

Discussion Outline for Millcreek Canyon Issues

2-19-20

1. Obtain information from the Forest Service & County in order to better understand Millcreek Canyon issues and to evaluate/propose good potential solutions.
 - Understand current levels of usage and how the usage is trending.
Get multi-year usage count for dogs, bikes etc. Coordinate w/ Visitor Capacity Committee.
 - Where have revenues from collected tolls been spent in the past?
What is the plan for the future? Is there a Forest Service wish list?
Do Forest Service plans address parking & restroom issues?
Coordinate with trails committee.
 - What is the status of bike lane extension? Need to extend west from tollbooth as well as east.
 - What communications alternatives is the Forest Service considering?
Do they have any potential funding sources other than FLAP?
We need to understand the issues & costs of cell service in MCC.
 - Where is Millcreek Road on County's list of repaving and improvement projects?
What is the role of the MSD now? How can we get better maintenance & repair?
 - How are MCC tax revenues being spent? How much is used for MCC?
What are the costs of normal services, such as road work and snow-plowing?
2. Monitor FLAP grant progress. As appropriate, offer input on parking issues, plan for narrow roadway at top of canyon, safety & communications.
3. Fire Prevention: develop recommendations to supplement FS's fuels reduction plan.
4. Develop and propose an acceptable dog/bike/hiker/skier compromise before County & Forest Service impose a solution of their own.
5. Parking Solutions: can we help the Forest Service to quickly evaluate and implement some of the non-shuttle parking solutions in the Fehr & Peers report?
6. Safety: can we propose good recommendations for improving safety of vehicles, bikes, pedestrians?
7. Del's General Principles for dealing with MCC issues.
 - Bring issues of a future shuttle into discussions of roadway/trailhead changes.
These changes should align where possible with future shuttle plans.
 - Review Mountain Accord principles periodically to evaluate how issues and proposed changes in MCC align or conflict with them.
 - Catalog other Millcreek issues as they arise.
 - Stay involved with Forest Service, County, & Millcreek City on MCC issues.
 - Become knowledgeable and be ready to work with them and to advocate as issues arise.