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Snow Removal Gone Wild

To residents of the Town of Crested Butte:

I have been a resident of the town of Crested Butte since the late 70s. I used to welcome the sound of snowplows at night because it signaled that it was snowing and a powder day might be in the works. The last two winters I have been awakened on many nights, too many nights by the town's snow removal equipment. Most of these nights it either wasn't snowing or hadn't snowed in days, yet the road crews were "plowing."

I think the town's current "Snow Plan" as I have heard it called, needs to be revisited. Much of the winter road work in town is unneeded, wasteful. Last winter at a time when most city governments were looking at ways to cut costs, the Town of Crested Butte hired two seasonal snowplow drivers. The excessive amount of roadwork in town is damaging machines and pavement. What happened to my quiet mountain town? It seems like road crews are out more nights than not. Am I the only one not sleeping because of the sound of steel on pavement and snowplows in reverse??????

Please join me and ask your elected town officials to revisit the "Snow Plan."

Respectfully,
Frank Coffey

Attend the sage grouse meeting Thursday

Dear Trail User:

Please consider attending a public meeting this Thursday about how the Gunnison sage-grouse listing under the Endangered Species Act will affect you. The meeting is being hosted by a key partner of trail users in the upper Gunnison Basin, the Gunnison County Stockgrowers Association.

Gunnison Trails has worked hard to forge a strong relationship with our local ranching community. Ranching and trail use are arguably the two most important uses of our public lands for our citizens and our local economy.

If grazing is severely impacted by this listing and ranching becomes unviable, all of the open meadows and river bottoms could sprout for sale signs and be headed for development. What other choice will our local ranching community have if their lands are no longer useful for ranching operations?

This is what has happened over the years in the Roaring Fork Valley and it's pretty much non-stop development from Glenwood Springs to Aspen now. I don't think many of us are interested in seeing Gunnison and Crested Butte linked by 35-acre ranchettes, subdivisions and condos.

Please show your support for keeping the management of the Gunnison sage-grouse in the hands of those who know it better than anyone and that's Gunnison County; our local land management offices, the BLM, the US Forest Service and Colorado Parks and Wildlife; and working groups made up of citizens who live and work here in the valley.

The meeting is at 7 p.m. Thursday March 14 in the Fred Field Multi-purpose building at the Fairgrounds. 275 S. Spruce in Gunnison. Thanks!

Sincerely,
Dave Wiens
Executive Director
Gunnison Trails

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Your donations helped us reach our goal of $42,000 in less than two weeks. We truly appreciate our faithful listeners and supporters for continuing to show us how much they value community radio in the Gunnison Valley.

If you made a pledge you will receive a reminder in the mail soon. If you already paid your pledge or would like to pay in person, please stop by the KBUT studios, say hi and pick up your thank-you gift Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. If you live in Gunnison or beyond we will mail you your gift.

Again, thanks so much to everyone who was part of our Winter 2013 Fund Drive: From pledgers to volunteers, to businesses donating gift certificates, goods, and services. We are so grateful that you are a part of KBUT Community Radio.

Warm Regards,
Eileen Hughes
KBUT General Manager