


Fee Waiver Staff Report

Date:**To:** Douglas County Board of County Commissioners**Through:** Douglas J. DeBord, County Manager**From:** Terence T. Quinn, AICP, Director of Community Development **CC:** Amy Knopp, Recreation Manager, Rueter-Hess Reservoir
Steven Shoultz, CPRP, Assistant Director of Parks, Trails and Building Grounds**Subject:** **Fee Waiver Request from the Lone Tree Brewing Company in the Amount of \$175 for a September 11th Memorial Stair Climb 2025 at Rueter-Hess Incline Challenge**

Board of County Commissioners Meeting:**September 09, 2025 @ 2:30 p.m.**

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Lone Tree Brewing Company of Parker, Colorado (LTBC) requests a waiver of \$175 for their use fee for Rueter-Hess Incline to host their September 11th Memorial Stair Climb for approximately 20 people on September 11, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This event will honor the lives lost and the bravery of first responders by inviting the community to complete the equivalent of the 110 floors climbed by firefighters at the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. Donations will be collected for the Colorado State Firefighter Foundation (CSFFF). These donations will support firefighters and their families in times of need.

II. APPLICATION INFORMATION

A. Applicant

Lone Tree Brewing Company - Parker
18425 Pony Express Dr Unit 125
Parker, CO 80134

B. Applicant's Representative

Candace Peterson
Lone Tree Brewing Company
18425 Pony Express Dr Unit 125
Parker, CO 80134

C. Request

LTBC requests a fee waiver in the amount of \$175 for their use of Rueter-Hess Incline Challenge to host the September 11th Memorial Stair Climb on September 11, 2025. The waived fees will include the charge for trail usage.

D. Location

The event will take place at Rueter-Hess Incline Challenge at 13930 Ancestry Dr, Parker, CO 80134.

III. CONTEXT

A. Background

LTBC is dedicated to bringing our community together in remembrance of the lives lost on September 11, 2001, and to raise funds for Colorado State Firefighter Foundation (CSFFF). These funds will help support firefighters and their families. LTBC staff would be onsite to provide water, Gatorade, and snacks for all participants.

Participants would be invited to attend an after party at LTBC's Parker location to continue the remembrance, community gathering and fundraising upon completion of the stair climb.

This would be an inaugural event for Lone Tree Brewing Company at Rueter-Hess Incline Challenge. This event has the potential to be held annually.

IV. STAFF ASSESSMENT

The Board of County Commissioners has the sole authority to waive or reduce all park use fees and may choose to waive or reduce the use fee of \$175 for LTBC for their September 11th Memorial Stair Climb event on September 11, 2025, at Rueter-Hess Incline Challenge.

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From: ["wordpress-admin@webolutions.com"](mailto:wordpress-admin@webolutions.com)
To: [Celeste Deal](#)
Subject: New submission from Rueter-Hess Special Use Application
Date: Wednesday, August 13, 2025 3:42:10 PM

Name

Candace Peterson

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Phone

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Organization Name

Lone Tree Brewing Co

Type of Organization

For-profit

Address

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Unit 125
Parker, CO 80134
[Map It](#)

Website

<https://lonetreebrewingco.com>

Event name

9/11 Stair Climb

Event Start Date

09/11/2025

Event End Date

09/11/2025

Event Start time

08:00 am

Event End time

04:00 pm

Event location

Incline

Please tell us about your event. Be as specific as possible.

I am reaching out on behalf of Lone Tree Brewing Company – Parker to request permission to host a 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb at the Reuter Hess Incline.

Our plan is to honor the lives lost and the bravery of first responders on September 11th by inviting the community to complete the equivalent of the 110 floors climbed by firefighters at the World Trade Center. We will be onsite providing water, Gatorade, and snacks for all participants, as well as offering free drink cards to be redeemed later at our brewery.

Following the climb, we will host an after party at our Parker location to continue the remembrance and community gathering. Our intention is to collect donations for the Colorado State Firefighter Foundation (CSFFF), which directly supports firefighters and their families in times of need.

We would be happy to work with your team to ensure we meet all permit, safety, and logistical requirements for hosting the event.

Thank you for your consideration, and for supporting an event that will bring our community together in remembrance and solidarity. I look forward to your guidance on next steps.

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| Expected number of attendees: |
| 0 |
| Access to public: |
| Free access |



Invoice

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| Bill To: Lone Tree Brewing Company | Invoice #: DC-001057 |
| Address: 18425 Pony Express Dr. | Invoice Date: 08/22/2025 |
| Parker, CO 80134 | Invoice Due: 09/11/2025 |
| USA | Online Payment Validation: C92B |
| C/O: | |

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| For: | 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb: |
| Event: | 3178: 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb |

| Thursday, September 11, 2025 | | | | | | |
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| Item Type | Item Description | Quantity | Amount | Total | Discount | Net Amount |
| Location | Rueter Hess Reservoir\Incline Trailhead 09/11/2025 | 1 | \$175.00 | \$175.00 | \$0.00 | \$175.00 |
| Total Amount: | | | | | | \$175.00 |
| Invoice Total: | | | | | | \$175.00 |
| Amount Due: | | | | | | \$175.00 |

Celeste Deal

From: Candace Peterson <candace@lonetreebrewingco.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 21, 2025 5:43 PM
To: Celeste Deal
Cc: Amy Knopp
Subject: Re: 9/11 Stair Climb at Rueter-Hess

Dear Board of County Commissioners,

On behalf of Lone Tree Brewing Company, I am writing to respectfully request a fee waiver for use of the Rueter-Hess Incline to host a **9/11 Memorial Stair Climb**.

This event will honor the lives lost on September 11th while recognizing the continued sacrifices of our nation's firefighters and first responders. We will provide water, Gatorade, and snacks for all participants and hand out free drink cards for use at our brewery following the climb. In addition, we will host an after-party at our Parker location.

Our intention is to collect donations during the event for the **Colorado State Fire Fighters Foundation (CSFFF)**, a nonprofit dedicated to supporting firefighters and their families in times of need. As a firefighter wife, this cause is close to my heart, and we are committed to ensuring that proceeds from the day directly benefit those who serve our community.

We would greatly appreciate your support in waiving any facility use fees for this meaningful event. Your partnership would help maximize the funds raised for CSFFF while allowing us to create a safe, community-centered way to remember and honor the heroism of 9/11.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I would be happy to provide additional details or meet with you to discuss this request further.

Cheers,
Candace Peterson
Assistant Tasting Room Manager
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