

### RUETER-HESS ADVISORY BOARD FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2025 AGENDA

Friday, March 14, 2025 9:00 AM 13939 Ancestry Drive Parker, CO 80134

- 1. Call to Order
  - a. Roll Call
  - b. Approval of the Agenda
- 2. Approval of Minutes

Attachments: Unofficial Minutes for February 14, 2025

- 3. Citizen Comment
- 4. Discussion and Action Items
  - a. 2026 Use Fees

Attachments: 2026 Use Fees Recommendation

- b. Dock Update
- c. Entrance Station and Roadway Improvements Update
- d. Rueter-Hess Update for February 2025

Attachments: Rueter-Hess Update for February 2025

e. Rueter-Hess Budget Update for February 2025

**Attachments:** Rueter-Hess Budget Update February 2025

- 5. Other Business and Discussion
- 6. Adjournment

\*\*The Next Regular Meeting Will be Held on April 11, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m. \*\*



**MEETING DATE:** March 14, 2025

**ATTACHMENTS:** 

Unofficial Minutes for February 14 2025



### RUETER-HESS ADVISORY BOARD

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2025

#### **MINUTES**

Friday, February 14, 2025 9:00 AM 13939 Ancestry Drive Parker, CO 80134

#### 1. Call to Order

a. Roll Call

**PRESENT** Board Member Bill Wasserman.

Board Member Austin Good Alternate Marne Hansen Board Member Mary Colton Alternate David Anderson Alternate Amy Knopp

**EXCUSED** Alternate Ron Redd

Board Member Jeff Brauer Board Member Larry Nimmo Board Member Steve Shoultz Alternate Michael Lawson Alternate Seth Hoffman

#### b. Approval of the Agenda

Board Chair, Bill Wasserman, asked for a motion from the RAB to approve today's agenda.

RESULT: APPROVED MOVER: Mary Colton SECONDER: Marne Hansen

**AYES:** Wasserman, Good, Hansen, Colton, Anderson, Knopp **EXCUSED:** Redd, Brauer, Nimmo, Shoultz, Lawson, Hoffman

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

Board Chair, Mr. Wasserman, asked for a motion from the Board to approve the Minutes from January 10, 2025.

RESULT: APPROVED MOVER: Marne Hansen SECONDER: Mary Colton

**AYES:** Wasserman, Good, Hansen, Colton, Anderson, Knopp **EXCUSED:** Redd, Brauer, Nimmo, Shoultz, Lawson, Hoffman

#### 3. Citizen Comment

There were none.

#### 4. Discussion and Action Items

#### a. Master Plan 2025

Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess, shared the new final edition of the 2025 Master Plan. Each section was briefly explained and discussed.

Board Member, Mary Colton, made a motion to approve The 2025 Master Plan as submitted.

RESULT: APPROVED MOVER: Mary Colton SECONDER: Austin Good

**AYES:** Wasserman, Good, Hansen, Colton, Anderson, Knopp **EXCUSED:** Redd, Brauer, Nimmo, Shoultz, Lawson, Hoffman

#### b. 2026 Budget Requests

The RAB reviewed the 2026 Budget Requests.

Board Member, Marne Hanson, made a motion to approve the proposed 2026 Budget for recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners for approval.

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: Marne Hansen
SECONDER: David Anderson

**AYES:** Wasserman, Good, Hansen, Colton, Anderson, Knopp **EXCUSED:** Redd, Brauer, Nimmo, Shoultz, Lawson, Hoffman

#### c. CIP Plan Update

Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess, presented the first draft of the 5-Year CIP Plan for Rueter-Hess.

The RAB discussed projects and costs through 2029. The RAB would like to prioritize the projects as funds are limited.

#### d. Fishery Update

The fishery report was not available to discuss.

e. Rueter-Hess Update for January 2025

Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess, and Jason Trujillo, Ranger Supervisor, shared the January update with the RAB. Staff answered questions regarding staffing at the reservoir in the winter months.

The RAB discussed the cost of staff. Staff explained the reservoir is not as popular during the winter when fishing and paddle sports are closed.

f. Rueter-Hess Budget Update for January 2025

No discussion.

#### 5. Other Business and Discussion

There were no items discussed.

#### 6. Adjournment

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**MEETING DATE:** March 14, 2025

**ATTACHMENTS:** 

2026 Use Fees Recommendation

## Rueter-Hess Reservoir

Proposed Fee Recommendation Rueter-Hess Advisory Board March 14, 2025

> Celeste Deal, Sr. Admin. Asst., Rueter-Hess Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess

> > Community Development Rueter-Hess Reservoir

# Review of RAB First Discussion 10-11-24

- Offer an annual pass \$120 (reservation required)
- Offer 3-tiers of seasonal parking prices High-\$10 / Mid-\$5/ Off-Free
- Simplify pricing with flat rate for special use
- Reduce Parking Fee with Special Use
- Combine the Pavilion and Observation Deck as one amenity with parking included for \$100

# Review of RAB Second Discussion On 11-15-24

- Reducing fees may increase visitation
- Change from a percentage fee to a flat fee for Special Events
- Have a for-profit and non-profit pricing
- Need to have 501c. 3 pricing
- Charge per-participant fee of a nominal amount which may or may not include parking
- Combine Pavilion and Observation Deck fees, should be rented as one unit with 10 parking spaces

PROPOSED RUETER-HESS ADMISSION FEES										
PARKING - RESERVOIR Public/ For Profit Partners/Non-Profit										
Parking High Season - Memorial Day through Labor Day	\$10 per day (reservation required)	\$10 per day (reservation required)								
Parking Mid Season (Sept, Oct, Apr, May)	\$5 per day (reservation required)	\$5 per day (reservation required)								
Parking Off Season (Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb)	No Charge for Entrance (reservation required)	No Charge for Entrance (reservation required)								

PROPOSED RUETER-HESS AMENITY FEES									
AMENITIES - RESERVOIR Public/ For Profit Partners/Non-Profit									
Pavilion (5 parking spots)	\$300.00	\$240.00							
Observation Deck (5 parking spots)	\$75.00	\$60.00							
Pavilion and Observation Deck Comb (10 Parking spots)	\$375.00	\$300.00							



PROPOSED RUETER-HESS FEES SPECIAL EVENT FEES								
SPECIAL EVENTS / RACES /DAY CAMPS	Public/ For Profit	Partners/Non-Profit						
0-150 Participants	\$175 per day	\$140.00						
	addl. \$1 per person	addl. \$1 per person						
151-199 Participants	\$275 per day	\$220.00						
	addl. \$1 per person	addl. \$1 per person						
200 - 399 Participants	\$375 per day	\$300.00						
	addl. \$1 per person	addl. \$1 per person						

LARGE EVENTS	Public/ For Profit	Partners/Non-Profit
400 + Participants	\$1210 plus applicable fees	\$960
	addl. \$1 per person	addl. \$1 per person
Sole Use (closed to public, parking incl.)	\$7260 plus fees	\$5800.00 plus fees
	addl. \$1 per person	addl. \$1 per person
Exercise Camps	\$250 per year	N/A
	addl. \$1 per person	
Concession Permits	\$250 per year	N/A



PROPOSED RUETER-HESS SPECIAL EVENT PARKING									
PARKING FOR SPECIAL USE	PER VEHICLE								
Parking 0-20 spaces	\$6 or \$8								
Parking 21-50 spaces	\$4 or \$6								
Parking 51 + spaces	\$2 or \$4								
Sole Use of Property	Included								

PROPOSED RUETER-HESS FEES OTHER FEES									
Other Fees	Public/ For Profit	Partners/Non-Profit							
Parking Lot	Determined by Event	N/A							
Exercise Camps	\$250.00 per year/park N/A								
Concession Permits	\$250.00 per year/park	N/A							
Contracted Vendors	12% of Gross	N/A							
Commercial Events other than Equipment	20% of Gross	N/A							
SEASON PASS	Public	Partners/Non-Profit							
Season Pass (reservations required)	\$120	N/A							



**MEETING DATE:** March 14, 2025

**ATTACHMENTS:** 

Rueter-Hess Update for February 2025



#### Memorandum

**Date:** March 3, 2025

To: Douglas County Advisory Boards

From: Amy Knopp, Manager of Rueter-Hess Reservoir

**CC:** Steven Shoultz, CPRE, Assistant Director of Parks, Trails & Building Grounds

Subject: Rueter-Hess Recreation Update for February 2025

#### **SUMMARY**

This is the Rueter-Hess Recreation update for February 2025.

#### **UPDATES**

In February Rueter-Hess staff installed cleats and anchors on the rentable row boats. These cleats will allow for an anchor to be properly used when utilizing the crafts. Anchors may enhance the experience for users, allowing them to fully enjoy nature and birdwatching, while also providing anglers the ability to anchor in at prime fishing spots. These anchors also help boats stay in a specific location in varying weather conditions.





February provided a rollercoaster of weather reaching 70 degrees one day and dropping to below zero within a week. Park rangers are watching water level fluctuations for possible trail route adjustments and are preparing for future docks that will enhance the summer season experience. As soon as the ice melts, the reservoir will open for fishing.

As we soon transition to spring, extreme weather fluctuations provide challenging conditions on natural surface trails. Park rangers are preparing for trail maintenance work once the weather stabilizes. Until then they are encouraging visitors to visit early in the day when the ground is frozen to avoid slippery and muddy conditions.





Due to rising water levels, the main trail has become increasingly difficult to navigate, with parts of it turning muddy and soon expected to be fully submerged. To maintain safe access to the area and prevent hikers from attempting to cross hazardous or submerged sections, a bypass trail was created and reopened this past weekend. The installation of signage was crucial to guide hikers along the new route and alert them to any potential hazards. With over 9,000 users last year, the Coyote Loop trail remains a popular route, and this bypass ensures visitors can still complete the loop and enjoy the park safely.

#### **OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE UPDATES**

- The reservoir opened to fishing on March 7th
- Park Ranger Supervisor hired to provide field and operational guidance
- Anchor system for rowboats installed
- Spring Training identified and scheduled
- Ranger hiring in progress
- Summer volunteer opportunities identified for trail maintenance and shoreline clean-up
- 2025 Special Events, contract, and concession planning

	Calendar of Events 2025								
	Special Use								
6/1 to 8/15/25	Avid4 Adventure Summer Season Day Camp	Reservoir							
TBD	Fransen Pittman Company 5K	Incline							
TBD	Colorado Gun Dog Association	Hess Rd. Access							
TBD	Women Inspiring Leadership	Incline							
June	Amateur Radio Emergency Service	Hess Rd. Access							
7/14 to 7/18/25	Girl Scouts of Colorado Camp Days	Reservoir							
Sept. 2025	Runuphill Racing	Incline							
	RAB /Partner Days								
TBD	PWSD Bring Your Child to Work Day	Reservoir							
8/10/2025	8/10/2025 Castle Pines Partner Day								
7/19/2025	Lone Tree Partner Day	Reservoir							
TBD	PWSD Family Day 3-6 pm	Reservoir							
7/27/2025	Castle Rock Partner Day	Reservoir							
8/15/2025	Parker Partner Day	Reservoir							
	Partner Programing								
6/14/2025	Dash Across the Dam - Parker 5K	Reservoir							
	Voluneteer Programming								
4/3/25	Rocky Outcropping Fence	Incline							
4/10/25	Rocky Outcropping Fence	Incline							
4/17/25	Tentative Rocky Outcropping Fence	Incline							
6/30/25	Corridor Clearing	Coyote Loop							
7/18/25	Shoreline Clean-up	Reservoir							
7/25/25	Corridor Clearing	Newline							
9/12/25	Shoreline Clean-up	Reservoir							

#### **STATS**

Visitation	Jan	Feb	2025 Total
Total Visitors At Reservoir	9	14	42
Total Trails Visitors	2932	4107	7039
Total Visitors	2941	4121	7081

Public Safety	Jan	Feb	2025
Trail Assist	0	0	0
Trail Rescue	0	0	0
Water Assist (Just Needed Some Help)	0	0	0
Water Rescue (Dangerous Or Distressed Situations)	0	0	0
EMS Requested	0	0	0
Number Of People Helped By EMS	0	0	0
Overdue Groups	0	0	0
Number Of People Overdue	0	0	0
Number Of People Helped During Assists	0	0	0
People Helped During Rescue	0	0	0
Number Of People Helped To Recreate Safely	0	0	0
Rules and Regulations	Jan	Feb	2025
PFD Violations	0	0	0
Swim/Wade	0	0	0
Dogs On Shore	0	0	0
Dogs In Water	0	0	0
Dogs Off Leash	2	3	6
Alcohol On Property	0	0	0
Vehicles Undesignated Areas	2	1	7
Off Trail Use	0	0	0
Bait Violations	0	0	0
Hook Violations	0	0	0
Poles Violations	0	0	0
Fishing In Restricted Areas	0	0	0
Fishing License Violations	0	0	0
No Fishing Permit Violations	0	0	0
Total Rule Violations	4	4	13



**MEETING DATE:** March 14, 2025

**ATTACHMENTS:** 

Rueter-Hess Budget Update February 2025

2025 FUNDS Rueter-Hess Maintenance and Operations

Sign Parts & Suppl

**Reservoir Supplies** 

Other Repair & Maint

436500

436600

436800

**Remaining Dollars** 

**FUND 245** BUSINESS UNIT 47100, 850900, 850901, 850902, 850903 **Expenditures Summary Object Account** Supplies 2023 Actuals 2025 Allocated 2024 Actuals Remaining Spent 433200 Office Supplies \$ 1,281.98 22.95 433400 **Operating Supplies** \$ \$ \$ 3,092.45 \$ 17,538.87 \$ 433410 **Emergency Response Supplies** \$ 835.78 \$ 74.99 \$ \$ \$ \$ 433450 First Aid Supplies \$ \$ \$ 2,896.06 2,497.89 3,100.00 203.94 \$ \$ 433500 Clothing & Uniform \$ 638.02 (638.02)2,609.21 5,126.25 Uniform/Equip/Tool Allowance \$ 433600 \$ 2,800.00 \$ \$ 1,600.00 \$ (1,600.00)433900 Janitorial Supplies \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ 129.86 \$ 436200 Equip & Motor Vehicle \$ 59.87 \$ 2,257.60 \$ 2,500.00 749.85 \$ 1,750.15 433930 Operating Equip. Accessories \$ \$ \$ \$ 1,789.02 \$ 436400 **Consumable Tools** \$ \$ \$ \$

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		Summary									
Object Account	Controllable Assets (C.A.)	2023 Actu	als	202	4 Actuals	2025 A	llocated	Sp	ent	Rem	aining
438000	C.A. Other Epuipment	\$	-	\$	3,761.87	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Remaining Dollars		\$	-	\$	3,761.87	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-

7,879.29

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		Summary									
Object Account	Purchased Services	20	2023 Actuals		2024 Actuals		5 Allocated	Spent			Remaining
440200	Newspaper notices/ Adver.	\$	-	\$	49.60	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
442350	Employee Phone allowance	\$	480.00	\$	880.00	\$	-	\$	160.00	\$	(160.00)
442420	Cell Phone Service	\$	317.50	\$	416.28	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
443100	Medical Dental & Vet Service	\$	480.00	\$	255.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
443600	Other Professional Services	\$	37,907.50	\$	12,442.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
444200	Repairs-Equip/ Motor Vehicle	\$	431.11	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
444700	Other Repair & Maint. Serv.	\$	584.90	\$	75.00	\$	-	\$	24.45	\$	(24.45)
445200	Metro Area Meeting Expense	\$	45.00	\$	65.93	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
445500	Catered Meal Service	\$	8.17	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
446100	Conference, Seminar, Training	\$	-	\$	185.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
446400	Books and Subscriptions	\$	-	\$	78.20	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
447900	Recruitment Costs	\$	129.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Remaining Dollars		\$	40,383.18	\$	14,447.01	\$	-	\$	184.45	\$	(184.45)

			Summary										
Object Account	Fixed Charges	20	023 Actuals	2	024 Actuals	202	25 Allocated		Spent	F	Remaining		
449055	Fuel Charges	\$	2,460.79	\$	4,453.97	\$	7,500.00			\$	7,500.00		
449056	Fleet Maintenance	\$	1,031.79	\$	6,330.07	\$	10,000.00			\$	10,000.00		
449057	Fleet Outside Repair	\$	-	\$	79.56	\$	-			\$	-		
449058	Fleet Maintenance Labor	\$	-	\$	1,699.72	\$	1,520.00			\$	1,520.00		
450240	Waste Disposal Services	\$	8,465.00	\$	24,653.54	\$	25,000.00	\$	1,305.00	\$	23,695.00		
Remaining Dollars		\$	11,957.58	\$	37,216.86	\$	44,020.00	\$	1,305.00	\$	42,715.00		

3/6/25

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2,408.19

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**Year to Date** 

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5,600.00

							Summary				
Object Account	Personnel Services	2	023 Actuals	2024 Actuals		2025 Allocated		Spent		Remaining	
411100	Salaries & Wages - Regular FT	\$	241,846.26	\$	426,601.46	\$	427,401.00	\$	62,286.79	\$	365,114.21
411225	Addtl Compensastion			\$	1,890.54	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
411230	Stipend	\$	3,200.00	\$	2,100.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
411600	Merit Pool	\$	=	\$	11,348.87	\$	20,302.00	\$	1,481.63	\$	18,820.37
412100	Overtime/Straight Reg.	\$	1,649.08	\$	1,462.31	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
420100	Vacation Payout	\$	-	\$	7,500.32	\$	-	\$	924.00	\$	(924.00)
430150	Medical Benefit	\$	37,246.17	\$	75,021.10	\$	104,568.00	\$	14,190.49	\$	90,377.51
430160	Dental Benefit	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,605.00	\$	-	\$	1,605.00
430200	Social Security	\$	18,929.25	\$	31,245.66	\$	34,249.00	\$	5,632.84	\$	28,616.16
430300	Retirement	\$	19,908.26	\$	42,312.71	\$	49,248.00	\$	7,239.21	\$	42,008.79
430400	Fringe Benefits Pool	\$	11,232.43	\$	19,870.73	\$	18,942.00	\$	3,230.03	\$	15,711.97
Remaining Dollars		\$	334,011.45	\$	619,353.70	\$	656,315.00	\$	94,984.99	\$	561,330.01

		Summary										
Object Account	Capital Outlay	2023 Actuals		2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated		Spent		Remaining			
474800	Other Machinery & Epuip	\$ -		\$ 18,800.00	\$ 33,000.00	\$	3,890.49	\$	29,109.51			
474300	Cars, Vans, & Pickups	\$ -		\$ -	\$ 60,000.00	\$	-	\$	60,000.00			
Remaining Dollars		\$ -		\$ 18,800.00	\$ 93,000.00	\$	3,890.49	\$	89,109.51			

		Summary									
Object Account	Contingencies & Reserves	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining					
483100	Miscellaneous Contingency	\$ -		\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00					
Remaining Dollars		\$ -		\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00					

BU 850900	Fishery Management	Summary										
Object Account		2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining						
473500	Parks & Recreation Improvement	\$ -	\$ 15,580.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ -						
443600	Other Prof. Services	\$ -	\$ 16,310.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						
Remaining Dollars		\$ -	\$ 31,890.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						

BU 850901	Docks	Summary									
Object Account		2023 Actuals	2024 Allocated	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining					
473500	Parks & Recreation Improvement	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 123,835.00	\$ 76,165.00					
Remaining Dollars		\$ -		\$ 200,000.00	\$ 123,835.00	\$ -					

BU 850902	Trailhead Planning & Const.	Summary									
Object Account		2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining					
473500	Parks & Recreation Improvement	\$ -		\$ 75,000.00	\$ -	\$ -					
Remaining Dollars		\$ -		\$ 75,000.00	\$ -	\$ -					

BU 850903	Entrance Improvements		Summary										
Object Account		2023 Actuals	2024 Allocated	2025 Allocated	Sp	ent	Remaining						
473500	Parks & Recreation Improvement	\$ -	\$ (110,000.00)		\$	-	\$	-					
Remaining Dollars		\$ -	\$ (110,000.00)	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-					

REVENUES	EVENUES										
Intergovernmental	Revenues	Summary									
330000		2023	2024	2025 Projected	Received		Total				
338300	Municipalities	\$ 2,413,627.80	\$ 620,000.00	\$ 620,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$	520,000.00				
395250	Douglas County	\$ -	\$ 229,166.63	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 62,499.99	\$	62,499.99				
361101	Treas Pool Earnings	\$ 28,510.61	\$ 75,570.12	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$	-				
361102	Pool Bond Amort/Accretion	\$ 4,538.73	\$ 7,049.07	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-				
330000		\$ 2,446,677.14	\$ 931,785.82	\$ 920,000.00	\$ 162,499.99	\$	582,499.99				

<b>Charges for Services</b>	Revenues	Summary									
340000		2023 2025 Project		25 Projected	Received		Total				
344200	Facililty Use Fees/Special Events	\$ 33,076.00	\$	18,801.76	\$	2,000.00	\$	-	\$	-	
344300	Admission Fees	\$ -	\$	33,510.00	\$	30,000.00	\$	140.00	\$	140.00	
340000		\$ 33,076.00	\$	52,311.76	\$	32,000.00	\$	140.00	\$	140.00	