



## Land Use Recommendation Form

The purpose of the Land Use Recommendation (LUR) Form is to provide an OSC Land Use Recommendation. to the Board of County Commissioners. This LUR consists of a **1) Fact Sheet**, **2) Key Features**, documentation of a **3) Suitability Analysis**, that hopefully took place at a standard OSC Suitability Hearing and the actual **4) LUR**, which recommends a Purpose, Impact Level and a Use Type(s). Every County Open Space designated parcel shall have an approved Land Use Recommendation.

1) OSC Statement of Intent FACT SHEET									
Proposed Open Space Land Name		Taylor Kennedy Parcels 122 Mining Claims (See attached list.)							
Official Parcel Name(s)		See attached list.			Parcel(s) #		See attached list.		
Property Address or Coordinates		North and west of Silver Plume between the National Forest and the Jack Pine Claims purchased by Plume in 2022							
Acres	350	Purchase Date		Purchase Price		RPP?	Y	N	X
Title Restrictions	Low impact recreation		Reso #		Reso Date				
Acquisition Means: (Mark one)	Purchase		Gift or donation		Via designation				
	Trade		Retained Life Estate		Cons. Easement				
	x Other: CCC Donation towards purchase by Silver Plume								
Land Type: (check all that apply)	High Alpine		Other Back Country		x		Front Country		
	Other:								
Primary OS Plan Goal(s) Addressed		Protect Big Horn Sheep habitat, watershed, viewshed from I70, watershed, and preserves remnants of the Town's mining history							
2) Key Features to Protect									
Name		Description							
7:30 Mine Trail		Crosses these claims and ends up at the Griffin Monument.							
Dives Pelican Mining Claim		Mining claim whose establishment triggered the passage of the 1874 Mining Law.							
Cherokee Gulch, Snowdrift Gulch, and Head of Brown Gulch		Steep terrain, channel water to Clear Creek and disturbance in these areas will impact Clear Creek water quality.							



Numerous historical remnants of mining	Has examples of mining from different eras.
Stable mine dumps	If disturbed, will impact water quality in Clear Creek.
If the land is already developed, please describe current status:	Not really developed; some historic mining structures which after a 100+ years are now part of the natural terrain are present.

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### 3) Suitability Analysis

<p>Does this land preserve natural, scenic, cultural or historic values?</p>	<p>Yes, these claims are within the National Historic Landmark District boundaries and are within the Silver Plume Mountain Park. Much of it is visible from I70. Protection of these claims protects the natural and scenic mountain vistas that overlook the Town of Silver Plume, preserves the mining heritage, and protects habitat that is used by the Georgetown Big Horn Sheep herd.</p>
<p>How and to what degree will the land enhance the quality of life for Clear Creek County residents and visitors?</p>	<p>The land preservation will protect hiking trails, scenic vistas, and historical features that all enhance the quality of life for CCC residents, visitors, and tourists. These claims are adjacent to the 7:30 Mine Trail which is part of the County trail system. .</p>
<p>Will the land preserve a vista from major travel corridors?</p>	<p>Yes, the claims are on the mountainside which is visible to those travelling on I70 and the Loop Railroad.</p>
<p>Does this land connect to other open space, parks, trails or other public property?</p>	<p>These claims adjoin National Forest to the north and the Silver Plume Mountain Park to the south and east.</p>
<p>Does the land have historical significance or contain historic or cultural resources?</p>	<p>These claims along with those below acquired as part of the Jack Pine purchase provide a living history of the mining heritage of Silver Plume and Clear Creek County.</p>
<p>Will acquisition of this land protect wetlands or other biologically sensitive areas?</p>	<p>Yes, the mountain side is key Big Horn Sheep habitat. Protecting it from development also keeps the tailings piles from being disturbed resulting in contamination of Clear Creek.</p>
<p>Will the characteristics of the property serve its intended function?</p>	<p>The steepness and rockiness of many of the claims as well as the gullies will protect the historical elements and preserve critical wildlife habitat.</p>
<p>Should preservation of this property be a priority due to an imminent purchase or development?</p>	<p>The Family that owns the claim, as they are getting older, is trying to manage their assets to facilitate transfer to the next generation. This is something they are trying to do within the year. They initially listed the claims for</p>



	sale identifying the potential for mineral development. Having been contacted by the Town, they are interested in working with the Town to protect the claims.
Does the land have special value for wildlife preservation or will it act as a bridge or corridor for the passage of wildlife?	This portion of the mountain provides key Big Horn Sheep habitat as well as other species.
Will the land serve as a buffer between land uses?	Yes, these parcels adjoin National Forest to the north and Silver Plume Mountain Park to the south. Acquisition will ensure that the majority of the mountainside is in public ownership and will not be developed.
Will the property preserve unusual terrain and geological features?	The various gulches are representative of the rocky terrain found along Clear Creek.
Will the property maintain the agricultural, ranching or mining heritage of the community?	Protection of these claims will protect some key elements of the County's mining history.

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## The LUR

The Land Use Recommendation is based on a three-step process.

**Step 1: Identify Primary Purpose:** Based on the Suitability Analysis responses, and other criteria like proximity to communities, availability of parking, access to the Creek, connectivity to trails, terrain, a recommendation should be made as to the Primary Purposes.

- According to R12-30 Open Space lands are to be managed for open space and public purposes and in order to protect the quality of experiences on Open Space Lands, R 12-30 established a set of definitions and rules to apply to all Open Space designated county lands where other rules have not need adopted.

Primary Purpose: Primary purposes include:

- 1) Recreation: Land that will be visited regularly by people, will need services like trash and may have restrooms, picnic tables, parking and signage including interpretive content, and that can be used by a wide variety of people with different skill levels.
- 2) Conservation/Preservation: Land that is acquired to protect a specific ecologic feature like High Alpine Basin, a viewshed or wetlands or to create a more contiguous parcel of existing conservation land.
- 3) Heritage/Habitat: a piece acquired primarily for habitat or to preserve historic elements present on the land

### Insert Primary Purposes Description here: 3

Heritage/Habitat –Land that is acquired primarily for habitat or to preserve historic elements present on the land.

The goal of acquiring these parcels is to protect Big Horn Sheep habitat as well as the historic mining history present on the mountain basin and is contained within the National Historic Landmark District boundaries. This also protects a key viewshed from I70 and the Loop Railroad. It has some low impact recreation use.

**Step 2: Identify Recommended Impact Category:** Recommend an Impact Level. Impact level categories include:

- 1) Impact Level 1 - No Impact: No improvements
- 2) Impact Level 2 - Minimal Impact: No improvements, no facilities and minor maintenance
- 3) Impact Level 3 - Controlled Impact: Improvements and maintenance, with minor facilities



4) Impact Level 4 - Active Impact: Improvements, maintenance, and facilities

Step 2 Considerations: Considerations for this step include the Primary purpose, the resiliency of the land prior to development, the elements in need of protection etc. Apply the following Criteria for Impact levels:

- Recreation purpose lands generally have Level 4 Impact Levels assigned.
  - Criteria for assigning Level 3 are if conservation or habitat/heritage are also a purpose for the acquisition and the property is not expected to get much use, i.e. it is in a remote area.
  - Under developed recreation areas, invite mis-use and unsafe conditions.
- Conservation or Habitat/Heritage purpose lands are generally 1 or 2 Impact/Development Levels.
  - Level 3 might apply if there is a desire to invite people to visit in a manner that limits the impact and provide interpretive content.

**Insert Recommended Impact Category Description here:**

Impact Level 2 - Minimal Impact: No improvements, no facilities and minor maintenance.

Most of the land is too steep to develop. There is some potential for developing additional hiking trails and the potential for amenities such as signage, interpretation, sitting places, etc.

**Step 3: At least For Recreation Lands, identify use type:** Recreation Types include

- 1) Multi Use: a broad group of users, 4 or more
- 2) Exclusive Use: only one user type is welcome
- 3) Limited Use: 2-3 users only are allowed in this space.

Step 3 Considerations:

- Connectivity - Does or could the space play a role in addressing a missing piece in a certain user type or connectivity? For example, does a trail head for hiking fall at a location with Creek access that, if designed differently, could help an unrelated user group?
- Ecology – What are the physical impacts or use type? For example, is the soil fragile making mountain biking a undue risk to the integrity of the soil or is it similar to other mountain biking locations? Is it a wetland? Etc.



- Habitat? What wildlife rely on the area? For example, should only silent sport (i.e. skiing or walking) user types be welcome?
- Proximity to Communities – Will this spot be in high demand? What sort of pressure i.e., amount of usage, do we anticipate?
- Public Opinion - what did the public engagement process indicate?

**Insert Recommended Use Type and Details on specific types here:**

Multi Use- a broad group of users, 4 or less, with the caveat that the terrain and presence of Big Horn Sheep would suggest a minimal increase if any in the number of new trails.

Habitat – What wildlife rely on the area? The area is key habitat for Big Horn Sheep. As such, it may dictate seasonal trail closures and affect the location of any new trails.

Connectivity - - Does or could the space play a role in addressing a missing piece in a certain user type or connectivity? – These parcels lie between the National Forest and the Silver Plume owned claims west and north of the Town. Protection of these will ensure the habitat and the historic elements are not developed.

Public Opinion – What did the public engagement process indicate? In raising funds for the previous purchase, the Town of Silver Plume engaged their citizens and others in the larger community to raise funds for the purchase. As this ensures further protection of the similar and adjacent resources, it is anticipated that the citizens will support this effort too. The Town has decided to pursue the purchase which also reflects support from their citizens.

**Insert Narrative Statement of Intent, map or photos here**

As outlined in the Suitability Analysis, these claims significantly meet the majority of the criteria identified for Open Space acquisitions. Acquisition of these claims by the Town of Silver Plume will protect a significant portion of the mountainside to the north of I70 which lies within the National Historic Landmark District. This acquisition will ensure that the Big Horn Sheep habitat is protected as well as the water quality of Clear Creek. As these parcels are adjacent to the Town, it makes sense for the Town to purchase them. Contributing Open Space Funds towards the purchase is supported by the Open Space Mission and builds upon the previous contribution to the Town to purchase the Jack Pine Mining Claims that are below.

The list of claims is attached as well as maps and Google aeriels. Once this document is complete, the OSC determines whether to recommend to the BOCC that a specific contribution amount towards this purchase. It then goes to the BOCC for approval. Once approved, Staff will use this inform the Town of Silver Plume of the County’s willingness to provide funding for the acquisition.



## Exhibit A

R007864 MINE: ABNER G - 9731 3.527 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007866 MINE: ADDIE M - 9731 3.527 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008169 MINE: AFGHAN - 5352 4.98 ACRESGRI & QS 14-4-75  
R008216 MINE: ALBION - 5234 3.083 ACRESGRI QS 14-4-75  
R007878 MINE: ALPS - 893 3.98 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008230 MINE: AMEER - 2233 2 ACRESGRI & QS 14-4-75  
R007894 MINE: ANDES - 7281 2.093 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007875 MINE: ANNA J - 866A 4.62 ACRESGRI 13-4-74  
R008022 MINE: BELL WEATHER - 250 0.2 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 521/164  
R010393 MINE: BERNICE - 905 3.6 ACRESGRI 18-4-74 ASHBY TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS  
R007877 MINE: BERTHA - 1696 1.335 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007899 MINE: BISMARCK - 1383 3.59 ACRESGRI 14-4-75  
R007935 MINE: BOHEMIA - 2297 2.33 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R007912 MINE: BOOM - 9538 1.217 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007821 MINE: BRAND HALL - 1824 5.16 ACRESGRI QS 11-4-75  
R007839 MINE: BRUNSWICK - 1401 .0875% 4.82 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 UND 7/8 INT  
R008165 MINE: BUCKSKIN GRIFFIN - 1819 5.16 ACRESGRI 14-4-75  
R008228 MINE: BURR - 946 .5% 4.25 ACRESQS 14-4-75  
R007870 MINE: C S D - 9731 3.53 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008264 MINE: CABUL - 2284 1.56 ACRESGRI QS 14-4-75  
R007906 MINE: CANDAHAR - 2238 1% 4.42 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R007824 MINE: CANNED FRUIT - 1825 4.96 ACRESGRI 11-4-75  
R008166 MINE: CATARACT - 1432 5.15 ACRESGRI QS 14-4-75  
R007863 MINE: CHARLIE O - 9731 3.527 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007916 MINE: CLIFFORD - 1217 2.55 ACRESGRI & QS 13-4-75  
R007868 MINE: COLONEL BARRY - 9731 3.527 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007867 MINE: COLONEL PHIPPS - 9731 3.527 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007882 MINE: CONCORD - 2214 4.16 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007896 MINE: CONFIDENCE - 1898 2.78 ACRESGRI & QS 13-4-75  
R007859 MINE: CONQUEROR - 1433 .666% 3.56 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 W1200FT  
R008186 MINE: CORA B - 1337 2.92 ACRESGRI & QS 14-4-75  
R007876 MINE: CORY CITY - 344 0.8 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007994 MINE: CYMRI - 5234 1.54 ACRESGRI & QS 13-4-75  
R008017 MINE: DIAMOND TUNNEL NO 8 - 1019 3.15 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008008 MINE: DIAMOND TUNNEL NO 9 - 982 1.783 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008014 MINE: DIVES - 98 0.8 ACRESGRI 13-4-75



R008175 MINE: DOLLY VARDEN - 1196 3.36 ACRESQS 14-4-75  
R008030 MINE: DUNKIRK - 200 0.81 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008005 MINE: EAGLE BIRD - 63 1.45 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008258 MINE: EDWENA - 2290 2.33 ACRESGRI & QS 14-4-75  
R007909 MINE: EL MAHDI - 2186 3.16 ACRESGRI & QS 13-4-75  
R007933 MINE: EMERSON - 5186 2.5 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007893 MINE: EMMA - 9987 2.765 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R010389 MINE: ENGLEWOOD - 2266A 5.14 ACRESGRI 18-4-74  
R007883 MINE: EUGENE M - 9731 3.527 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007822 MINE: EXPOSITION - 1845 5.16 ACRESGRI & QS 11-4-75  
R007945 MINE: FITZPATRICK - 6281 0.372 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R007884 MINE: FLACK - 9731 3.52 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007926 MINE: GIBRALTAR - 5186 2.817 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007889 MINE: HARDSCRABBLE - 9987 1% 2.77 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008181 MINE: HERAT - 2191 1% 3.3 ACRESGRI QS 14-4-75  
R007917 MINE: HERCULES - 112 1% 3.44 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R008026 MINE: HOC AGE - 836A 3.6 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 ASHBY TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS  
R007879 MINE: ILLINOIS - 892 4.52 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007907 MINE: INDEPENDENCE - 1671 2.74 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R007928 MINE: ISINGLASS - 878 4.24 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007999 MINE: J Q A NADENBOUSCH - 780 1.98 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 W 575FT  
R008025 MINE: JAMES A GAGE - 201 1.95 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 ASHBY TUNNELL CUTTING  
ACROSS  
R007910 MINE: JENNIE - 1017 3.82 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007886 MINE: JEROME - 9159 2.543 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008184 MINE: JOHN E MCCLUNG - 135 3.32 ACRESQS 14-4-75  
R008218 MINE: JOHN J ROE - 154 0.8 ACRESQS 13-4-75  
R007918 MINE: JOHN J ROE - 212 0.8 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R007920 MINE: JOHN M WILSON - 1206 3.22 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R008002 MINE: KATAHDIN - 862 3.95 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 CLM KA PAY ROCK GROUP KATHADIN  
#862 GRI ASHBY TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS  
R007925 MINE: KIRKLINTON - 976 3.89 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007921 MINE: KOMOROFF - 2187 2.9 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R007869 MINE: L A D - 9731 3.527 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007823 MINE: LADY GUNNING - 1848 5.16 ACRESGRI QS 11-4-75  
R007895 MINE: LADY MAUD - 2275 4.14 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R008016 MINE: LANCASTER - 431 0.72 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007885 MINE: LANTZ - 9731 3.527 ACRESGRI 13-4-75



R008167 MINE: LITTLE JO - 1937 4.79 ACRESQS 14-4-75 521/164  
R008168 MINE: LITTLE NORA - 1938 4 ACRESGRI QS 14-4-75  
R007892 MINE: LONDON - 9987 2.765 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008226 MINE: MAGGIE - 1012 2.84 ACRESQS 14-4-75  
R007871 MINE: MAJOR KUMMER - 9731 3.527 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007923 MINE: MARION - 1722 .25% 4.67 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007862 MINE: MCCOMAS - 9731 3.52 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007902 MINE: MCLIN - 1384 3.5 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007934 MINE: MERV - 2298 2.13 ACRESQS & GRI 13-4-75  
R007890 MINE: MINNIE - 9987 2.76 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007939 MINE: MONTEZUMA - 916 2.1 ACRESGRIF 13-4-75 PT OF  
R008219 MINE: MONTREAL - 746 1.2 ACRESQS 14-4-75 E 350' SRO  
R007874 MINE: MOORE - 1109 2 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007887 MINE: NEW YORK - 9987 2.765 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007888 MINE: ONTARIO - 9987 2.765 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007898 MINE: PARIS - 9987 2.765 ACRESGRI 31-4-75  
R008009 MINE: PAY ROCK - 398 1.51 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 ASHBY TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS  
R008051 MINE: PELICAN - 134 0.89 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007929 MINE: PELL WALL - 1357 3 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R007881 MINE: PENOBSCOT - 19001 0.413 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 CLM KA PAY ROCK GROUP  
ASHBY TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS  
R008028 MINE: PERALTO - 625 2.59 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007908 MINE: PIO NINO - 772 5.03 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008170 MINE: QUETTA - 5352 4.984 ACRESQS 14-4-75  
R008207 MINE: ROLLAND - 1115 2.55 ACRESQS 14-4-75 W2  
R008180 MINE: SALISBURY - 2196 3.56 ACRESGRI QS 14-4-75  
R007880 MINE: SANTRY - 1055 1.12 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 CLM KA PAY ROCK GROUP 521/164  
ASHBY TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS  
R008050 MINE: SELKIRK - 868A 2.69 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 E 1100FT  
R007919 MINE: SEVEN THIRTY - 136 0.66 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R007855 MINE: SIDNEY MEYERS - 650 4.07 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 CLM KA PAYROCK GROUP  
ASHBY TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS  
R008164 MINE: SILVER CALF - 1820 5.08 ACRESGRI QS 14-4-75  
R007872 MINE: SILVER LINK - 1890 4.581 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008053 MINE: SILVER PLUME - 102 1.6 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 CLM KA PAY ROCK GROUP I  
521/164 ASHBY TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS  
R008003 MINE: SILVER POINT - 397 1.51 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 CLM KA PAY ROCK GROUP ASHBY  
TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS



R007924 MINE: SILVER QUEEN - 2291 3.44 ACRESGRI QS 13-4-75  
R010391 MINE: SILVER STAR - 121 1.6 ACRESGRI 18-4-74 CLM KA PAY ROCK GROUP 521/164  
ASHBY TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS  
R007911 MINE: ST JO - 184 1.71 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007897 MINE: STELLA - 1665 4.86 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008052 MINE: UNICORN - 208 1.82 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007927 MINE: WAVERLY - 7281 2.093 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008035 MINE: WEST E K BAXTER SULPHURET - 1363 .75% 1.74 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008233 MINE: WEST HERCULES - 140 3.09 ACRESQS 14-4-75  
R008217 MINE: WEST RIP VAN WINKLE - 1117 2.59 ACRESQS 14-4-75 E 220FT SRI  
R007914 MINE: WESTERN UNION - 7281 2.093 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007930 MINE: WILLIHAN - 1024 2.35 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007900 MINE: WINONA - 2274 2.38 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007913 MINE: WISCONSIN - 919 1.83 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R007915 MINE: WRECKIN - 1351 4.2 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008018 MINE: ZILLAH - 117 3.25 ACRESGRI 13-4-75  
R008006 MINE: ZOUAVE - 1056 0.127 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 CLM KA PAY ROCK GROUP ASHBY  
TUNNELL CUTTING ACROSS  
R008040 Subdivision: SILVER PLUME MINE: HOC AGE MS - 836B 2.03 ACRESGRI 13-4-75 & IMP