the Indian Hills site continues to advance towards Clear Creek.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Discussion only. No action may be taken.



## Juan Guzman

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**From:** Roger Moellendorf  
**Sent:** Monday, May 13, 2013 2:27 PM  
**To:** Juan Guzman; Ann Bollinger; Vern Krahn; 'Lynn Zonge'  
**Cc:** Crowell, Robert; Larry Werner; Ann Bollinger; Bruce Scott; Donna Inversin; Evans, Margie; Howard Riedl; LWFLawyer@aol.com; Patricia Lincoln; Stella Hyatt; Tina Russom; Welborn, Toby  
**Subject:** RE: Thank You!

Congratulations Jeff!

Roger

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**From:** Juan Guzman  
**Sent:** Monday, May 13, 2013 9:09 AM  
**To:** Ann Bollinger; Vern Krahn; Roger Moellendorf; 'Lynn Zonge'  
**Cc:** Crowell, Robert; Larry Werner; Ann Bollinger; Bruce Scott; Donna Inversin; Evans, Margie; Howard Riedl; [LWFLawyer@aol.com](mailto:LWFLawyer@aol.com); Patricia Lincoln; Roger Moellendorf; Stella Hyatt; Tina Russom; Welborn, Toby  
**Subject:** FW: Thank You!

Jeff:  
Congratulations for being ranked 1 of the RTP grants and thanks to Lynn and RCI for their help. You place so much time and effort, thanks again we are so proud to be Muscle Power partners. I ran into Toby Saturday, he mentioned that the field trip after the grant evaluation to the Ash to King Trail, with Peter went very well. That is amazing to be able to get to the trail and to cross the creek in a wheel chair!!

**From:** Jeff Potter [<mailto:jeffpotter@musclepowered.org>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 11, 2013 5:59 AM  
**Subject:** Thank You!

Hi all,

I was informed last night that we were awarded the RTP Grant we applied for. And that's not all. Out of all the applicants we ranked #1, *and* the Committee felt we could use more tools so they increased our request.

I want to thank all of you who showed up to support Muscle Powered during our presentation. It was your involvement that put us over the top, and I really appreciate that you took the time to participate.

See you on the trail,  
Jeff