

Topic: Recreation Forum meeting

Partner Updates

Time: April 18 3:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Time	Agenda Item	Speakers, and Desired Outcomes
3:00	Join Teams, and Roll Call	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductions, goal setting• Approval of March notes• Budget Updates
3:15	Subcommittees	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Green Dot Roads• Trail Option• French Cabin Creek• Website housekeeping
3:30	TREAD Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mat Lyons• New User Interface
4:10	Land Manager Updates	All
4:30	Adjourn	

PLEASE NOTE: we are testing a swap to MICROSOFT TEAMS this month! Please use this link (and apologies in advance as we try this out):

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Attending: Bradley Gasawski, Kelee Hodges, Suzanne Corkran, Karen Behm, Barb Penniston, Eva Tyler, Tonya Morrey, Crystal Smith, Kurt Hellman, Vince Pruis, Kay Emery

Land Managers: Lindsey Pruett, Stephanie Margheim

- Introductions
- March Note Approval
 - Okay to post
- Website Updates
 - Forum shut down
 - Slack vs Teams
 - Slack
 - \$7.25/m/person
 - Would need paid to be able to use the features we need
 - Can be integrated into WordPress
 - Teams
 - Allows channel setup, good for file sharing
 - Requires multi-factor authentication
 - Fed agency employees can't access Zoom through their work devices
 - Anyone can admit a user
 - Volume can be variable between users
- Subcommittee updates
 - GDR: NA
 - FCC: NA
 - TO: USFS and Greenway meeting April 19 for final agreement modifications
- OTHER
 - Field and Stream not hosting "Let's Go Outdoors" expo, due to lack of response
 - June 3, National Public Trails Day, event at Gold Creek Pond w/Greenway
 - Trail brushing
 - Installing interpretive signs
 - Parking lot (/snopark) cleanup
- TREAD Update
 - Mat Lyons, TREAD, calling in from the International Trails Summit in NV
 - Combined American Trailbuilders Summit
 - Potential for future participation from ECRP to apply for grants to go to this conference
 - TREAD map will be improved on May 15
 - Had collected TOO MUCH information, hard for users to navigate
 - Promotions paused while dev team focused on User Interface
 - Call back to use on May 15
 - WA Tourism office is handling marketing for this rollout
 - ADD TO MAY MEETING – remind folk about the update, ask for feedback to compile for Mat

- Meetings setting up w/land managers
 - Everyone's answer has been 'I have no time or capacity to implement anything new'
 - Will be meeting with regional offices to see if they are able to send capacity down to districts to implement
- Questions:
 - How is the data looking for Kittitas Co specifically?
 - 95-98% of data collected
 - Been in conversations with Open Street Maps, which has been sending people to places that aren't exactly open
 - What are connections with City/County municipal leads?
 - Trying to solve the issue of driving users w/needng adoption in order to attract users
 - Does the map include winter trails, and specify different types of rec on those trails?
 - Yes, all of that is included and can be found when trail is pulled up/what passes are needed to use. May also include grooming reports.
 - What are the user interface changes?
 - Adding API – instant connectivity – sources
 - Ex: if fire goes up on INCIweb, all trailheads within that polygon get shutdown (ditto floods, avalanches, etc)
 - Can pull from WSDOT cameras for highway updates, Amtrak schedules, traffic cams
 - User is asked to select their own filters at the time of installation, so help narrow what they see at the outset
 - Can app connect visitors with businesses who give back to outdoor rec community?
 - Yes, still a goal. Community calendar is also still in there
- Possible Outdoor Group Field Trips:
 - French Cabin creek once new signs go in!
 - Gold Creek Pond
 - CE Ridge
 - Teanaway instream restoration sites (may? Later?)
 - Trip to Kongsberger cabin for a meeting! Host in person, near freeway, could then do a tour on how to maintain trails for winter rec during snow-free seasons
 - **Actually can we coordinate an i-90 focused meeting?**
 - Green Dots
- Land Manager Updates
 - DNR
 - Green Dot maps will go live on dnr.wa.gov/go on May 1
 - Will provide sharable links to local businesses and/or added to Avenza maps
 - Installing GDR kiosks at major entry points
 - WCC and DNR staff building this week and next in Kittitas

- Some roadwork coming up in Coleman/Cook canyon area
 - Working on Roux rd, rocking
 - Middle Fork Teanaway rocking also underway once road dries
 - May be some delays due to construction – get info from Stephanie to share
 - Teanaway Camp opened for turkey season! Indian will open once snow melts, 29 pines never really closes, but is still a little too wet to dry
 - Naneum Ridge State Forest access road update?
 - Waiting on budget
 - Larry and Cory Wright working on plan to engage with Coleman landowner
- USFS
 - Winter Rec has wrapped – all equipment and signs put away for season
 - Tackling hazard tree removals in campgrounds and use areas
 - First batch of seasonal employees start May 8, still trying to fill a few positions
 - Planning for:
 - Trailhead Ambassador program - 4/19
 - Agreement modification meeting – 4/19
 - Gold Creek Pond recreation modifications going out for public comment, since the last one was March 2020
 - Making a selection for a permanent Trails Partnership Lead, hopefully being hired in the next few weeks
 - Connect with Kay?
 - Can assist with grants/agreements/purchasing
- Kittitas Co
 - Manastash Rd project moving forward
 - Wrapping up enviro permits, moving forward next month
 - Crack-patching road work, crews prepping for chip sealing this summer
- TNC
 - A lot of restoration planned for field season on CE Ridge!
 - Will involve some closures of Paul's Trail and or Rat Pac, maps will be made available
 - Possible prescribed burn on parcels above RUF in May – will share information as much as possible
- Other announcements
 - Trail workparties
 - Kay and Tonya working on trail workparty planning w/Brian
 - Kongsbergers
 - Major May 20 cleanup at intersection at Exit 63, Snoparks, and winter use areas
 - USFS bringing trailer to haul away trash
 - Some trail workdates, but hard to pin down due to snowmelt variance
- Future topics for discussion
 - When are the rec groups putting on major REC EVENTS?
 - Not just cleanups, but races, fees, etc, about best practices, permits, etc