

November 27, 2023

**CLEAR CREEK METROPOLITAN RECREATION DISTRICT
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
IDAHO SPRINGS SKATEPARK
DESIGN-BUILD SERVICES**

**Request for Proposals Due
Friday, December 29, 2023**

This RFP has been advertised on the following websites:

www.bidnetdirect.com

www.clearcreekrecreation.com

SUBMISSION: All proposal responses shall be submitted electronically, via email to **cameron@ccmrd.com**, in PDF format (attachments must be under 25 megabytes).

If file size exceeds email maximum, please email **cameron@ccmrd.com** for additional instructions.

*Interested respondents may contact Cameron Marlin, Project Manager, with any questions regarding the proposal at **cameron@ccmrd.com**.*

PROPOSER'S CERTIFICATION

Please note: This page is to be returned with your proposal.

The undersigned, as an authorized agent of the proposer, hereby certifies:

- () the receipt of the full and complete RFP, including all attachments and appendices;
- () familiarization with all instructions, terms and conditions, and specifications stated in this RFP;
- () the proposer is qualified to perform the work and services outlined in this RFP;
- () that the proposal is valid until _____ (date).

Company Name: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Printed Name + Title: _____

Phone Number + Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town, State, Zip Code: _____

Federal Employee ID Number (FEIN): _____

Website: _____

Part One. Introduction

The Clear Creek Metropolitan Recreation District (CCMRD) is seeking a qualified design-build firm to perform the following tasks for the Idaho Springs Skatepark Project:

- Community Consultation
- Conceptual Design
- Technical Design
- Full Specialty Construction Services (including Project Management)

The Idaho Springs Skatepark is a premier feature of the Master Plan Redesign of the Idaho Springs Sports and Events Complex (located at 101 E Idaho Springs Road, Idaho Springs, CO 80452). The Redesign was completed through a collaborative effort led by [THK Associates, Inc.](#), landscape architect, and between CCMRD and the City of Idaho Springs.

An 18,000 square foot skatepark is one amenity among others, collectively creating a vibrant community space attracting people of all ages, interests, and skill levels.

Initial funding for the project will be provided by CCMRD, the City of Idaho Springs, and the Freeport McMoRan Foundation, to later be leveraged as matching funds for future prospective grant dollars provided by GOCO, The Skatepark Project, and community fundraising efforts (among others, most likely).

CCMRD is looking for a firm with extensive experience designing and building skateparks in mountainous environments with freeze-thaw cycles and who has the ability to initiate construction in 2024.

There will be one submission process and at least one interview panel to select a design-build firm for this project (preliminary presentations and/or follow-up interviews could be conducted if deemed necessary).

Part Two. Background

The Idaho Springs Skatepark will be 18,000 square feet in size, with a budget of approximately \$1,170,000, determined in accordance with industry standards ranging from \$55 - \$65/square foot. Please see appendix "Project Maps" for

visual representation of the space and the proposed Master Plan design. The final, approved Master Plan, is attached and can be found online at <https://clearcreekrecreation.com/skatepark.html>.

The skatepark is to be designed for beginner, intermediate, and expert skateboarders with a unique and alluring appeal to the local community and heritage, and the 12+ million vehicles that pass via Interstate 70 each year.

The Idaho Springs Skatepark is a project with broad community support that has activated a significant portion of youth and skateboard enthusiasts of all ages. A formal group of youth and adults referred to as the “Skate Board” meets regularly to maintain momentum and to provide input. This group has played a large role in the high level of community awareness and support for the skatepark and will continue to be intimately involved as the project evolves. The firm selected will be responsible for assisting CCMRD to ensure that design and construction is done to the best interest of the local community.

Part Three. Scope of Services and Budget

The skatepark design-build firm shall provide professional design services, conceptual design, technical design, contract document preparation, and construction administration for the skatepark, within the defined and agreed-upon budget parameters and timeline. The firm shall work in collaboration with CCMRD, The City of Idaho Springs, the Skate Board, and any other consultants hired to complete the other various components of the park redesign. The selected firm shall also be responsible for leading up to three public design workshops to gather input resulting in conceptual designs and a technical design, including construction documents. Project updates and progress review is to occur with the CCMRD Board of Directors, the City of Idaho Springs, and the Skate Board.

Scope of Services desired includes but is not limited to the following:

- Community Consultation
- Conceptual Design
- Technical Design
- Construction Observation and Oversight
- Cost/Budget Controls
- Change Management

Other tasks may be included as the project progresses and needs are further identified.

The budget for design services, encompassing conceptual, technical, and engineering, shall be within the range of industry standards and is not to exceed \$95,000. The construction contract amount for the skatepark, including all site improvements, excluding sales tax and contingency is approximately \$1,170,000.

Part Four. Selection Process

An evaluation committee will be established to review proposal packets. Members of the committee may include, but will not be limited to, CCMRD staff and board, members of the Skate Board community committee, and City of Idaho Springs staff. Reviewers will represent a range of experience and involvement in the park.

The committee will review the submittals and rate them based on the criteria below. Please note: selection will be most heavily weighted by experience and qualifications; price negotiations will occur in the second round of evaluation.

Upon completion of the initial evaluation process, the finalists will be contacted for an interview and an opportunity to answer any remaining questions and to negotiate final price and project budget. (An optional presentation to the Selection Committee could occur if deemed necessary.) From this, the committee will select the most qualified firm.

Timeline

Monday, November 27, 2023 – first day of advertisement

Friday, December 29, 2023 at 11:59pm – Proposal packets are due

January 8 - 19, 2024 – Selection Committee Meetings

Week of January 22, 2024 - Interviews

Week of January 29, 2024 – Notification

Negotiations to proceed promptly upon notice in preparation for a February 2024 community meeting.

CCMRD reserves the sole right to change these dates. Prospective candidates will be notified of any changes.

Schedule

This project is scheduled to begin in the 2024 calendar year. It is anticipated that the firm selected will be involved in this project until construction is complete. CCMRD seeks someone who can be very efficient in their use of time to minimize costs.

PROPOSER INFORMATION

Personnel

Proposals are to include a list of the key personnel and their primary assignments on this project. Resumes are to be included. Ideally there will be one key staff member dedicated to this project who will be supported by the firm's other staff experts. CCMRD is looking for staff who have significant experience in designing and building skateparks.

Qualifications

The selected design-build firm must possess demonstrated experience in successfully realizing skatepark projects of various sizes and types, as primary and/or sub-contractor with responsibility for the footprint of the skatepark, with expertise in the area of concrete and/or shotcrete skatepark design. Experience building in a seasonal mountainous climate that is susceptible to a freeze-thaw cycle is required. Thoughtful consideration and previous experience in addressing potential hazards to wildlife are also critically important. The design-build firm must also have demonstrated experience in full site design and working on teams with other professionals, consultants, and contractors. The design-build firm team must possess the engineering expertise essential to complete the project and to perform the full range of services required for this scope of work. The construction documents must contain all the information necessary, including any structural engineering, for the contractor to build the designed park to completion.

Responses are to include a summary of your experience on similar projects including a brief summary of at least three examples, including valid contact information.

Your proposal shall be brief but shall include the following at minimum:

1. **Letter of Interest:** A one-page letter describing why your firm is interested in pursuing this project and why you believe your firm should be selected. Please include the following:
 - a. What it is that makes your designs outstanding;
 - b. What you feel needs to be considered in order to make this an exceptional skatepark that reflects the heart of the community;
 - c. What makes your designs outstanding;
 - d. What (some of) your driving philosophies are.
2. **Project Examples:** List five (5) of your firm's most successful relevant projects varying in size from a minimum of 2,000 square feet up to 20,000 square feet. Provide drawings and/or photographs. At least three (3) must have been built to completion within the last five (5) years. Provide completion dates or current phase, a reliable reference (name and phone number), and describe the outstanding features and elements of each. Project examples that demonstrate success in navigating freeze/thaw cycles, heavy snows, wildlife pressures, and/or historic/cultural references are preferred.
3. **Project Team:** List the members of your project team, describing their role in the project, the strength they bring to the team, and a brief resume including years and types of experience. Describe a project they've worked on and how it was successful.
4. **Proposed Budget:** Please provide a lump sum for design services, excluding complete construction costs, in alignment with the Master Plan Redesign and the specifications provided in this Request for Proposal (RFP). This lump sum is to include a table that outlines various charges and their corresponding rates (labor is to be broken out by staff type, providing costs per hour for specific staff/task type). In addition to the design service budget, please present an estimate for all services included in the design-build process.
5. **Proposed Timeline:** Please provide an estimated timeline for completion of the design and construction phases of the project.
6. **[OPTIONAL] Construction Document Example:** Please provide one set of

construction documents and specifications from one of the projects listed in requirement #2 "Project Examples."

All firms must possess valid and current business licenses with all applicable insurance coverages, including but not limited to the Colorado Engineering license.

Conflicts

The proposing firm shall include as part of the proposal, a disclosure of any specific interest or affiliation with or in any land within Clear Creek County, which could be directly benefited, served, or prejudiced through the pursuit of this project. If there are no disclosures to make, the proposal should explicitly mention this.

Part Five. Administrative Information

A. Standard Terms and Conditions of Request for Proposal

1. CCMRD reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to consider alternatives, to wave irregularities, and to re-solicit proposals.
2. CCMRD reserves the right to conduct such investigations of, and discussions with, those who have submitted proposals ("Proposers") or other entities as it deems necessary to assist in the evaluation of any proposal or to secure maximum clarification and completeness of any proposal.
3. All proposals submitted must be valid for a minimum period of ninety (90) days after the date of the proposal opening.
4. CCMRD reserves the right to select the most responsible and responsive proposal which it finds to be in the best interests of CCMRD and the City of Idaho Springs.
5. CCMRD intends to engage the most qualified applicant available for this assignment. Responses to the RFP will be a principal basis for evaluation. The following criteria shall be considered in evaluating the proposals:
 - a. The reputation, experience, and efficiency of the Proposer;
 - b. The ability of the Proposer to perform the contract or provide the goods and services within the time specified;
 - c. The comparative quality of the goods and services;

- d. The Proposer's performance under previous contracts with CCMRD, if applicable;
 - e. The Proposer's performance under previous contracts of a similar nature with others, if applicable;
 - f. The ability of the Proposer to provide future oversight and services;
 - g. The number and scope of conditions attached to the proposal;
 - h. The Proposer's interest in the project, as well as their understanding of the project scope and the specific requirements of CCMRD.
 - i. The Proposer's creativity in skatepark design and construction, and the ability to capture the essence of the area.
 - j. General qualifications of the firm and the qualifications of the assigned staff.
 - k. The Proposer's price for services.
6. CCMRD makes no promise to any Proposer until such time as CCMRD executes the negotiated contract.
 7. Any restrictions on the use of data contained within a proposal must be clearly stated in the proposal itself.
 8. This RFP contains the instructions governing the proposals to be submitted and the materials to be included therein. These are mandatory requirements that must be met to be eligible for consideration.

B. Issuing Officer

The contact for this project is Cameron Marlin, who may be contacted at:

cameron@ccmrd.com;

(303) 921-9596;

Clear Creek Metropolitan Recreation District

ATTN: Cameron Marlin

98 12th Avenue // PO Box 1149

Idaho Springs, CO 80452

C. Inquiries

Prospective applicants may make inquiries concerning the RFP to obtain clarification of the requirements. Direct all inquiries to:

cameron@ccmrd.com;

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D. Responsiveness

This RFP provides prospective contractors with sufficient information to prepare and submit proposals for consideration by CCMRD. To be considered responsive, each proposal must provide for completion of the tasks and Proposer information outlined in the RFP.

E. Proposal Deadline

Sealed proposals must be received (either electronically or at the Clear Creek Metropolitan Recreation District offices located at the Clear Creek Recreation Center in Idaho Springs) by **midnight (11:59pm) on Friday, December 29, 2023**. Late proposals will not be accepted.

F. Proposal Submission Format

Submit an electronic copy of the proposal (PDF format preferred), either as a direct attachment or an emailed link to a file if too large. Be sure to include Proposer's name with all relevant contact information.

G. Proposal Material Ownership

All materials submitted regarding this RFP become the property of CCMRD and will only be returned at CCMRD's option. Responses may be viewed by any person at the proposal opening time and after final selection has been made. CCMRD has the right to use any or all of the material outlined in the Proprietary Information above. Disqualification of a Proposer does not eliminate this right.

H. Incurring Costs

CCMRD is not liable for any costs incurred by those who have submitted proposals (Proposers) prior to issuance of a signed contract.

I. Acceptance of Proposal Content

The contents from the selected firm will become contractual obligations if a subsequent agreement is reached. Failure of the successful Proposer to accept these obligations may result in cancellation of the award and such Proposer may be removed from future solicitations.

J. Acceptance Time

CCMRD intends to make a proposal selection during the **week of January 29, 2024**. However, depending on the response to this RFP, there may be an initial selection of proposers to be invited to make presentations to the Selection Committee. Interviews are expected to occur during the **week of January 22, 2024**. Depending on unforeseen matters, the proposal selection period may be extended. The selected proposal contractor will be notified of the decision within the **week of January 29, 2024**.

PROJECT MAPS



Idaho Springs Sports & Events Complex: 101 E Idaho Springs Road, Idaho Springs, CO 80452



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Master Plan Redesign of the Idaho Springs Sports & Events Complex Renderings:



Redesigned (easternmost) baseball field to include 18,000square foot skatepark, as pictured from the west.



Redesigned (easternmost) baseball field to include 18,000square foot skatepark, as pictured from the east.

IDAHO SPRINGS BALLFIELD REDESIGN MASTER PLAN

IDAHO SPRINGS SPORTS & EVENTS COMPLEX MASTER PLAN



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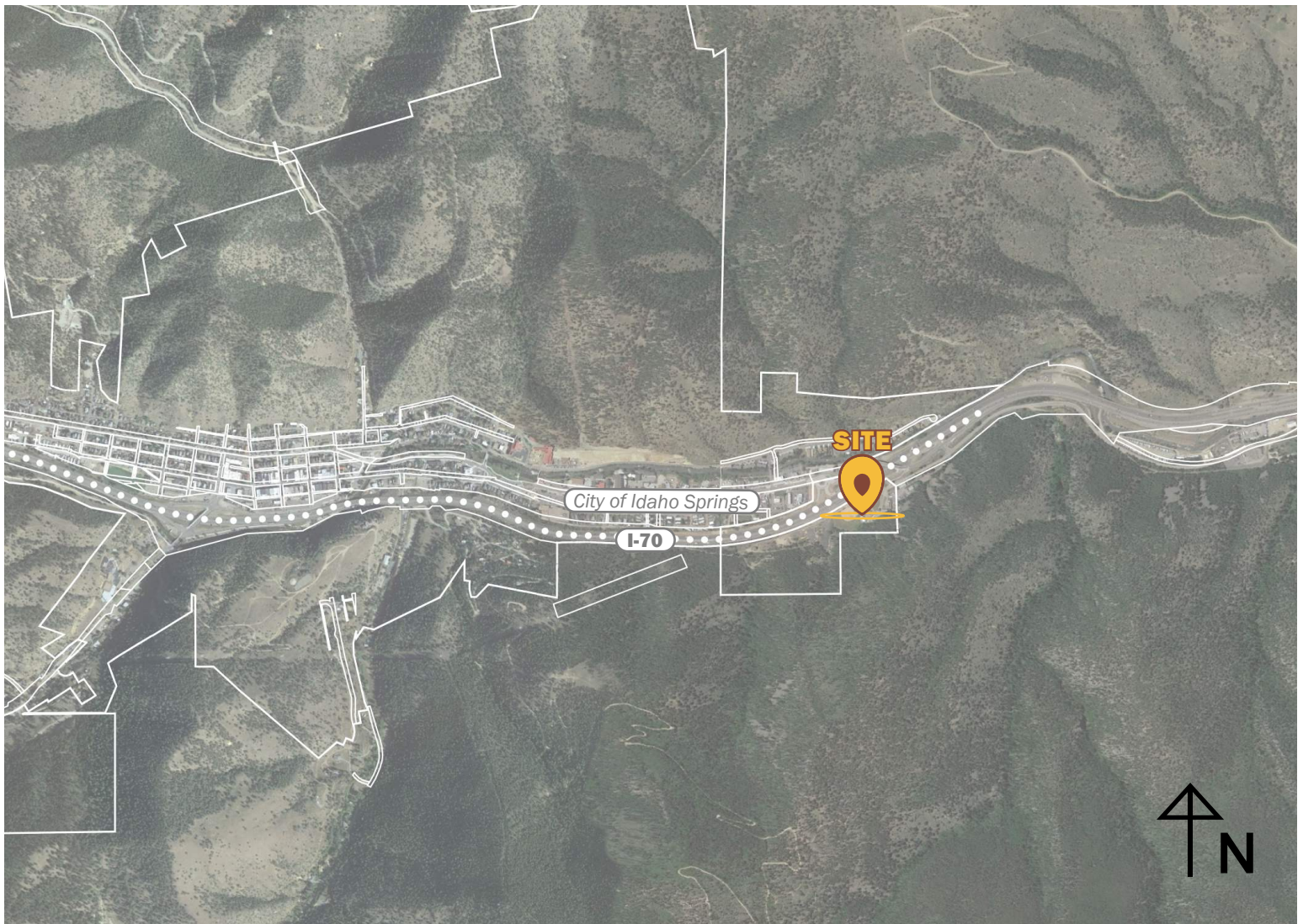


INTRODUCTION

Executive Summary

THK Associates, Inc. is pleased to provide the City of Idaho Springs and the Clear Creek Metro Recreation District (CCMRD) with a master plan for the Idaho Springs Sports & Events Complex, located in eastern Idaho Springs. THK was contracted by the City of Idaho Springs in August of 2022 to facilitate the development of a master plan and preliminary construction cost estimate, in addition to engaging with City Council and the general public on design concepts and plan recommendations. The master plan incorporates the longtime community desire to offer a wider range of recreational opportunities and serve as an outdoor community hub that will further inspire a collective appreciation for outdoor recreation, community connectedness, and an improved quality of life for residents of Idaho Springs.

The goal of the master plan is to compile feedback obtained from the general public and interest groups throughout the engagement process into recommendations to enhance the existing community asset that is the Sports & Events Complex. Because of the limited amount of space available for improvements, and due to the wide range of recreational activities various stakeholders hoped to incorporate, a heavy emphasis was placed on multi-use spaces. Many of the proposed programmatic elements have the ability to easily accommodate alternative activities, i.e. pickleball and tennis courts, soccer and baseball fields, etc. Upon development of a preferred design concept, a cost estimate was prepared to better assist the City in future funding via grant applications and phasing of implementation.



EXISTING CONDITIONS

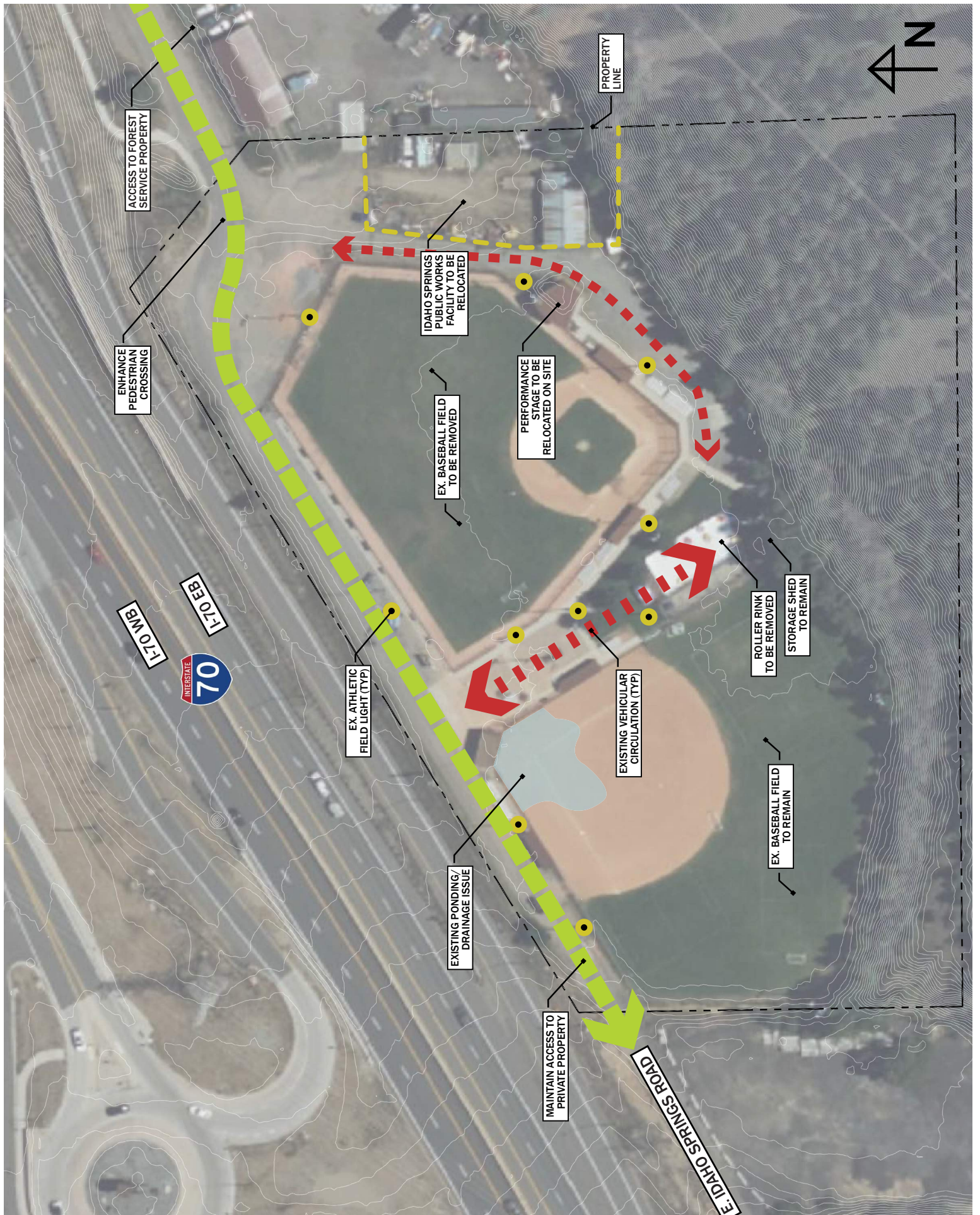
The Idaho Springs Sports & Events Complex is located on the eastern end of the City of Idaho Springs, Colorado, and is host to many cultural and community events for the region. The property is approximately 7 acres, and is confined by I-70 to the north, US Forest Service property to the south and east, and private property to the west. The Scott Lancaster Memorial Bike Path and Trail runs adjacent to the north property line and continues west for approximately 0.35 miles before reaching a pedestrian bridge tunnel under I-70, connecting to Idaho Spring’s eastern residential and commercial districts. This path is an important connection for visitors to the Sports & Events Complex. The trail continues further east down East Idaho Springs Road (CR314), where it ultimately links with the Clear Creek Greenway Trail.

Most of the site is primarily flat and has been suitably graded for parking, athletic activity, and large gatherings. On the south end of the site, the existing grade rapidly increases into a steep mountain slope, totaling approximately 29% of the site. Existing facilities are placed in close proximity to the toe of the slope to maximize the potential use of the site. This portion of the site is not suitable for future development but may offer recreational opportunity in the form of hiking.

The existing Sports and Events Complex is home to two baseball/softball fields (with associated dugouts, bleachers, and press box), batting cages, roller-skating rink, and events stage. A maintenance shed and a public works storage facility also occupy the site and are scheduled for relocation elsewhere in Idaho Springs in 2023. Shelly Field (the eastern ball field) has limited use as a baseball field due to its size and orientation. Currently, games are limited to players 8 and younger due to the potential for baseballs to be hit onto I-70, creating a safety risk. Quinn Field (the western ball field) is larger in size and has a more suitable orientation compared to Shelly Field, while also offering a press-box and storage facility behind home plate. Both fields are currently irrigated. Unlike Shelly Field, Quinn field does not have a turf infield, resulting in ponding and drainage issues near home plate after rainfall or snow-melt. Six high-mast athletic field lights are present along the perimeter fencing of each field, for a total of twelve.

There are currently 22 “official” parking spaces on site. Informal spaces appear during peak times, such as at the annual Rapidgrass Bluegrass Festival or soccer game days. Visitors to the Sports & Events Complex park their vehicles primarily along the



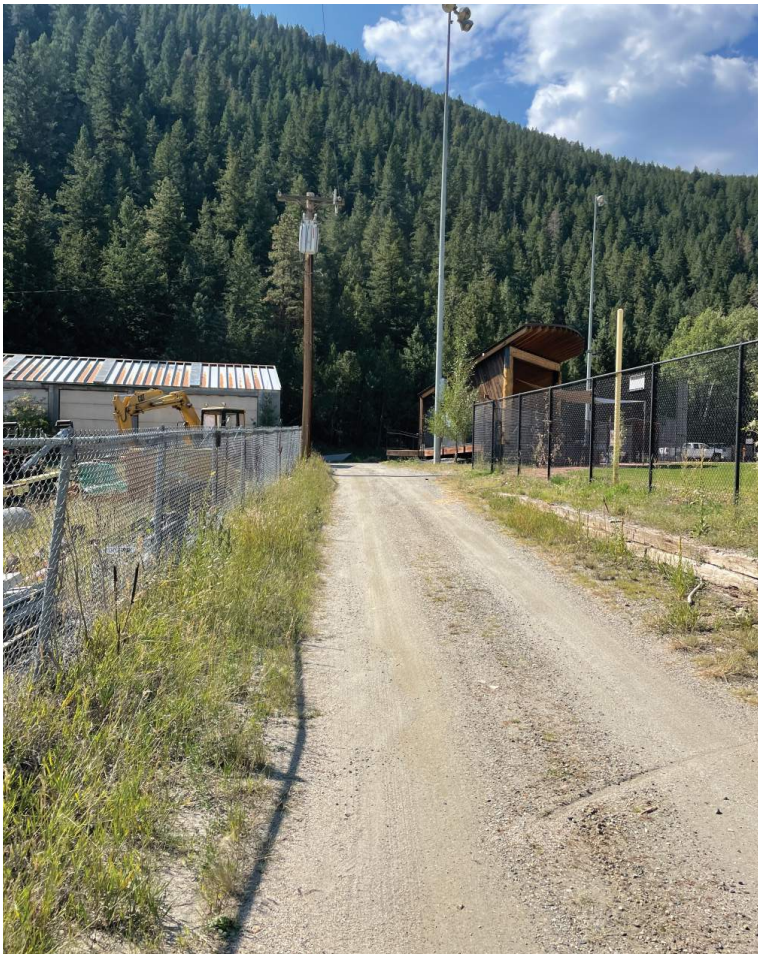


perimeter of Shelly Field, however, parking is in short supply during larger community events. Vehicular access is provided around Shelly Field to the existing maintenance shed and public works facility, as well as to the US Forest Service property east of the Sports & Events Complex and to the private property west of the Sports & Events Complex. Vehicular access to the adjacent properties must be maintained in any future renovations to the Complex.

The site currently has a 2" water line running underneath Quinn Field's infield and to the landscape buffer bisecting Quinn and Shelly Fields, providing water for the irrigation system on site. The site is also serviced by electrical infrastructure, providing power to the high-mast athletic field lights, events stage, and storage facilities, but conduit locations and additional electrical infrastructure information is unknown. Additional investigation and survey will be needed to better understand the existing configuration. No sanitary or sewer lines are servicing the site. Portable toilets are provided on the southern end of the Complex and are routinely serviced and/or swapped out.

Redeveloping the Idaho Springs Sports & Events Complex into a new park with more public space will enhance the vitality of the community by providing much needed recreational space, without barrier to entry. The Complex's proximity to the Greenway Trail provides a critical link to the population hubs of Idaho Springs, and thus will allow more residents and visitors to access and enjoy this space.





PLANNING PROCESS

Coordination with Major Stakeholders

Open communication between the project team and Idaho Springs and CCMRD staff was vital to the success of this project. In addition to regularly scheduled meetings with Idaho Springs and CCMRD staff, the project team identified and met with several key stakeholders with vested interest in the future of the Sports & Events Complex.

The Idaho Springs Skate Board officially formed in September of 2021, and is a community committee of high school students, community members, and local professionals with a shared vision of bringing a skatepark to the City of Idaho Springs. After dismantling the skate ramps and features at the terminus of Riverside Drive that had once been available to the Idaho Springs community the Skate Board has since been actively pursuing a suitable location for a permanent skatepark in Idaho Springs.

In November of 2022, the project team met with the Skate Board for a roundtable discussion and review of the project team's progress to date. This meeting was held at Tommyknocker Brewery & Pub in downtown Idaho Springs, with an attendance of approximately 25 board members and interested parties. A preliminary reconfiguration concept of the Sports & Events Complex was presented for initial feedback. Precedent imagery of successful skateparks elsewhere in Colorado, as

well as skatepark features and elements were also presented to drive conversation and encourage collaboration amongst the group. Precedent imagery of restroom and concession facilities, play equipment, and regional-specific features, such as bouldering play structures, were also presented.

In December of 2022, the project team continued to engage with stakeholders and sought to obtain feedback from the Idaho Springs Planning Commission. Prior to the meeting, a public open house was held at the Idaho Springs City Hall, where members of the public reviewed the preferred Sports & Events Complex reconfiguration, and engaged with team members by asking questions and offering opinions on how they'd like to see the space reimaged.

During the winter and spring of 2023 the Clear Creek Metropolitan Recreation District (CCMRD) conducted ongoing public engagement efforts with numerous user-groups. Additionally, outreach to Idaho Springs and Clear Creek County's athletic groups (pickleball, tennis, basketball, etc.) were conducted. In the Appendix is the Community Engagement Report prepared by CCMRD summarizing their findings from the additional public engagement effort.



KEY THEMES HEARD AT NOVEMBER 21, 2022 SKATE BOARD MEETING

Overall Park Comments & Considerations

- Concessions and restroom structure should have a covered element.
- Pedestrian-scale lighting is preferred over the current high-mast athletic field lights.
- A desire to study the demand for the number of parking spaces was expressed. Suggestions were made to maximize the flexibility of the parking lot.
- Better connect the Greenway Trail and pedestrian tunnel into Idaho Springs.
- Presence of a historic railroad on the south slope of the park was raised, with a desire to somehow incorporate access to the railroad into the scope of the park.
- Will the pickleball and tennis courts be used enough to justify the amount of space they occupy?

Future Skatepark Preferences

- Consider incorporating covered elements into skatepark.
- Strong desire to incorporate bowls/pool features into future skatepark was expressed.
- Strong desire to incorporate stairs and quarter-pipe elements into future skatepark design was also expressed.
- Quality of concrete and coping is extremely important. Preference is to work with a skatepark designer that has experience in Idaho Spring's climate (or similar).
- Paving the pumptrack (as opposed to natural surfacing) is generally preferred. Extra consideration should be given to where the curves of the pumptrack are located.
- Refer to "Olympic-style" skateparks for inspiration on skate features.

Future Skatepark Considerations

- Concern over if the skatepark and pumptrack should be in the same space was raised. Primarily, the pumptrack would eat into the ~15,000 SF allocated to the skatepark.
- Too "robotic" and "stiff" of a skatepark would diminish the quality of the park. Work with a designer that has experience creating organic forms and is open to incorporating unusual elements, art installations, etc.





Arvada Skatepark
Arvada, CO (~40,000 SF)



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Ulysses Skate Park
Golden, CO (~27,000 SF)



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High Plains Park Pump Track
Denver, CO (~40,000 SF)



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Montebello Pump Track
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Medium Covered Restroom/Concession
(~600 SF)



Medium Covered Restroom/Concession
(~700 SF)



Medium Covered Restroom/Concession
(~815 SF)



Small Restroom/Concession
(~300 SF)



Small Restroom/Concession
(~320 SF)



Small Covered Restroom/Concession
(~360 SF)



Sensory Play Equipment



Sensory Chimes



Accessible Talk Tubes



Bouldering Amenity



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Bouldering Activity Area

RECOMMENDATIONS

As a response to the feedback obtained in the public engagement phase and overall planning process throughout this Master Plan, a reconfiguration of the eastern ballfield (Shelly Field), the pedestrian mall bisecting the site, and existing storage and maintenance facility is recommended. The current configuration of the Sports & Events Complex does not lend itself to the varied mix of recreational activities that are in demand to Idaho Springs residents and stakeholders. Because of the limited green space suitable for recreation in Idaho Springs, it is recommended that any proposed improvements be as programmatically flexible as possible. This Complex is well-suited to accommodate new amenities and has been reimagined to better serve a more diverse range of community members.

A ~15,000 SF skatepark is proposed on the northern end of the site, where it will be most exposed to sunlight (maximizing snowmelt and evaporation), and adjacent to a mountainbike pump-track. These amenities have been in high-demand throughout Idaho Springs ever since the City had to demolish its previous skatepark due to the expansion of the Clear Creek Greenway trail. Parking improvements are proposed adjacent to the skatepark due to its proximity to E. Idaho Springs Road, the main vehicular access point to the Complex.

With the skatepark being located on the northern end of the site, the design team determined that since Shelly Field would no longer function as a ball-field, the events and performance stage needed to be relocated to an area that would still accommodate large crowds on a natural turf surface. Thus, it is recommended that this stage be relocated to orient out towards Quinn Field. With this in mind, the stage would most logically be situated along the central axis that divides Shelly and Quinn Fields. This will require infrastructure improvements to provide access to and from the stage. Widening of this central access, with a maintenance road from the parking lot, would complete a loop for service vehicles to circulate the site. By upgrading these drives, this would also have the added benefit of providing a designated space for food trucks to park during events and games.

The current configuration of the Sports & Events Complex does not have a concessions or restroom facility. It is recommended that, as part of this reconfiguration, a combined concessions and restroom facility be constructed on site. This will provide Idaho Springs with the opportunity of a new revenue source, while providing comfort and convenience to visitors of the Sports & Events Complex. The existing water line will need to be rerouted to this proposed joint facility.



A new sanitary line (or septic system) will need to be installed to accommodate the restrooms. This facility should be centrally located in relation to all proposed recreational elements.

With multi-use functionality in mind, the dimensions of a tennis court (currently lacking in Idaho Springs) would be able to fit four pickleball courts (a growing sport in Idaho Springs) in the same amount of space. Similarly, a basketball court to the south of the restroom and concessions facility would have the added benefit of being a paved surface for a wide-variety of recreational opportunities.

Idaho Springs has a significant number of young families, but offers few playgrounds and opportunities in close proximity. As part of this reconfiguration, an inclusive playground should be incorporated into the site. The playground should be buffered from the busy I-70 freeway and in close proximity to the restrooms. The most logical location for a playground is on the southern end of the site, where the events stage currently sits.

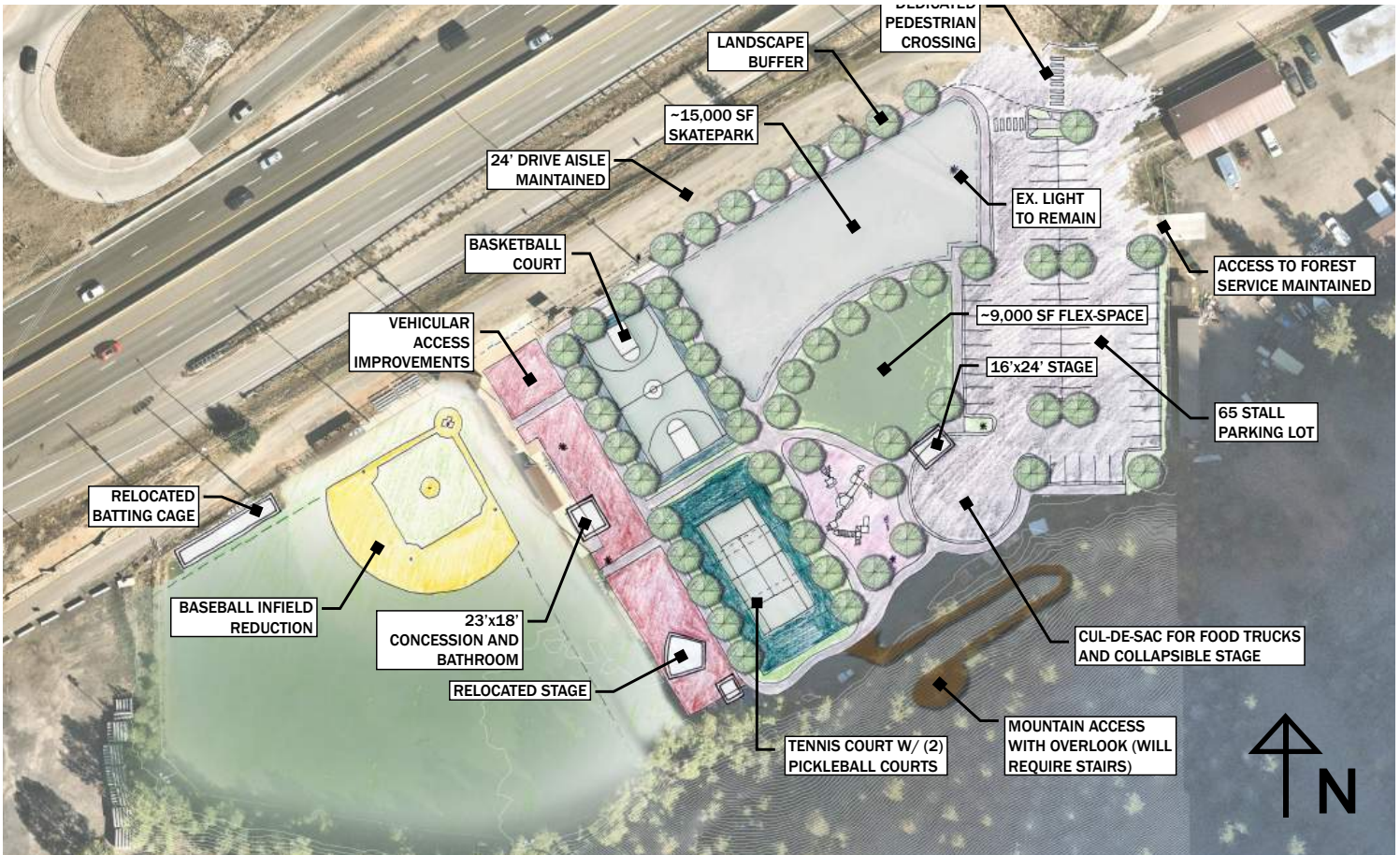
A flexible lawn should be placed as a divider between the skatepark and playground. Not only will this allow for a suitable spot for youth soccer games, it could also serve as a secondary space for larger events, and due to its proximity to the parking lot, would make for an appropriate spot to unload a collapsible stage. On pages 16 and 17 are the four preliminary alternatives studied that lead to the final master plan on pages 18 and 19.

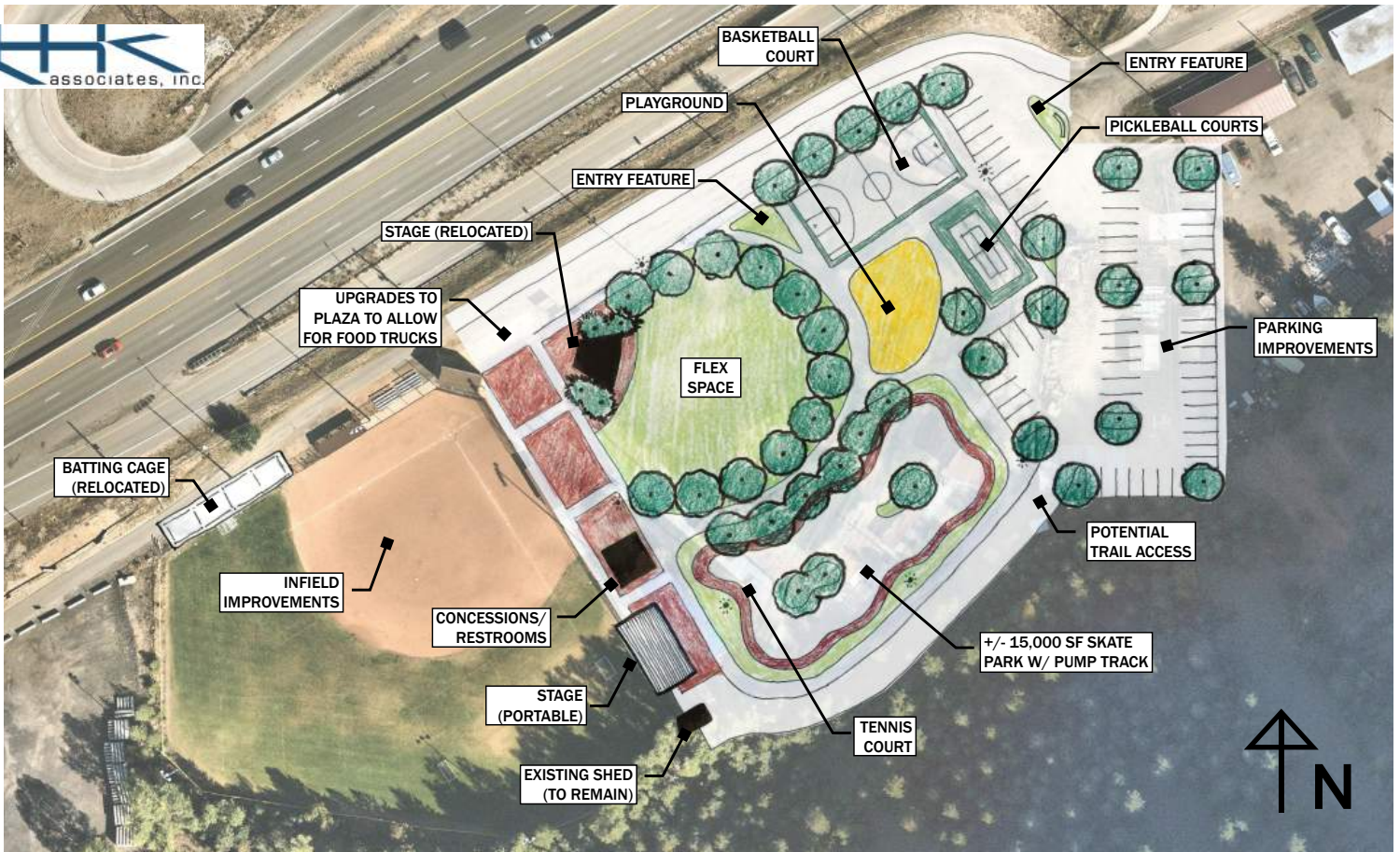
It became very clear that all desired uses could not be accommodated on the project site. So the final recommendation would be to conduct a shared use feasibility study of the Idaho Springs Area to determine the ability to find either, existing recreational facilities that could be shared or locations where additional new recreational facilities could be developed. The idea being, to provide additional recreational facilities that could not be accommodated at the Sports and Events Complex. Additional sports fields, a basketball court, mountain bike skills course, playgrounds for different ages and a pump track were all additional recreational facilities that stakeholders desired but could not be accommodated on the project site. The shared use study should look for opportunities to partner with others like the Clear Creek School District and private land owners to share recreational facilities.

Elements of the shared use study should include an inventory of all existing recreational facilities in the Idaho Springs area, identification of areas where additional facilities could be constructed and a market demand study to quantify the number of additional recreational features needed. Identifying willing potential partners to share facilities and developing shared use agreements should also be a part of the shared use study.



Preliminary Concept Alternatives









View of Parking and Skate Park Area



View from Quinn Field Looking East



Proposed Community Firepit East of Concession Building



Pedestrian Plaza with Access to Stage and Parking for Food Trucks



View of Community Park Ammenities



View of Flex Space and Stage



Playground with Stage and Quinn Field in the Background



View from Above Firepit Looking East



GRANTS AND FUNDING

While granting agencies and programs are an excellent source of funds to help implement projects, many require a significant “match.” The amount of funds required for matching grants varies greatly depending on the agency. For example, most GOCO grants require a 25% match for the requested funds, while some DOLA grants require a 100% match for requested funds. Matching funds can also take two forms:

Cash Match:

Cash matches are funds that are being spent from a specific account or project. For municipalities, these funds are usually provided from General Funds or Capital Improvements.

In-Kind Match:

In-Kind matches are services or materials that are being provided or donated. This can include labor, planning, building materials, maintenance or other services.

Each grant will have specific language that will help determine how to calculate the overall match and composition of the match.

The project identified in this Master Plan has significant cost for implementation. As municipalities and organizations related to Idaho Springs move forward with grant applications, providing matching funds for numerous grants can be a difficult and unrealistic process. A more efficient approach to seek funding for implementing projects as to leverage grants and projects against each other. Leveraging grants is utilizing a specific grant for a project as the required matching funds for a second grant for the project, and vice versa.

Leveraging can also be done with utilizing project costs from associated projects. For instance, if CDOT is planning infrastructure improvements in Idaho Springs, a grant application could potentially be submitted to GOCO for construction of recreational facilities that includes the CDOT infrastructure work. In this instance, the CDOT work could be utilized as necessary matching funds for the grant submittal, where applicable.

IMPLEMENTATION

Due to the cost and complexity of this project, a phased approach to construction of the preferred design concept will likely be needed. In November of 2022, Idaho Springs applied for a GOCO grant, and, based on recommendations from the project team, specified the following Sports & Events Complex projects be included in the first phase of construction:

- ~15,000 SF Skatepark
- Tennis/Pickleball Court
- Playground
- Parking Lot

Estimated costs for this Master Plan were created using 2022 construction costs. Construction costs in Colorado in 2022 remained volatile due to supply chain and labor shortage issues. When using this information in ensuing years, an inflation factor should be applied. The estimated costs are based on the elements presented in the Master Plan Recommendations chapter of this Master Plan. These estimated costs are intended to be used by managers and planners to project development costs of future recreational projects.

12% has been added to the estimated costs for design and engineering services. This percentage will vary depending on level of involvement and complexity of technical input. Typical projects range from 12%-15%. A 20% contingency is included.

Utility extensions associated with any potential project have been included in the estimated costs, but this element can vary widely in cost due to site specific conditions.

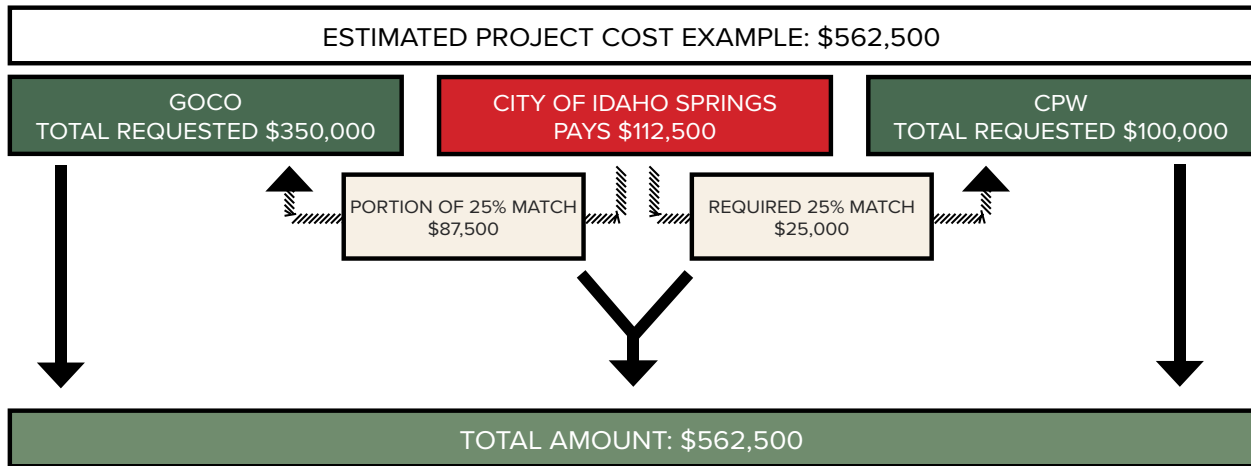


Figure 'A'

In this example, the City of Idaho Springs would have to provide a combined \$112,500 in matching funds for the grant applications. However, if the grants are leveraged against each other, the process looks more like Figure 'B':

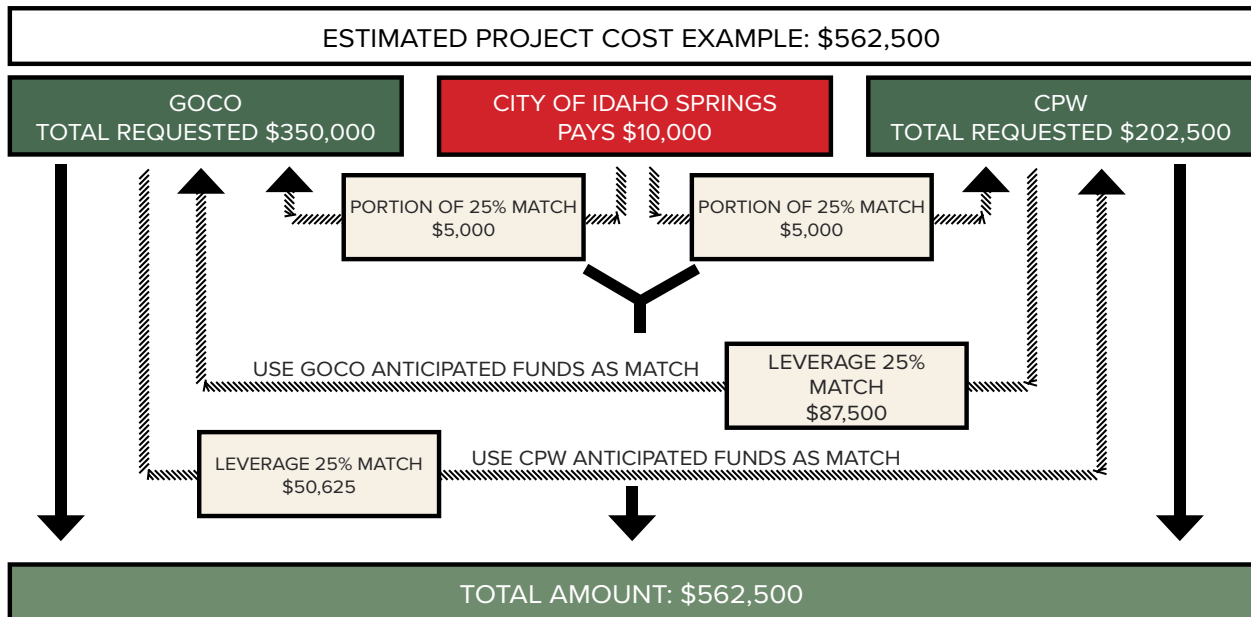


Figure 'B'

In this example, the City of Idaho Springs would only have to provide \$10,000 in matching funds as a project partner, saving the City \$102,500.

Idaho Springs Master Planning Recreation Complex

Opinion of Probable Cost

June 6, 2023

MOBILIZATION

Item	Qty.	Unit	Unit Cost	Total Item
General Conditions and Mobilization	1	LS	10% OF PROJECT COST	\$336,891.51
Mobilization Subtotal				\$336,891.51

DEMOLITION

Item	Qty.	Unit	Unit Cost	Total Item
Clearing and Grubbing	10,553	SF	\$0.50	\$5,276.50
Removal of Infield Mix (assuming 6" depth) *	1,033	CY	\$65.00	\$67,145.00
Removal of Stadium Light (Crane)	5	EA	\$4,500.00	\$22,500.00
Removal of Baseball Fence and Concrete Curb	852	LF	\$33.00	\$28,116.00
Removal of Maintenance Fence	316	LF	\$12.00	\$3,792.00
Removal of Maintenance Shed	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Tree Protection and Retention	403	LF	\$2.50	\$1,007.50
Removal of Tree	3	EA	\$1,000.00	\$3,000.00
Salvage Side Boards at Ice Rink	1	LS	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Hand Digging in Tree Protection Zone	400	LF	\$9.00	\$3,600.00
Removal of Concessions Stand	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Salvage Scoreboard	1	LS	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Removal of Garage	1	LS	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Removal of Batting Cage	1	EA	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Removal of Concrete Walks and Ice Rink	9,000	SF	\$2.00	\$18,000.00
Removal of Dugouts	2	EA	\$6,000.00	\$12,000.00
Removal of Irrigation System(Valves, heads, boxes, pipe to be left in place)	1	LS	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Removal of Sod	36,250	SF	\$1.00	\$36,250.00
Erosion and Sediment Control (Silt Fence)	927	LF	\$2.50	\$2,317.50
Demolition Subtotal				\$240,004.50

EARTHWORK

Item	Qty.	Unit	Unit Cost	Total Item
Cut to Fill Onsite	1,000	CY	\$10.00	\$10,000.00
Fine Grading	100,000	SF	\$0.25	\$25,000.00
12" Subgrade Prep	23,101	SF	\$0.60	\$13,860.60
Demolition Subtotal				\$48,860.60

RELOCATION

Item	Qty.	Unit	Unit Cost	Total Item
Relocation of Stage	1	EA	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00
Relocation of Bleachers	5	EA	\$2,000.00	\$10,000.00
Relocation Subtotal				\$85,000.00

*TO BE DISPOSED WITHIN 10 MILES OF THE SITE

FLATWORK

Concrete Pavement with Aggregate Base Course - 6" Natural Grey with

FLATWORK

Item	Qty.	Unit	Unit Cost	Total Item
Concrete Curb Ramp	3	EA	\$2,500.00	\$7,500.00
Curb and Gutter	1,350	LF	\$35.00	\$47,250.00
Concrete Pavement with Aggregate Base Course - 6" Natural Grey with light broom finish	23,101	SF	\$12.00	\$277,212.00
Asphalt (29173 SF)	3,240	SY	\$65.00	\$210,600.00
Parking Lot Striping	1,239	LF	\$6.00	\$7,434.00
Tennis Court Surface	7,200	SF	\$20.00	\$144,000.00
Crosswalk Paint	208	SF	\$45.00	\$9,360.00
Specialty Paving	15,743	SF	\$15.00	\$236,145.00
Crusher Fines Walkway @8" Depth	2,500	SF	\$3.00	\$7,500.00
Treated Lumber Trail Stairs	44	EA	\$180.00	\$7,920.00
Flatwork Subtotal				\$954,921.00

SITE IMPROVEMENTS

Item	Qty.	Unit	Unit Cost	Total Item
Shade Trees	49	EA	\$600.00	\$29,400.00
Retaining Wall	160	LF	\$500.00	\$80,000.00
Tennis Fence 12'	360	LF	\$125.00	\$45,000.00
Planter Beds (Cobble Mulch)	2,266	SF	\$5.50	\$12,463.00
Playground Equipment	1	LS	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
PIP Rubberized Surface	2,500	SF	\$35.00	\$87,500.00
Skate Park	18,319	SF	\$50.00	\$915,950.00
Site Furniture (Benches, Picnic Tables, Trash Receptacles)	1	LS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Bike Rack	1	LS	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Sod	18,275	SF	\$1.00	\$18,275.00
Infield Mix (4" Depth)	200	CY	\$120.00	\$24,000.00
Fire Pit	1	EA	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Collapsable Stage	1	EA	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Entry Feature/Park Sign	1	LS	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Concessions Building 30'x20' Cinderblock Construction	1	LS	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00
Pedestrian Lighting	1	LS	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Signage	1	LS	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Soil Prep	1	LS	\$23,041.00	\$23,041.00
Site Improvements Subtotal				\$2,040,129.00

UTILITIES

Item	Qty.	Unit	Unit Cost	Total Item
Relocate 4" Water Line	850	LF	\$100.00	\$85,000.00
Storm Drainage	1	LS	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Irrigation System	20,541	SF	\$2.50	\$51,352.50
Demolition Subtotal				\$146,352.50

Mobilization	\$336,891.51
Demo Subtotal	\$240,004.50
Earthwork	\$48,860.60
Relocation	\$85,000.00
Flatwork Subtotal	\$954,921.00
Site Improvements Subtotal	\$2,040,129.00
Subtotal	\$3,705,806.61

20% contingency	\$741,161.32
Construction Total	\$4,446,967.93

Design Fee(12%)	\$533,636.15
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TOTAL	\$4,980,604.08
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CCMRD - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT REPORT



IDAHO SPRINGS SPORTS COMPLEX MASTER PLAN REDESIGN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT REPORT

APRIL 2023



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Community Engagement Report Introduction

The City of Idaho Springs' 2017 Comprehensive Plan states the intention of promoting recreational opportunities, ensuring quality of life, and striving for an inclusive community. Recent City projects (the Colorado Blvd redevelopment project and the Greenway specifically), resulted in the demolition of some existing recreational amenities, including a tennis court and a small skatepark. Replacing these amenities has been a City and Clear Creek Metropolitan Recreation District (CCMRD) priority ever since. Suitable land for these amenities is limited in the rocky valley that is Idaho Springs.

The proposed master plan redesign of a portion of the Shelly-Quinn ballfield complex ("The Idaho Springs Sports & Events Complex") is an opportunity to elevate a well-loved space to become a hub of the community, while simultaneously delivering on the intent to replace the skatepark and tennis court (that doubles as pickleball courts). This project will have a long lasting impact on Idaho Springs, Clear Creek County, and the surrounding region at large.

The ballfields have been the setting for hundreds of community gatherings, sporting events, and outdoor recreation activities (both formal and informal) since the early 1980's.

There is deep connection and nostalgia with the space among local residents, and as such, any proposed changes must be well-aligned with community interests and desires. The proposed redesign is put forth in an effort to elevate a well-loved space to better serve the recreational interests of local residents, while simultaneously equipping the space for events and large crowds.

The redesigned area has the potential to become a space that appeals to young and old alike, that supports both organized sports and free play, that inspires recreation and time spent outdoors, and that enhances community vitality. The final design should represent the heartbeat of our community, that was informed by the community itself. The end goal is a place that residents are proud of, that offers opportunities for intergenerational enjoyment, and that supports the community fabric that makes this a great place to live.

To that end, the Clear Creek Metropolitan Recreation District (CCMRD) has spearheaded numerous community engagement efforts to inform the initiative. Deployment of online surveys, roundtable discussions, and engagement activities have garnered rich and informative feedback from the spectrum of voices that comprise our community. This report provides a summary of findings and the recommendations for consideration.



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Summary/Overview of Engagement Activities and Outcomes

The Idaho Springs Skatepark Project

Efforts to organize around the establishment of a skatepark in Idaho Springs began in earnest on September 7, 2021, with the initial meeting of the Skate Board (a committee of local skaters and supporters of the 20+ year old vision to bring a world class skatepark to Clear Creek County). This initial meeting was coordinated in collaboration between CCMRD and Mountain Youth Network (MYN).

In 2019, MYN surveyed Clear Creek students on youth friendly spaces in the county. A skatepark was ranked as the number one best way to improve youth friendly spaces in Clear Creek County.

Since that time, the Skate Board has addressed the School District Board of Education (September 28, 2021) and the City of Idaho Springs City Council (June 13, 2022) to voice the myriad of reasons why a skatepark is important – not only to the people who live here, but to the local economy and the surrounding region in general.



"Skate Board" Members at City Hall for City Council Presentation

In addition to these presentations, the Skate Board organized four (4) "pop up skatepark" events in Idaho Springs:

1. Halloween Rail Jam [October 29, 2021]

Using some of the features from the former skatepark that was demolished in August 2021, the Skate Board executed the first of many "pop up skatepark" events to raise awareness around the efforts to replace the former skatepark.



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Skaters Queued for Trick Contest



County Commissioner & Chief of Police Showing Support

Quantitative Data:

Approximate Number of Participants: 50

Approximate Number of Spectators: 200

Demographics: Participants ranged from very young (3 years old) to adults of all ages, the majority of whom were from our local community.

2. **Go Skate Day [June 21, 2022]**

To capitalize on the nationwide “Go Skate Day” annual event, CCMRD and MYN coordinated a street takeover and rail jam competition as a means for engaging with the community about the Skate Board’s efforts to bring a skatepark to Idaho Springs.

The intended outcomes of the event were as follows:

1. Help to make skateboarding more accessible in Clear Creek County/Idaho Springs.
2. Encourage young people to get outside and enjoy the sport.
3. Continue to raise awareness, interest, and excitement about the proposed Idaho Springs Skatepark.





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Children + Adults / Skateboarders + Roller Skaters in Queue to "Hit" Ramp

Contest Participant



Scooters Welcome!



Rollerskaters Welcome!



Spine Ramp from Former Skatepark



Participants Enjoying Variety of Features



Evidence of a Well-Attended Event

Quantitative Data:

Approximate Number of Participants: 100

Approximate Number of Spectators: 250

Demographics: Local community members, plus town visitors. Ages ranged from 3 years old to adults of all ages.

3. Can'd Aid Skateboard Giveaway [July 19, 2022]

Thanks to the generosity of Can'd Aid, a nonprofit organization with the mission to support thriving communities, a "pop up skatepark" event was organized around their donation of 50 skateboards. In collaboration with Gilpin County Parks & Recreation, the skateboarding demonstration and donation drew local children from the targeted demographic of 4th and 5th grades.



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Can'd Aid SKATEBOARD GIVEAWAY
4TH & 5TH GRADE STUDENTS
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

JULY 19TH | 2-5 PM
CREEK SKATE BLACKTOP
IDAHO SPRINGS, CO

COME ON OVER! 4TH & 5TH GRADE STUDENTS CAN COME AT 2PM FOR A FREE SKATEBOARD, DEMO, AND A COUPLE TIPS AND TRICKS FROM THE PROS!

WHY SKATEBOARDS?
 A SKATEBOARD PROVIDES YOUTH WITH A HEALTHY OUTLET AND IS A GREAT TOOL TO GET KIDS SPENDING MORE TIME OUTSIDE AND LESS TIME IN FRONT OF SCREENS.

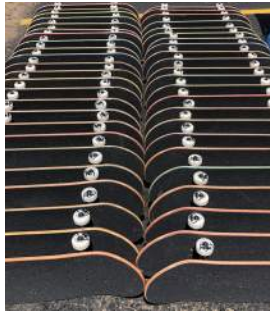
CHILDREN AVERAGE **7 HRS.** OF SCREEN TIME PER DAY
1 IN 5 CHILDREN ACHIEVE **60 MINUTES** OF PHYSICAL PLAY EACH DAY

SQUARE STATE SKATE

Promotional Flyer



A Happy Recipient of a Free Skateboard



50 Skateboards for Our Community!



Can'd Aid Presentation + Participants



Thank You, Can'd Aid!

Quantitative Data:

Approximate Number of Participants: 30



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Approximate Number of Spectators: 15

Demographics: Mostly fourth and fifth grade students and their caregivers.

4. Little Bear Pop-Up Skatepark Event [September 11, 2022]

This smaller and more casual “pop up skatepark” event was created to bring the skateboarding community and the skatepark enthusiasts together once more before the onset of winter. This was a less structured event that included giveaways from Vans (shoe manufacturing company).



Promotional Flyer



Pop-Up Skatepark Set-Up



Pop-Up Skatepark Set-Up



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Prize Distribution



Prize Distribution

Quantitative Data:

Approximate Number of Participants: 30

Approximate Number of Spectators: 20

Demographics: Mostly youth and their caregivers, along with tourists, and adults of all ages.

In addition to the “pop up skatepark” events, a variety of meetings, guest speakers, and surveys were deployed to further capture interest and feedback regarding a skatepark in Idaho Springs. Please see the summary of findings described below.

Change.Org Petition

In September 2021, a community member/business owner/avid skateboarder established a change.org petition to raise awareness around the need for a skatepark. Since that time, 1,179 people have signed as indication of their support and agreement with the need.

GoFundMe

Established on October 28, 2021, a GoFundMe crowd-sourced fundraiser was created to help spread awareness and to begin collecting donations for the proposed skatepark. To date (April 2023), \$1,072 has been raised.

Skatepark Need Survey

In January 2022, CCMRD launched a brief (4 question) online survey in collaboration with Mountain Youth Network (MYN) to gather community feedback on the concept of a skatepark in Idaho Springs. Please see the summary of findings below and Addendum #1 for the full report.

- **Question 1:** “What about a skatepark in Idaho Springs makes you most excited?”

Response Themes & Selected Quotes:

Accessibility (in both cost and location)



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"Not having to drive to another county to use a skatepark. It's a great way to connect with my own child and stay connected with my inner child." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, Idaho Springs Business Owner, Rollerskater

Community Vibrancy

"It's a space where community can be built." - Community member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent

Designated Area (relocating skaters from sidewalks)

"That all the kids and adults will have somewhere to skate that is safe away from traffic" - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, Idaho Springs Business Owner, Skateboarder

Provision of an Outdoor Activity for Kids and Teens

"A safe place for our kids to positively express themselves through skateboarding/bmx/scootering/etc, and bond & create friendships with one another at a safe area." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, Idaho Springs Business Owner, Skateboarder

Over 50% of respondents cited this as the aspect that makes them most excited.

Risk Reduction (diverting young people from risky behaviors)

"I think that it would be good for the youth in Idaho Springs to have something productive, and fun to do in their off time in Idaho Springs. If you think about it we have nothing for them, all we have are restaurants, and trouble for them to find. I think that the amount of juveniles in this town who wind up getting hooked on drugs or alcohol at an early age would decrease significantly if we brought back that skate park, which was supposed to come back after they fixed Riverside in the first place." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Skateboarder

- **Question 2:** "What suggestions do you have or are there any details you recommend we consider for this project?"

Response Themes & Selected Quotes:

Accessibility (especially to children walking unattended)

"Close to town so it is walkable for kids to get to." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, School District Employee

Many respondents spoke to the importance of a safe route to the skatepark for children to travel.

Design (ensuring quality, durability, and ride-ability)

"Make sure professionals build it and it holds up to our extreme weather conditions in Clear Creek County." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Skateboarder



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"The design is key. If not designed well no one will come. It can't just be a few rails and ramps. Needs to have a flow track and other features that bring skaters to the park. Otherwise they will just go to Denver or Summit." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent

Securing a professional and experienced skatepark designer and builder was strongly recommended by many respondents.

Inclusive (ADA accessibility and individuals with diverse ability levels)

"Various skill level features so folks can enjoy it that have different abilities. Make sure it is ADA accessible and folks in wheelchairs can get up into the skatepark." - School District Employee

Lighting (nighttime usage and safety)

It should have adequate lighting, it should possibly have restrooms and a water station, and it should be part of police officers' regular patrol route." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent

"Please put lights in, so the town kids can utilize the park after dark. (Or after their shifts at school, their jobs, etc)" - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident

Multiple User Groups (suitability for bikes, scooters, roller skaters and people of all abilities)

"Please allow scooters and rollerblades. Lights so it can be used at night in the summers." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, School District Employee

"People of all ages would use the park so include an area for small kids and another area for more experienced skaters." - School District employee

Safety

"I hope a police patrol can keep an eye on the park after dark to maintain its safety for all ages." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident

- **Question 3:** "What questions or concerns do you have regarding a skatepark in Idaho Springs?"

Response Themes & Selected Quotes:

Access

"How will safe accessible pedestrian access be provided?" - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, Idaho Springs Business Owner, Rollerskater

"The location is a little out of the way and might be harder for some kids in town to get to. It'll need a nice wide and safe sidewalk to access it from town with crosswalks." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, Skateboarder

"Ensuring safety with crossing over I-70." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent



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Cost

"How much will it cost to build?" - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent

Parking

"Is there plenty of parking? Will there be places for onlookers to sit?" - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent

Safety

"That it will be a good safe place." - Community member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent

Note: 73 respondents (50%) indicated that they have no concerns about a proposed skatepark in Idaho Springs

- **Question 4:** "Any additional comments?"

Several respondents spoke to the need of having a professional skatepark design/build firm and to ultimately improve upon the design of the previous skatepark. In addition, many people spoke to the enthusiastic support they have for the initiative to bring a skatepark to Idaho Springs/Clear Creek County.

Noteworthy Responses:

"Skateboarding/bmx/rollerblade/scootering gives children such an artistic canvas to express themselves, while also pushing their limits; learning new skills; making new friends. This would be such a great outlet to do so." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, Idaho Springs Business Owner, Skateboarder

"I'm so psyched to see this project get going. I can't wait to use the park and my daughter is excited about the park. I'm delighted to see skateparks being included in public spaces and available for all to use. Loving to skate (skate board, roller skate, inline, ect) isn't a menace to society. Skating brings joy and passion." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, Idaho Springs Business Owner, Rollerskater

"If the skatepark was visible from i70 it would get more notoriety, potentially from people in the skateboard industry passing through on i70 too. It could be a gem of a skatepark since we live in such a beautiful area." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, Skateboarder

"Think the project is a great idea." - Community member (Clear Creek Resident)

"This is exciting news. I am hoping that with some of the robust plans for the city the planning and implementation of this will not be half hearted. We have a real chance to make something that people will travel here for." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident, Parent, Skateboarder

"I would like to see an area with numerous activities, not just a skatepark." - Community Member, Clear Creek Resident.



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"We are very hopeful this project will come to fruition and the community will help make this happen for Clear Creek Youth and others that enjoy this sport. We hear there isn't anywhere for young people to "hang out". This would be a safe area with adults coming and going." - Parent

"Thank you for all of your hard work on this and taking time to review comments and think about this effort from a County-wide perspective as if done well it could be a huge new recreational feature for the County and beyond. Good luck!!" - County Employee

Quantitative Data:

Number of Respondents: 144 People Responded to the Online Survey

Self-selected respondent types were as follows (*most respondents identified with multiple categories*):

- Community Member
- Clear Creek Resident
- Parent
- School District Employee
- Student
- Idaho Springs Business Owner
- Skateboarder
- County Employee

Skatepark Roundtable Meeting

On March 9, 2022, CCMRD hosted a Skatepark Roundtable meeting at Tommyknockers Brewery in Idaho Springs. Attendees enjoyed a presentation from Everett Tetz of Newline Skateparks, who spoke on the value of integrating skateboarding into education. Everett shared several examples of skateparks and the creative ways in which they can be incorporated into a variety of settings. Afterwards, attendees participated in an interactive "SWOT" analysis in which they shared their opinions of the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats of building a skatepark in Idaho Springs. Please see Addendum #2 for the full SWOT report.



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Quantitative Data:

Approximate Number of Attendees: 27

Demographics: Range of students, parents, Clear Creek School District staff, City employees, and community members of all ages

High School Internship Program

Starting in January 2023 and in collaboration with Clear Creek School District and Mountain Youth Network, CCMRD has facilitated a high school internship program for students interested in supporting the effort to build a skatepark in Idaho Springs. Meeting on a weekly basis, the group of 5-12 high school students convene to discuss fundraising opportunities and ways to support the skateboarding community.

Thanks to their diligent efforts, the High School administrators are currently working through the approval process for the establishment of a mini skatepark on school grounds, using the features from the former skatepark. Students have been tasked with establishing rules and safety precautions, among other logistics. Once complete, the students will support the facilitation of a skateboarding unit in the physical education curriculum, along with making visits to each of the area elementary schools to teach skateboarding to our youngest learners. The interns are also working on plans for future popup skatepark events for the summer.



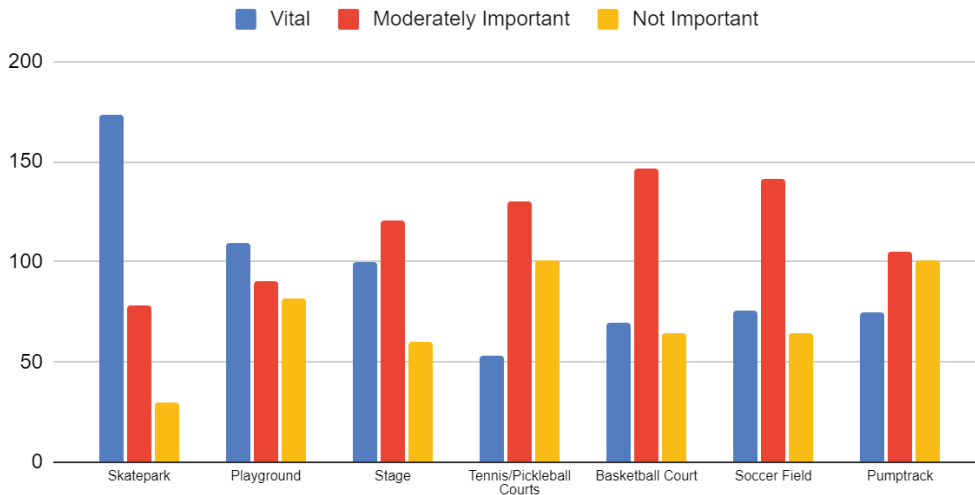
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Ballfield Redesign Feedback Survey

In October 2022, CCMRD launched a 13 question online survey to gather community feedback on the preliminary drawings of the master plan redesign. Please see Addendum #3 for the full report.

A graphic of the proposed redesign along with a map of the space were provided. The first question invited respondents to rate the importance of including each amenity by selecting among “vital,” “moderately important,” and “not at all important.” The graph below summarizes the findings.

How important is it that each amenity be included in the proposed redesign of the space?



The amenities that received the most votes for being “vital” include:

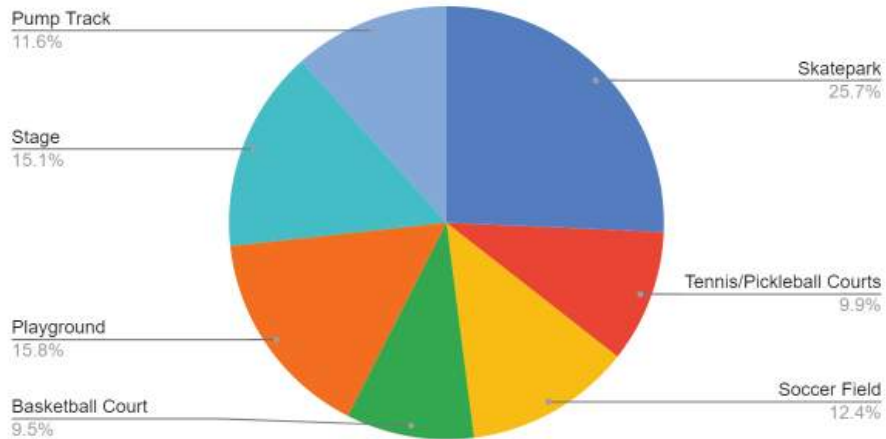
1. Skatepark
2. Playground
3. Stage

The second question asked respondents to vote for their top three favorite amenities to include. Please see the pie chart below for a summary of the findings.



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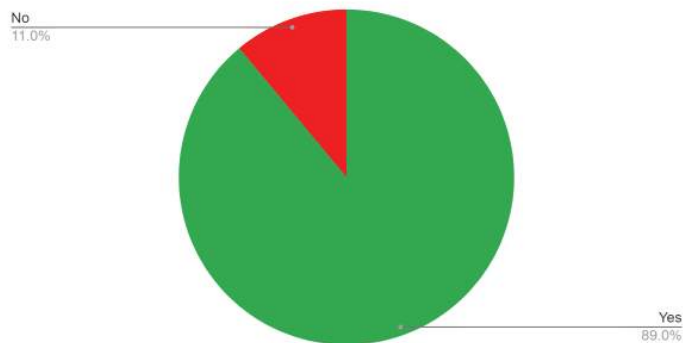
Please vote for your TOP 3 favorite amenities to include in the redesign



A skatepark (25.7%), playground (15.8%), and a stage (15.1%) were identified as the top three favorites among the 281 respondents.

When asked if they were in favor of redesigning the space to include the specified amenities, 89% of respondents indicated “yes.” Please see Addendum # for qualitative responses (why/why not).

Are you in favor of redesigning the space to include the listed amenities?



The final questions of this survey offered insight into the perceived (non-vehicular) accessibility of the ballfields, and if improvements to the Peaks-to-Plains Trail (aka the “Greenway”) would make a measurable impact to the perception of respondents.



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When asked: “How accessible are the ballfields by foot, bike, or skateboard at present?” and using a 5-point scale (1 = not easily accessible, 5 = completely accessible), the average of the 281 responses was 3.

And in response to “How accessible do you think the ballfields will be by foot, bike, or skateboard after improving the bike path and Greenway?” using the same 5-point scale, the average of the 281 responses increased to 4.1. This implies that trail improvements could contribute to a greater level of comfortability walking to the ballfields.



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Idaho Springs Sports & Events Complex Master Plan Open House

On December 7, 2022, CCMRD joined the City of Idaho Springs to host an open house to reveal the proposed master plan and field questions and public comment.

The event drew approximately 45 attendees from throughout Clear Creek County. Business owners, recreation enthusiasts (soccer players and skateboarders, primarily), parents, children, and community members in general came out to review the drawings and ask questions.

Some of the specific questions and concerns that were expressed are listed below:

- Regarding the stage:
 - Could the orientation of the stage be made to best support acoustics?
 - What about considerations for a green room space for performers?
 - What about relocating the stage to be behind home plate of Quinn Field (the field to the west)?
- Regarding the soccer field:
 - Could tall fences be installed to prevent well-kicked soccer balls from going over the fence and into the road?
 - With a large number of adult soccer players, there is a strong desire for a full sized soccer field.
- Regarding the plaza:
 - Would the vendor space be conducive to liquor licensing and associated permits?
 - Could vendors utilize both the field space and the central plaza?
 - Would vehicles have access to the backstage area while an event is in progress?
- Regarding the bathrooms:
 - Upgrading from porta potties is a priority expressed by many!
- Regarding the parking:
 - Designated parking spaces are a must!



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Playground Dreamworking Activity

On February 24, 2023, CCMRD facilitated a Playground Dreamworking activity with local elementary school-aged children. A conversation was facilitated around favorite playground elements and the reasons to love playgrounds. Afterwards, the kiddos' imagination ran wild as they designed the playground of their dreams, using catalogs of playground elements. We tallied up the various elements that the children selected - climbing ropes and natural materials were the clear winners! We hope to integrate this feedback into the master plan redesign of the Idaho Springs Ballfields.



A Sampling of the Dream Playgrounds

Quantitative Data:

Approximate Number of Participants: 15

Approximate Number of Spectators: (4 staff)

Demographics: Community children ranging from ages 5 to 10



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Special Event Stakeholder Engagement Meeting

On February 28, 2023, CCMRD hosted a special event community engagement roundtable at Tommyknockers Brewery with a variety of vendors, community partners, and community members. Due to proposed and ongoing developments throughout the City of Idaho Springs, it is expected that very shortly, the ballfields will be the only space in Idaho Springs (and Clear Creek as a whole) with the capacity for hosting large scale events. These events not only provide the community with a variety of cultural and athletic experiences, they also provide a revenue infusion for local businesses and organizations. In particular, many of these events have the potential for attracting a significant amount of visitors from outside Clear Creek County. (For the longstanding events that have been displaced by the loss of Digger Field, for example, it is critical that arrangements be made to allow for continued success and growth.)

During the roundtable, attendees expressed their enjoyment of the large-scale events that CCMRD hosts at the ballfields, such as the Pumpkin SMASH and Rapidgrass. However, many attendees vocalized the imperative need for more efficient parking and bathroom facilities. This is especially important as each event continues to grow year after year.

In addition to parking and bathroom facilities, local vendors expressed the desire for improved access to electricity and that design considerations be made to ease loading and unloading. The desire to host farmers markets at the ballfield at some point in the future was also discussed.

Following the roundtable discussion, attendees were invited to respond to five questions via post-it notes. Please see the summary of findings below.

1. What is something we don't currently do or have at the ballfield space that you would like to see in the future?
 - Farmers' Market
 - Concession Stand
 - Better Crowd Control
 - Dog Show/Westmuttser
 - Drama/Shakespeare at the Park
 - Dance Class
 - Roller Skating
 - Go Kart Track
 - Community Game Days
 - Shaded Picnic Area
2. What do you love about events?
 - Food
 - Community Gathering
 - Meeting New People



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- Opportunities for Local Businesses to Grow
 - Live Music
 - The Energy
3. What is your favorite event venue and why?
- ABasin's Festival of the Brewpubs - Cozy space, beautiful setting, good music stage, perfect for a mid size beer festival.
 - Venues that maximize their earning potential for private events
 - Estes Park Fairgrounds - a variety of elements and features for people of all ages
 - Mishawaka - small and intimate
 - Salida River Park - perfect small/medium venue, outdoors, natural beauty, playground, stage, grass
 - Red Rocks - atmosphere, sit, stand, and dance all in one area
 - Street markets with tents and table areas
 - Argo Venue
 - Walnut Valley Festival - Field, many stages, camping, and good vibes.
 - Evergreen Lake House
 - El Rancho (Evergreen)
4. What are the biggest design related challenges to successful events at the ballfields?
- Parking
 - Vendor Power Supply
 - Crowd Control and Security
 - Water & Sewer
 - Proximity of I-70
 - Weather Mitigation
5. What are the biggest design related opportunities you see at the ballfields?
- A place for community gathering & large events, including farmers markets.
 - Mixed used space that is accessible for all people.
 - Areas for people to sit, shade, bathrooms, trash receptacles, and lights.
 - Connect the east and west end of town, including usage of shuttles.
 - Parking



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Youth & Adult Soccer

CCMRD hosts a weekly drop-in adult soccer program that has maintained popularity throughout the years. Many of the players attended the various engagement events to voice their desire to continue playing and to have a full sized field with tall fences to help prevent stray balls.

Soccer is the most popular youth program offered by CCMRD. Despite a slight dip in participation numbers in 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, registrations in 2022 exceeded that from 2019, which saw the highest numbers on record. Youth soccer game days historically have utilized one large soccer field, one medium field, and two smaller soccer fields, to accommodate the large number of participants and teams that travel to Idaho Springs from Gilpin County, Grand County, and Nederland.



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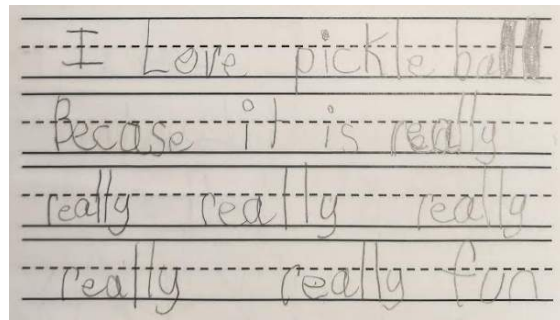
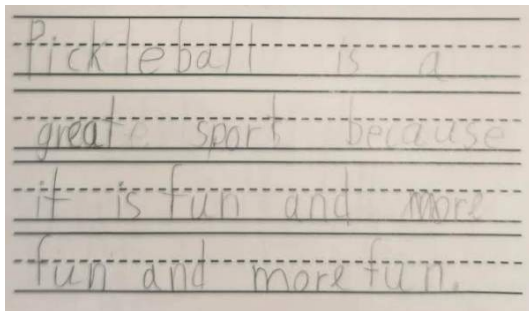
Pickleball for Adults

While pickleball popularity continues to explode nationwide, we are seeing staggering growth here in Clear Creek County as well. Starting in December 2022, we began offering introductory pickleball classes at CCMRD. Many of the players from the first classes have since progressed through learning the basics to participating in open-play sessions. We have continued to expand our pickleball offerings to include instructional clinics for a variety of skill levels, open play sessions for a variety of skill levels, and our recent Pickleball Scramble (a mini-tournament) sold out shortly after registration opened. Plans are now underway to host a series of summer tournaments starting in June. (The clinics and the open play sessions consistently sell out, with a waitlist.) The primary limiting factor to even greater growth is the lack of court space, as we can only accommodate one pickleball court in the gymnasium at the Clear Creek Recreation Center in Idaho Springs. (Most pickleball tournaments utilize 3-4 courts.) Despite constrained court space, we recently achieved the milestone of having more than 100 different people participate in at least one of the various pickleball offerings we have hosted. (This makes pickleball CCMRD's most popular adult program.)

Pickleball for Kids

On February 22, 2023, the first grade class from Carlson Elementary visited the Clear Creek Recreation Center in Idaho Springs for a special pickleball lesson. The instructor and a handful of parent volunteers led the children through a variety of activities to teach the fundamentals of pickleball.

Afterwards, the kids wrote about their experience and the takeaways they left with.





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Ad Hoc Feedback

Social Media comments related to ballfield - The local community is often expressive about opportunities and challenges in the County via the many Facebook community groups. This project has seen a variety of feedback online, including expressions of excitement and support of the opportunities, as well as concern over space being “taken away” from other programs (specifically, soccer and baseball).



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Community Engagement Report Conclusion & Recommendations

With limited space and a variety of stakeholders with diverse opinions and preferences, we feel it is of utmost importance that each element of the design be carefully considered. The most popular recreational activities among our community should be prioritized over those with less engagement. Not only that, but as the operator of the property, CCMRD is reliant on the revenue that is generated from the various uses of it. As such, CCMRD closely monitors the interests of the community and strives to support them while fostering continuous growth.

We put forth this report with our strong recommendation for the following:

- A world class skatepark of at least 12,000-15,000 square feet.
 - Further, in recognition of the significant amount of community support, involvement, interest, and engagement in the skatepark specifically, **the CCMRD Board of Directors urges the City to prioritize the skatepark by incorporating it into the first phase of the master plan project.**
- A multi sport game court that incorporates a tennis court, a basketball court, and 3-4 pickleball courts into a single space. Efficient design and striping will be critical to the multifunctionality of the hard surfaced area. The photo below provides an example of the possible combination of three sport courts into one.



Please note: this photo is offered as a visual representation of the preferred multifunctionality, despite being smaller than what is preferred. We recommend that the master plan redesign include at least 3-4 pickleball courts.

The CCMRD Board of Directors recommends this design approach, so as to provide additional space for green fields that can offer the multifunctionality that will best support and facilitate the other popular activities that are enjoyed by the community, including soccer.

- The CCMRD Board of Directors recommends that the master plan redesign include ample green space to support the same square footage of soccer fields that the current space accommodates. This specifically includes: one (1) large field at 200' x 108' (21,600 sq. ft.), one (1) medium field at 110' x 82.5' (9,075 sq. ft), and two (2) small fields at 75' x 45' (3,375 sq. ft. each).



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- Enhanced walkability/safe route for children. In light of the location of the ballfields and the importance of easy access to it by community members of all ages, the CCMRD Board of Directors recommends that further improvements be made to the box culvert and bike path that connects to the ballfield area. Lighting along the path, curb/gutters, and physical barriers between pedestrians and vehicles on the portion of the path that travels along roadways will improve the safety and walkability of that route along with wayfinding/signage. Further, incorporation of an official stop on the Roundabout public transportation route at the ballfields will allow for greater accessibility, especially for community members traveling beyond walking distance.
- Regarding the pumptrack, the CCMRD Board of Directors feels as though it would be most beneficial to maximize the space allotted for the skatepark without encroaching on it with the pumptrack. We recognize that the community is interested in a pump track, and that a larger and more conducive location could be identified and developed in a future initiative.
- Lighting enhancements will contribute to the overall safety of the space. The CCMRD Board of Directors recommends the utilization of current lighting infrastructure and consideration of enhancements that are dark sky compliant. Softer walkway lighting and zoned schematics would be preferred and considered beneficial from a cost and efficiency perspective.
- The sometimes unpredictable weather conditions in Idaho Springs warrants further consideration into the incorporation of a shelter into the master plan redesign.

CCMRD - ADDENDUM 1



ADDENDUM #1: SKATEPARK NEEDS SURVEY RESPONSES

Timestamp	I am a: (Check all that apply)	What about a skatepark in Idaho Springs makes you most excited?	What suggestions do you have or are there any details you recommend we consider for this project?	What questions or concerns do you have regarding a skatepark at Building 103 in Idaho Springs?	Any additional comments:
1/11/2022 15:28:37	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)		Good lighting. Regular maintenance checks	Could attract drug distributors	
1/11/2022 15:28:58	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Gives kids a place to skate instead of the sidewalks. Most snowboarders skate	Viewable from the highway	I'm unsure what building 103 is	
1/11/2022 15:30:57	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), School District employee	The positive community a skate park builds and having a space for kids and adults	Various skill level features so folks can enjoy it that have different abilities. Make sure it is ADA accessible and folks in wheelchairs can get up into the skatepark.	I think building 103 is a great location!	
1/11/2022 15:31:15	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	A place for the kids to go!	Make it a fun place for skateboarders	None	
1/11/2022 15:37:23	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Additional recreational activity for community residents and visitors.	Lots of stakeholder engagement in the community.	None at this time.	
1/11/2022 15:37:50	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	An active place for people to gather and play	Impact on neighbors (particularly young children)	Supervision during school hours	
1/11/2022 15:38:16	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, School District employee	Kids getting exercise and getting outside!	Make it like Rainbow Park in Silverthorne. Rad play structure, skatepark, tennis courts, etc.	Is there enough room to make it cool? Not as easy for kids to bike to.	
1/11/2022 15:42:09	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	We have a new health care facility	Ambulance parking	Safety	
1/11/2022 15:43:02	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Idaho Springs business owner	Older kids need a place to play	I'm concerned that the location suggested is too isolated and will lead to problems	Feels like it would quickly become an unsafe space.	
1/11/2022 15:45:48	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Skateboarder	A great skatepark in Clear Creek	The design is key. If not designed well no one will come. It can't just be a few rails and ramps. Needs to have a flow track and other features that bring skaters to the park. Otherwise they will just go to Denver or Summit.	I am assuming this is the former Middle school. No questions or concern. Good idea to use this area	Go Clear Creek. This is a great way to help kids and give some additional activities for them to do and not skate around town and damage property. Now we just need the same thing to happen to the Ice Skating rink in Georgetown - Many thanks
1/11/2022 15:47:14	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Skateboarder	A place for the kids to go and stay out of trouble!	To make it open and available to the youth of clear creek	n/a	Hope JP
1/11/2022 15:48:51	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Watching kids have fun	Sitting area for spectators to watch	Enough parking for everything that will go on at Building 103	Think the project is a great idea.
1/11/2022 15:50:34	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	having somewhere for my girls to learn to be confident and spend time with their just safety	None at this time	none at the time	
1/11/2022 15:51:28	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Something for our kids to do where they live. Our community is growing and the	Listen to what the kids want. They know better than anyone.	None. I'm glad it's close to where they hang out.	This is great for our cool, little community.
1/11/2022 15:53:03	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	More opportunities for my kids and other kids in the community to be active and	more experienced skaters.	I don't know what Building 103 is.	
1/11/2022 15:53:19	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Is good for kids to stay out of trouble	A better park than what was at the end of town before.	None	
1/11/2022 15:54:59	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	The fact that part of the initiative is being led by the kids is super exciting. Add	None I can think of.	Only that there be a solid agreement in place (when the land sells. If it is not being annexed to the rec center. I fear the loss of the area after much investment - including the disappointment of the kids in the area.	You guys are awesome. Thanks for continuing to innovate and look out care for our community.
1/11/2022 15:55:29	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	My son likes to skateboard and it would be close to home.	N/A	Are the skateboarders going to help construction? The last skate park was not built with the rider in mind. And it failed.	
1/11/2022 15:55:29	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	It's gives older kids a place to go	I think it should be near the rec center on the bus barn lot	I don't think near the elementary school is the best place for a skatepark!	
1/11/2022 15:55:50	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Having a place for people to skate.	A skating rink for roller skating or hockey	I don't know where building 103 is.	
1/11/2022 15:57:03	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder	Not having to drive far to go skate.	Go BIG. Pump track. Lights. Event area.	None	
1/11/2022 15:59:09	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder, Business owner in the county	Seeing the free community gather under the sun.	Have professional skateboarders oversee the construction to make sure it withstands over the years to come.	None	Thank you!! Make it permanent! Bowtie!
1/11/2022 16:01:27	Live nearby	Skateboarding	I don't have any	None	
1/11/2022 16:02:01	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Providing an activity for kids and teenagers within the area that they love	Material that will last for awhile and easy to maintain. Getting further input on bowls/ramp/step up. Close to town so it is walkable for kids to get to	Liter- making sure there are trash cans around for snacks and trash to go in.	Great idea!
1/11/2022 16:03:40	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	It gives kids a place to gather and stay active.	I hope a police patrol can keep an eye on the park after dark to maintain its safety for all ages.	None	Maybe you can include a bathroom or a regular services portapotty!
1/11/2022 16:05:07	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Idaho Springs business owner	More affordable activities for all	None at this time	None at this time	
1/11/2022 16:07:02	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	From what I hear the old one was not great. A new one is a great idea. Kids go	I work by the Llyseas skate park in Golden. It is popular and seems to have nice features to skate on. Perhaps a look at that park would give you some ideas. There is an accompanying park for younger kids to play on while there older siblings skate.	Who will maintain it? Snow removal, etc. Is there plenty of parking? Will there be places for onlookers to sit? Who will monitor it? I'm worried about graffiti, drug use, and transients making it there home	
1/11/2022 16:09:14	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Hopefully a great space for the kids	Don't out corners, get feedback from Frisco (we all go over there now)	None	Make sure the flow is good.
1/11/2022 16:09:15	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	NA	If you are going to do the skate park, make it a first class skate park. Big enough to be used for all to enjoy including tourists with no admission fee and include restrooms and a green park with tables to enjoy food and beverages.	Where is this ??	
1/11/2022 16:10:20	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Another place for kids to have fun	Accessible for all skill levels	Is it open to the public? Is there a cost associated?	
1/11/2022 16:12:03	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, School District employee	Some places for the kids to go	Make sure it's well lit	Will there be easy access	I'm worried that it's too far from the center of town
1/11/2022 16:13:39	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Something fun for the kids	Get it done quickly	None	
1/11/2022 16:14:11	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder	I'm very excited for my kids to have a place to congregate after school a place to	I think you're spending a lot of time doing a lot of research would be my go to for this project right now looking at different skate parks and around the world looking at skate parks that have worked really well in Y and looking at skate parks that have not done well and what those skate parks had and making sure that do not have the same pitfalls that other skate parks might have had so I guess I think that the research part of this and really getting together a lot of different images from skate parks around the world and combining them in something that could work really well for our space is the way to go.	None	
1/11/2022 16:14:38	Student, Skateboarder	Being able to skateboard in IS without getting in trouble	have a good variety of stuff. something for everyone	Will it be lit? Will it close at night? Will it be open during school hours if that school re-opens?	Will there be a spin gate to restrict large unwanted objects from getting in? I noticed lots of skateparks in Arizona have them. Will it be free?
1/11/2022 16:15:06	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	The opportunity for our kids to use their skateboards within the county rather than	N/A	No concerns	
1/11/2022 16:15:45	Parent	Knowing my children can skate safely in a designated area	Provide a restroom/changing area	N/A	
1/11/2022 16:15:56	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Something for a very specific demographic.	Needs to be visible and hidden away	Will the area be only for kids of skate interest? What about other activities.	I would like to see an area with numerous activities not just a skate park.
1/11/2022 16:25:15	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, School District employee	A place for everyone	Lights for nights	How can I help?	
1/11/2022 16:28:46	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Skateboarder, Long time local	Recreation for locals and tourists	Location, location, location. Meaning, the far end of town is not the appropriate spot.	None	Ain't nothing to it but to do it.
1/11/2022 16:28:48	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Expanded opportunities for community members to recreate locally.	Visibility is good. Residents might assume "everyone knows" the location but that isn't always the case. The old location was pretty hidden.	Great location, no questions or concerns.	Good luck!
1/11/2022 16:29:49	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder	I think that it would be good for the youth in Idaho springs to have something pr	Less vert. more Street	None	
1/11/2022 16:47:30	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	My kids can skate locally	None	None	None
1/11/2022 16:52:19	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	My son will have a place to go and hang out with friends.	Water fountain	None	
1/11/2022 16:54:15	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Brings the community together	N/A	None! So excited.	This is an awesome outdoor idea for kids and young adults!
1/11/2022 16:54:25	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	the youth population deserves basic amenities like this within the community.	Design and build it in such a way that the City cannot secretly remove it overnight like they did with the skatepark that this project is replacing	I fear that the City could secretly remove it overnight like they did with the skatepark that this project is replacing	
1/11/2022 16:56:20	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	There are a lot of skate boarders in IS and it's important for the kids to have so	Suggest looking at other towns' design like Silverthorne.	Not sure where building 103 is located.	
1/11/2022 17:08:18	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	A place for kids to have fun	Go all out	None, get it done. Please	
1/11/2022 17:20:26	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Closer for my child	None at this time	None at this time	
1/11/2022 17:32:14	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	I think it's a great place for people to build a community that gathers to positive!	Possibly signs with positive info in relationship to protection under Good Samaritan law	None	
1/11/2022 17:54:19	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Idaho Springs business owner, Skateboarder	That all the kids and adults will have somewhere to skate that is save away from	Please don't use metal ramps like the last ones	I think its the perfect place	If help in the design or building the actual skate park feel free to look up Richard Carreon on facebook
1/11/2022 18:08:08	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	A place for young people to hang out and play!	Not at this time.	None	I think this would be excellent for our community.
1/11/2022 18:09:40	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	A good place for youth to hang out!	Research the different types of skateparks and try and find a good fit for our community	n/a	You guys are awesome! Keep up the amazing work that you are doing for our community!
1/11/2022 18:17:44	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Good place for kids of all ages.	Cover it or have it inside. To keep it from the snow and it can be used year around	Not as accessible as something in town with walking distance.	Make sure you use slits concrete. Have plenty of permanent features. A pool feature is great. Dont just make it good enough make it great.
1/11/2022 18:48:36	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Idaho Springs business owner	Nothing	Find a better use for funds	Increased child foot traffic across 103 bridge with no safety divider from bridge auto traffic.	
1/11/2022 18:53:11	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Clown Biz owner	A community space that appeals to teens	Safe spaces adjacent where kids can sit & hang out. Also basic fix it tools & bench that are secured by cable. Trash cans.	None	I would like to see the youth take some responsibility & part in caring and maintaining the space. Also possible mentor younger who are Getting into it. Maybe a project Board tech program.
1/11/2022 19:03:19	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder, Snowboarder, Roller skater	The opportunity the kids will have. A skate park was a huge part of my middle s	Definitely a mini half pipe.	None.	
1/11/2022 19:07:09	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	We are literally the only mountain town that doesn't have one and it would be ni	Make it decent, not like that last piece of crap.	None	The sooner the better, our kids need something to do around here.... we all know what ide hands can lead to and we have enough of that around here
1/11/2022 19:13:19	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Most regular events, like shows and competitions, an opportunity to showcase the space as something the community is proud of and wants to take care of while celebrating local talent	An A- Frame and a Euro Gap	Will it be available 24 hours or will it be closed during certain hours? How will it be maintained while also provide opportunity for youth to be empowered to own and care for it? Can you designate a specific space for street art?	
1/11/2022 19:15:55	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, School District employee	A place for all of our skate boarders, young and old alike, to have fun and build	Just to be fun	No concerns	I am 100% in support of this project
1/11/2022 19:23:52	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder	Having one again for me to use as well as other community members so we are	Just to be fun	None	
1/11/2022 19:25:19	Parent	A place for my kids to skate without having to drive down the mountain. A park	Please allow scooters and roller blades. Lights so it can be used at night in the summers.	No concerns	Very happy that this is happening
1/11/2022 19:35:24	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	It'll be nice to see a place for kids in the community to skate	N/A	The potential tax increase to build it.	
1/11/2022 19:48:30	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Finally getting a sick park in IS!	Allow BMX (I know, no pegs), and build a dirt jump park on the property.	None, it's gonna be awesome!	
1/11/2022 19:51:21	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Skateboarder	New features and to teach my children	Make it compatible for all levels and bikes	None	
1/11/2022 20:17:36	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	It's a space where community can be built	Indicate art. Maybe a muralist from the metro area.	None	
1/11/2022 20:23:40	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Letting kids develop their skills in a safe environment	Should be well lit and visible	None	Yay!

Timestamp	I am a: (Check all that apply)	What about a skatepark in Idaho Springs makes you most excited?	What suggestions do you have or are there any details you recommend we consider for this project?	What questions or concerns do you have regarding a skatepark at Building 103 in Idaho Springs?	Any additional comments:
1/11/2022 20:28:05	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	An area for kids to use	The more the better	Ensuring safety with crossing over 70	
1/11/2022 20:39:00	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Finally something for the kids	Better location, more central to east and west residents and less traffic	Crazy traffic by the I 70 off ramps and 13th and Mirer intersection	Skate park in town will be better used and please don't make it a major project like the one going here/there get that is placed.
1/11/2022 20:44:57	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Community Quality of Life	Add Bike Park	Coordination with the design of the new school which has not been transparent and vetted with the public	Needs to be transparent with public participation
1/11/2022 20:45:50	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Student, Skateboarder	Being able to skate with friends after school and during the summer	Solid street section with plenty of different features	No questions or concerns	I would really appreciate a place to hangout with friends instead of getting in trouble skating in town
1/11/2022 20:53:35	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Skateboarder	A skatepark in the county	A Skatepark in Georgetown and empire as well	Not getting fished like many projects around the county (bighorn crossing mess)	
1/11/2022 20:57:17	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Idaho Springs business owner, Skateboarder	A safe place for our kids to positively express themselves through skateboarding	Please put lights in, so the town kids can utilize the park after dark. (Or after their shifts at school, their jobs, etc)	Will they be lights, for after dark skating? (Consider the kids at school & work all day). Who will be contracted to build the park?	Skateboarding/bmx/rollerblade/scootering gives children such an artistic canvas to express themselves, while also pushing their limits, learning new skills, making new friends. This would be such a great outlet to do so.
1/11/2022 20:57:28	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Skateboarder	It will be a great recreational attraction for the youth of this county.	Make sure professionals build it and it holds up to our extreme weather conditions in Clear Creek County.	It needs to be built soon. This has been a long time coming.	
1/11/2022 21:15:14	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	That Clear Creek is recognizing the need for the more positive youth outlet!	Could you also (please, please please!!!!) Consider a bike park too? Even just a small one would be so very much appreciated. The city land on the corner of Rose and Mt Zion in Georgetown would be a PERFECT spot for a little bike park! The amount of children in Georgetown and Clear Creek who would benefit from a bike park would be incredible.	None. I think it's awesome and a great step in the right direction.	Please also consider a bike park!!
1/11/2022 21:15:23	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	The kids, teens and all boarders deserve a place to play and practice their skills	You've got a Great Skate Board! I am eager to see everything! Perhaps set some rules up front it is harder to walk back and create them later.	No concerns. It's for the best	
1/11/2022 21:16:30	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Student, Skateboarder	Social interaction despite years of setbacks. A growing youth group that will turn into an opportunity for our kids to be active & outdoors	Definitely think about doing a bowl with a rail coping	I asked questions at the top...	NA
1/11/2022 21:18:30	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	An opportunity for our kids to be active & outdoors	It gives an area to skateboard	Ability to separate it from the playground?	How can you ensure issues that arrived at the old location do not occur at the new one?
1/11/2022 21:35:03	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder	It gives an area to skateboard	Definitely think about doing a bowl with a rail coping	None	None
1/11/2022 21:40:11	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	A place where skateboarders and enthusiasts to gather together as well as give the kids get to spend outside more.	Nope.	How much will it cost to build?	None
1/11/2022 21:56:53	Parent, Idaho Springs business owner	The kids get to spend outside more.	Add a stair set to do tricks over.	Nope.	
1/11/2022 21:58:02	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Student, Skateboarder	I get to progress in doing what I love and it gets me off the video games.	Clear, thoughtful, enforceable rules posted before you open.	Cost to use? Who can use?	
1/11/2022 23:17:45	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Youth activity opportunities.	Safety foremost	That it will be a good safe place	
1/12/2022 1:25:31	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Something positive for kids and adults	No lights - No skateboarding at night!!!	Where is it going to be put? on the old track? The bus barn is going there?	Where on the property is the skate park going to be built? As a police officer across the street from building 103, I feel there needs to be a police presence. Skate parks draw lots of unwanted types (ie drug dealers).
1/12/2022 5:38:21	School District employee	It will give most of my students something to do outside!	reasonable cost	cost	
1/12/2022 6:31:31	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	nothing	Please consider using Team Pain for design and build of the project. You can see beautiful examples of their work across Colorado. Just check out Golden Park at Ulysses. https://teampain.com/	Enforcement of keeping it clean.	This is exciting news. I am hoping that with some of the robust plans for the city the planning and implementation of this will not be half hearted. We have a real chance to make something that people will travel here for.
1/12/2022 6:48:01	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Skateboarder	A positive outlet for the kids	A water fountain and bathrooms somewhere near the park might help with litter.	None.	
1/12/2022 6:56:19	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder	People need a place to skate where they won't be harassed or ran over.	The park should be a combo of street and vert to cover all ages of skateboarders. The park should be concrete to handle all weather conditions in IS. Concrete makes maintaining the park cost effective because you are not constantly replacing wood bits that rot from UV and weather. I recommend getting quotes from Team Pain, who built a lot of the skateparks in Colorado. Grindline is also a reputable park builder who have built parks here in Colorado. Either builder is more than capable to run this project from start to finish.	Will the renovations on Building 103 disrupt the usability of the skatepark - both during the updates and in the future if the building houses students?	
1/12/2022 7:07:32	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Skateboarder	A safe place for the kids to skate	No suggestions.	What's the smell? How can I keep informed?	What are the arguments against a skateboard park?
1/12/2022 7:33:37	School District employee	The place and opportunity for our area's young people to hang out and engage	Will the skatepark have the potential to host competitions?	N/A	NA
1/12/2022 7:45:43	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, School District employee	Getting kids outside	Make sure this doesn't turn into a place where kids don't hang out to get into trouble. Good lighting hours that are kept so people don't go there all hours of the night. Should be locked and no access when after hours.	It's a great location. Extend the pedestrian trail to the skate park so youth can get there without having to use the overpass. Consider a pedestrian crossing with the flashy lights when you push the button to cross 103 on the pedestrian trail.	This is awesome! Keep up the great work
1/12/2022 7:52:26	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Idaho Springs business owner	It raises the profile of the community and sends a progressive message	Actual ramps this time	Net that I can think of.	
1/12/2022 8:12:06	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Student, Skateboarder	It being local	a bowl would be cool and somewhere not so far	How much will it cost to build?	
1/12/2022 8:14:26	Student, Skateboarder	I will be able to go to a local skatepark with my friends instead of having to go to	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	Will it be accessible even when there are high radon levels?	
1/12/2022 8:20:26	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Safe, fun, active space for youth. Awesome recreation for our community.	Cancel if Without supervision and medical staff on site you're looking for a lawsuit.	Ask the school superintendent, she seems to have all the answers, duh!!!	
1/12/2022 8:21:16	School District employee	A great opportunity for our kids to have something to do!	I mostly just want some fat areas for learners and the absence of random deep holes.	I don't really have any.	
1/12/2022 8:22:13	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	That you will have a place to practice jumping a bike	lighting around the park	none	nah
1/12/2022 8:24:20	Student	Having one something to do in town and making friends	none	don't have any	no
1/12/2022 8:25:16	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Student, Skateboarder	Getting kids outside	Can I be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	We are very hopeful this project will come to fruition and the community will help make this happen for Clear Creek Youth and others that enjoy the sport. We hear there isn't anywhere for youth age persons to "hang out". This would be a safe area with adults coming and going. Support from Law Enforcement is key.	make it happen
1/12/2022 8:30:07	I work at CCH/MS Student	The area and space for the kids to hang out outdoors	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	How to make sure that there isn't vandalism at either the skate park or the school when there's no one there monitoring the area.	
1/12/2022 8:34:54	Student	a place to hang out and not get yelled at weather im a skater or not	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	Some kids might not exactly be able to access it as easily as kids in town.	
1/12/2022 8:36:37	School District employee	It gives students another outdoor activity to pursue in town.	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	None	
1/12/2022 8:40:25	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Waste of taxpayers money, and will not bring in families to contribute to the cost	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	Needs to be regularly maintained to keep it safe for use and free of negative influences	
1/12/2022 8:45:30	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Student, Skateboarder, Sibling of skateboarders(My sis)	The idea of a safe, fun place for me and my siblings to go skateboarding	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	Not sure where 103 is?	Just would be a great thing for kids in Idaho Springs area!
1/12/2022 8:43:32	Student, Skateboarder	safe place to skate	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	It will be too small.	Please, get a skatepark. Use other communities successes for examples.
1/12/2022 8:46:15	Student, Skateboarder	being able to learn more tricks over in the park	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	Open to the public or restricted to residents ??	There was already a skate park on the east side of town, which was demolished this past summer. Why is this one any different ??
1/12/2022 8:50:56	Parent	Safe central place for youth to pursue their passion and positively influences	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	None	Allow all aspects of riding ie. Skateboard, bmx, scooter, rollerblades, etc
1/12/2022 8:51:20	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Giving kids something to do in this county!	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?	Security and clean up	
1/12/2022 8:55:33	Student	Having a fun place in town to skate and hang out with friends	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 8:58:02	Student, Skateboarder	that it would exist	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 9:12:58	School District employee	It will give young people something constructive to do. The old skate park which was used to be a place for teens to hang out at.	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 9:52:30	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Student	A place for teens to hang out at.	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 10:05:18	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Student, Skateboarder	It's somewhere safe the kids can go. The last skatepark was a safety hazard	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 10:12:19	Student, Skateboarder	That we don't have to drive down to Denver to go to a skatepark	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 10:19:58	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Add recreation, especially for young people.	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 10:41:57	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Something for kids to do	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 11:07:43	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Idaho Springs business owner, Roller skater	Not having to drive to another county to use a skatepark. It's a great way to do it	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 11:18:56	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), city employee	I think it's important for the community to feel as if someone is listening to them	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 11:21:52	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	encouraging people to skate more	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 11:28:28	School District employee	Having one will give interested individuals a place to go.	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 11:31:53	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, School District employee, Skateboarder	Providing kids with a fun and safe place to practice skateboarding, giving out	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 13:29:29	School District employee	Great place for teens to hang out, provides outdoor activities for kids	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 13:33:39	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Skateboarder	Just to have a place for local kids to skate!	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 13:41:09	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	A place for our young people.	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 15:15:13	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Nothing at present	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 15:27:04	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Kids will now have somewhere to spend their time during covid rather than getting bored. So it can possibly be used more year round?	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		
1/12/2022 15:58:56	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Its a positive use of or tax dollars.	Can it be enclosed with a fence to prevent animals from getting inside?		

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Timestamp	I am a: (Check all that apply)	What about a skatepark in Idaho Springs makes you most excited?	What suggestions do you have or are there any details you recommend we consider for this project?	What questions or concerns do you have regarding a skatepark at Building 103 in Idaho Springs?	Any additional comments:
1/12/2022 18:06:29	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	It will be great for the youth in the community	Build lights for the skatepark	None	
1/12/2022 18:47:09	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	More outdoor constructive activities for young adults/children	Have lighting for nighttime/winter use & keep it free	Potential for mis-use among individuals with "not so great intentions"	
1/12/2022 21:12:14	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), School District employee	Place for kids to get together.	Put up cameras to deter law breaking	NAh. Go for it	
1/12/2022 21:53:53	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Skateboarder	Having a place to safely skateboard, hang out and learn something new for son	Concrete skatepark with a gazebo type covered shelter, water fountain/bathroom.	The location is a little out of the way and might be harder for some kids in town to get to. We need a nice wide and safe sidewalk to access it from town with crosswalks.	If the skatepark was visible from I70 it would get more notoriety, potentially from people in the skateboard industry passing through on I70 too. It could be a gem of a skatepark since we live in a such a beautiful area.
1/12/2022 22:12:50	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent, Idaho Springs business owner, Skateboarder	Having a quality new park for my kids and me	Hire a professional design team. The last park in IS was poorly designed	Closed during school hours?	Please have a quality mini ramp half pipe
1/13/2022 10:07:13	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	hopeful for more positive/safe spaces for children's activities	bathrooms, safety 24/7 (lights/cameras/on-site manager), coaching/mentor programs	include separate spaces for beginner/ intermediate/ advanced levels and play space adjacent such as children's park, climbing rocks (similar to Frisco skate park), etc and covered tables for breaks	
1/13/2022 10:24:25	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	Gives the kids something to do.	Whoever designs it should have experience.	Vandalism	
1/13/2022 12:25:30	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	It gives a fun and healthy outlet which would be great for the town	Follow success stories of other small towns that have pulled this off. Salida, BV, winter Park...	None. I think this is a great idea!	Super excited about this community initiative!
1/13/2022 17:40:46	School District employee	Having a designed place for people to enjoy skating/biking with varying difficulty	Clean for the school use during school hours.	Liability and it being closed off during school hours.	Can skaters help with 5th day activities?
1/13/2022 17:46:46	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	Kids would be excited with something to do	Well not if at night, protection from any drug zones (hiding places)	What happens when the school moves up 103?	
1/13/2022 18:09:31	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder	The fact that it's in Idaho Springs!!	Please put as much transition as flatground/street obstacles. It's nice to have variety at your skatepark, you want to utilize your space effectively, so making the obstacles be able to be used from different angles is important to provide variety of terrain to learn and play on. a good example of this would be Breckenridge Skatepark. A bowl with lots of variety is always a lot of fun and provides a uniqueness to any skatepark as they can be shaped differently to your desire/funds available. Something to remember is, the park doesn't need to be big to be fun. I mean you don't need a 120k park. It would rarely get used for how much concrete it takes to pour. 2-6 foot quarter pipes are ideal for all ages and levels.	I just hope the layout allows for multiple skaters to be able to enjoy the park at once.	Glad your doing this and glad to be of any help possible. I can weld, and have made many skate obstacles in my lifetime. Please feel free to contact me anytime at 815-457-7559 to answer any questions or feedback. I personally love helping build the skate community in a position direction and have had my hands in many projects across the United States. I also can get you in contact with reps from skateite if you plan on using the material instead of concrete. Thanks again. Sincerely, Aaron Will.
1/13/2022 20:18:31	Community member (Clear Creek Resident)	I love to see young people outside practicing something. Not inside playing video	Provide trash cans	None	Thank you for making this happen!
1/14/2022 8:00:29	Parent	My kids want one	Keep it open and clean, reduce the potential shady activities	none, don't know enough	
1/14/2022 9:09:09	County Employee	A place for recreation, residents and guests to enjoy - the one at the APEX is well enough could be a new 'draw' to the town.	I think it would be good to talk to the Aravida Apex and ask them for insight as the one in the County could be 'connected' to the Idaho Springs location and assist in bringing families to the town for the day to check out the skate park, eat a bite of lunch, and visit the shops - if done well could be a new 'draw' to the town.	I am not sure that is the 'right location' I think it would be best to look at the ball field and turn one side into the skate park - not sure that using Bldg 103 would be best use unless it is an indoor skate park like the one at Colorado Mills Mall --- and if so, then again suggest talking with them and doing a bit more field research to see how it can be an economic driver if it is indoors and requires significant more overhead to operate.	Love the idea of having a skate park - but think a business plan or development plan needs to accompany it, just the idea is not strong enough to make such a large investment.
1/14/2022 11:03:56	Idaho Springs business owner, Skateboarder, BMX Biker	Awesome place to hang out! Not having to drive somewhere else to ride would	PLEASE consider vert options for bmx bikers and skaters who want bigger features. Smaller street features are cool, but have a relatively small market for people who ride and aren't just there for rails.	Also- There could be an opportunity for the 'Car Quest' on Colorado Blvd to partner with the new project as they have a whole section of the store dedicated to skateboards, new decks, trucks, wheels, parts, wax, etc --- things always break at a skatepark - so it may be something they would be interested in to expand that retail towards - so that a kid could easily fix their skateboard without having to figure out how to get to the other end of town, even assuming they know who sells skateboard parts in Idaho Springs.)	Thank you for all of your hard work on this and taking time to review comments and think about this effort from a County-wide perspective as if done well it could be a huge new recreational feature for the County and beyond. Good luck!!
1/14/2022 11:07:23	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Parent	keep kids occupied and out of trouble	No smoking allowed no matter if its legal or not it should not be around minors	none just maybe make helmets mandatory	thank you for trying to do it
1/14/2022 11:50:48	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder	Outlet for the kids	Get someone who skates to build it. Last skatepark was hard to ride and had a weird flow	How big is it, what features will be added	Get skaters involved in the design and kids will actually use it
1/14/2022 11:52:56	Community member (Clear Creek Resident), Skateboarder	It's closer to my home, won't have to drive 45 minutes to skate.	A progressive half pipe would be cool.	When will it be done?	

CCMRD- ADDENDUM 2



ADDENDUM #2: SKATEPARK SWOT REPORT



Clear Creek County Skatepark in Idaho Springs

SWOT

- Strengths - Weaknesses - Opportunities - Threats -

*As informed by the Clear Creek County community at the
March 2022 Roundtable Meeting hosted at Tommyknockers Brewery*



Strengths

What separates the skatepark from something else?
What current factors contribute to success/added value?
What are the advantages of the skatepark?

- Easy location to access
- Providing for an activity for teens/kids that they love
- "My son will have a place to go and hang out with friends"
- Going outside + staying out of trouble
- Safe, fun, active space for youth
- Awesome recreation in our community
- Gorgeous location - using the beauty of Idaho Springs and the mountains and incorporating it into the design
- Better location - more central with less traffic
- Finally getting a sick park in Idaho Springs!
- Opportunities for kids to meet new people and build connections
- I won't have to drive to Golden or Silverthorne to skateboard
- Gorgeous location that will not get baked in the summer to the point of egg frying
- Clear Creek is recognizing the need for more positive youth outlets
- Stakeholder engagement in the process
- "Somewhere for my girls to learn to be confident and spend time with their dad"
- Many user groups
- Free activity for youth
- Super cool gym class opportunity for the school district
- Opportunity for being active and interacting with others
- Positive environment for kids (not Kum & Go)
- Young people helping with the design
- Liability and it being closed during school hours
- Collaboration
- Skatepark taking 2nd place to the school renovations
- It would improve the image of our community (being more progressive)



Strengths (Page 2)

- CCMRD programming
- Being next to the school makes sense
- Having a playground and a skatepark at the same location will appeal to more families
- Knowing my children can skate safely in a designated area (not on sidewalks)
- This fulfills the promise of the school's ballot initiative to provide the space to build the park
- A great way to connect with my own child and stay connected to my inner child
- Learning new things
- Not having to drive to another county to use the skatepark
- All the kids and adults will have a place to skate that is safe and away from traffic
- Showcases progressiveness and care for youth
- The community and the team bringing this project forward
- The kids definitely need some kind of outdoor activity in the mountains. This is a great idea
- A community space that appeals to teens
- Gives skateboarders somewhere to go besides the busy streets
- Equity for kids!
- Engaging student voices
- Could host events like national/state skateboard competitions
- Clear Creek County residents can finally participate in Go Skate Day
- Will be a nationwide destination for traveling skateboarders from all over the country
- School District ballot initiative



Weaknesses

What characteristics exist that put the skatepark at a disadvantage, relative to other projects?

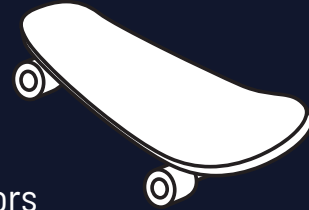
- Too many people
- Cost
- Location (less accessible as something in town)
- Ensuring safety with crossing over I-70
- Funding
- Sustainability
- Next to/near an elementary school is not the best place for a skatepark
- Worried if this will become a drug spot or a place where fights would be common
- Impact on neighbors
- The location is a little out of the way and it might be harder for some kids in town to get to. It'll need a nice wide and safe sidewalk to access it from town with crosswalks.
- I'm concerned that the location suggested is too isolated and will lead to problems
- 9 months of snow. ... is there a way to put heating elements into cement to help melting/drying? Solar power?
- Can we have lights to use at night?
- Enough space at Building 103
- Who would monitor it? I'm worried about graffiti, drug use, and transients making it their home



Opportunities

What elements in the environment could be leveraged to the advantage of the skatepark?

- Biking
- Project skate tech
- Integrated recreation design multiple courts
- Cool to combine with other recreation opportunities
- Additional recreational resource for residents and visitors
- Sitting area for spectators and/or special events and performances
- An area with numerous activities, not just a skatepark
- Work with community garden for flower and plant upkeep and planting bee friendly/hummingbird plants
- COMPASS DAY (5th Day) potential is huge!
- Can the natural topography be incorporated into the design?
- King Murphy and Carlson Elementary schools are adopting an experiential learning model. I'm excited for the curriculum connections.
- Host events like shows and competition to showcase the space as something the community is proud of
- Integrate school skate programs + More extra curricular activities
- Potential to incorporate ADA accessibility to serve those in our community and beyond (including Easter Seals RMV) to use the skatepark
- Gardening collaboration with Scraps-to-Soil
- Using innovative design to solve competing stakeholder challenges
- The hillside? Connections to the Greenway?
- May create more business for the small offering of skate supplies at Clear Creek Supply. May also open the door for a full skate shop
- Community outreach
- Off-season snowboard training, developing athletes in general
- Can we do something to get kids who can't afford them equipment?
- Art, maybe a mural?



Threats

What elements in the environment could cause problems or challenges for the skatepark?

- Wildlife
- Renovations @ Bld 103 disrupting the usability of the skatepark (both during the updates and in the future if the building houses students)
- Security & Safety
- Funding
- Parking
- Safety to cross I-70 from the main part of Idaho Springs. Pedestrian bridge is important
- NIMBY's
- Need to address concerns of elementary parents - lots of ways to do this!
- Interactions between skaters and wildlife (moose, bear, elk, mtn lions have been known to appear out of the woods)
- Supervision during school hours
- Potential for misuse from people will not so great intentions
- Freeze/thaw



CCMRD- ADDENDUM 3



ADDENDUM #3: BALLFIELD REDESIGN FEEDBACK SURVEY RESPONSES

CLEAR CREEK COURANT

PICKLEBALL ARTICLE - JULY 6, 2016



Popular pickleball comes to Clear Creek

Rec center offers drop-in games, clinics

Wednesday, July 6, 2016 at 10:43 am

County residents looking to expand their recreational horizons are invited to attend the new pickleball program at the rec center.



Chancey Bush
June Paulding hits a return during a game of pickleball at the Sampler Mill Recreation Center in Idaho Springs.

Those interested in the game, which combines elements of tennis, badminton and ping pong and was named after a dog called Pickles, are welcome to join Amy Tomlinson every Wednesday at 1 p.m.

Tomlinson hopes to build local interest in the game and plans to offer a series of pickleball clinics this summer at the rec center. The drop-in games are open to anyone, and equipment is available at no charge. There will also be a "pickleball ambassador" on hand most days to offer guidance to anyone new to the game.

Tomlinson said that after years of playing golf, she was looking for something new. She learned the game last November from her 78-year-old mother and has played it every day since.

"I was looking for something to do other than golf. After 30 years, I was kind of ready for a change," Tomlinson said, "and it just became a great way to meet new people."

She said the game, which uses paddles and a plastic ball, is also ideal for people with bad knees, hips or shoulders who nevertheless want to get some significant exercise.

"You get a very good workout. It's a very fast game because it is played mostly at the net," Tomlinson said. "So you get a really good workout in an hour, and you move on with your day."

Robert Smith and his wife, Mary, recently started playing with Tomlinson at the rec center. Smith said they also have a net that they set up in Georgetown for a few games during the week.

"It is just an extremely fun game to play," Smith said, then joked: "I want to get good enough at it that my wife doesn't beat me five games out of five when we play."

The fast-growing sport has the quick pace of tennis but is easier on the body because of the smaller court and the use of the wiffle ball.

Smith added that when he plays in Georgetown, he lets his dog chase the ball between volleys. Pickles the dog would be proud.

How to participate

The Clear Creek recreation center in Idaho Springs is offering a series of "skills and drills" pickleball clinics for anyone 16 or older on:

- July 6 at 6 p.m.
- July 9 at 9 a.m.
- July 13 at 9 a.m.
- July 20 at 6 p.m.

General recreation center admission fees apply, but there is no charge for the clinics. Equipment is available at no charge. Sign up by calling 303-567-4822.