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Board of Directors
Great Outdoors Colorado
1900 Grant Street, Suite 725
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Re: Town of Eagle/Western Eagle County Metropolitan Recreation District Grant Request

Dear Board of Directors:

Eagle County supports the planning grant application submitted by the Town of Eagle ("Town") and Western Eagle County Metropolitan Recreation District ("WECMRD"). That application seeks funding to support the development of a master plan of the Pool and Ice Rink facility and adjacent land (collectively "Pool and Ice Rink") located in Eagle, Colorado.

The Pool and Ice Rink is an important property and care should be taken in developing a vision and plan for its future use and improvement. The Pool and Ice Rink property is heavily used by both residents and guests from across the State of Colorado. Indeed, the property is host to many area events that showcase the outdoors and recreational opportunities that the Town, WECMRD and Eagle County have to offer.

Of particular importance is connectivity. The Pool and Ice Rink property provides an important access point to many soft surface trails that connect to adjacent BLM lands and Eagle County's recently acquired Hardscrabble Ranch Open Space property. This connectivity to other properties is just one example of why the Pool and Ice Rink is so important. Master planning this property will ensure that the community and stakeholders will have an opportunity to collaborate and develop a plan that considers and celebrates their varied interests.

For all of these reasons, we support the planning grant request for Pool and Ice Rink. Thank you for our consideration.

Eagle County Board of Commissioners

Sincerely,

Kathy Chandler-Henry

Chair

Jeanne McQueeney

Commissioner

Jill H. Ryan

Commissioner