BOISE CITY RIDGE TO RIVERS FY24 FIRST QUARTER PARTNERSHIP MEETING BOISE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023 8:30 A.M.

Partners Present: Lisa Duplessie (Boise Parks and Recreation); Brent Ralston, Dave Draheim, and Jacob Martin (Bureau of Land Management); Scott Koberg (Ada County); Ann Moser (Idaho Department of Fish and Game); J.W. Cleveland (US Forest Service); David Gordon (Ridge to Rivers); Joey Eckles.

Others Present: None

MEETING SUMMARY NOTES:

A. FY 2024 1st Quarter Budget and Work Plan Review

D. Gordon reviewed the proposed FY 24 1st Quarter Budget and Work Plan. There were no questions or comments on the budget or work plan.

B. Fall Trail Update

Trail crews worked on a variety of projects along Dry Creek and in the Hillside to Hollow Reserve – primarily related to tread stabilization. In collaboration with Fish and Game, heavy equipment to be used for Cobb Trail and hopefully adjacent trails.

C. Fall Survey Update

The Ridge to River's Trail Survey received 2,200 responses to date (On-pace with previous year numbers) and the survey closes on November 3.

Similar questions included in this year's survey from last year, with the addition of questions about accessible trails.

D. Daniels Creek Development Plans (Lisa Duplessie)

L. Duplessie discussed a new development on the west side of Bogus Basin Road. The development is anticipated to cover approx. 3,000 acres when complete. Finalized plans still not complete, but impacts or trail reroutes are expected. An aerial map of the location was shown and partner members asked various questions about the project.

E. Land Trust of the Treasure Valley Management Direction (as it relates to Foothills trail management)

A new Executive was assigned and a new direction shifted within the organization. They experienced staffing struggles, and some trail issues occurred because of this. Daily projects were unable to be fulfilled. D. Gordon suggested they consider contracting out the work. The dual ownership of the Harrison Hollow trail created

complications and further discussions to continue in the future. Partner members asked various questions and an aerial map was shown of the area in question.

F. R2R Partner Updates

Idaho Department of Fish and Game

A. Moser attended the Recreation Range Land Form Conference. Highlighted that many motivated people attended and everyone seemed to be looking for similar solutions. Dealing with trespassing encounters and how to properly handle them.

Bureau of Land Management

D. Dreheim and B. Ralston provided numerous updates to the partners. Some items covered were multi-jurisdictional areas, upcoming Avimor trail walk, future closures in burn areas, collaboration work with the Army Corps, and solar farm permits.

In addition, partners were introduced to Jacob Martin. J. Martin joined the BLM team; new workflow changes took place for the department.

Ada County

S. Koberg informed partners that all-weather trails are scheduled to integrate into the Ada County Parks and Waterways trail system. Focused on NW County due to the heavy use received. Worked through project communication hurdles for upto-date statuses.

US Forest Service

J. Cleveland attended the Recreation Range Land Form Conference. Hosted the Boise Ridge Riders Volunteer Day and built a fence during the event. In addition to posting new vacancy announcements, they looked into the trail ranger program with the State to monitor motorized trail use. Looked into updates for signage and notified partners of illegal grazing in certain areas of the foothills.

Ridge to Rivers

D. Gordon relayed to partners of mixed messaging from Bogus Basin as their summer activities closed. The trails are open, but the lodges, restrooms, and amenities are closed.

V. <u>IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT:</u>

There being no further business before the Partnership, the meeting adjourned.