

**Larry Ellertson - Re: Tibble Fork Recreation Area Development**

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**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** bradp@utah.gov  
**Date:** 12/9/2013 2:12 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Tibble Fork Recreation Area Development  
**CC:** mayor@afcity.net, ggygi@cedarhills.org, DFields@snowbird.com

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I have meetings on both days so let me know which one works best for you all and I will do some rescheduling.

Larry Ellertson

On Dec 5, 2013, at 6:08 PM, "Brad Petersen <[bradp@utah.gov](mailto:bradp@utah.gov)>" <[bradp@utah.gov](mailto:bradp@utah.gov)> wrote:

I just learned that the 13th is the last day that Dave W. from the FS is available.  
 How about Jan 6th or 7th at 2pm?

**Brad Petersen**  
 Director of the Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation  
 801-580-8532 (c)

On Dec 5, 2013, at 4:40 PM, "Larry Ellertson" <[larrye@utahcounty.gov](mailto:larrye@utahcounty.gov)> wrote:

I am conflicted with a commission meeting at 9 a.m. and other meetings at noon, 1 and 3 p.m. . Sorry I am so difficult. Could the afternoon of the 13th or the 19th between 9 and 2 work?

Sent from my Galaxy S®III

----- Original message -----

**From:** "Gary Gygi <[ggygi@cedarhills.org](mailto:ggygi@cedarhills.org)>" <[ggygi@cedarhills.org](mailto:ggygi@cedarhills.org)>  
**Date:** 12/05/2013 12:55 PM (GMT-07:00)  
**To:** Brad Petersen <[bradp@utah.gov](mailto:bradp@utah.gov)>  
**Cc:** Larry Ellertson <[LarryE@utahcounty.gov](mailto:LarryE@utahcounty.gov)>,"<[mayor@afcity.net](mailto:mayor@afcity.net)>"  
 <[mayor@afcity.net](mailto:mayor@afcity.net)>,"<[DFields@snowbird.com](mailto:DFields@snowbird.com)>" <[DFields@snowbird.com](mailto:DFields@snowbird.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tibble Fork Recreation Area Development

fine with me.

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**From:** Brad Petersen [[bradp@utah.gov](mailto:bradp@utah.gov)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 05, 2013 12:54 PM  
**To:** Larry Ellertson  
**Cc:** <[mayor@afcity.net](mailto:mayor@afcity.net)>; Gary Gygi; Larry Ellertson; <[DFields@snowbird.com](mailto:DFields@snowbird.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Tibble Fork Recreation Area Development

There are a couple of conflicts that day. What if we move it to the 17th at 11am?

**Brad Petersen**

Director of the Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation  
801-580-8532 (c)

On Dec 5, 2013, at 12:36 PM, "Larry Ellertson" <[larrye@utahcounty.gov](mailto:larrye@utahcounty.gov)> wrote:

I have a conflict at 11. A.M. Is it possible to do it earlier or after 1 p.m. ?

Sent from my Galaxy S®III

----- Original message -----

From: "Brad Petersen <[bradp@utah.gov](mailto:bradp@utah.gov)>" <[bradp@utah.gov](mailto:bradp@utah.gov)>

Date: 12/04/2013 5:40 PM (GMT-07:00)

To: Larry Ellertson

<[LarryE@utahcounty.gov](mailto:LarryE@utahcounty.gov)>, [mayor@afc.city.net](mailto:mayor@afc.city.net), [ggygi@cedarhills.org](mailto:ggygi@cedarhills.org)

Cc: Dave Fields <[DFields@snowbird.com](mailto:DFields@snowbird.com)>

Subject: Tibble Fork Recreation Area Development

Commissioner Ellertson, Mayor Gygi & Mayor Hadfield, (cc Dave Fields)\_

As the Director of Outdoor Recreation for the State of Utah, under Governor Herbert, I work with the counties and public land agencies to responsibly develop recreation infrastructure around the state. □ My goal is to use outdoor recreation and tourism as a platform for facilitating economic development and growth. □

During my discussions with Bob Bonar and David Fields at Snowbird, they mentioned your desires to further develop the Tibble Fork area for recreational purposes. □ It is my understanding that all, or the majority of that land, is managed by Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest under the supervision of David Whittekiend. □

I have proposed to David that we all meet on December 13th from 10am til noon at his office on 857 w. South Jordan Parkway (west of 106s exit), to further discuss this project and to solicit his input before moving ahead. □ Please let me know if your schedules are open that day. □

I look forward to meeting each of you. □

Brad

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**BRAD PETERSEN**

Director of the Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation

60 East East South Temple, 3rd Floor

Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Mobile: ☐ [+1.801.580.8532](tel:+18015808532)

## Larry Ellertson - Re: Recreation project

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**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** ggygi@cedarhills.org  
**Date:** 1/1/2014 11:19 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Recreation project  
**CC:** DougW@utahcounty.gov, GaryA@utahcounty.gov, mayor@afcity.net, jamescandb...

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The 8th. Does not work for me. I could meet at his office after 3 p.m. .

Larry Ellertson

On Dec 17, 2013, at 5:28 PM, "Gary Gygi <[ggygi@cedarhills.org](mailto:ggygi@cedarhills.org)>" <[ggygi@cedarhills.org](mailto:ggygi@cedarhills.org)> wrote:

Gentlemen, we are going to be having a meeting for our Snowbird working group at the beginning of the year and we are looking at the 8th or the 9th in Fraser Bullock's conference room. Can you let me know if these dates are good with you so we can bring you up to speed on this very important and exciting project for Utah County. Please let me know ASAP.

Thanks,  
-Gary

**Larry Ellertson - Re: IT'S HERE!!**

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**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** ABorgione@snowbird.com  
**Date:** 2/11/2014 10:34 PM  
**Subject:** Re: IT'S HERE!!

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Thank you for letting us know. I appreciate all of your efforts to make the trip a great time and learning experience.

Larry Ellertson

On Feb 11, 2014, at 3:34 PM, "Ann Borgione" <[ABorgione@snowbird.com](mailto:ABorgione@snowbird.com)> wrote:

I have your check in my hand for Linda's airfare! Can't believe it took three checks to get it here, very strange!  
Hope all is well and thank you!

ann

Ann Borgione  
phone - 801-933-2006  
fax - 801-933-2299  
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**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** DianneO@utahcounty.gov  
**CC:** BARBB@utahcounty.gov, CaseyA@utahcounty.gov, DebraP@utahcounty.gov, Doug...  
**Date:** 2/12/2014 12:25 AM  
**Subject:** Re: GRAMA Request - Snowbird

Barbara, Casey, Debra,

I would request that you coordinate amongst yourselves and find any information we have regarding this request. Please inform us of what you find and also get it to Dianne as requested.

Thank you,  
Larry Ellertson

On Feb 11, 2014, at 12:11 PM, "Dianne Orcutt" <DianneO@utahcounty.gov> wrote:

> Please review the attached GRAMA request and send me any records that fall within the requested parameters, no later than Friday if possible. If you need more time than that, please let me know and we'll try to work that out.

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> Thanks,

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> Dianne

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## Larry Ellertson - Re: GRAMA Request - Snowbird

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**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** BARBB@utahcounty.gov  
**Date:** 2/12/2014 2:17 PM  
**Subject:** Re: GRAMA Request - Snowbird

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Please let me know what you find.

Larry Ellertson

On Feb 12, 2014, at 2:11 PM, "Barbara Bohn" <[BARBB@utahcounty.gov](mailto:BARBB@utahcounty.gov)> wrote:

I checked all incoming correspondence and didn't find anything. We think information was emailed and we are checking that and will get the information to Dianne.

Barbara Bohn  
Utah County Commission  
Office: 801-851-8133  
Fax: 801-851-8146  
[barbb@utahcounty.gov](mailto:barbb@utahcounty.gov)

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NEW WEB ADDRESS: [www.UtahCounty.gov](http://www.UtahCounty.gov)

>>> Larry Ellertson <[larrye@utahcounty.gov](mailto:larrye@utahcounty.gov)> 2/12/2014 12:25 AM >>>  
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**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** sseager@mountainland.org  
**CC:** BARBB@utahcounty.gov, ggygi@cedarhills.org, jstansfield@fs.fed.us, hanna...  
**Date:** 9/4/2014 12:58 AM  
**Subject:** Re: American Fork Canyon Objectives

I am conflicted on both days with UTA meetings on the 10th and MPO Finance at noon on the 11th. Unless the MPO meeting changes.

Larry Ellertson

On Sep 2, 2014, at 12:49 PM, "Shawn Seager" <sseager@mountainland.org> wrote:

> Mayor Gygi is wondering if we could get together and discuss our  
> individual objectives - if any in our American Fork Canyon planning  
> effort September 10 or 11th next week. We could eat lunch at the Cedar  
> hills Golf course and I could get some direction from you regarding  
> the proposed USU visitor survey.  
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> Please indicate your preference and get back to me.  
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> Sept 10th or Sept 11th?  
>  
> Thanks, Shawn  
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> --  
> Shawn Seager  
> Director, Regional Planning Department  
> Mountainland Association of Governments  
> 586 East 800 North  
> Orem, Utah 84097  
> www.mountainland.org  
> 801-229-3837

**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** LarryE@utahcounty.gov  
**CC:** BARBB@utahcounty.gov, ggygi@cedarhills.org, jstansfield@fs.fed.us, hanna...  
**Date:** 9/4/2014 1:03 AM  
**Subject:** Re: American Fork Canyon Objectives

Larry Ellertson

On Sep 4, 2014, at 12:58 AM, "Larry Ellertson" <larrye@utahcounty.gov> wrote:

> I am conflicted on both days with UTA meetings on the 10th and MPO Finance at noon on the 11th.  
> Unless the MPO meeting changes. I could possibly make 3:30 or 4 pm work on the 11th..

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> Larry Ellertson

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**To:** sseager@mountainland.org  
**CC:** BARBB@utahcounty.gov, ggygi@cedarhills.org, mdavis@co.wasatch.ut.us, sfa...  
**Date:** 9/4/2014 10:47 PM  
**Subject:** Re: American Fork Canyon Objectives

In looking at my calendar I can be available Thursday the 18th. between 12:30 and 2:30.. Sorry for the limited time available .

Larry Ellertson

On Sep 4, 2014, at 1:30 PM, "Shawn Seager" <sseager@mountainland.org> wrote:

> Sorry everyone, Looks like we have an even split so Mayor Gygi would  
> like to try to schedule the following week - Sept 15-18.

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> Any time of day would work for He and I.

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> Can you report back your availability that week by email to me or go  
> to the Doodle poll link below and fill out your availability.

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> <http://doodle.com/y8ckfu3zxvestnxc>

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> Thank you, Shawn

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> On Tue, Sep 2, 2014 at 12:49 PM, Shawn Seager <sseager@mountainland.org> wrote:

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**Larry Ellertson - Re: American Fork Canyon - sample letter - made some changes, are you ok with this?**

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**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** BBonar@snowbird.com  
**Date:** 5/7/2015 9:38 PM  
**Subject:** Re: American Fork Canyon - sample letter - made some changes, are you ok with this?  
**CC:** DebraP@utahcounty.gov

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Thank you for the opportunity. I am out of town but will check a few things next week and get back to you.

Larry Ellertson

On May 1, 2015, at 2:13 PM, "Bob Bonar" <[BBonar@snowbird.com](mailto:BBonar@snowbird.com)> wrote:

Hello Larry,

I am asking you to consider being on our "Advisory Committee" for our American Fork Canyon plan. Attached is a brief update of the vision and plan. Other than lending your good name, with other outstanding citizens of note, we would only need a short testimonial letter from you and perhaps one letter during the public comment period. No meetings! The current plan could provide great year round recreation and tourism opportunities to our communities and based on your experience with us, I hope you have the confidence that we would do things the correct way. Thank you for your consideration and will also understand if this is something you cannot sign on for.

All the best,  
Bob

**Bob Bonar**  
General Manager  
Snowbird Ski and Summer Resort

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Snowbird Extension 4004  
[www.snowbird.com](http://www.snowbird.com)  
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**Larry Ellertson - Fwd: Snowbird expansion in UT County**

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**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** DebraP@utahcounty.gov  
**Date:** 6/25/2015 12:12 AM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Snowbird expansion in UT County

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Larry Ellertson

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Bruce Dew" <[brucedew@comcast.net](mailto:brucedew@comcast.net)>  
**Date:** June 22, 2015 4:30:27 PM MDT  
**To:** "Greg Graves" <[GregG@utahcounty.gov](mailto:GregG@utahcounty.gov)>, "Larry Ellertson" <[LarryE@utahcounty.gov](mailto:LarryE@utahcounty.gov)>, "Bill Lee" <[WilliamL@utahcounty.gov](mailto:WilliamL@utahcounty.gov)>  
**Cc:** "" <[dwhittekiend@fs.fed.us](mailto:dwhittekiend@fs.fed.us)>  
**Subject:** Snowbird expansion in UT County

Dear County Commissioners and Dave Whittekiend,

I'm a resident of Utah County (Alpine, UT) and have been participating in local grass roots meetings (i.e. Fox Hollow Golf Course gathering w/ local citizens and Snowbird CEO) regarding "potential" expansion of Snowbird into Utah county. In the meeting I attended recently there appears to be a lot of fear, uncertainty and doubt being raised by local citizens with respect to Snowbird "taking over" American Fork Canyon.

As an avid outdoorsman who rides his bike weekly in AF Canyon and who has skied at Snowbird for 20+ years, I believe there is common ground that can be found to support the many residents who want to protect the environment of the canyon AND continue to have easy access to lift served ski terrain in our mountains.

Tomorrow, a number of UT county citizens will be coming to the county commissioners to argue AGAINST Snowbird acquiring 416 acres connecting property very far from American Fork canyon. I am out of town on business and cannot attend these meetings so I would like to express my opinion to you that these land swap between existing land that Snowbird owns has nothing to do with impeding on recreation or the environment of American Fork Canyon, nor on any plans to build some tram 5 miles from Tibblefork to Snowbird. The current desire is for Snowbird to link existing lands they own to enable a better skiing experience for all of us.

I don't believe Snowbird wants to "take over" American Fork canyon in any way. My experience has been the opposite with respect to Snowbird. I have never been banned to hike, ride my bike or recreate on their land in Mineral Basin. I have found that since the expansion of their resort, there has been "less" motorized vehicles in the area and erosion

has diminished by the improvements Snowbird has made on these lands. Having a responsible steward of these lands has gone a long way to prevent environmental damage to these lands by weekend 4 wheeler recreationalists who damage trails.

Having the ability to access Snowbird (if is available by future plans and approved environmental impact studies) would be a great thing for people who want to access Snowbird via American Fork canyon. It would cut down on pollution in both Utah and Salt Lake Counties by enabling fewer cars on the highways and would resemble other beautiful linked ski areas in Europe that have gondolas or trams that connect canyons. We cannot burry our heads in the sand that more people want/need access to the mountains and just ban Snowbird from expansion.

I would rather have an gondola connecting our canyons than 4-wheel drive vehicles scarring up our land—which is currently happening on UT county lands in AF canyon due to the current hands-off approach to our mountains in the area. I would encourage each of you to participate in the Mountain Accord meetings where you will see a balanced approach to development and preservation of our lands.

If you would like to discuss further this issue feel free to call me at your convenience. I have a wealth of knowledge from both perspectives on this issue.

Sincerely,

Bruce Dew,  
Alpine/UT county citizen  
801-763-8882

[BruceDew@comcast.net](mailto:BruceDew@comcast.net)

**Larry Ellertson - Re: meeting with Bob Bonar**

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**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** ABorgione@snowbird.com  
**Date:** 7/21/2015 12:59 AM  
**Subject:** Re: meeting with Bob Bonar  
**CC:** MichelleAr@utahcounty.gov

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Ann, sorry for the delay in responding. I was out of town the week of the 13th and will be out most of the next two meetings. I will have Michelle ( my new Administrative Assistant) contact you and coordinate a time to meet with Bob.

Thank you.

Larry Ellertson

On Jul 2, 2015, at 10:01 AM, "Ann Borgione" <[ABorgione@snowbird.com](mailto:ABorgione@snowbird.com)> wrote:

Hello Commissioner Ellertson,  
Bob asked me to reach out to you regarding your availability to meet with him during the week of July 13<sup>th</sup>. He could meet wherever is most convenient for you.  
Please let me know your thoughts.  
Thank you,  
Ann

[Ann Borgione](#)  
Snowbird Ski and Summer Resort

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Snowbird Extension 4006  
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**From:** Larry Ellertson <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**To:** PaulJo@utahcounty.gov  
**Date:** 8/6/2015 10:59 PM  
**Subject:** Re: GRAMA - Snowbird

I don't see the request. I would like to talk with you when I am back next week.

Larry Ellertson

On Aug 5, 2015, at 12:05 PM, "Paul Jones" <PaulJo@utahcounty.gov> wrote:

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**Larry Ellertson - Re: IT'S HERE!!**

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phone - 801-933-2006  
fax - 801-933-2299  
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**From:** Larry Ellertson  
**To:** Ann Borgione  
**Date:** 1/18/2010 9:41 PM  
**Subject:** Re: meeting

Ann, I would be fine with meeting with Bob. Please call Barbara at 801-851-8133 and she can schedule a time for me. Thank you, Larry.

>>> Ann Borgione <[ABorgione@snowbird.com](mailto:ABorgione@snowbird.com)> 1/18/2010 3:52 PM >>>

Hello Commissioner Ellertson,

I am contacting you on behalf of Bob Bonar, President of Snowbird Ski Resort. If possible, Bob would like to meet with you to discuss an issue in Utah County, specifically, American Fork Canyon.

Could you let me know if you would have time to meet, perhaps in early February?

thank you,

Ann Borgione

801-933-2006

**Larry Ellertson - Re: Steve Young Event on March 17, 2012**

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**From:** Larry Ellertson  
**To:** Ann Borgione  
**Date:** 3/5/2012 2:17 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Steve Young Event on March 17, 2012

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Ann, this sounds like fun and for a good cause. I have a wedding that I am performing but may be able to work things out to be there for the dinner. Can you tell me what I need to do to participate if I am able to work out the details? Thank you, Larry.

>>> Ann Borgione <ABorgione@snowbird.com> 3/2/2012 4:10 PM >>>

Hello Gentlemen,

Bob Bonar would like to extend an invitation to you and your guest to attend the upcoming Steve Young event at Snowbird on March 17. I've attached the event information, please give me a call if you have any questions.

We hope you can attend!

Thank you,

Ann Borgione

phone - 801-933-2006

fax - 801-933-2299



## Larry Ellertson - Re: Summit Gala 2014

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**From:** Larry Ellertson  
**To:** Ann Borgione  
**Date:** 12/19/2014 10:27 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Summit Gala 2014

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Thank you for the invitation. Linda and I will plan to attend.

Larry Ellertson  
Utah County Commission  
Office: 801-851-8133  
[larrye@utahcounty.gov](mailto:larrye@utahcounty.gov)

Please note: All county employees have new email addresses: username-usually first name with 1st initial of last name@utahcounty.gov

>>> Ann Borgione <ABorgione@snowbird.com> 12/17/2014 3:32 PM >>>

Hello Larry,  
Bob Bonar would like to invite you and your wife to attend the Summit Gala. The event will be held on December 27. I've attached the evite.  
We hope you will be able to join us!  
Thank you,  
Ann

Ann Borgione  
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**Larry Ellertson - Re: Open house inquiry**

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**From:** mark allen <markstewartallen@gmail.com>  
**To:** Willie Holdman <willie@holdman.com>  
**Date:** 8/25/2015 4:02 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Open house inquiry  
**CC:** Greg Graves <gregg@utahcounty.gov>, Kurt Williams <kurt@cruiseroutfitter...>

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Commissioner Graves,

Thank you for your reply.

What items should be given consideration in my view.

First and foremost an *immediate moratorium of development or land trade decisions in American Fork Canyon until the following have been thoroughly vetted*. The Mountain Accord process was thorough, Utah County processes deserve the same level of care.

- #1. Full land inventory of private lands in American Fork Canyon
- #2. Understanding of what mine tailings, and potential hazards, heavy metals, arsenic, etc. might be associated with individual mining claims. Basically a pedigree of each mine and if there are hazards with soil that need to be protected. Think Animas river, think Tibble Fork sludge, think prior Snowbird clean up efforts and Bob Bonars comments about existing hazards in the canyon. Do we really want any form of development even considered before we understand costs, risks, etc.?
- #3. Update the County GIS map so that a clear understanding is available to the Commissioners as to the scope of public / private land in A. F. Canyon.
- #4. Appraisals of private land holdings in A.F. Canyon. / Analysis of hazards of mining talings /
- #5. Establish a American Fork Canyon Alliance with the following considerations.
  - A- Lay citizens invite trusted business leaders and trusted elected officials to participate at a ratio of 1:1:1.
  - B- Perhaps some entities are voting members, some are merely advisory members- remembering that the government works for the people, not the other way around. This is often confused in todays political realm.
- #6. Public and open meetings, at a minimum of one meeting per Utah County city. Meetings are recorded, broadcast live and recorded. Following the pattern established by Mountain Accord.
- #7. Public input taken into consideration over the span of the time necessary to hold public meetings and to inform local citizens. Broad outreach via press, social media and presentations.
- #8 American Fork Canyon Alliance to then consider aggregated suggestions, followed by formal recommendations, vote on these considerations / recommendations and follow the same pattern established by Mountain Accord, by way of signing an alliance.

#9. At this juncture, land swap negotiations and or cost / benefit / hazard analysis would be clearly understood.

Shortcuts to the above process would be less than the resource dictates, than the citizens of the county deserve, in my opinion.

I will post this to our PPAFC page to see if anyone from our group would have other items for consideration.

Mark

On Tue, Aug 25, 2015 at 3:12 PM, Willie Holdman <[willie@holdman.com](mailto:willie@holdman.com)> wrote:

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**From:** Shawn Seager <sseager@mountainland.org>  
**To:** Andrew Jackson <ajackson@mountainland.org>, Ann Borgione <aborgione@snow...  
**Date:** 7/21/2015 10:58 AM  
**Subject:** American Fork Canyon Vision calendar appointments.

Hi Everyone, We are trying to delete any remaining calendar appointments for the American Fork Canyon Vision steering committee from your calendars.

As a quick reminder the Steering Committee directed staff to:

1. Pause the American Fork Canyon Vision planning study to allow Mountain Accord to resolve land trade issues in upper American Fork Canyon with Utah County.
2. Continue the USU intercept survey work through January 2016 to develop a good data set on current users.
3. Refund the \$50,000 Snowbird project contribution with remaining project fund balance to remove the perception that Snowbird has any undue influence in the current and future planning processes.

As quarterly USU intercept survey results become available they will be posted under the "Documents" tab of AFCVision.com.

Sincerely, Shawn Seager (801) 824-1066

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## Larry Ellertson - meeting with Bob Bonar

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**From:** Ann Borgione <ABorgione@snowbird.com>  
**To:** "larrye@utahcounty.gov" <larrye@utahcounty.gov>  
**Date:** 7/2/2015 10:01 AM  
**Subject:** meeting with Bob Bonar

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Hello Commissioner Ellertson,

Bob asked me to reach out to you regarding your availability to meet with him during the week of July 13<sup>th</sup>. He could meet wherever is most convenient for you.

Please let me know your thoughts.

Thank you,

Ann

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## Larry Ellertson - Re: Follow-up: AFC Vision Contact Card

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**From:** Julie Mack <julieinutah@gmail.com>  
**To:** Whitney May <WMay@LOGANSIMPSON.COM>  
**Date:** 6/9/2015 12:31 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Follow-up: AFC Vision Contact Card  
**CC:** "AJACKSON@mountainland.org" <AJACKSON@mountainland.org>, Ann Borgione <A...

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Thanks Whitney.

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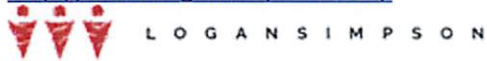
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**Date:** 6/9/2015 10:52 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Follow-up: AFC Vision Contact Card

I can use about 400.....thanks, Bob

Bob Bonar  
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## Larry Ellertson - American fork Canyon Vision Project

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**From:** Shawn Seager <sseager@mountainland.org>  
**To:** John Fairchild <johnfairchild@utah.gov>, ANDREW JACKSON <AJACKSON@mounta...>  
**Date:** 5/28/2015 12:33 PM  
**Subject:** American fork Canyon Vision Project  
**CC:** "laynee@mountainaccord.com" <laynee@mountainaccord.com>, Jake Anderegg <...>  
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American fork Canyon Vision Steering Committee, FYI Buck and I have been getting a lot of questions on FaceBook about where the American fork Canyon Vision project came from so Buck and I developed FAQ #7 below and posted it to the project web site:

<http://afcvision.com/faq/>

Question 7: What events led to the AFC Vision project?

A: The first major event that led to what is now the AFC Vision process was an informal proposal from Snowbird Resort to expand resort operations in the upper reaches of American Fork Canyon near Mineral Basin. The process for preparing an application to initiate a "proposal" that can be considered in NEPA is outlined at 36 CFR 251.54(g). If an applicant desires to occupy or use National Forest System lands, it is their responsibility to initiate the process formally. NEPA begins when an agency develops a proposal to address a need to take an action.

"The need to take an action may be something the agency identifies itself, or it may be a need to make a decision on a proposal brought to it by someone outside of the agency, for example, an applicant for a permit. Based on the need, the agency develops a proposal for action (Number 1 in Figure 1). If it is the only Federal agency involved, that agency will automatically be the "lead agency," which means it has the primary responsibility for compliance with NEPA. (A citizen's guide to NEPA, CEQ 2007).

Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Chapter 12.24 clarifies further: "The responsible official shall make policies or staff available to advise potential applicants of studies or other information foreseeably required for acceptance of their applications. Upon acceptance of an application as provided by 36 CFR 251.54(g) the responsible official shall initiate the NEPA process. (36 CFR 220.4(i))... The responsible official may require project proponents to conduct studies and provide data and documentation for consideration and use in preparing an EIS."

State and local governments began to consider Snowbird's ideas, and quickly realized the requirement to consider Snowbird's questions in the context of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Recognizing the substantial cost of doing an environmental impact statement under NEPA, they requested \$500,000 in funding from the Utah State Legislature in 2014. The Legislature did not fund the full request, but instead allocated \$100,000 to undertake a higher-level public "Vision" to consider a broader range of questions in the canyon, and to engage the public far in advance of developing funding for a specific NEPA project. The second major event was developing the scope of the Vision, and the goals and principles to be followed. These were built into an RFP: (<http://web.mountainland.org/site/webroot/images/upload/files/American%20Fork%20Canyon%20Vision%20RFP%20DRAFT.pdf>), and a neutral, third-party facilitator was chosen (Buck Swaney with Logan Simpson) to help create a long-term public vision for land use

and recreation in the Canyon.

The Mountainland Association of Governments (Mayors and County Commissioners in Summit, Wasatch, and Utah counties) used the legislative appropriation to fund the facilitator's contract. The Vision is now being run to develop high-level policy direction for dealing with private land proposals, public land management, and environmental, recreation, and other needs in the project area.

This Project is scheduled to continue through January of 2016.

Find some pics of our Public Workshop last weekend in the rain and some sun at Tibble Fork and Aspen Grove in North Fork of Provo Canyon along SR92.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me (801)824-1066 or Buck (801) 694-4279.

Our next steering committee meeting is this coming Monday, An agenda will go out to you today or tomorrow.

Thank you, Shawn

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**Larry Ellertson - RE: Snowbird Development concept and lands transfer proposal mapped and documented for the American Fork Canyon Vision public involvement process**

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**From:** Buck Swaney <BSwaney@LOGANSIMPSON.COM>  
**To:** 'Shawn Seager' <sseager@mountainland.org>, "laynee@mountainaccord.com" <...  
**Date:** 4/30/2015 10:11 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Snowbird Development concept and lands transfer proposal mapped and documented for the American Fork Canyon Vision public involvement process  
**CC:** ANDREW JACKSON <AJACKSON@mountainland.org>, Ann Borgione <ABorgione@snow...

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Hi Shawn and Committee,

I just wanted to clarify: My team has already mapped most of these things, and has the full capability to add the others. It is a modest effort to complete what's left on your list below. Both of my planners assisting on the project have substantial GIS skillsets. We have already prepared three different maps (natural/social/built) to work out the complex planning relationships (they can be viewed at: [https://www.dropbox.com/sh/gye8muoiz5rnl3w/AADt9paMd\\_SWBLFpd-YwQ3MLa?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/gye8muoiz5rnl3w/AADt9paMd_SWBLFpd-YwQ3MLa?dl=0)). We plan on keeping that structure, and will add the right layers to each map to create proper context. Please let me know if there are other layers you'd like to see me add.

Buck

**From:** Shawn Seager [mailto:sseager@mountainland.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 30, 2015 9:47 AM  
**To:** laynee@mountainaccord.com  
**Cc:** ANDREW JACKSON; Ann Borgione; Bob Bonar; Brent Schvaneveldt; Buck Swaney; Carl Fisher; Commissioner Larry Ellertson; Debra Pritchett Utah County; Gary Gygi; Hannah Lockhart; J. H. Hadfield; jeffharris@utah.gov; jim\_ireland@nps.gov; Jon M -FS Stansfield; Julie Mack; Krissy Nielsen; Laurel Allman; Matthew Sibul (Chief Planning Officer); mdavis@co.wasatch.ut.us; Mike Kennedy; Richard Brockmyer (Strategic Planner II); Steve Farrell; Tracy See; Wade Garrett  
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**Subject:** RE: American Fork Canyon Vision - Additional Public Involvement Activities  
**CC:** ANDREW JACKSON <AJACKSON@mountainland.org>, Ann Borgione <ABorgione@snow...

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Thank you Shawn,

I'll be working on the requested proposal this week. I definitely agree it is critical to get key parts of the AFCV process caught up with the conversation happening on Mountain Accord. Thank you for the outreach and I'll respond very soon.

Buck

**From:** Shawn Seager [mailto:sseager@mountainland.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 02, 2015 11:37 AM  
**To:** Buck Swaney  
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## Proposed Cottonwood Canyons Scenario for Public Consideration

The Cottonwood Canyon Task Force has negotiated a recommendation for a package of land-use protections and adjustments in Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons. The recommended actions would provide key public benefits by permanently protecting iconic landscapes and ridgelines from development (Figure 1), preserving important backcountry areas for dispersed recreation, and increasing environmental and watershed protections.

Under this recommendation, the four Cottonwood Canyon Ski Areas, local and federal government partners, and conservation and outdoor interests would partner to preserve, for public benefit, about **2,150 acres of Ski-Area owned lands** in the Cottonwood Canyons (Figure 2). At the headwaters of Little Cottonwood Canyon, preserved lands would include the areas of Mt. Superior, Flagstaff, Emma Ridge, Grizzly Gulch (under consideration), and White Pine. At the headwaters of Big Cottonwood Canyon, the preserved lands would include Ski Area holdings in the Guardsman Pass, Cardiff/Days Fork, and Hidden Canyon areas.

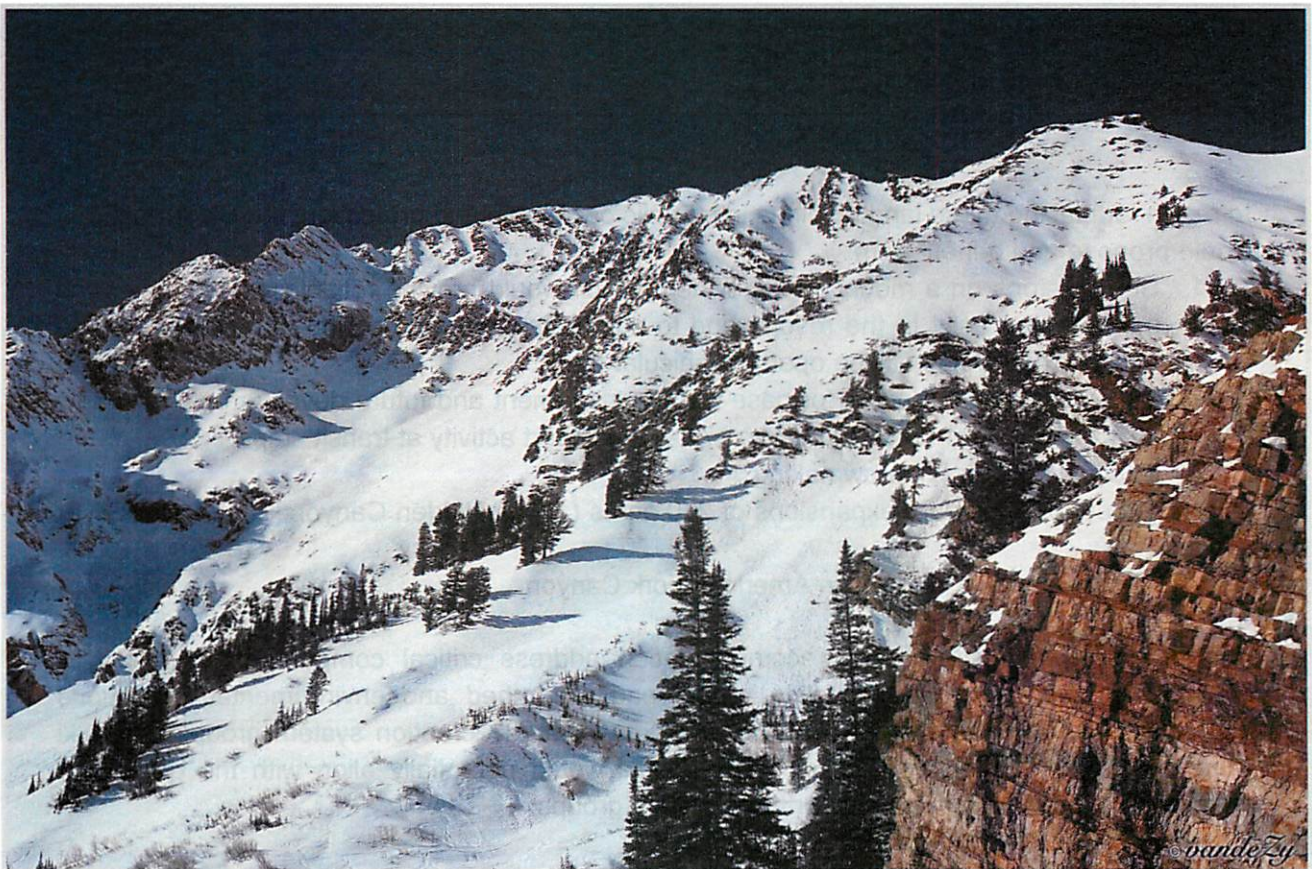
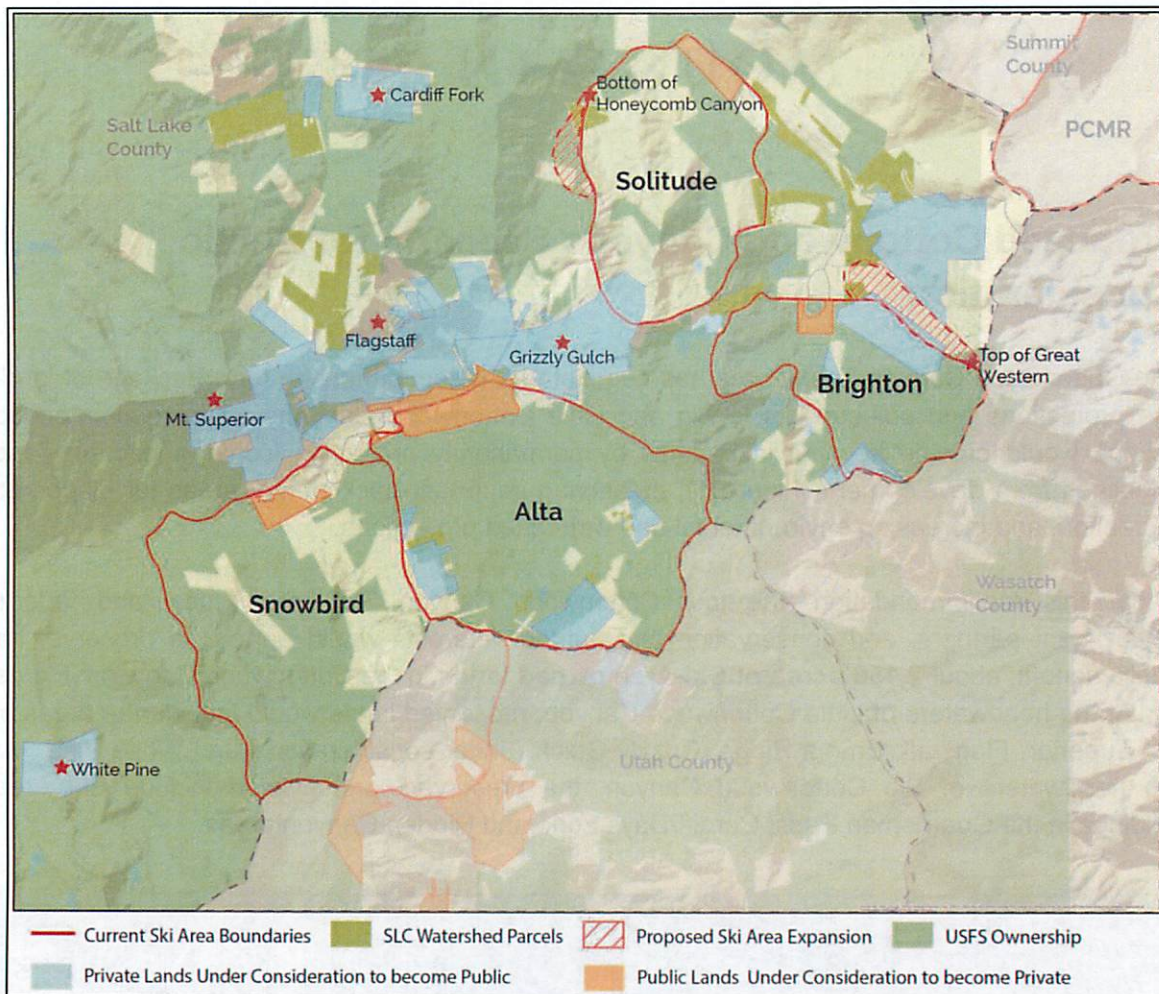


Figure 1: Mt. Superior Ridgeline



In return for placing these land holdings into public ownership and protection, the Ski Areas would propose and benefit from:

1. Station stops on a mountain-rail system which would provide reliable, fast, unique, and marketable transit to the resorts and to major dispersed recreation access points. The canyon road would still be open to vehicular traffic.
2. Approximately 258 acres for base-area management and future development (with new culinary water for up to 108 units at Alta) to support activity at transit stops.
3. Additional water for snowmaking.
4. Ski permit boundary expansions of 210 acres (140 in Hidden Canyon, 70 in lower Silver Fork).
5. Approximately 416 acres in American Fork Canyon.

The protective aspects of this recommendation address critical components of Mountain Accord's proposed actions, including widespread watershed and environmental protections outlined in the goals and metrics of the environment and recreation system groups. The Ski Area and transportation aspects of this proposal would potentially align with the goals and metrics of the economy and transportation system groups.

**Larry Ellertson - American Fork Canyon Steering Committee working lunch scheduled Friday, January 30th at 11:30am to 1:00pm in Cedar Hills, Utah.**

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**From:** Shawn Seager <sseager@mountainland.org>  
**To:** ANDREW JACKSON <AJACKSON@mountainland.org>, Ann Borgione <ABorgione@snow...>  
**Date:** 1/23/2015 9:35 AM  
**Subject:** American Fork Canyon Steering Committee working lunch scheduled Friday, January 30th at 11:30am to 1:00pm in Cedar Hills, Utah.  
**CC:** Nan Kuhn <nkuhn@mountainland.org>

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We will hold the next American Fork Canyon Steering Committee working lunch on Friday, January 30th at 11:30am to 1:00pm at the Cedar Hills Golf Club, 10640 Clubhouse Dr, Cedar Hills, UT 84062.

An agenda will be included on the appointment which will follow this email. We will bring in some sandwiches and salads for the meeting. If you have any special dietary request please let me know.

Thank you in advance for your time on this fun and interesting project, Shawn

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**To:** ANDREW JACKSON <AJACKSON@mountainland.org>, Ann Borgione  
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**Date:** 1/22/2015 8:49 AM  
**Subject:** Next American Fork Canyon Vision Steering Committee meeting Jan 30th 11:30am in Cedar Hills, UT

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Good morning all, We are wondering if we could pull together a January American Fork Canyon Steering Committee working lunch on Friday, January 30th at 11:30am to 1:00pm in Cedar Hills, Utah.

Could you please respond only if it is **NOT** possible for your schedule?

Thank you, Shawn

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**To:** Gary Gygi <garygygi@digis.net>, 'Representative Mike Kennedy' <mikekenne...  
**Date:** 1/21/2015 3:27 PM  
**Subject:** RE:

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Gary,

I'm not available on the 30th because of another commitment. I understand that setting up a meeting with the Speaker of the House is according to his schedule and not ours. If Friday, 1/30 doesn't work for the group and you have to re-schedule, please let me know. Here's an updated schedule of times that will work for me:

Thursday, 1/22 between 1:00 and 5:00  
 Friday, 1/23 between 9:00 and Noon  
 Tuesday, 1/27 between 9:00 and 11:00  
 Wednesday, 1/28 anytime  
 Thursday, 1/29 anytime  
 Monday, 2/2 anytime  
 Tuesday, 2/3 anytime  
 Wednesday, 2/4 between 1:00 and 5:00

Thanks for all you're doing.

Joel

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**From:** Gary Gygi [mailto:garygygi@digis.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 21, 2015 12:51 PM  
**To:** 'Representative Mike Kennedy'; 'Vale Hale'; Joel Racker; 'Shawn Seager'; 'Ann Borgione';  
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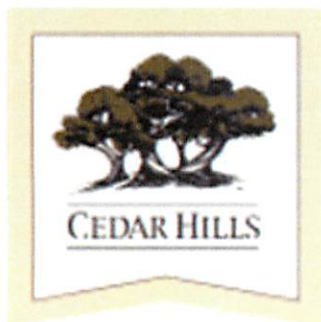
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I will calendar it now.

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**To:** Shawn Seager <sseager@mountainland.org>, ANDREW JACKSON  
<AJACKSON@mounta...>  
**Date:** 12/22/2014 6:26 PM  
**Subject:** American Fork Canyon Vision  
**Attachments:** AFCV Steering Update Dec 2014.pdf

Dear Steering Committee,

Attached please find my update and summary of tasks completed. I look forward to rolling out major vision activities with you early in the new year. Happy holidays!

Buck

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From: Shawn Seager [sseager@mountainland.org]  
Sent: Monday, December 22, 2014 1:46 PM  
To: ANDREW JACKSON; Ann Borgione; Barbara Bohn; Bob Bonar; Brent Schvaneveldt; Buck Swaney; Carl Fisher; Commissioner Larry Ellertson; Gary Gygi; Hannah Lockhart; jeffharris@utah.gov; jim\_ireland@nps.gov; Jon M -FS Stansfield; Matthew Sibul (Chief Planning Officer); mdavis@co.wasatch.ut.us; Richard Brockmyer (Strategic Planner II); Steve Farrell; Tracy See; Wade Garrett  
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## AMERICAN FORK CANYON VISION

To: American Fork Canyon Steering Committee  
From: Buck Swaney  
Date: December 22, 2014  
Re: Vision Update

**SUMMARY**

Much has been accomplished under the hood since we began work in October. The public part of visioning has been coordinated with development and deployment of the USU/USFS visitor intercept surveys, which contain Vision-related questions. MAG and LSD have agreed to a project completion date for January 2016 to allow the Vision to be informed by the results of the survey. We think this will lead us to a better understanding of canyon use and public values, and to a stronger vision and action plan. Below is a summary of major tasks completed over the past quarter.

**OCTOBER**

MAG and LSD agreed to slow the formal public rollout of the public or "town-hall" part of the Vision work. For that month, we instead agreed to:

1. Hold an initial Steering Committee (SC) Kickoff to begin developing framework of project goals and expectations. (KICKOFF DONE – ADDITIONAL MEETING NEEDED)
2. Prepare the project logo and branding, website, and public commenting interfaces. (DONE, visit [www.afcvision.com](http://www.afcvision.com))
3. Attend the two MAG transportation open houses (Orem and American Fork) and have a booth, display, and public outreach. (DONE)
4. Develop a Vision component for the intercept survey questions that supports our project specifically. (DONE)
5. Begin developing a stakeholder interview list to develop direct contact and gain information from government partners and other stakeholders through early January, when we will start formal public visioning activities. (MADE INITIAL LIST; INTERVIEWS IN JAN)
  - a. Talk with Steering Committee about locations - one at Snowbird, one at Cedar Hills, and possibly one in a location TBD. (NEED SC MTG; SCHEDULE PUBLIC MTGS)



#### NOVEMBER

MAG and LSD agreed to the following tasks:

1. Update the content of the website. (MOSTLY DONE; NEED SC APPROVAL)
2. Develop the vision document's conceptual structure. (DONE; NEED SC APPROVAL)
3. Collaborate with MAG/USU/USFS on survey design and delivery methods (DONE)

#### DECEMBER

1. Began development of an *AFC Vision PowerPoint* which will be used as a key PR tool for ET members. (FIRST DRAFT REVIEWED; SECOND DRAFT IN DEVELOPMENT)
2. Developed newspaper article for full year-long publication in the *Reflections* newspaper that is distributed in American Fork Canyon by USFS and NPS. (DONE - THE AFC VISION WILL BE FRONT PAGE NEWS THROUGH ALL OF 2015).
3. Developed a fully updated schedule and work plan using the new January 2016 final date. (DONE - NEED TO REVIEW WITH SC).

#### NEXT STEPS

The key to-do's right now (mostly for January) include:

1. Hold a meeting with the Steering Committee to:
  - a. Review the new schedule and the proposed vision structure and design;
  - b. Convene a Steering Committee meeting to build our consensus/conflict picture. We began this conversation at the Cedar Hills golf course meeting but didn't go deep enough. We need to be clear about the difficult questions we will be tackling together (e.g., National Monument, Ski-area expansions, etc.)
2. Complete stakeholder interviews.
3. Schedule and hold public Visioning events.
4. Develop a schedule of Steering Committee meetings for reporting and collaboration.

Thank you for your guidance. We have laid a solid groundwork and have been careful to conserve budget while coordinating with the survey schedule. Please let me know if you'd like anything added to our next steps, or if you need more information on what's reported here. I look forward to major activity in January, both with you all personally and with the public.

Buck Swaney, Vision Facilitator

**Larry Ellertson - American Fork Canyon Vision Update**

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**From:** Ann Borgione <ABorgione@snowbird.com>  
**To:** Larry Ellertson <LarryE@utahcounty.gov>  
**Date:** 12/20/2014 7:17 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Summit Gala 2014

Hi Larry,  
Wonderful, we look forward to seeing you on December 27th!  
Thank you,  
Ann

Sent from my iPad

On Dec 19, 2014, at 10:27 AM, "Larry Ellertson"  
<LarryE@utahcounty.gov<mailto:LarryE@utahcounty.gov>> wrote:

Thank you for the invitation. Linda and I will plan to attend.

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