

October 10, 2025

Sheriff Darren Weekly Douglas County 4000 Justice Way Castle Rock, CO 80109

RE: BSAR YE Distribution-# BSAR-YE-25-011 - Douglas County 2025 Search and Rescue Year-End Distribution - Program and Next Steps

Dear Sheriff Weekly:

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) has reviewed your application for the Backcountry Search and Rescue Year-End distribution. Your application, submitted through Google Forms, and this notification serve as your contract with the state. By opting into this grant program, you are eligible to receive a distribution in the amount of \$11,076.60 for the purchase of backcountry search and rescue related equipment and training. Funds must be expended and all purchased items must be received and reported to CPW by August 31, 2026.

This distribution notification and your application serve as your unilateral agreement. No additional contracts or grant agreements are required.

By submitting your application, you have agreed to the following:

- Distributed funds will only be spent on costs for reasonable and necessary search and rescue related equipment and training. Equipment and training that can be acquired at no cost or from another funding source are not considered eligible purchases.
- Purchases must be made after the award letter is received and prior to August 31, 2026. Funds spent outside of the statutory intent of this program must be returned to Colorado Parks and Wildlife. Recipient Counties agree to return funds within 30 days of the identification of improper fund use.
 - Eligible equipment may include, but is not limited to, computerized mapping programs, GPS units, snowmobiles, ATVs, water rescue boats and equipment, high angle rescue equipment, communications equipment, team owned and issued safety related clothing and equipment, and smaller items such as climbing ropes and accessories.
 - Eligible training may include, but is not limited to, professionals organizations providing education in high angle rescue, avalanche rescue, basic medical, navigation, search management, water rescue, dog handling, vehicle control (ATV/Snowmobile/UAV). Medical training is limited to the level minimally necessary for rescue activities. Food and lodging for eligible trainings outside of the grantee's county are eligible expenses and cannot exceed per diem rates allowed by the State of Colorado.
 - Non-eligible equipment includes, but are not limited to, the following: building construction or acquisition, vehicles designed primarily for highways such as rescue trucks or four-wheel-drive vehicles, auto accessories, training or equipment for criminal/forensic investigation, and rescuer personal items. Items purchased for outreach or fundraising purposes are also not eligible.



- Recipient counties must provide CPW with an itemized report specifying how funds were spent. This report must include a copy of the original invoices and proof-of-payment documentation (cancelled check, credit card receipt or bank statement).
- CPW reserves the right to initiate detailed monitoring of any recipient county at its sole discretion. All expenditures will be reviewed for eligibility.
- All funds are made payable to the County or County Sheriff. The County is accountable for all funds and is responsible for providing all documentation of expenditures to the CPW Program Manager on or before August 31, 2026.

Next Steps:

- After reviewing this letter, reply to perry.a.boydstun@state.co.us with your agreement to accept funds.
- Once your agreement has been received, a payment will be authorized and sent to your county.

If you have questions, please contact me at (303) 864-7748.

Sincerely,

Perry Boydstun

BSAR Program Manager

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cc: Kim Browning

