

Comprehensive Plan Town Hall Forum

Agenda

**Thursday
January 28th
6:00 p.m. via Zoom**

**Topic:
Recreation**

**Introduction & Background
What is a Comprehensive Plan?
World Cafe Round Table**

*You will be broke out into groups for three rounds of questions. Each question will be allowed 15-20 minutes for discussion.

Round 1-Tarn

What is your vision for the future of the Tarn?

Round 2-Open Space/Trails

What focus do you want for trails, recreations open space and natural/undeveloped open space?

Round 3-Trail Heads

There has been discussion around the topic of trail heads by both the Comprehensive Plan Committee and the Trails Committee. Please discuss your views on whether or not there should be trail heads located within Town limits and any thoughts around the subject.

Question 4-Open Group Discussion

What else should be considered as it pertains to recreation? What type of recreation would you like to see in Blue River?

Closing

TARN

What is your vision for the future of the Tarn?

- ❖ **Improve access/parking ****
- ❖ **Additional regulations/increased enforcement****
- ❖ **Focus/preserve natural environment**
- ❖ **Possible small structures or kiosk for rental amenities**
- ❖ **Alternative access**
- ❖ **Amenity continue reserved for residents**
- ❖ **Limit signage and maintain natural mountain character**
- ❖ **Maintain corridor**
- ❖ **Opportunity for boat storage for kayaks/paddleboards for residents. Keep it simple.****
- ❖ **Trail around the Tarn-low key****
- ❖ **Better signage enforcing private access. Resident only****
- ❖ **Boat launch/docking**
- ❖ **Maintain natural elements and leave it as it is**
- ❖ **Eliminate parking**
- ❖ **Concern about traffic on Hwy 9. Possible gate access.**
- ❖ **No picnic tables/gazebos**
- ❖ **Speed limit**
- ❖ **Some against boat storage.**
- ❖ **Some want picnic tables/gazebos**

- ❖ **Structured events for the community-kayak clinics/fishing clinics**
- ❖ **Possibly winter activities: pond hockey; skating**
- ❖ **“Beach area” like Frisco for family friendly area for gathering**
- ❖ **Concern about trash cans**

OPEN SPACE/TRAILS

What focus do you want for trails, recreational open space & natural/undeveloped open space?

- ❖ **Keep informal/low key trails**
- ❖ **Preserve open space; possible town purchase to preserve open space**
- ❖ **Town acquire easements for trails/river and preserve use and connectivity**
- ❖ **Rec path**
- ❖ **Not in favor of dog park or developed open space**
- ❖ **Control access and development; be mindful of preserving what exists now for the future**
- ❖ **Do not invite/create targeted areas of congestion**
- ❖ **Trail maintenance**
- ❖ **Follow the trails plan**
- ❖ **Be mindful of property rights**
- ❖ **Open space by Tarn and with safe passages plan**
- ❖ **Connectivity along the Blue River corridor**
- ❖ **No developed “recreation” center**
- ❖ **Extend Blue River trail**
- ❖ **Concern of development of additional trails & trail heads with over crowding-“Build it and they will come”**
- ❖ **Help locals find existing trails**
- ❖ **Provide information on legal trail access**
- ❖ **Increase of open space & trails with respect to private land**

- ❖ **Keep natural beauty through acquiring open space.**
- ❖ **Promote Town Park more and a Town Park versus neighborhood park.**
- ❖ **Investigate SC/Breck use of land purchased**
- ❖ **Create a “trail map” for the residents.**
- ❖ **Resident permitting**
- ❖ **Reservations for trail heads**
- ❖ **Keep it simple and keep it small**
- ❖ **Amenity for Blue River residents**
- ❖ **Trail management of the existing trails; signage and maintenance**
- ❖ **Focus on what currently exist**
- ❖ **Look at trail use in different areas for different uses of trails; and sustainability.**
- ❖ **Work with USFS**
- ❖ **Preserve open space for conservation (wildlife and plants etc.)**

TRAIL HEADS

There has been discussion around the topic of trail head by both the Comprehensive Plan Committee and the Trails Committee. Please discuss your views on whether or not there should be trail heads located within Town limits and any thoughts around the subject.

- ❖ Parking/overcrowding better education for residents**
- ❖ Improve signage**
- ❖ Police/enforcement of trailheads**
- ❖ Issues with parking**
- ❖ Not in favor of more trailheads**
- ❖ Encourage better management of existing trailheads to mitigate impacts.**
- ❖ Should not create new trailheads**
- ❖ Evaluate areas “created” for improvement and work with property owners for signage and management.**
- ❖ Should be resident only trailheads**
- ❖ Not create formal trailheads**
- ❖ Encourage walk/ride from home or town park**
- ❖ Keep simple**
- ❖ Focus on locals**
- ❖ Identify existing trailheads**
- ❖ Create a local map**
- ❖ Resident permit/pass**
- ❖ Develop management plans with other jurisdictions on areas owned by them**
- ❖ Less is more.**

❖ Better utilization of what already exist. Build off of existing connectivity.

What else should be considered as it pertains to recreation? What type of recreation would you like to see in Blue River?

- ❖ Stronger focus on natural resources and environment. Limit development on the natural environment.**
- ❖ Continue work on rec path.**
- ❖ Include environmental safe guards in mind with “development.”**