

TOWN OF BRIGHTON NEWS - AUGUST 2022



BRIGHTON GIRLS CAMP CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION!

The Brighton Girls Camp is celebrating its 100th year. Festivities will take place on Saturday, August 20 from 10 am to 4 pm at the Brighton Girls Camp 8409 S. Brighton Loop Road. There will be special tours, hikes, service projects, music, and other events. Please come up to help them celebrate! Congratulations all around! For more information: https://www.brightongirlscampcentennial.com/

(Photo courtesy of Utah Historical Society)



SPECIAL EVENTS ORDINANCE

Passed July 12, 2022 by the Brighton Town Council

A special event permit is required for any Athletic Event (marathon, bike races), Entertainment Event (weddings and filming), Political Events and any other event if:

- 1. The event involves more than 50 attendees;
- 2. The event affects street access, parking, traffic, transportation access;
- 3. The event may violate town or health department noise regulations;

The organizer must obtain required approvals or permits with UPD, UFA emergency medical service, UDOT, health department, and any County, State, or Federal agency with a regulatory interest in the event. Event organizers shall provide the town with a copy of all such approvals or permits as soon as reasonably possible. After Town staff review, the application will be approved or denied. Below are examples how the ordinance will apply.

Weddings And Related Events

- If not a commercial event, fewer than 50 attendees, no traffic parking issues, no amplified noise or noise after 10:00PM, then no permit will be required.
- If it is a commercial event, the organizer must either submit an application to the Town or submit an approved permit from the issuing agency. (i.e., USFS permit, UDOT etc.)
- These events must also comply with zoning, business licensing, and other Town and State code.

Marathons & Bike Races

- These events will need to apply to the Town if the event impacts Town streets (such as road closures, slowdowns etc.)
- Even if the event does not affect Town streets, the event organizer must provide the Town with a copy of another agency's approved permit.

Resort Events

- If the Resorts have an approved permit from the U.S. Forest Service, they only need to provide a copy of the approved permit to the Town.
- The Resorts must still comply with noise times and level regulations.



WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS

In the last few years more motorists have been parking along Big Cottonwood Canyon Road and it has become a safety hazard for pedestrians and motorists. In winter, pedestrians often have no choice but to walk to the resorts very close to or within the road. In some areas vehicles are parked on both sides of the roadway which further narrows the space available to pedestrians, motorists, and emergency vehicles. According to officials who respond and help facilitate traffic movement in these areas on high volume days, the situation is untenable and must be mitigated.

Strategy

The Town of Brighton and MSD engineers have analyzed these sections of the roadway and provided a plan for restricting parking along Big Cottonwood Canyon Road to mitigate some of the hazards. Key stakeholders include the USDA Forest Service, UFA, UPD, Solitude Resort, Brighton Resort, UDOT and SLC Public Utilities.

A phased approach will be taken to implement these changes. Phase 1 will be implemented this fall and includes signs restricting parking during the winter season (Nov 1 to May 15) primarily on the downhill side of the road. There will also be areas of year-round restriction implemented with Phase 1 due to insufficient space, intersection sight triangles, and sight distances at or near curves. After Phase 1 has been effect for a full winter season, the results will be analyzed, and a Phase 2 may be implemented the following year to continue, supplement and/or modify the Phase 1 plan.

Goals

- 1. Improve safety for pedestrians and motorists in the plan area.
- 2. Reduce the number of vehicle slide-offs which require removal.
- 3. Improve safe movement and access of emergency vehicles.
- 4. Improve access for UDOT to conduct snow removal and road maintenance.
- 5. Improve the amount of available space for snow removal, snow storage and other maintenance.

Objectives

Install parking restriction signs between Willow Heights Trailhead and the Brighton Loop.

- 1. Install clear signage noting parking restrictions in this area to include winter parking restrictions or year-round parking restrictions.
- 2. Include information about fines and towing for not obeying the parking restrictions.
- 3. Provide space for safe movement of emergency vehicles specifically during winter months.
- Improve the sight distance at some intersections by restricting parking within the sight triangles.
- 5. Improve the sight distance around certain curves by restricting parking throughout the curve.



NEW US FOREST SERVICE FEE PROPOSAL

The Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest is seeking comments on a proposal for new recreation fees. These sites include developed day-use areas, campgrounds, group picnic and overnight sites, Off Highway Vehicle areas, winter trail systems, and cabins.

The Forest Pass proposal would increase the three-day pass from \$6 to \$10 per vehicle, seven-day pass from \$12 to \$20 per vehicle, and the annual pass from \$45 to \$60 per vehicle.

To provide feedback electronically and find a complete list of proposed developed recreation site changes visit – https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/uwcnf/home/?cid=fseprd1039735 Comments will be accepted through September 7, 2022.

Comments should be relevant to the proposed fee changes.

Comments which address a fee change at a specific site are particularly useful, such as what would you change about the proposal and why.

Contact the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest Supervisor's Office at 801-999-2103 for additional information.



CHIPPER DAYS

Thanks to the 70 families who signed up for Chipper Days this year. In all, 944 hours were contributed by our community toward improving neighborhood Defensible Spaces. Those hours will be used as in-kind match for next year's grant. There have been many compliments about this year's Chipper Crew. They spent 3 weeks providing individual home assessments in Brighton and Forest Glen and plan to return next year to continue assessments in other canyon communities. Of course, the Annual Chipper Days will return at the end of July for those who sign up next year.

Several families have asked about where to find help with tree management. Here are some companies that neighbors have used with good success:

Atlas Tree Service 801.897.8615 Arbor Tree Service 801.485.8733 Tim's Tree Service 801.913.0604 Doug's Tree Service 801.572.5666 Diamond Tree Service 801.262.1596

WILDFLOWER FRENZY

This summer has been a great wildflower season. It has also been a big construction season. Since wildflowers are often the first colonizers of disturbed soil, there's an opportunity to plant some extra wildflowers. Here are some resources and ideas.

Top Wildflower Suggestions for Big Cottonwood Canyon

Scarlet Gilia, Pearly Everlasting, Gaillardia, Western Wallflower, Milkweed, Yarrow, Lewis Flax, Penstemon, Paintbrush, Coneflower.

Resources

Granite Seed (801) 768-4422 https://graniteseed.com/seed/wildflowers-forbs/

Remkes Environmental (801) 391-6746 http://remkesenvironmental.com/ True Leaf Market (801) 491-8700 https://www.trueleafmarket.com/

Wildflower seeds can be sown in the fall. Broadcast the seeds, evenly rake and lightly tamp wildflower seeds into the soil.



WEEDS AND WILDFLOWERS

Taylor Litwin, Cottonwood Canyons Foundation Director of Wildflowers and Weeds, and her team, Leo and Jordan, have done a lot of work in our canyon this year. Along with volunteers, they have hand pulled over 6 tons of invasive weeds...Thistle, Houndstongue, Flannel Mullein, Toadflax, and others. In addition, they have planted over 700 wildflower seedlings in places like Storm Mountain, Spruces, Solitude, and the Brighton Round-About.

They have inspired homeowner associations to plant more wildflowers and eradicate more invasives. Their good work and inspiration will be showing up for years to come.





Driving in style! Check out our new truck wraps. Did you know aluminum can be recycled infinitely? In fact, 97% of all soft drink aluminum cans are made of aluminum, and the average aluminum can in the U.S. contains 40% post-consumer recycled aluminum. Additionally, the turn-around of aluminum is about six weeks, meaning it takes only six weeks for a beverage can to be manufactured, filled, sold,

used, recycled and remanufactured! When buying soft drinks, try going for the aluminum cans rather than the plastic bottles.



SUPPORTING ALTERRA MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES

The Alterra Company, Solitude's parent company, recently developed a non-profit Community Foundation to help members of the communities in which Alterra ski properties are located. Anyone living in Big Cottonwood Canyon is eligible to apply for charitable grants. Businesses that may have been adversely affected by the pandemic AND individuals who are experiencing hardship are invited to apply. For more information contact Meegan Moszynski (m.moszynski@alterracommunityfoundation.org) or Bryan Luftglass (bryan.luftglass@gmail.com) or check out the details at the foundation's website: www.alterramtnco.com/foundation/



FESTIVALS AND CELEBRATIONS

To find a printer-friendly copy for the refrigerator door click here: <u>AUGUST EVENTS</u>
For details, check out the Brighton Institute Website: https://www.thebrightoninstitute.org/events

Aug – Sept 25 Brighton Flea Market • Sundays • 10am – 5 pm • Brighton Center • Enjoy artists, nostalgia and beautiful mountain views.

Aug - Sept 25 Free Live Sunday Music Concerts • 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on the Solitude Village Green •

August 14- Cory Mon

August 21- David Burchfield

August 28- The Proper Way

Sept 11- Gorgeous Gourds

Sept 18- Medium Cottonwood

Sept 25- Paul Clecker

August-Sept 1	Sunset Cinema at Solitude • Thursdays. Apex Express Lawn. • Free • Bring a parka! August 11- ET (8:30 pm start) August 18- The Incredibles (8:30 pm start) August 25- Ghostbusters (8:00 pm start) Sept 1- Warren Miller's Winter Starts Now (8 pm start)
August-Sept	Outdoor Yoga • 10:00-11:00 a.m. • Inn at Solitude Lawn • Free
August-Oct 8	Interpretive Nature Hikes. 10 am-Noon • Meet by the Village Pond. Lift ticket required. August 20, Sept 3, Sept 10, Sept 24, October 1, October 8
August 6	Plein Air Workshop with Susan Gallacher. 10 am-4:30 pm. Meet at Brighton Fire Station
August 7	Kids Day at Summer Fest. Noon-4 pm. Solitude Village. Free. Register at https://cottonwoodcanyons.org/education/kids-days-registration-2022
August 20	Brighton Girls Camp Centennial Celebration. 10 am to 4 pm at the Brighton Girls Camp 8409 S. Brighton Loop Road.
August 24	Tree Utah Hiking Tour. 10-11:30 am. ■ Meet at Solitude Village Pond. Free
August 26	Open Mike Night at the Thirsty Squirrel Solitude Village ■ 6:00-8:00 pm. Free. Participant Sign-Up 5:00 pm to 5:30 pm
August 27-28	Salt Lake Climbers Alliance Annual Climbing Fest Solitude Village • Registration required. For more info: https://www.saltlakeclimbingfestival.com/
August 27	Geology Hike. 9-11 am • Solitude Village Pond • Lift ticket required
August 27	Stargazing 8:30-10:30 pm • Moonbeam Parking Lot • Free • Bring parkas, blankets, chairs, binoculars. Several Telescopes will be on-site.
September 10	Big Cottonwood Marathon • 7-11 am • Guardsmans Pass to Cottonwood Heights Rolling road closures on Hwy 190.
September 17	Geology Hike. 9-11 am • Solitude Village Pond • Lift ticket required
September 30	Geology Hike with Rodger Fry. 9 am. Meet at the Solitude Village Pond. Ride the Sunrise Lift for a guided hike that goes until Noon. Lift ticket required.
September 30	Open Mike Night at the Thirsty Squirrel • Solitude Village • 6:00-8:00 pm. Free. Participant Sign-Up 5:00 pm to 5:30 pm

MEETINGS

Brighton Town Council

Tuesday, August 9, 2022 – 6:30 pm Meetings | Brighton Utah
OR www.utah.gov/pmn (You can subscribe to this website to receive automatic notifications.)

Brighton Institute Meeting

Monday, August 8, 2022 – 6 pm. Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86508034065 Meeting ID: 865 0803 4065 Phone Connection: +1-253-215-8782

BCCA Community Council

Monday, August 8, 2022 – 7 pm. Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86508034065

Meeting ID: 865 0803 4065 Phone Connection: +1-253-215-8782

Brighton General Plan Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 17, 2022 – 6:00 pm Meetings | Brighton Utah

Environmental Dashboard

The new Central Wasatch Commission's Environmental Dashboard has some great information about our canyon. Access the Beta Version of the Environmental Dashboard at this link: https://cwcedb.utah.edu/

Citizen's Problem Reporter Tool

The Citizen's Reporter Tool allows you to report problems such as code violations, illegal parking, health issues, trash issues, etc.

- 1. Go to bit.ly/msd-cpr or click this link: https://gslmsd.maps.arcgis.com/apps/CrowdsourceReporter/index.html?appid=c72d18a5e8e74ee2b4c 202904ff62513
- 2. Click on the right-hand side, select the type of problem.
- 3. After you enter your information, click the "Submit Problem" button to send the MSD a report.

Short-Term Rentals. For help in complying with the regulation, contact the MSD as soon as possible. https://app01.cityworksonline.com/CLIENT_GreaterSaltLakeMSD-Public/template/login.aspx