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Park County Board of County Commissioners
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RE: BOREAS PASS RANCH ACCESS EASEMENT

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to request your support for a project in your county that Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) will be presenting to the Capital Development Committee. The Johnson family has been working on a conservation easement and access easement on the Boreas Pass Ranch with Colorado Open Lands, Park County Land and Water Trust Fund, and CPW.

The Boreas Pass Ranch is located west of Como and is bounded by the United States Forest Service on the west side and the Cline Ranch State Wildlife Area (SWA) on the east. The Johnson family would like to keep the property as a working ranch. They have decided that a conservation easement with a properly managed public access easement is the best way to do that while also benefiting Park County and its wildlife.

Park County and then, Division of Wildlife (DOW at the time), acquired the Cline Ranch SWA to help provide an important wildlife migration corridor, provide fishing and hunting recreation, and conserve a historic Park County ranch. At that time, the Boreas Pass Ranch was the one piece blocking complete protection of the migration corridor. Now we have the opportunity to provide a contiguous migration corridor for wildlife, including limited public access to big game hunting opportunities.

CPW is respectfully asking you to support this access easement. Your signature at the bottom of this page will show support for this project. If you are willing, you can then return it to me by the address above or email it back to me (mark.lamb@state.co.us) as soon as is convenient. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 720-450-2016. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Mark Lamb

Mark Lamb
Area Wildlife Manager

We support/do not oppose this proposal.

Richard Elsner - Park County BOCC

Date: _____, 2021

