

TUESDAY STAFF BRIEFINGS

June 14, 2016

****Please Note Briefings Will Begin Immediately Following Hearings****

All items on this agenda are scheduled for immediately following Hearings and will normally be considered in the order the item appears on the agenda. The Board, at their discretion, may choose to alter the order in which items are considered, may break, or may continue any item to be considered on a future date.

Convene immediately following Hearings; BCC Conference Room, 5th Floor

Briefing Items

1. Saw and Slaws - Coal Creek Canyon Program Mick Coady
(30 minutes)

County Commissioners' Report

County Manager's Report

County Attorney's Report

Executive Session

- Litigation Update - Legal Advice C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) (15 minutes)

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Briefing Items			Total Estimated Time: 30 minutes
Begin	End	Agenda No.	Title
8:15	8:45	1.	Saws and Slaws - Coal Creek Canyon Program
		2.	
		3.	
		4.	
		5.	
Commissioners Report			Total Estimated Time: 5 minutes
Begin	End	Agenda No.	Title
8:45	8:50	6.	
County Manager Report			Total Estimated Time: 5 minutes
Begin	End		Title
8:50	8:55		
County Attorney Report			Total Estimated Time: 5 minutes
Begin	End	Agenda No.	Title
8:55	9:00		
Executive Session			Total Estimated Time: 15 minutes
Begin	End		Title
9:00	9:15		Litigation Update - Legal Advice C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b)

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SCHEDULE

Time*

Topic*

Monday, June 13, 2016

NO TOPICS SCHEDULED TO DATE

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

8:00 a.m.

BCC Meeting - (Hearing Room One)
Public Comment
Public Hearings

Immediately following
Public Hearings

Staff Briefings - (BCC Board Room)

Immediately following
Staff Briefings

Ralph Schell - (BCC Board Room)

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

NO TOPICS SCHEDULED TO DATE

Thursday, June 16, 2016

NO TOPICS SCHEDULED TO DATE

Friday, June 17, 2016

NO TOPICS SCHEDULED TO DATE

***Emergency Items Or Other County Business For Which Prior Notice Was Not Possible May Be Considered.**

Saws and Slaws
Jefferson County Commissions Meeting
June 14, 2016



2015 Update
Coal Creek Canyon

- Number of Volunteers – 215
- Volunteer Hours – 991
- Volunteers per Event – 26
- Number of Work Sites – 38
- Amount of Slash – 134,700 cu ft*



2015 Update Coal Creek Canyon cont

- Wildfire education workshops and seminars
- Neighborhood “curbside chipping” events
 - Saws and Slaws scheduled chippers
 - Homeowners staged slash
 - Costs were shared by all participants
 - 18 properties in Crescent Park alone
- Wildfire Mitigation Innovation Award
 - Awarded by: USDA Forest Service
 - National Association of State Foresters
 - International Association of Fire Chiefs
 - National Fire Protection Association



What the experts say

- U.S. Forest Service
 - Wildfires will happen in Colorado
 - We all have a shared responsibility to reduce risk
 - Actions taken by individuals and agencies make a difference
- Bureau of Land Management
 - Insufficient emphasis on active management before fires
 - Investment in active management is needed
- Dept of Interior
 - Severe wildfire season is the new normal
- Fire mitigation is an ongoing process not an event
 - Requires boots on the ground
 - Education



Wildfire Costs

- Tangible Costs of Wildfires
 - Property loss
 - Costs to fight wildfires
 - Risks to firefighters and residents
 - Homeowners insurance
 - Property values
- Intangible Costs
 - Quality of Life
 - Restoration
 - Rehabilitation



Overhead Costs

- The Saws and Slaws model is very cost effective
 - We are all volunteers
- So what are our costs?
 - Insurance
 - Equipment
 - Maintenance
 - Rentals
 - Education



Current Funding Sources

- Firewood Sales
- Boulder County Grant
- Donations
- Silent Auction
- Misc Mitigation Projects
- Saws and Slaws needs your help!



Proposal and Next Steps

- Near-term
 - Partnership
 - Jefferson County and Saws and Slaws
 - Annual operating funds
- Longer range
 - Expand scope and reach to other JeffCo communities
- Next steps?



Online References

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- <https://www.facebook.com/SawsAndSlaws/>
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- http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/plans/collab_forestry/files/TrueCostOfWilfire.pdf
- <https://csfs.colostate.edu/2015/02/19/saws-and-slaws-program-receives-wildfire-mitigation-innovation-award/>
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