

# Mid Valley Trails Committee Agenda

04-18-2024

7:30am- 9:30am

RFTA Office – 1340 Main Street, Carbondale, CO 81623 or Webex

Join from the meeting link

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## INVITED ATTENDEES

## In Attendance

- George Trantow – MVTC Chair
- Phillip Ring – MVTC Treasurer
- Alan Lu – MVTC Member
- Perry Kleespies – MVTC Member
- Katie Stookesberry Ralston –MVTC Member
- Temple Glassier – MVTC Project Manger
- Rebecca Schild – Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers
- Jack Douglas – Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers
- Mike Pritchard – Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association
- Karin Offield – Roaring Fork Valley Horse Council
- Michelle Thibeault – Town of Basalt Planning Director
- Angela Henderson – RFTA
- Brett Meredith – RFTA
- Abbey Pascoe – RFTA

## AGENDA

1. Review and approval of **March** Meeting Minutes
2. Committee Updates
  - a. 2025 Update to Mid-Valley Trails Plan
    - i. RFTA to update this in conjunction with their Rec Trails Plan
3. Discussion
  - a. BLM Comments on E-bikes
  - b. Eagle County Outreach
  - c. Pitkin County Open Space Outreach
4. Updates from Temple Glassier
  - a. Stage Trail
    - i. Need to make this a priority

5. Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association, Mike Pritchard
  - a. Project Updates
    - i. Crown Royale Update
    - ii. Buck Down Trail Build Update
  - b. Programs Update
    - i. Seasonal Trail Crew
    - ii. Trail Agent
  
6. Roaring Fork Valley Horse Council, Karin Offield
  - a. Thank you Letter- [Attachment A](#)
  - b. Trail Signs delivered to appropriate Land Managers for installation
  - c. CPW and USFS Outreach Campaign
  - d. Light Hill Update
  - e. Nancy's Path
  - f. Educational Events- [Attachment B](#)
  
7. Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers, Rebecca Schild
  
8. Town of Basalt POST, Michelle Thibeault- [Attachment C](#)
  - a. Open House, April 17<sup>th</sup> 4-6pm in the Alpine Bank meeting room at TACAW
  
9. Items to Discuss Next Meeting
  
10. Open Discussion
  
11. Meeting Adjourns

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March 5, 2024

Dear MVT Committee Board Members, Trail User and Volunteer Leadership Directors and RFTA staff,

On behalf of the RFVHC Board of Directors, Rheta Fulton and I want to thank the Mid Valley Trails Committee for working patiently with us on the progression and endorsement of the use of the RFVHC Trails Sign and the Trails Safe Passing Plan (TSPP) Stop! Speak and Stand Back in the Roaring Fork Valley.

Your MVTC endorsement, and the 2023 funding of \$1,653.08 on January 16, 2024 that the RFVHC received from the RFVHC Invoice as a mid-valley Trail Partner \$1000.00 donation on November 23, 2023 gave us the boost we needed to make a real difference, first for the RFV and now across the United States. Thank you so much.

These quotes below are a few of the reactions since the safety action plan was rolled out in the spring of 2023 as an American Trails webinar.

*“We will use the Trails Safe Passing Plan (TSPP) Stop! Speak and Stand Back on welcome info boards at the trail head parking lots throughout the 6,900-acre White River Area Pines Point Recreation Area, USFS Baldwin Ranger Station Huron and Manistee National Forests.”*

*“We would distribute the RFVHC Trail Sign to groups operating or in the process of planning trails that will accommodate horses. There have been increasing conflicts between horse users and other trail users on shared use trails. Your trail sign, QR codes and PowerPoint would educate trail users and raise awareness of how to respond when approaching or being approached by equestrians and horse and wagon users on trails.” The Provence of Alberta, Canada*

*“These RFVHC signs offer practical information on how to behave around horses rather than simply stating yielding rules (triangle signs).” TriCities Horsemen’s Association, Martinez, California*

*“We have a new trail system being developed and education is needed. Many of the trail users are not familiar with what "yield" means. Your trail sign is GENIUS.” Back Country Horsemen of Blue Ridge, North Carolina*

RFVHC President Karin Reid Offield adds...“We hope with the endorsement of the sign by USFS, BLM, DNR, BCHA, State Horse Councils and local open space officials’, this safety action plan will help everyone feel welcome and safe. We want to thank the Equine Land Conservation Resource (ELCR) for helping us get the word out about this important trail education and the Mid Valley Trails Committee in the Roaring Fork Mid-Valley for endorsing our signs, and our educational program.”

For more information on the Trails Safe Passing Plan (TSPP) Stop! Speak and Stand Back please go to <https://rfvhorsecouncil.org/trails-safe-passing-plan-tspp.html>.

Respectfully,

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Rheta Fulton RFVHC Vice-President

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