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**MEETING DATE:** April 14, 2026

**STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Dan Dertz, Director of Open Space

**DESCRIPTION:** Outside 285 Grant Match in the Amount of \$50,000.00, for the Award of the Great Outdoor Colorado Community Impact Grant.

**SUMMARY:** To support the Douglas County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan Douglas County Open Space and Natural Resources (DCOSNR) seeks approval for the contribution to our partner of \$50,000.00, Outside 285, for their award of the Great Outdoor Colorado (GOCO) Community Impact Grant of \$1,610,825.00. The grant will reroute trails and add wayfinding signs in the Indian Creek area of the Pike National Forest. This work will improve public safety and enhance wildlife habitat. The Douglas County Sheriff's Office and Douglas County Search and Rescue have written letters of support for this project. The BOCC previously approved the contribution of \$100,000.00 on August 13, 2024, in support of this project while the County Open Space and Advisory Committee (COSAC) recommended approval on July 11, 2024. The newly awarded grant retains all the benefits for half of the cost due to additional partners.

The total requested amount for the Outside 285 project is \$50,000.00. Staff have identified budget savings from the trails contract to fund this request.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approval of grant match.

**REVIEW:**

Dan Dertz	Escalated	4/2/2026
Christy Gordon	Approve	4/3/2026
Jeff Garcia	Approve	4/10/2026
Doug DeBord	Approve	4/10/2026

**ATTACHMENTS:**  
O285 Grant Agenda Item