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PARK CITY - CITY COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5TH, 2023 | 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM | 445 MARSAC AVE

Join us at the Park City Council meeting on Thursday, October 5th, for an important discussion about the Bonanza Flat Conservation Easement and the Adaptive Management Plan (BFAMS). Utah Open Lands, in partnership with Park City Municipal Corporation's Trails & Open Space Team, will provide an update on the Adaptive Management Plan, which calls for a review every 5 years—we're currently 3 years in. Learn about the management actions taken on the property and get answers to your questions on Recreational Trails, Parking Management, and more. Your participation makes a difference in preserving this beautiful landscape!

DAY OF RESTORATION AT BONANZA FLAT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20TH, 2023 | BONANZA FLAT CONSERVATION AREA

This October Utah Open Lands and Park City Municipal Corporation will be hosting a day of restoration at Bonanza Flat. We'll be focusing on restoring social trails that cut through sensitive wildlife habitat. We are extremely grateful for our partners, Backcountry and KPMG, who will be providing volunteers for this important initiative.

If you're passionate about conservation and want to make a positive impact, we invite you to volunteer with us. Space is limited, so be sure to reserve your spot by emailing alli.eroh@utahopenlands.org. Don't miss this opportunity to contribute to the preservation of Bonanza Flat and its invaluable ecosystems.



LAST WEEKEND OF TRANSIT TO TRAILS

OCTOBER 28TH - 29TH | BONANZA FLAT CONSERVATION AREA

Looking to view the changing fall leaves this leaf peeping season? Look no further! The Transit to Trails shuttle is your ideal solution for experiencing the vibrant autumn foliage while avoiding trailhead congestion. As the seasons transition, Bonanza Flat transforms into a breathtaking display of colors, and our shuttle service ensures you can immerse yourself in this natural spectacle without the hassle of parking.

Don't miss your final chance to enjoy the Bonanza Flat Conservation Area this season with our Transit to Trails program! As summer draws to a close and the possibility of snowfall looms, this is your opportunity to savor the beauty of Bonanza Flat one last time.

Please note that the availability of this service for the last weekend is contingent on weather conditions, so be sure to check our social media channels for any updates. Best of all, this sustainable transportation solution is completely FREE and designed to make it easy for summer recreators to travel between Park City and the Bonanza Flat Conservation Area. Join us Thursday through Sunday and make the most of this fantastic opportunity. To book your reservation, simply visit <u>protransparkcity.com/trails</u>.



Interested in winter activities at Bonanza Flat Conservation Area? Our Winter Transit to Trails program will be back for its second year, offering transportation for Nordic skiing and snowshoeing. Dates for our winter program have yet to be determined so stay updated by visiting the Bonanza Flat page on our website.

LIVE PC GIVE PC

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD, 2023 | ONLINE FUNDRAISER + ACTIVITIES DURING THE DAY



Join us for the most exciting day of giving in Park City—Live PC Give PC! Hosted by the Park City Community Foundation, this annual event unites the entire community in a powerful demonstration of support for local nonprofit organizations. On the first Friday of November, we come together to make a lasting impact on the causes we care about. Live PC Give PC is a day of unity, generosity, and celebration. With the convenience of a single online giving platform, you can easily contribute to nonprofit organizations that make our community thrive.

You'll find volunteers in various locations throughout greater Park City, spreading awareness, generating excitement, and inspiring people to make a difference. Support Utah Open Lands during Live PC Give PC by visiting our page <u>HERE</u> and making a contribution. Your dollars help support on ongoing land saving initiatives not only in Park City but across the state!

CASTLETON TOWER CAMPGROUND CLEANUP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH, 2023 | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

We're excited to announce our upcoming Castleton Tower Campground Cleanup, a collaborative effort with the American Alpine Club and the Moab Craggin Classic. On this day, 30 dedicated AAC volunteers will join forces with Utah Open Lands, Grand County Trail Crew and Trail Ambassador (GCATT), Leave No Trace, and Friends of Indian Creek. Together, we'll tackle an essential task — rebuilding tent platforms at the campground.

This not only enhances camper safety and comfort but also helps deter dispersed camping, which is not permitted at Castleton Tower due to its ecological sensitivity. If you're in the area and eager to participate in this meaningful restoration effort, we invite you to join us! Simply contact alli.eroh@utahopenlands.org to secure your spot. Please be aware that the campground will be temporarily closed from Wednesday, November 1st, through Monday, November 6th, to facilitate these much-needed improvements.







As a token of our immense gratitude to our dedicated Utah Open Lands volunteers, we have an exciting opportunity for you! Between now and 12:00 pm on Wednesday, October 11th, individuals who make a donation of \$100 or more through THIS LINK will automatically be entered into an exclusive opportunity drawing. The prize? A three-month membership to the Front Climbing Club! Don't miss this chance to make a difference in our community and seize the opportunity to embark on new heights in your climbing journey.

