



Central Wasatch Commission
May 4th Board Meeting
Short Term Projects Committee Update

On direction of the Short Term Projects Committee, the CWC opened a Call for Project Ideas on Friday, March 13th. The CWC will continue to accept project ideas, but the review committee prioritized idea submissions received on or before Friday April 3rd.

The CWC has since received 35 idea submissions. A review committee scored each of these ideas against criteria. Based on the outcome of the initial review, staff invited 7 applicants to build upon their project idea by submitting a more robust project proposal by April 28th.

During the meeting of the Short Term Projects Committee on Wednesday, April 29th, the Short Term Projects Committee members reviewed and discussed the merits of the project proposals, and arrived at a consensus on which projects to recommend to the Commission for full or partial Funding.

The projects are as follows:

- Utah Open Lands, Bonneville Shoreline Trail Land Acquisition, land acquisition
 - A project with a total cost of \$3,000,000
 - A request of \$20,000 from the Central Wasatch Commission
 - Project timeline: September – October 2020

- Save Our Canyons, Wag Bag Station, at the Jacob's ladder trailhead trails project
 - A project with a total cost of \$1,000
 - A request of \$1,000 from the Central Wasatch Commission for maintenance of the station for 1 year
 - Project timeline: June – September 2020

- Salt Lake Climbers Alliance, Gate Buttress Recreation Infrastructure Project, Phase two, trails project
 - A project with a total cost of \$70,870
 - A request of \$20,000 from the Central Wasatch Commission for a trails crew, trails materials, and anchor replacement
 - Project timeline: nine weeks of trail crew time

- Trails Utah, Dog Lake Bridges, trails project
 - A project with a total cost of \$21,135.04

- A request of \$20,000 from the Central Wasatch Commission for the bridge materials
- Project timeline: June – September 2020
- Trails Utah, Desolation Trail Reroute, trails project
 - A project with a total cost of \$16,000
 - A request of \$16,000 from the Central Wasatch Commission for the Utah Conservation Corps trails crew to complete major trail maintenance on the Desolation Trail between Circle Awl ridge and Thaynes Canyon
 - Project timeline: May – September 2020
- Utah Geologic Association, Big Cottonwood Geosign Replacement, trails project
 - A project with a total cost of \$4,000
 - A request of \$4,000 from the Central Wasatch Commission for 4 signs in Big Cottonwood Canyon
 - Project timeline: May – June 2020
- Graffiti Abatement Project, environmental protection
 - A project with a total cost of \$6,000
 - A request of \$2,600 from the Central Wasatch Commission for the graffiti removal solvent and a power washer
 - Project timeline: May – November 2020
- CWC Sponsored Chipper Day in the project area
 - Project cost of \$2,000
- CWC Sponsored USFS Bathroom Maintenance
 - Donut Falls
 - Temple Quarry
 - Mill B, Lower Big Cottonwood Canyon
 - Maintenance cost of \$13,080

The Commission will be asked to approve spending just under the \$60,000 currently budgeted for projects slated to begin work before July 1st. Assuming the proposed budget for the next fiscal year is approved with the \$20,000 for projects, we can then award projects not requiring funding immediately.

Staff will create a packet for those applicants the Committee has recommended receive funding. The packet will include items like rules for when and how the CWC will disperse funding, and what we expect from the applicant as far as an itemized expense sheet explaining how and when the funds were/will be used, a statement that if the project does not happen for whatever reason, CWC funds shall be returned, and an outline for what the outreach partnership shall look like for each project.