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From: JOHN JOHNSON [john@synergyfa.com]
Sent: Monday, February 23, 2015 11:45 AM
To: Nazz Kurth
Cc: Becker, Ralph; Peter Metcalf; Carl Fisher (carl@saveourcanyons.org); Mickelson, Kaye
Subject: RE: Meeting with Ralph Becker

Great Everybody

Let's get together on the 4th at 6:30 PM at my house. I will have beer, wine and some food to nibble on. Carl, please bring maps. 1736 East Harrison Ave.(1380 South) SLC, blue house

Seems like we are down to the last 3 weeks or so to move the process forward ...or not.

As is presently being proposed, the Mt Accord involves a lot of pain on our part. I hate to admit the number of times I have gone from a pretty hard stand on these issues to whimpering...and back again...and again. It would be relatively easy to get our backs up but seems like we want to really consider what are our risks are if the deal falls through.

What are our truly hard lines we are unwilling to cross. Grizzly, trains and tunnels, Snowbird expansion into American Fork Canyons, Solitude lift extension down to junction with Silver Fork? What else or some/none of these above?

And what must be on the table for us to agree to the deal. Wilderness, National Monument, purchase of private land, final limits on ski resort expansion??? What else?

If the Mt Accord deals fails what are our risks and wins? Maybe we could all work on our own lists.

Keep smiling!



John

From: Nazz Kurth [mailto:nkurth@petzl.com]
Sent: Monday, February 23, 2015 11:08 AM
To: JOHN JOHNSON
Cc: Ralph.Becker@slcgov.com; Peter Metcalf; Carl Fisher (carl@saveourcanyons.org); Ralph Becker (kaye.mickelson@slcgov.com)
Subject: Re: Meeting with Ralph Becker

John,

Thanks and I will make any of those dates work.

Cheers,

-Nazz



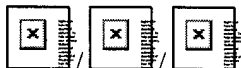
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Petzl America

On Sat, Feb 21, 2015 at 12:10 PM, JOHN JOHNSON <john@synergyfa.com> wrote:

Hi everybody,

People have requested a meeting with Ralph Becker to discuss the Mt Accord and to express some concerns.

Ralph believes he is available the evening of Monday March 2nd and Wednesday March 4th. Kaye will confirm

If one of those evenings is not available he could also be available the coming Thursday Feb. 26th.

We can meet at a restaurant or my house at 1736 East Harrison Avenue....about 13th south and 17th east, SLC.

Keep Smiling!



John

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Sylvester, Charleen

From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Monday, May 04, 2015 10:25 AM
To: amatheson@utah.gov; andy@parkcity.org; bmcadams@slco.org; CGriffiths@rideuta.com; Everitt, David; DKallas@rideuta.com; dwhittekiend@fs.fed.us; JHISKEY@SANDY.UTAH.GOV; Mickelson, Kaye; MAllegre@rideuta.com; Becker, Ralph; SMcConkey@SANDY.UTAH.GOV; JHISKEY@SANDY.UTAH.GOV; 'Michael Robertson'
Subject: RE: Mountain Accord Management Team Meeting

Management Team:

Some thoughts for today's discussion:

- Re-Cap of Last Meeting:
 - Horizons – 60 days, Phase II/ 1-2 years, 2-5 years, 20 years
 - What Trying to Accomplish in Phase II - NEPA, stronger Public Engagement, be ready to move into physical work and, I would add - congressional action
- Capabilities/Roles Needed in Phase II
 - Political, federal agency liaison, Environmental/ NEPA, and public engagement

Strategic considerations for Proposed Action/ Notice of Intent to begin an EIS:

1. Purpose/ Proposed Action
 - a. Centers around environmental preservation, recreation, and economy
 - i. Transportation is a tool to achieve these larger goals/ purposes
 - b. The above is contrasted with USDOT - generally states transportation as the purpose
2. One EIS or two EIS's on for land preservation and transportation actions?
 - a. One EIS
 - i. Purpose is more clearly based on our already adopted goals, stronger environmental case
 - ii. Economic/ transportation and land preservation actions are clearly contingent on each other, ie balance/bargain
 - b. Two parallel EISs (one on transit alternatives, the other on land preservation)
 - i. Is there still a larger "bargain" – is political support contingent upon their linking?
 - ii. Can the land preservation actions be used as mitigation for impacts from transportation/ economic actions?
3. Does the scope of the Purpose/ Proposed Action include a connection to Park City?
 - a. If yes:
 - i. There is a conflict as to what the range of options would include (train/tunnel?, aerial?)
 - ii. Question of jurisdiction/ lead agencies – neither UTA nor USFS have jurisdiction in Park City
 - b. If no:
 - i. Does that change the economic case/ purpose?
 - ii. Simpler process, jurisdiction, and decision-making, less controversy
 - iii. What is the scope/ path forward for Park City actions on 224 and/or 248?
Parallel study, environmental clearance?
4. Is American Fork included in the Proposed Action/ EIS?
 - a. If not, what is the path forward for the land exchange?
 - b. Bob Bonar has stated he will not give up land on Superior unless Snowbird gains parcels in American Fork canyon. He is willing to give up additional lands in American Fork.

What do the next 60-90 days look like?

- Decide on scope of Proposed Action/ Purpose/ EIS, ie Path Forward
 - Consult Horst
 - Draft MOU or agreement between fed agencies
- Scope Team, Structure for Next Phase
- Align Parties
 - Exec Board (opportunity at retreat)
 - Target Audiences
 - System Groups?
- Roll Out Plan/ Path Forward to Public
- Industry Outreach - APTA Industry Review Forum

Laynee Jones

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From: Laynee Jones

Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 5:37 PM

Subject: Mountain Accord Management Team Meeting

Management Team:

- Our next meeting is Monday at 3 pm - Executives only, no staff
- UTA; Silverton Express (second floor)
- Or dial in: 1-857-232-0156 Code: 259477

Agenda:

- Brief Updates
 - Joan DeGiorgio recommended as addition to Exec Board
 - Transition scope/funding
 - American Fork
- Governance and Phase II - continuation of last meeting (Mike Robertson will attend)
 - Notes from last meeting
 - Rough draft of a Program Management Plan for Phase II are attached
- Summary of Key Conflicts (see attached)

Updates:

- Grant agreement for \$3 million from GOED is being executed today, and an invoice has been submitted
- American Fork Visioning effort has asked that we coordinate our efforts more closely (briefing paper attached)
 - The Cottonwoods Scenario could transfer USFS parcels in American Fork canyon to Snowbird
 - Additional public involvement is needed in Utah County to vet this concept
 - Mountain Accord may need to provide support for this public effort to meet our schedule

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Sylvester, Charleen

From: Becker, Ralph
Sent: Friday, May 08, 2015 9:57 AM
To: Mickelson, Kaye
Cc: Becker, Ralph; Everitt, David
Subject: Re: Sundance meeting request with Mayor Becker

Kaye,
Julie and I are old friends. If you get her contact info, I can call her and we can go from there.

Ralph

> On May 7, 2015, at 3:07 PM, Mickelson, Kaye <Kaye.Mickelson@slcgov.com> wrote:
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> Ralph/David: information for you - talked with Julie; I originally gave them some dates out four weeks, however there is some time on May 26th: 11:30 - 12:30 and they are willing to come into SLC - thoughts?
> K
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Julie Mack [<mailto:julieinutah@gmail.com>]
> Sent: Thursday, May 07, 2015 2:24 PM
> To: Mickelson, Kaye
> Subject: Re: Sundance meeting request with Mayor Becker
>
> I know! That is so funny, we were sharing a brain!
>
> Thanks, for the date suggestions. If those dates are the soonest available, we'll go with that.
>
> However, if there is any possibility for a meeting sooner, we would be grateful. The reason for the urgency:
>
> In a nutshell, Sundance only recently learned of Snowbird's plans to build a gondola in American Fork Canyon on April 16th. These plans will impact the small scrappy Sundance Resort.
>
> Having learned Snowbird has been working with Utah County leaders on this plan for over three years, the development seems inevitable. However, our main concern is one of transparency. To date, Snowbird has not made these plans available to the public. Yet, Mountain Accord is nearing completion and legislation is being drafted. Snowbird's land trade, and the on-the-ground development resulting from the trade, needs public scrutiny. We are really worried about the timeline.
>
> We are meeting with Mr. Redford about this issue at the end of next week. He has no idea and will be disappointed that leaders in Utah County did not reach out to Sundance about this. Ideally, having Mayor Becker's input before that meeting will be helpful.
>
> And yes, we can meet in SLC.
>
> Many, many thanks for your help Kaye!
>
> Julie Mack

> 385-226-6685

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>>> -----Original Message-----

>>> From: Julie Mack [<mailto:julieinutah@gmail.com>]

>>> Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2015 11:40 AM

>>> To: Mickelson, Kaye

>>> Subject: Sundance meeting request with Mayor Becker

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>>> Hi Kaye,

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>>> Sundance General Manager Chad Linebaugh and Leilani Marshall, CFO of Sundance Group are requesting a meeting with Mayor Becker to discuss the Mountain Accord process as it relates to the American Fork Vision process. Sundance recently became aware of Snowbird's plans to develop a gondola, parking lot, other infrastructure in American Fork Canyon.

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>>> Please let me know if this would be possible.

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>>> Many thanks,

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>>> Julie Mack

>>> 385-226-6685

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Sylvester, Charleen

From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2015 12:45 PM
To: Laynee Jones
Subject: Mountain Accord Petition, Request from American Fork
Attachments: LCCC Mountain Accord Petition and Comments.pdf; AFCV Funding Request.pdf

Executive Board:

Attached is the petition referenced in the meeting yesterday from Little Cottonwood canyon area residents. I am following up as requested in their comment.

Also attached is a request from American Fork visioning effort for funding for additional public involvement. Look for a recommendation for next steps shortly.

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AMERICAN FORK CANYON VISION

Mountain Accord
Attn: Laynee Jones
Program Manager

June 5, 2015

RE: Funding Assistance Request

Hi Laynee,

As discussed over the past couple weeks, the American Fork Canyon Vision (AFCV) Project, which is currently funded primarily by the Utah State legislature and Snowbird, would like to ask Mountain Accord (MA) for funding assistance. The rational nexus for the request is that MA's land exchange, federal land designation, and mountain-transit-related concepts have generated significant confusion and controversy in Utah County among the American Fork Canyon user-base and the project Steering Committee.

As you know, some of MA's proposed land exchange parcels are located in Utah County in the upper reaches of American Fork Canyon. Utah County elected officials, who were not invited to participate in Mountain Accord's Phase one process, are now dealing with outcomes of the MA process reactively rather than proactively. Key relationships between MA and AFCV must be coordinated, explained, and managed continuously, a challenge which did not exist prior to the Cottonwood Canyon Taskforce and Federal Designation Taskforce negotiation outcomes.

The AFCV was designed with a moderate public involvement and public relations component, but now has significant and costly challenges. This includes a social media group that has gained a following of over 2,400, and that is demanding nearly full-time PR attention.

To help support the added PI/PR challenges and pressures to the AFCV project, funding assistance in the amount of **\$30,000** is requested. We appreciate your consideration of this request. Please contact me anytime with questions.

Regards,

Shawn J. Seager

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From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Sunday, June 14, 2015 10:12 PM
To: Dave Wittekiend; Buck Swaney; Becker, Ralph; Bob Bonar; Nathan Rafferty; ben@slco.org; Briefer, Laura
Subject: Fwd: Blue Print

FYI.

Laynee Jones
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Willie Holdman <willie@holdman.com>
Date: June 14, 2015 at 7:02:57 PM MDT
To: laynee@mountainaccord.com
Subject: Blue Print

Hi Laynee,

We agree with Mountain Accords blueprint that you mentioned in the Mtn Meister interview, now let's stick to it!

Time Clock 12:55, Laynee, the Mountain Accords project manager, mentions four main points the blueprint covers for the wasatch where all parties have agreed too:

- 1- Against Development in the mountains and preserving our mountains and watershed.
- 2- Keep Development in cities or contain to lower resort bases.
- 3- More people on transit.
- 4- Access trails from lower canyons so one doesn't have to drive up the canyon to start hiking.

How does swapping out over 400 acres in American Fork Canyon coincide with this? It allows Snowbird development in the mountains and opens the door for a gondola to the base of Tibble Fork in American Fork Canyon. An expansion of the Snowbird Resort in the American Fork drainage would totally disrupt and put Northern Utah Counties watershed in jeopardy. What happened to the pledge of only allowing resorts to develop at or around their base and preserving the watershed? This seems a blatant disregard to the very blueprint that the Mountain Accord is standing by. How can they continue with these land swaps giving up public Utah County forest lands, in exchange for snowbirds private lands in Salt Lake County to become public? We need to stop expansion, close the doors, reach a balance just as Mountain Accords blueprint states.

It is my understanding the Mountain Accord Board, which jurisdiction ends at the line of Salt Lake County and Utah County, otherwise known as the top of little cottonwood canyon ridge line, (Middle Wasatch) will vote July 14 to proceed with the second phase...and yes...this includes the 400 acre land swap in Utah County. Huh? Why is our backyard being given away to allow more yard to our neighbors while we were sleeping. We are just starting to awake now and trying to figure out how this is happening.

It is my understanding after listening to this, that the main purpose of the Mountain Accord is to put a cap on ski resort expansion, or development of the wasatch. If this land swap does take place, How can we be sure snowbird will not expand? Why would snowbird want to trade 400 acres in AF canyon for 1100 in LC canyon if they couldn't develop it? They will development it, and they will expand. How will Mountain Accord address restrictions on land swapped to not allow this to happen?

You mentioned "The only reason we would make improvements in the canyons is to preserve our watershed, our environment, our recreation experience".

How does allowing snowbird additional lands through swaps, allowing them to consolidate there existing properties, thereby granting access for them to expand their resort, possibly with a gondola all the way down to tibble fork in American Fork Canyon, improve any of the above mentioned?

The wasatch is a small place. What one does affects us all. I appreciate what you are trying to do through this Accord but I feel its goals should not be limited to county lines, but rather the whole wasatch. We love our canyons just as you do.

We are a growing community of concerned citizens in Utah and Wasatch counties who are totally in the dark. We are working hard to inform our community changes in the landscape, American Fork Canyon, that could forever alter our wilderness experience in the canyon. We would like the same attention given to us as was given to Salt Lake County, where open public meetings will be held and additional cities involved in the decision making process. You may call it the "steering committee. You have have two mayors so far, Mayor James Hatfield from American Fork is one, who owns 8 condos in snowbird and was on the board of directors for the condos. He also raved about Bob Bonar's announcement of a tram from tibble fork to snowbird in a newspaper article From 2011 http://www.heraldextra.com/news/local/north/american-fork/snowbird-floats-idea-for-tibble-fork-tram/article_ff4dd637-0488-5858-9518-10c2aa47ba87.html. Then you have mayor Gygi, also pushing for the gondola to capitalized on being the city at the bottom of the canyon, commercialized gain for his community. Funny thing is through all my interviews and others, everyone from cedar hills is against it.

Believe me when I say many other city officials haven't even heard of it and are against it after hearing the details. Utah county needs more representation at the table, as the Mountain Accord process has.

Where is Alpine City?
Where is Lindon?
Where is Pleasant Grove?
Where is Provo?
Where is Orem?
Where is Saratoga Springs?
Where is Vineyard?
Where is Cedar Fort?
Where is Fairfield?
Where is Salem?
Where is Payson?
Where is Mapleton?
Where is Eagle Mountain?
Where is Springville?
Where is Lehi?
Where is Spanish Fork?
Silver Lake Home Owners Association?
Tibble Fork Home Owners Association?

Thanks,

Willie Holdman

Protect And Preserve American Fork Canyon

<https://www.facebook.com/ProtectAmericanForkCanyon>
www.americanforkcanyon.com

Sylvester, Charleen

From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Monday, June 22, 2015 10:24 AM
To: Becker, Ralph
Cc: ben@slco.org; Mike Grass (mike@grassroots-agency.com); Briefer, Laura; Reid Persing
Subject: Re: Mountain Accord American Fork Overview Map

Good suggestion.

Laynee Jones
Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 22, 2015, at 10:04 AM, "Becker, Ralph" <Ralph.Becker@slcgov.com> wrote:

Laynee,
Nice, but I think it is important when we have this map that we show all the lands in LCC for exchange (north side of road).
Ralph

From: Laynee Jones [mailto:laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Sunday, June 21, 2015 11:43 AM
To: ben@slco.org; Mike Grass (mike@grassroots-agency.com); Becker, Ralph; Briefer, Laura
Subject: FW: Mountain Accord American Fork Overview Map

FYI

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From: Reid Persing [mailto:rpersing@epgaz.com]
Sent: Friday, June 19, 2015 3:06 PM
To: Laynee Jones; 'dwhittekiend@fs.fed.us'; Kahlow, Catherine -FS; Mike Grass; Buck Swaney; Jeff Heilman; Claire Woodman (cwoodman@parametrix.com); lfclark@fs.fed.us
Cc: Jonathan Knight; Brian Doubek; Scott Peters
Subject: Mountain Accord American Fork Overview Map

Please see attached for an overview map of the proposed Mountain Accord land exchange in the American Fork area that can be used in your ongoing discussions with stakeholders.

Facts about the exchange and American Fork:

- It is approximately 3.5 linear miles from the nearest exchange parcel to Tibble Fork reservoir.
- Reaching the parcels that would be exchanged in a vehicle requires approximately 8 miles of travel on gravel, dirt, or high clearance roads from the end of Highway 144 at Tibble Fork Reservoir.

Please let us know if there are any questions.

Thanks,

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Cc: Shawn Seager; AHeyrend@slco.org; Mike Grass (mike@grassroots-agency.com); Dan Murray; Jeremy Pugh (saltlakeeditor@gmail.com); Gary Gygi; Commissioner Larry Ellertson; Jon M -FS Stansfield; bbonar@snowbird.com; Shawn Seager; gregg@utahcounty.gov; 'Alex Schmidt'; Brad Barber (barberconsult@comcast.net); ann.ober@parkcity.org; Castle, Carly; Christie Oostema; Claire Woodman; DKallas@rideuta.com; jensenn@pbworld.com; JHeilman@parametrix.com; kbarnett@slco.org; Briefer, Laura; MDeLORETTO@rideuta.com; pgomben@fs.fed.us; sscheid@fs.fed.us; 'Wilf Sommerkorn'
Subject: Mountain Accord - American Fork Task Force

Executive Board:

Mayor McAdams and Chris Robinson, as the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Executive Board, as well as Dave Whittekiend, Forest Supervisor in consultation with Commissioners Graves and Ellertson of Utah County recommend establishing an American Fork working group to evaluate the Snowbird land exchange in American Fork Canyon. The working group is in response to public feedback and consistent with Mountain Accord goals of consensus building, public transparency and collaboration.

It is recommended the working group be comprised of a wide range of Utah County and American Fork interests. Applications will be taken online until next Wednesday.

Additional Information on this issue:

- We have been communicating with Utah County and Mountainland Association of Governments representatives on this proposal for several months through the Federal Land Task Force and American Fork Visioning effort
- Mountain Accord has no authorities to execute the land exchange
- The Draft Accord recommended USFS consider the exchange in a public NEPA process that would include Utah County interests
- The exchange as proposed in the Accord would transfer 1100 acres of Snowbird land in Little Cottonwood to the USFS and would transfer about 400 acres of USFS land to Snowbird in AF canyon
- The land exchange as proposed would not facilitate a gondola to Tibble Fork, and it recommends precluding hotels/condos

Please contact me if you have any questions,

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Sylvester, Charleen

From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Saturday, June 27, 2015 1:21 PM
To: Laynee Jones
Subject: Mountain Accord Executive Board Meeting
Attachments: American Fork Suggested Next Steps w Map.pdf

Executive Board:

Agenda for Monday's meeting (2:30-5:30 pm at Salt Lake County, Room N2800):

1. Welcome & Introductions (2:30-2:45 pm)
 - a. Key dates/ next steps
2. Snowbird / American Fork Land Exchange (2:45 -3:15 pm)
 - a. Description of current proposal, issues, potential next steps (see attached) – Laynee Jones
 - b. Opportunity for discussion and comment (Utah County and Snowbird representatives will be in attendance)
 - c. Agreement on next steps
3. Updates (3:15 – 3:45 pm)
 - a. Little Cottonwood Canyon Communities meeting
 - b. Wasatch Backcountry Alliance Meeting
 - c. Federal Designations Boundary & Summit County
 - d. I-80 Alternatives Analysis
 - e. Others
4. Review and Discussion on Draft Accord 3.0 (3:45 – 5:30 pm)
 - a. Review Draft Accord 3.0
 - b. Discussion/ Weighing In (consent, consent with conditions, dissent)
 - c. Review of revisions and any outstanding issues for Accord 4.0

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DRAFT Memo

To: Mountain Accord Executive Board
From: Laynee Jones, Program Manager
Date: June 27, 2015
Re: DRAFT Next Steps for Proposed Snowbird Land Exchange
Attachments:

- Map of American Fork area with Draft Accord 3.0 Land Exchange Proposal

The Mountain Accord is a consensus-based process to identify preservation plans for the Wasatch Mountains. A proposed Accord (Draft Accord 3.0) has been drafted that includes an agreed-upon package of actions, including USFS land exchanges, many of which are contingent upon the other to achieve agreement by a wide range of interests. Mountain Accord does not have the authority to execute any of the proposed land exchanges – public land exchange decisions would be made by the USFS through a rigorous public NEPA process.

Draft Accord 3.0 (still under consideration and discussion) suggested that the USFS evaluate, through a public NEPA process, a land exchange proposal by Snowbird (details provided below). We are hearing significant unresolved concerns from Utah County and American Fork canyon interests on this land exchange. Understanding Mountain Accord is a transparent, public process, and that Utah County representatives have been consulted in discussions to date, we recognize the need for additional public and stakeholder dialogue with Utah County constituents and American Fork canyon users on this important issue. The following steps are presented for consideration by the Mountain Accord Executive Board and Utah County representatives:

- Convene a working group, in response to public feedback and consistent with Mountain Accord goals of consensus building, public transparency and collaboration, to evaluate the Snowbird land exchange in American Fork Canyon.
 - The working group would be comprised of a wide range of Utah County and American Fork interests. Members would be appointed by a person/entity that represents Utah County and Salt Lake County.
 - The working group, in consultation with Snowbird, may generate alternative proposals to be evaluated through a public process, including the option to not execute a land exchange in American Fork canyon.
- Conduct additional public outreach and give additional opportunities for public comment:
 - An initial public meeting is planned for the week of July 6, 2015
 - Conduct additional outreach and opportunity for comment after options are generated by the working group, including the option to not execute a land exchange. Specific scope and timeline can be determined by the working group and the Mountain Accord team.

- Formally invite a Utah County representative or representatives to participate in Mountain Accord Executive Board discussions/recommendations that concern Utah County.
- Update the next version of the Accord to reflect the agreed-upon next steps.

Description of Snowbird Land Exchange in Draft Accord 3.0

The Snowbird land exchange, as proposed in Draft Accord 3.0, would transfer about 1,100 acres of Snowbird land in Little and Big Cottonwood to the USFS and would transfer about 400 acres of upper-watershed land in American Fork canyon/ Utah County (near Mineral Basin) from USFS to Snowbird (other conditions apply also). Limitations were proposed for the land that would go into Snowbirds ownership (no hotels/ condos). The proposal is not intended to facilitate or support a gondola from Tibble Fork to the upper watershed reaches (a straight distance of about 3.5 miles).

Mountain Accord introduced the Snowbird land exchange proposal to the public in February/March 2015 as a part of the proposed Blueprint and the Cottonwoods Negotiation Task Force recommendations. The comment period extended to May 2015, and many comments were received on the American Fork canyon issue. Previous to Mountain Accord, the proposal had been under public scrutiny as a part of the proposed Matheson Wilderness and Watershed Protection Act. The bill was introduced in 2010 and 2013 and included congressional hearings.




MOUNTAIN ACCORD

AMERICAN FORK CANYON

 Existing Wilderness¹

 Resort Area Boundary

 County Boundary

 Highway

 Major Road

 Private

 To Become Private²

 To Become Public²



Sources:

¹United States Forest Service

²Preliminary boundaries provided by resorts. To be confirmed before exchange.
Unless otherwise noted, State of Utah Automated Geographic Reference Center

Sylvester, Charleen

From: Briefer, Laura
Sent: Tuesday, June 30, 2015 8:04 AM
To: Becker, Ralph; Niermeyer, Jeff; Everitt, David; Castle, Carly
Subject: Fwd: American Fork Canyon

All - I'm getting 5-10 of these emails a day with similar content opposing Snowbird land swap in AF Canyon. I'm not seeing any of you on the extensive email list, so just want to make sure I'm keeping you in the loop.

Also, Dave Whittekiend tells me that Snowbird is ready to make major changes to his proposal - not public yet - but Dave says should address some of the fears about connection of Snowbird's lands.

Thanks,
Laura

Laura McIndoe Briefer
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Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

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Subject: American Fork Canyon

To whom it may concern,

I am a resident of Highland City. Although I grew up in Salt Lake County, this is where I now call home. I love the canyons. I grew up skiing up Big and Little Cottonwood canyons. I taught skiing at Snowbird. I love to ski. However, I am opposed to this potential land swap. American Fork canyon is like no other canyon along the Wasatch. It has a sense of rawness that has been preserved.

I am asking you to allow the democratic process to take full swing by allowing the citizens of this area who use and live next to American Fork Canyon to be able to decide what happens with American Fork Canyon. I am also asking that you respect the county lines and also allow the people of Utah County to be able to decide what takes place within their own county.

Thank you
Sarah Blackwell

Sylvester, Charleen

From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2015 2:47 PM
To: Laynee Jones
Subject: Mountain Accord Update

Executive Board:

Thank you all for your efforts and support in reaching agreement on the Accord. I will send out notes from our meeting Monday next week, and am looking forward to finalization on July 13th

Please note due to recent issues that are being resolved on American Fork canyon, the next and final version of the Accord will be distributed Wednesday, July 8.

The signing event is looking like it will be in mid-August.

I will be out of cell range from Friday until Sunday. Have a good 4th!

Laynee

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Attachments: 07-07-2015 Mountain Accord Resolution_1.pdf; MountainAccord_FederalDesignation_LandExchange_20150702.pdf

Also attached is:

1. the Utah County resolution
2. A map showing the general area for American Fork parcels (the next version of the map will state "land exchange area under question")

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Subject: Proposed American Fork Language for Accord

All,

Please see attached language for the Accord pertaining to American Fork canyon. Let me know comments this evening if possible. I plan to distribute the Accord tomorrow morning pending approval of this language and editing. Laynee

3.2. SNOWBIRD LAND EXCHANGE

- As a matter of public record, Snowbird Resort has made a proposal to transfer about 1,100 acres of land privately-held land in Little and Big Cottonwood Canyons to the U.S. Forest Service, and in exchange to transfer to Snowbird about 43 acres of U.S. Forest Service land at the base of Snowbird in Little Cottonwood Canyon and about 400 acres of U.S. Forest Service land in upper American Fork Canyon (near Mineral Basin). Snowbird proposed limitations including a) no hotels or condos on the land transferred to Snowbird in American Fork Canyon and b) no facilitation of a gondola to Tibble Fork (a straight distance of about 3.5 miles from Mineral Basin).
- Mountain Accord introduced the Snowbird land exchange proposal to the public in February 2015 as a part of the proposed Mountain Accord Blueprint. Previous to Mountain Accord, the proposal had been under public scrutiny (including congressional hearings) as a part of the proposed Matheson Wilderness and Watershed Protection Act introduced in 2010 and 2013.
- Based on public feedback to date, there are significant outstanding concerns with the American Fork Canyon part of this proposal. Public involvement, consensus, and collaboration

are foundational principles for the Mountain Accord process and although Utah County is not a formal member of the Executive Board, the signers of the Accord recognize that consensus has not been reached and additional public and stakeholder dialogue and negotiations are needed. The signers of the Accord further recognize and defer to Utah County to conduct additional public engagement and negotiations on this important issue as requested in the Utah County resolution dated July 7, 2015.

- The signers of the Accord recognize that this land exchange and all the land exchanges referenced in the Accord, will be ultimately be decided by the U.S. Forest Service through a NEPA process. The Mountain Accord Executive Board does not intend to take further action on the American Fork part of the land exchange, and the Mountain Accord Executive Board has no authorities in future NEPA processes.
- For the lands proposed to be exchanged in Little Cottonwood Canyon, the following conditions apply:
 - Salt Lake County will develop a resort zone to better define development at the Snowbird base area in accordance with Mountain Accord intended outcomes (recognizing Snowbirds existing approved master plan and associated entitlements).
 - Salt Lake City will provide additional snowmaking water to Snowbird if Snowbird (under any conditions) transfers the identified 1107 acres to the U.S. Forest Service and the lands become part of the permanently protected federal designation.
 - The right to perform avalanche safety control by (especially above Snowbird and Town of Alta) will be preserved.

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From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
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To: Becker, Ralph; Ben McAdams
Subject: Snowbird may be pulling out with revised AF language

Please note that Bob intends to call you tonite or first thing in the morning. Our options are:

1. keep the language I proposed to appease Utah County, but will mean no signature from Snowbird or Nathan Rafferty 2. keep the language on AF from the Final Accord and Snowbird and Nathan will likely sign.

Laynee

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bob Bonar [<mailto:BBonar@snowbird.com>]
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To: Bob Bonar
Cc: Laynee Jones; Rollins Colby
Subject: Re: Mountain Accord Language on American Fork Canyon

Laynee. Not sure I will be signing. Hope to talk to mayors McAdams Becker and USFS tomorrow morning. Bob

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 12, 2015, at 4:57 PM, Bob Bonar <BBonar@snowbird.com<<mailto:BBonar@snowbird.com>>>> wrote:

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On Jul 12, 2015, at 3:56 PM, Laynee Jones
<laynee@mountainaccord.com<<mailto:laynee@mountainaccord.com>>>> wrote:

Commissioners, Bob, and Mayor McAdams:

Please see the language below that is proposed for revisions in the Accord. We would like to bring this issue to resolution tomorrow, so please respond if this is acceptable:

Background Information: As a matter of public record, Snowbird Resort ('Snowbird') has made a proposal to transfer approximately 1,100 acres of privately-held land in Little and Big Cottonwood Canyons to the U.S. Forest Service, and in exchange Snowbird would receive approximately 43 acres of U.S. Forest Service land at the base of Snowbird in Little Cottonwood Canyon and approximately 400 acres of U.S. Forest Service land in upper American Fork Canyon (near Mineral Basin). Snowbird proposed limitations including (a) no hotels or condos on the land transferred to Snowbird in American Fork Canyon and (b) no facilitation of

a gondola to Tibble Fork. Mountain Accord introduced the Snowbird land exchange proposal to the public in February 2015 as a part of the proposed Mountain Accord Blueprint. Previous to Mountain Accord, the proposal had been part of the proposed Matheson Wilderness and Watershed Protection Act introduced to U.S. Congress in 2010 and 2013.

Public involvement, consensus, and collaboration are foundational principles for the Mountain Accord process and although Utah County is not a formal member of the Executive Board, the signers of the Accord recognize that consensus has not been reached and additional public and stakeholder dialogue and negotiations are needed. The signers of the Accord are not including any American Fork lands in the recommendations in the Accord, as requested in the Utah County resolution dated July 7, 2015. The American Fork lands were included as a recommendation at one time and have been deleted from the Accord. The Mountain Accord Executive Board is supportive of Utah County's intent to conduct additional public engagement and negotiations and does not intend to take further action on issues pertaining to American Fork canyon. The Mountain Accord Executive Board recognizes that Snowbird has conditioned the exchange of lands in the Cottonwoods on lands in American Fork canyon, and that the Cottonwood Canyons part of the land exchange, as structured today, will not proceed until there is a resolution for American Fork lands.

The signers of the Accord recognize that this land exchange and all the land exchanges referenced in the Accord, will be ultimately be decided by the U.S. Forest Service through a NEPA process.

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From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
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Can you call me?

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From: Becker, Ralph [mailto:Ralph.Becker@slcgov.com]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 7:59 AM
To: Laynee Jones; Ben McAdams
Subject: RE: Mountain Accord Language on American Fork Canyon

Let's work on this today – I would think some wordsmithing can get us there.

Let me know if I can help,
Ralph

From: Laynee Jones [mailto:laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2015 9:48 PM
To: Becker, Ralph; Ben McAdams
Subject: FW: Mountain Accord Language on American Fork Canyon

This is the language Bob is not agreeing to. I have not heard back from Utah County commissioners.

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From: Laynee Jones
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2015 3:56 PM
To: bbonar@snowbird.com; Bill Lee (WilliamL@utahcounty.gov); (gregg@utahcounty.gov); Commissioner Larry Ellertson; Ben McAdams; 'Ben McAdams'
Subject: Mountain Accord Language on American Fork Canyon

Commissioners, Bob, and Mayor McAdams:

Please see the language below that is proposed for revisions in the Accord. We would like to bring this issue to resolution tomorrow, so please respond if this is acceptable:

Background Information: As a matter of public record, Snowbird Resort ('Snowbird') has made a proposal to transfer approximately 1,100 acres of privately-held land in Little and Big Cottonwood Canyons to the U.S.

Forest Service, and in exchange Snowbird would receive approximately 43 acres of U.S. Forest Service land at the base of Snowbird in Little Cottonwood Canyon and approximately 400 acres of U.S. Forest Service land in upper American Fork Canyon (near Mineral Basin). Snowbird proposed limitations including (a) no hotels or condos on the land transferred to Snowbird in American Fork Canyon and (b) no facilitation of a gondola to Tibble Fork. Mountain Accord introduced the Snowbird land exchange proposal to the public in February 2015 as a part of the proposed Mountain Accord Blueprint. Previous to Mountain Accord, the proposal had been part of the proposed Matheson Wilderness and Watershed Protection Act introduced to U.S. Congress in 2010 and 2013.

Public involvement, consensus, and collaboration are foundational principles for the Mountain Accord process and although Utah County is not a formal member of the Executive Board, the signers of the Accord recognize that consensus has not been reached and additional public and stakeholder dialogue and negotiations are needed. The signers of the Accord are not including any American Fork lands in the recommendations in the Accord, as requested in the Utah County resolution dated July 7, 2015. The American Fork lands were included as a recommendation at one time and have been deleted from the Accord. The Mountain Accord Executive Board is supportive of Utah County's intent to conduct additional public engagement and negotiations and does not intend to take further action on issues pertaining to American Fork canyon. The Mountain Accord Executive Board recognizes that Snowbird has conditioned the exchange of lands in the Cottonwoods on lands in American Fork canyon, and that the Cottonwood Canyons part of the land exchange, as structured today, will not proceed until there is a resolution for American Fork lands.

The signers of the Accord recognize that this land exchange and all the land exchanges referenced in the Accord, will be ultimately be decided by the U.S. Forest Service through a NEPA process.

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Sylvester, Charleen

From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Friday, May 01, 2015 6:34 AM
To: Becker, Ralph
Subject: Re: Mountain Accord Management Team Meeting

I called but your phone is off I think.

Laynee Jones
Sent from my iPhone

On May 1, 2015, at 6:32 AM, "Becker, Ralph" <Ralph.Becker@slcgov.com> wrote:

Yep

From: Laynee Jones [mailto:laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Friday, May 01, 2015 6:32 AM
To: Becker, Ralph
Subject: Re: Mountain Accord Management Team Meeting

Can you talk do 5 minutes ?

Laynee Jones
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On May 1, 2015, at 6:25 AM, "Becker, Ralph" <Ralph.Becker@slcgov.com> wrote:

Laynee,
Thank you for the Agenda and the work you are doing to advance our Mt. Accord efforts. I appreciate all you are doing to help us move forward.

We had some scheduling confusion around the Monday Management Team meeting, and unfortunately, I will be in Colorado that day for some meetings. I plan to call in for the meeting, though I may miss part of the meeting depending on responsibilities associated with my Colorado meetings. Would you please set up a call-in set-up and let me know the number?

Thank You,
Ralph

From: Laynee Jones [mailto:laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2015 5:38 PM
To: amatheson@utah.gov; andy@parkcity.org; bmcadams@slco.org; CGriffiths@rideuta.com; Everitt, David; DKallas@rideuta.com; dwhittekiend@fs.fed.us; JHISKEY@SANDY.UTAH.GOV; Mickelson, Kaye; Laynee Jones; MAllegra@rideuta.com; Becker, Ralph; SMcConkey@SANDY.UTAH.GOV
Cc: ann.ober@parkcity.org; JHISKEY@SANDY.UTAH.GOV; kbarnett@slco.org; Briefer, Laura; Laynee Jones; MDeLORETTO@rideuta.com; 'Wilf Sommerkorn'; 'Michael Robertson'; Mike Grass (mike@grassroots-agency.com)
Subject: Mountain Accord Management Team Meeting

Management Team:

- Our next meeting is Monday at 3 pm - Executives only, no staff
- UTA; Silverton Express (second floor)
- Or dial in: 1-857-232-0156 Code: 259477

Agenda:

- Brief Updates
 - Joan DeGiorgio recommended as addition to Exec Board
 - Transition scope/funding
 - American Fork
- Governance and Phase II - continuation of last meeting (Mike Robertson will attend)
 - Notes from last meeting
 - Rough draft of a Program Management Plan for Phase II are attached
- Summary of Key Conflicts (see attached)

Updates:

- Grant agreement for \$3 million from GOED is being executed today, and an invoice has been submitted
- American Fork Visioning effort has asked that we coordinate our efforts more closely (briefing paper attached)
 - The Cottonwoods Scenario could transfer USFS parcels in American Fork canyon to Snowbird
 - Additional public involvement is needed in Utah County to vet this concept
 - Mountain Accord may need to provide support for this public effort to meet our schedule

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Sylvester, Charleen

From: info=saveourcanyons.org@mail.salsalabs.net on behalf of Carl Fisher, Save Our Canyons [info@saveourcanyons.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 12:50 PM
To: Becker, Ralph
Subject: An accord for the Central Wasatch Range



Mayor Ralph,

On Monday over two dozen local leaders representing government, industry, our community and the environment voted UNANIMOUSLY WITHOUT CONDITION to the Mountain Accord. Getting to this point would not have been possible without the support and persistent advocacy of you, our members. Thank you for engaging, and continually shaping the process and for making a loud statement on the importance of protecting the Central Wasatch.

A few of the key actions of the Mountain Accord:

- To aggressively pursue federal legislation to protect approximately 92,000 acres of the Central Wasatch protecting key wildlife habitat & migration corridors not to mention our municipal watersheds. This will also protect cherished backcountry skiing areas, climbing areas, and trails for the plethora of users who flock to be near the beauty of the Wasatch.
- Implementation of an Environmental scorecard, or "dashboard" to help us track cumulative impacts of our interactions with the natural environment as an ongoing metric to achieve a desirable and sustainable environmental future.
- To begin a process to facilitate land exchanges between the ski areas and the forest service to protect critical backcountry access points and watershed terrain
- To establish a NEPA process with no preferred alternative to begin understanding the impacts of various year round transportation solutions for the region
- As part of the new designation, implement a Recreation Management Plan that addresses both stewardship of trails and provides additional opportunities for trail connectivity and climbing management.
- To establish a program to assist in the acquisition of private inholdings throughout the Central Wasatch
- To work toward the strengthening of land use ordinances, inclusive of modifications to State law that would allow for the implementation of environmentally progressive land use ordinances to protect access and our water supply

Read the Mountain Accord July 13, 2015 "Final Accord"

Did we get everything we wanted in this process? No, and no one did. The "Final Accord" represents a compromise, with acute actions that will be pursued by all local entities and coalition partners. Never before have we seen the overwhelming support to achieve conservation goals for the Wasatch. It is equally important to note that if the conservation goals are not realized, nothing in the Mountain Accord will be allowed to go

forward. Every item is sequenced together to ensure all parties work in unison to realize the important future that all of us were involved in designing.

To ensure we realize these goals we need **YOU** to stay involved! This is the beginning of a more formalized process most notably a NEPA process and Legislative effort. Stay engaged with us as there will be important opportunities to continue to shape our future. Join us on our social media pages for important updates and steps you can take to voice your support for increased protections of our public lands and watershed. We truly are approaching comprehensive conservation of our treasured Wasatch Range.

How did we get here; Mountain Accord, Utah County and Snowbird

SL. Tribune Editorial: Mountain Accord keeps hope of progress alive

Thank you for being such a critical part of this effort!,

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To: Ben McAdams
Cc: Becker, Ralph; Niermeyer, Jeff; Briefer, Laura; carl@saveourcanyons.org; Mike Grass (mike@grassroots-agency.com)
Subject: Re: Becker-Obama 2016 National Wasatch Monument in Utah County
Attachments: image001.png; image003.png

Evan Johnson

Laynee Jones
Sent from my iPhone

> On Jul 2, 2015, at 2:54 PM, "Ben McAdams" <Ben@slco.org> wrote:
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> Why do I only get mentioned as a footnote? My feelings are hurt!
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> On Jul 2, 2015, at 2:50 PM, Becker, Ralph
<Ralph.Becker@slcgov.com<mailto:Ralph.Becker@slcgov.com>> wrote:
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> Wow! Who are these guys?
> Ralph
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> From: Laynee Jones [mailto:laynee@mountainaccord.com]
> Sent: Thursday, July 2, 2015 2:26 PM
> To: Niermeyer, Jeff; Briefer, Laura;
carl@saveourcanyons.org<mailto:carl@saveourcanyons.org>; Mike Grass (mike@grassroots-
agency.com<mailto:mike@grassroots-agency.com>); Ben McAdams; Becker, Ralph
> Subject: FW: Becker-Obama 2016 National Wasatch Monument in Utah County
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> From: Water News [mailto:waternews801@gmail.com]
> Sent: Thursday, July 2, 2015 10:25 AM
> To: mark allen
> Subject: Becker-Obama 2016 National Wasatch Monument in Utah County
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> If UTCO needs a Wasatch Park, we can have a State Wasatch Park or a County Park not a
National Monument Park.
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> If we need to conserve recreational lands, we can bond and buy all the private land out of
AF Canyon or do land trades like Wasatch Canyons Tomorrow recommended in 2010 singed by Ralph
Becker and company.
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> There is sufficient wealth and more in Utah County remove all private land in AF canyon
leaving existing cabins on FS permits.

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> We have Nuskin, BYU alumni, UVU alumni, Patterson Construction, Perry Homes, Young Living Farms, Novell, and on and on.

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> The Forest Service collects \$110 Billion from federal park fees. Snowbird pays over \$300,000 in ski ticket taxes to FS. That revenue can be the State's with local control without DC static.

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> We saw how petty folks can be when we had a fed slow down. That was nonsense.

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> Slow it down and preserve AF Canyon forever. If Snowbirds' billionaire wants another billion, great. Make it hapend in SLCO Canyons.

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> Becker-Obama 2016 National Wasatch Monument in Utah County - Mountain Accord

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> Has Mountain Accord used State and UTA money to lobbying President Obama to create a new National Monument in Utah County under the Antiquities Act?

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> State or UTA money being used to Federalize Utah land and water. Really?

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> Federalizing Utah's Canyons and Water is a Becker-Obama Dream with a AF Canyon deal sweetener to Snowbird. Plus there is NO competition for old ski resorts in a National Monument, so Brighton, Solitude, Alta, Sundance have buy in. Who is this clever?

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> Mountain Accord (Becker's National Monument Bus)

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> . Creates Wasatch National Monument in Utah County - Hyper Federalizes Utah from Millcreek to Lindon

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> . Utah County net loss of 415 Public Land acres

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> . Salt Lake County net gain of 1,017 Public Land acre

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> SLC Mayor Becker's NIMBY (not in my back yard) is selfish. SLC controls all the water to Solitude, Brighton, Alta, and Snowbird, but demands Snowbird expansion must be in Utah County. Why can't Snowbird expand in Salt Lake County where the UTA ski buses already run?

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> SLC gave enough water to Snowbird for 3,000 houses. Snowbird wanted water for 6,000 houses (\$2 Billion). To date, Snowbird has used 1,200 water connections leaving a surplus of 1,800 for expansion in Salt Lake County. We want Snowbird to succeed in Salt Lake County

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> Becker-McAdams don't want that expansion in their canyons, so they give Snowbird 416 acres in AF Canyon to force expansion into AF Canyon via "Mountain Accord" a non-legal entity.

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> Becker-McAdams additionally seeks to take 25,000 acres of private property in Salt Lake County by laying a new Federal National Monument over this private land already confiscated and devalued Salt Lake County Foothill Canyon Overlay Zone (FCOZ) regulations, and SLC extra territorial watershed authority.

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> SLC using its \$3.7 Billion unregulated "Public Utility" to hoard 500,000 acre-feet of water, and hoard 25,000 acres of canyon land outside SLC corporate boundaries now wants to Federalize private property from Millcreek to Lindon. Becker even won't put conservation easements his 25,000 canyon acres.

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> Becker sought to Federalize Utah's water with SB35, now wants to super size Federal control of local lands from Millcreek to Lindon. Why?

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> "It's once in a life time," says Becker. Yes, it will be. Local control of our land will be lost forever.

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> If you like Eastern control of Western land and water, then climb on the Becker-McAdams Obama Mountain Accord bus. If you don't, don't get on the bus to Federal canyon lands.

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> [Inline image 3]

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> Solution

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> We all want to protect the canyons and watershed. The question is what will it look like? Federal control (Becker's vision) with a Monument or Local control (Herbert's vision)?

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> Reverse the Deal.

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> • Utah County (the 99%) makes the trade with Forest Service for the 416 acres of AF Canyon

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> • Utah makes a State Park instead of a National Monument if a Park is needed.

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> . Use SLC land grabbing tactics against SLC canyon land owners - cut road, water, power, sewer access to Snowbird's AF Canyon land just like SLC did to the private land owners in SLCO canyons as SLC scooped up 25,000 acres of canyon land. Lehi Irrigation Company controlled by Lehi City and Highland City control Lehi Irrigation. Withdraw Snowbird Lehi water permits. Of course, Becker's water lawyers represent Lehi Irrigation, but that's can be worked through.

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> . SLCO has a FCOZ zoning the canyon driving Snowbird out. UTCO can do the same push expansion back into SLCO.

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> . Withdrawing water permits is SLC's speciality. SLC closed the Little Cottonwood Water Company to cut water access, pressured Union and East Jordan with withdraw canyon water transfers, sues small water companies to stop water transfers up the canyon while themselves transferring water up the canyon.

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> . Sandy City just passed dissolution resolution for Union and East Jordan which owns water in Little Cottonwood Creek to prevent private water transfers up to Alta. SLC is Utah's dominate Water Cartel member for a reason. SLC is the smartest.

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> . Follow Becker's lead. He is smarter than the lawmakers. He is a gifted politician.

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> Governor Herbert, please slow down Becker-McAdams bus relocating Snowbird's expansion out of SLCO canyons and into AF Canyon. Like the Prison relocation, Snowbird ski expansion is being relocated. 60 days of south face ski terrain in AF canyon is just a development play.

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> Please call a 2 hour Public Meeting in American Fork at the monthly Governor Office meeting with Ralph Becker and Ben McAdams to answer questions from Utah County residents.

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> We don't want Utah's land and water Federalized. We don't want Snowbird's expansion relocated from Salt Lake County where ski infrastructure and UTA infrastructure exists into AF Canyon. It's like the prison relocation deal all over again.

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> We want local control, public meetings where the merits of Becker-McAdams-Obama National Monument ideas can be debated with the true designers.

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From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2015 4:35 PM
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Cc: Shawn Seager; AHeyrend@slco.org; Mike Grass (mike@grassroots-agency.com); Dan Murray; Jeremy Pugh (saltlakeeditor@gmail.com); Gary Gygi; Commissioner Larry Ellertson; Jon M -FS Stansfield; bbonar@snowbird.com; Shawn Seager; gregg@utahcounty.gov; 'Alex Schmidt'; Brad Barber (barberconsult@comcast.net); ann.ober@parkcity.org; Castle, Carly; Christie Oostema; Claire Woodman; DKallas@rideuta.com; jensenn@pbworld.com; JHeilman@parametrix.com; kbarnett@slco.org; Briefer, Laura; MDeLORETTO@rideuta.com; pgomben@fs.fed.us; sscheid@fs.fed.us; 'Wilf Sommerkorn'
Subject: Mountain Accord - American Fork Task Force

Executive Board:

Mayor McAdams and Chris Robinson, as the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Executive Board, as well as Dave Whittekiend, Forest Supervisor in consultation with Commissioners Graves and Ellertson of Utah County recommend establishing an American Fork working group to evaluate the Snowbird land exchange in American Fork Canyon. The working group is in response to public feedback and consistent with Mountain Accord goals of consensus building, public transparency and collaboration.

It is recommended the working group be comprised of a wide range of Utah County and American Fork interests. Applications will be taken online until next Wednesday.

Additional Information on this issue:

- We have been communicating with Utah County and Mountainland Association of Governments representatives on this proposal for several months through the Federal Land Task Force and American Fork Visioning effort
- Mountain Accord has no authorities to execute the land exchange
- The Draft Accord recommended USFS consider the exchange in a public NEPA process that would include Utah County interests
- The exchange as proposed in the Accord would transfer 1100 acres of Snowbird land in Little Cottonwood to the USFS and would transfer about 400 acres of USFS land to Snowbird in AF canyon
- The land exchange as proposed would not facilitate a gondola to Tibble Fork, and it recommends precluding hotels/condos

Please contact me if you have any questions,

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Sylvester, Charleen

From: Carl Fisher [carl@saveourcanyons.org]
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2015 10:28 PM
To: Becker, Ralph; Peter Metcalf; Ben McAdams (bmcadams@slco.org)
Cc: Briefer, Laura; Castle, Carly; Kimi Barnett
Subject: Negotiation Perspective.

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Briefly here (and more detail below.)

As it pertains to Alta's requests I want to share the following to inform you all.

1. Tuscarora Expansion - In talking with a number of organizations on this matter (checking my gut), resort expansion in cottonwoods is not supportable for us. This goes for both conservation and recreation organizations, united. Additionally, we will not support Dry Fork in Utah County. We are willing to have snowbird/alta share portions of Mineral Basin as Bob Bonar has offered increasing acreage in Mineral Basin by 100 acres. Any mentions of "American Fork" need to be confined to Mineral Basin in text.
2. I don't see it reflected in Buck's notes (but I don't have word at home and don't appear to see comments in changes) 160 acres at Alta's base is far too great for a base area at Alta. Yellow polygon on map provided is 98 acres and is more than generous. not sure how that poly lines up with SLC service district - was drawn for demonstration purposes only and encompasses Wildcat to Albion base areas.
3. Train alignment needs to consider using the existing roadway.
4. Conservation Community has HUGE concerns about new water for development, obviously SLC is lead/expertise on this but I wanted to pass along concern.
5. In speaking with Avi experts, I'm not convinced the munitions program is in jeopardy of going away. Again, not the expert here but replacing a system that works (and has been upgraded in the past few years) seems to be a manufactured issue. Furthermore, the foundation for the transit improvement is alleviation of avalanche risk (reduction of the AHI - no stopped cars=no/virtually eliminated risk)
6. Most are unconcerned about acquiring private land within Alta's permit area. No other resort is talking about trading acreage within SUP for gains elsewhere and this is a huge give on part of Conservation and Rec.
7. I'm perplexed by Alta Desire 4, where they get double development and double water if no train in 5 yrs??? Yeah, we want twice the amount of wilderness acreage in the Wasatch (will settle for Wasatch National Monument) if Wasatch Wilderness doesn't happen in 5 yrs - retro active to July 2010 when we had a hearing before the House natural resources committee.

Brighton...

1. From our perspective Brighton can either... expand onto combo of private and public land in Hidden Canyon - OR - Trade private land for development at base - NOT BOTH. Otherwise this is facilitating both development and expansion with no real conservation gain from Brighton.

Snowbird...

1. At the last meeting Bob mentioned to me that because Alta was to share Mineral basin with Snowbird, Snowbird needed an add'l 100 acres in Mineral Basin. The numbers have now changed a number of times and i'm not sure if the 289 includes that expansion or excludes it. I assume includes because 220 was the number, then he said 320, now the number is almost between... something to be aware of.

Additional Details if Interested.

You'll note in the map that I've included Wasatch Powderbird guides permit area. This is important because Mt. Tuscarora's importance is that it is in a Heli-free area. As some of you may (or may not) appreciate, heli free zones in the Wasatch are particularly rare, especially in high North facing cirques. Tuscarora through Catherine pass provides just that. Expansion onto Tuscarora would not only displace this unique backcountry usage, it also would shrink WPG's permit area. This is significant for 2 reasons - 1. Senator Hatch has maintained that no one can impact WPG, hence the creation of SMA's in the Wasatch Wilderness and Watershed Protection Act. Ski Area expansion also puts the squeeze on WPG and removes those areas from their SUP. 2. In recent discussions with WPG (yes, WPG & SOC have been talking) I've come to understand the importance of not impacting their permit area because the more they are affected, the more the user conflict occurs in highly desirable areas. further, areas like Grizzly, White Pine, Flagstaff, Superior are important to them for Home runs (which on low visibility day's allow them to not ski the highly competitive terrain in Cardiff, days, silver, etc...

Second, Alta's SUP on this map is incorrect as it shows Tuscarora as part of the SUP. THIS IS NOT CORRECT! It actually follows the bold red line (approximately) which i've freehanded on the map attached. Further proof of this is that WPG's permit and a ski area's permit do not overlap for safety reasons. You'll note for that reason, Alta expansion into dry fork would actually have a negative impact on other users as they would most likely fly in Silver fork to make up for lost runs in Dry Fork.

There is that little portion of backcountry, free from heli's, and free from lifts - that's why we are so adamantly against these lift expansions. You'll note we have not once said - for lands exchanged from Snowbird, Alta, etc - WPG cannot operate there.

Well, that was not nearly as brief as I had hoped it to be... sorry.

I hope this is helpful and I sincerely appreciate all your efforts and time on this exercise... Making something happen here is integral to SOC's continued participation in the greater Mountain Accord effort.

Best,
Carl

Legend

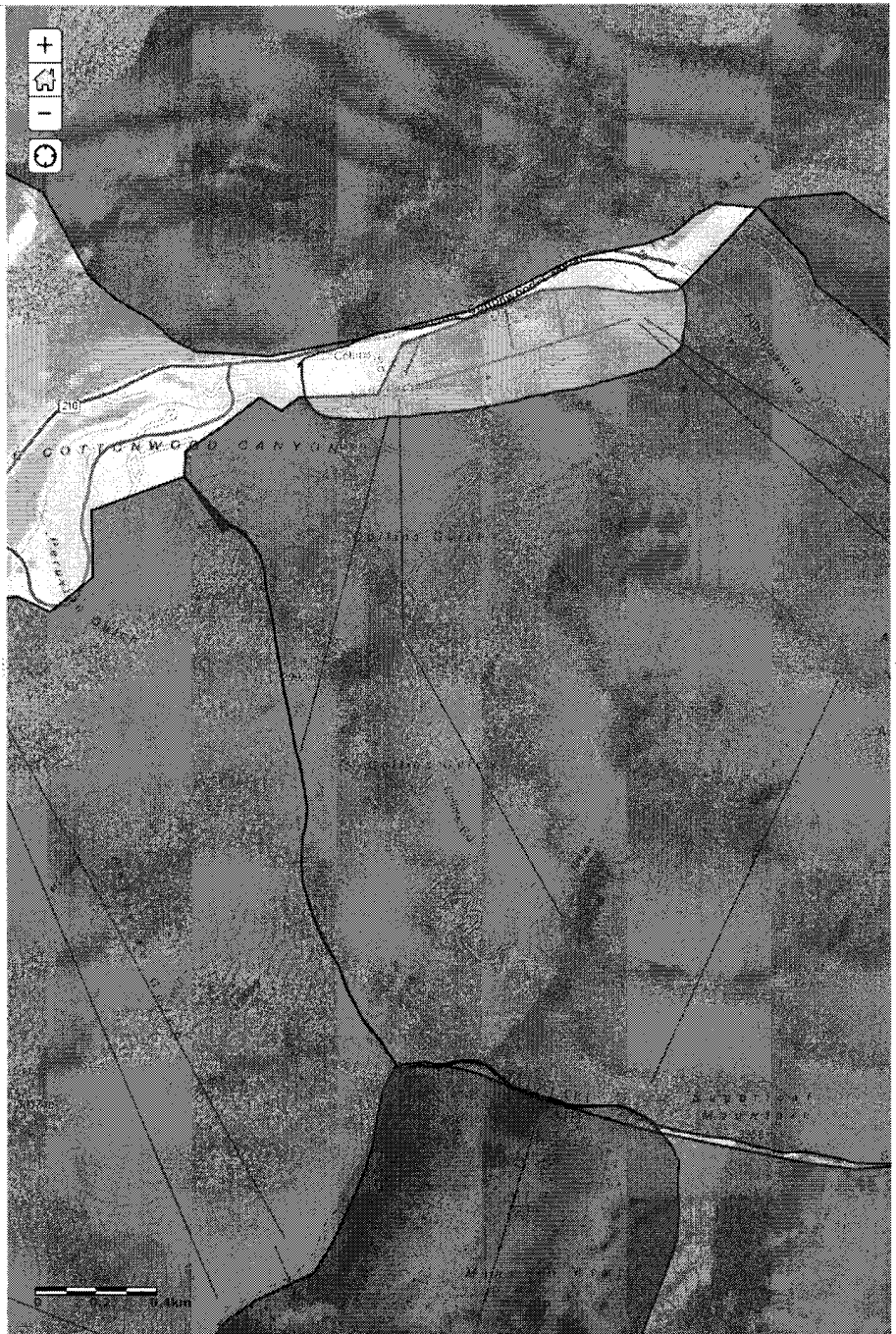
Wasatch Powderbird Guides



Utah Ski Lifts - SkiLifts



Utah Ski Area Boundaries (Statewide) -
UtahSkiAreaBoundaries



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Subject: Proposed American Fork Language for Accord
Attachments: 07-07-2015 Mountain Accord Resolution_1.pdf

All,

Please see attached language for the Accord pertaining to American Fork canyon. Let me know comments this evening if possible. I plan to distribute the Accord tomorrow morning pending approval of this language and editing. Laynee

3.2. SNOWBIRD LAND EXCHANGE

- As a matter of public record, Snowbird Resort has made a proposal to transfer about 1,100 acres of land privately-held land in Little and Big Cottonwood Canyons to the U.S. Forest Service, and in exchange to transfer to Snowbird about 43 acres of U.S. Forest Service land at the base of Snowbird in Little Cottonwood Canyon and about 400 acres of U.S. Forest Service land in upper American Fork Canyon (near Mineral Basin). Snowbird proposed limitations including a) no hotels or condos on the land transferred to Snowbird in American Fork Canyon and b) no facilitation of a gondola to Tibble Fork (a straight distance of about 3.5 miles from Mineral Basin).
- Mountain Accord introduced the Snowbird land exchange proposal to the public in February 2015 as a part of the proposed Mountain Accord Blueprint. Previous to Mountain Accord, the proposal had been under public scrutiny (including congressional hearings) as a part of the proposed Matheson Wilderness and Watershed Protection Act introduced in 2010 and 2013.
- Based on public feedback to date, there are significant outstanding concerns with the American Fork Canyon part of this proposal. Public involvement, consensus, and collaboration are foundational principles for the Mountain Accord process and although Utah County is not a formal member of the Executive Board, the signers of the Accord recognize that consensus has not been reached and additional public and stakeholder dialogue and negotiations are needed. The signers of the Accord further recognize and defer to Utah County to conduct additional public engagement and negotiations on this important issue as requested in the Utah County resolution dated July 7, 2015.
- The signers of the Accord recognize that this land exchange and all the land exchanges referenced in the Accord, will be ultimately be decided by the U.S. Forest Service through a NEPA process. The Mountain Accord Executive Board does not intend to take further action on the American Fork part of the land exchange, and the Mountain Accord Executive Board has no authorities in future NEPA processes.
- For the lands proposed to be exchanged in Little Cottonwood Canyon, the following conditions apply:
 - Salt Lake County will develop a resort zone to better define development at the Snowbird base area in accordance with Mountain Accord intended outcomes (recognizing Snowbirds existing approved master plan and associated entitlements).
 - Salt Lake City will provide additional snowmaking water to Snowbird if Snowbird (under any conditions) transfers the identified 1107 acres to the U.S. Forest Service and the lands become part of the permanently protected federal designation.

- The right to perform avalanche safety control by (especially above Snowbird and Town of Alta) will be preserved.

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Sylvester, Charleen

From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2015 9:47 PM
To: Becker, Ralph; Ben McAdams
Subject: Snowbird may be pulling out with revised AF language

Please note that Bob intends to call you tonite or first thing in the morning. Our options are:

1. keep the language I proposed to appease Utah County, but will mean no signature from Snowbird or Nathan Rafferty 2. keep the language on AF from the Final Accord and Snowbird and Nathan will likely sign.

Laynee

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bob Bonar [<mailto:BBonar@snowbird.com>]
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2015 7:25 PM
To: Bob Bonar
Cc: Laynee Jones; Rollins Colby
Subject: Re: Mountain Accord Language on American Fork Canyon

Laynee. Not sure I will be signing. Hope to talk to mayors McAdams Becker and USFS tomorrow morning. Bob

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 12, 2015, at 4:57 PM, Bob Bonar <BBonar@snowbird.com<<mailto:BBonar@snowbird.com>>> wrote:

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On Jul 12, 2015, at 3:56 PM, Laynee Jones
<laynee@mountainaccord.com<<mailto:laynee@mountainaccord.com>>> wrote:

Commissioners, Bob, and Mayor McAdams:

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Sylvester, Charleen

From: Laynee Jones [laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 7:59 AM
To: Becker, Ralph
Subject: RE: Mountain Accord Language on American Fork Canyon

Can you call me?

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From: Becker, Ralph [mailto:Ralph.Becker@slcgov.com]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 7:59 AM
To: Laynee Jones; Ben McAdams
Subject: RE: Mountain Accord Language on American Fork Canyon

Let's work on this today – I would think some wordsmithing can get us there.

Let me know if I can help,
Ralph

From: Laynee Jones [mailto:laynee@mountainaccord.com]
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2015 9:48 PM
To: Becker, Ralph; Ben McAdams
Subject: FW: Mountain Accord Language on American Fork Canyon

This is the language Bob is not agreeing to. I have not heard back from Utah County commissioners.

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From: Laynee Jones
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2015 3:56 PM
To: bbonar@snowbird.com; Bill Lee (WilliamL@utahcounty.gov); (gregg@utahcounty.gov); Commissioner Larry Ellertson; Ben McAdams; 'Ben McAdams'
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