Team Introduction

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Meeting Agenda

• Opening Remarks
• Opportunities for Input
• Project Overview
• Goals of the Feasibility Study
• Characteristics of the Proposed Trail
• Project Considerations
• Segment 2 Design Discussion
• Next Steps and Timeline
• Questions and Comments
• Wrap up & Thank you!
Meeting Guidelines and Opportunities for Input

• Questions and comments taken at the end of the presentation (3 minutes per person)
• Please provide your name and address
• Written comments via comment forms
• Email comments via Project Website (bit.ly//smcdvct)
  • Email Comments to: dvct@sanmiguelcountyco.gov
• Past Master Plans identified needed link between Down Valley and Telluride
• Challenges in this segment question feasibility
• MMOF funding awarded to study feasibility
• Consultant hired to study feasibility
Project Study Committee and Stakeholders

- San Miguel County Open Space Commission
- Town of Sawpit
- SMART
- Telluride Mountain Club
- San Miguel Bike Alliance
- Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT)
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
Project Overview

- 3 Miles
- 5 Segments
Goals of the Feasibility Study

- Recommend a location for the trail
- Identify safety concerns
- Gather and consider public input
- Establish appropriate design features
- Identify potential impacts of the trail
- Estimate expected construction costs

Provide an understanding of the project to decide if funding for construction should be pursued.
Characteristics of the Proposed Trail

- Multi-Modal Options Fund (MMOF)
- Transportation and Recreation
- Accessibility (ADA)

- 8 feet wide (where possible)
- Firm, smooth and stable
- Safety barriers on road to improve safety
Project Considerations

- Locate trail in publicly-owned property (CDOT Right of Way or BLM)
- Maximize separation from road where possible
- Consider impacts to adjacent properties
- Work with property owners adjacent to proposed trail
Proposed Trail Location
Other Trail Locations Considered
Segment 2 Discussion
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- Propose adding guard rail for trail user safety
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- Trail would be co-located with existing driveway
  - Existing driveway is within CDOT ROW
- Would match cross slope of existing driveways at SH145
- Widen and improve driveway – 14’ Concrete
Next Steps and Timeline

1. Complete Feasibility Study (August 2022 – January 2023)
2. Trail Options to be Considered (February 2023)
3. Seek Funding (2023)
4. Final Design (?)
5. Construction (?)
Questions?

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