



# CREEK WEEK 2023 STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

May 17, 2023, at Phantom Canyon Brewing Co. 2 E Pikes Peak Ave Colorado Springs, CO 80903 on the 3rd floor in the 'Wheeler Room'

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• Intros/Question of the Day: Name, Organization, What's your favorite summer hobby?

# • Creek Week 2023 Important Dates

The Creek Week cleanup aims to bring the Fountain Creek Watershed communities together to foster the health of our local waterways for its citizens and wildlife alike.

- Save the Date: September 30th- October 8th
- Material Pick Up and Crew Leader Training- Week of 9/18
- Last day to register a new site: 9/15
- Wed Oct 4, 4pm Litter Letter Dedication, location TBD
- Sun Oct 22nd 1-4pm CW 10 Year Celebration at Red Leg

### • Waste Hauling Partners

- Budget Disposal, HQ in Ohio, serves towns in the Watershed, donating 2-3 dumpsters
- Infinite Disposal (COS) donating dumpsters
- Finances (Trails and Open Space Coalition is the fiscal sponsor)

### o Grant opportunities

- We have submitted the following grants:
  - Ocean Conservancy- small grants \$10k (Received \$2k)
  - Xcel Energy- \$10K grant asking to continue Susan Finzel's position (waiting)
  - Colorado Springs Utilities \$20K grant (waiting)

### o Sponsorship

■ 2023 Sponsor Letter ■ DRAFT 2023 Sponsorship letter

- Sponsorship request Please help us with sponsorship!
- Crew leaders will ask adjacent businesses (to the clean up site) to donate gift cards, food, drinks, services etc.

## • Marketing

- o STD Cards CW 2 sided 10th Anniv (2).pdf
- Social Media 'Which areas are in need?' Media post to raise engagement
- o Newsletters and news outlets? Fountain Creek Chronicles in the works
  - Peak radar- october is arts month litter letter pull-
  - Fountain city social media- David
  - Next door
- New brewery coaster design <u>Coasters</u>
- Press release = media channels

# • Crew Leader Training

- Week of 9/18 4-5pm
- Location TBD, then pick up materials at maintenance shop
  - Training in Pueblo? End of September at a Public Library? Pick up materials afterwards

### Partnerships

- 10 Years of Creek Week
  - New logo design and swag with 10 year logo
    - Celebrating 10 years (2).jpg
  - Breweries brew a special beer -IMPACTFUL IPA
- o Swag
  - Hats/ shirts/ buffs/ water bottles for all participants?
  - What's the giveaway?
- Fundraising- Save the dates! (Seeking a volunteer to help table)
  - Bleating Heart Night at Goat Patch: Sept 12 4-9pm \$1 beer fundraiser
  - Craft for a Cause at Red Leg- June 15th 5-8pm
- Clean and Crawl- Saturday September 30th
  - The Clean and crawl has changed over the years last year the event was at a number of bars- find 2022 flier here:
    Clean n Crawl 2022.png
  - Do we want to keep it how it's been or work with our brewshed partners?

Downtown breweries:

- -Phantom Canyon
- Brass
- -Local Relic
- -Mash Mechanix
- -Red Swing

### • 10 year party at Red Leg- 10/22 1-4pm

- Confirmed roof top tent rental- \$500/ hr- Next step is signing contract and submitting payment
  - We will have presentations on CW metrics, Watershed health and a

special VIP hour for our sponsors from 1-2pm. Public will be invited from 2-4pm.

- Award ceremony or VIP Sponsors
  - Create VIP Sponsor letter
  - Gift for sponsors: Tin signs with custom logo "10 Year Sponsor - Thank You"
    - 5, 10 years?
- Games? Prizes?
- Photo booth!
- Food Trucks
- Other ideas?
- Volunteers for set up or planning?

### • Land Stewardship Projects

- These projects will happen from September to October and provide volunteers with a fun and new opportunity to get involved with other community organizations while doing some good!
  - Sondermann Forest Health Project
  - Concrete Coyote
  - o RMFI
  - Pueblo County Extension
  - Pueblo Parks and Recreation
  - Guardians of Palmer Park
  - Colorado Parks and Recreation

## • Litter Letter word- IMPACTFUL

- Location: Cascade in front of the COS Fine Arts Center?
- Time frame: All of October
- Volunteers?
- PPORA manages details and due dates
- First come first serve

## Next meeting?

July 19th? Atrevida? Before Liquid Lecture?

# PLEASE TAKE AND SHARE OUT OUR SURVEY!!!

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