



Restroom Focus Group Meeting - August 31, 2020



Grant Application Bekee Hotze, Uintah Wasach Cache National Forest (UWCNF) District Ranger, said they will submit a grant request through the Great American Outdoors Act (GAOA). They hope to receive about \$75M over 5 years. They are planning to apply for the following shovel-ready projects: Silver Lake Boardwalk, Cardiff Boardwalk, White Pine Trail Bridge. Deadline for the application is October 2020. Bekee is open to hearing about other shovel-ready projects to add to the application.

Fees Deferred maintenance on the UWCNF is estimated at \$70M. The Cottonwood Canyons, Pineview Reservoir, and Strawberry are where most of the deferred maintenance is needed. Pineview generates considerable revenue for the Forest because of the fees there. Fees in the Cottonwood Canyons were denied two years ago because amenities (picnic tables, trash cans, restrooms, interpretive signs, security/law enforcement, parking) weren't adequate to warrant a fee. They may reapply for fees as trailheads are improved. There are 435 recreation sites in UWCNF. Most of them are free and will remain free, but in high use areas, fees may be needed. All fees collected in this area will stay in this area. High density sites are seeing a 300-400% increase of normal use this year. It is a snapshot of what the Forest could look like in less than 10 years.

Current Needs

- The size of the water holding tank for the restroom at Cardiff will be doubled at USFS expense. SLC Public Utilities is not certain it can allow water to be used at the location, however. This has been a continuing dilemma.
- The Forest Service is struggling with ways to transfer money between the many partnerships that exist on the Forest (SLC, SLCo, ski resorts, towns, non-profits, USFS) because all have different fiscal years and requirements for spending deadlines. Bekee would like to see a non-profit take on the task of holding and accounting for the funds until a project is underway. There are two non-profits existing currently:
Cottonwood Canyons Foundation <http://cottonwoodcanyons.org/> (with a new full-time paid Director),
Friends of the SL Ranger District <https://www.friendsofthesaltlakerangerdistrict.org> (no paid staff).

Questions

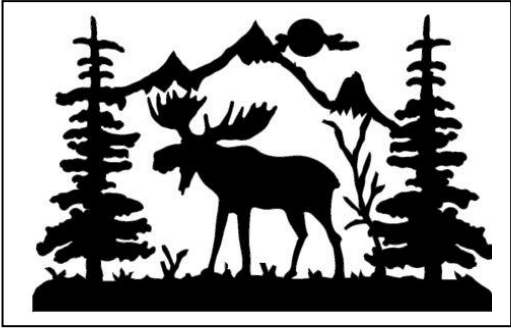
- How can Brighton begin to interface more effectively with the UWCNF?
- Where would be best for Brighton to focus its funding efforts?

Ideas

Would Brighton consider providing \$1500 for the Wasatch Graffiti Busters (WGB), a group of volunteers who takes out graffiti in the Wasatch? They operate as a non-profit group under the Friends of the SL Ranger District. Bekee would like to see them get better funding. A gallon of Elephant Snot© paint

remover costs \$300. This would buy the volunteers 5 gallons for the year. Granite Community Council donates \$1500/year. Snowbird also donates (amount uncertain). They would like to increase UPD surveillance in graffiti areas, which is costly. The Busters have spent many hours in BCC these past two years. We're lucky to have such a dedicated group.

THE MIGHTY MOOSE AWARD



UDOT deserves a vote of appreciation for the amazing job they have done repaving State Highway 190, our lifeline to the rest of the world. Important changes at the Brighton Loop and Roundabout make traffic flow less confusing. Jake Brown, our favorite maintenance engineer, and Amalia Deslis-Andrews met several times with locals to iron out different ideas at the Loop and the left turn to Guardsmans Pass Road. Thanks to locals Dan Knopp, Randy Doyle, and Jolene Despain for helping arrange the meetings. Thanks to Granite Construction for the big

machines and skilled workers. And HUGE thanks to UDOT for being one of the best partners we could ever wish for in this canyon!

LAST CALL FOR CHIPPER DAYS

The last Chipper Days of summer will begin on September 8, 2020.

- Keep track of your hours because we get in-in-kind credits to keep Chipper Days free. Each hour gets a credit of \$24.65!
- Be sure to stack large cut ends at edge of drive to help crews with untangling.
- No limbs over 6 inches in diameter.
- New Rules. Property owners ARE allowed to clear deadfall from USFS lands adjacent to their property up to 150 ft from their residence.
- If you want to sign up for Chipper Days, email barbaracameron@hotmail.com
- Provide your cabin address, contact phone, number of hours, and say if you want your chips scattered or piled.



Please understand that you are giving your permission for the chipper crew to come to your property, and will not hold them responsible for unintended damage. Lastly, a HUGE thank you for participating in this project!



**CENTRAL
WASATCH
COMMISSION**

**Mountain Transportation System Expert Panel Event:
Friday, September 18th, 2 -- 4 p.m.**

Join the Central Wasatch Commission on Friday, September 18th, 2 — 4 p.m. for a Mountain

Transportation System panel with experts from Utah Transit Authority, Salt Lake City Public Utilities, Wasatch Front Regional Council, and SE Group. The panelists and members of the Central Wasatch Commission will discuss potential alternatives for a regional transportation system for the Wasatch Front and Back, including any potential impacts on the watershed.

You may register for the event [here](#). Registration for the event is limited. If the registration cap is reached, interested public may tune into the expert panel event via Facebook Live, at the below link. Staff will be monitoring Facebook Live during the event.

You may tune into the live-streamed event through [Facebook Live here](#).

Submit a question pertinent to the Mountain Transportation System for the expert panel to potentially answer [here](#).

[Read More and Register for the Event Here](#)

CENSUS REMINDER

Be sure Brighton is represented for the next 10 years. Respond to the Census by **September 30, 2020.**

Online: my2020census.gov

Phone: 844-330-2020

- There are no citizenship questions on the Census.
- Your responses will not be shared with anyone. That means no law enforcement agency, no employer, and no landlord.
- Responding to the 2020 Census helps Brighton receive its fair share of representation in Congress, funding for schools, safer roads and access to health clinics.



SIGN UP FOR REVERSE 911



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