

THE CITY OF RIFLE
COMMUNITY VISION PROCESS
FOR THE RIFLE ISLAND

PRESS RELEASE

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The City of Rifle launches Island Visioning Project
Community input survey available June 6 – July 6, 2022

Rifle, CO – June 13, 2022 – The initial phase of the Rifle Island Project, "Island Visioning," begins in June. This summer's focus is creating a vision for future use based on community input and collaboration. The project team consisting of City staff and outreach consultants will collect insight from diverse groups to help inform island use and preferred access, and the next steps in the planning process.

"The project team will talk to the public this summer at various events and with a community survey asking about short-term options," said City of Rifle Manager Tommy Klein. "Presenting the challenges and limitations around Island use will be the necessary first step to arriving at the community's final vision."

This project began when the Rifle City Council specified the island vision and use as one the board's top 2022 goals. Potential funding partners have indicated they would like to see demonstrated public support and participation for the project through diverse and inclusive community outreach.

A project team will work to identify community preferences for the best path forward as well as opportunities, constraints and preferred uses. An advisory group made of Rifle community members, adjacent landowners, and potential project partners met for the first time in May and plans to meet again later this summer.

Join Rifle in determining the right design direction for the Island; community input is at the center of shaping the vision. A survey exploring name ideas and preferred long- and short-term uses, available June 6- July 6, is the first opportunity for public input.

Outreach Calendar and Opportunities

- **Survey on Uses and Preferences (June-July)**
- **Community-Wide Pop-ups (June-July)**
- **City Council Presentation (August)**

More project information: rifleco.org

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