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Hailey Participates in Regional Planning Projects

(Hailey, Idaho) The City of Hailey will participate in regional planning projects during the month of September. They include:

Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Travel Plan.

Most of the public lands around the City of Hailey are managed by the BLM. The trails west of town were the result of a partnership between Blaine County and the BLM. The BLM estimated 2,000 annual users: the most recent counts show 20,000! The BLM Travel Plan will result in new trails around the City of Hailey. I believe this trail system is a key component of our quality of life, and I support thoughtful input into the type and location of trails. Please come to the City Council meeting on September 25th, 2017 at 5:30 pm, or send comments directly to the BLM at: blm_id_wrvtmp@blm.gov.

Hailey River Reach: Angela Drive to Colorado Gulch Bridge.

The City is working with a variety of project partners to plan for long-term health of the Big Wood River. A recent report from fluvial morphologist Ryan Colyer notes that, "Excessive sediment supply due to upstream erosion and channelization combined with insufficient sediment transport capacity through the Greenway [Hailey] reach caused sediment deposition and premature flooding through the Della View neighborhood in Hailey." We are working with the county, the Flood Control District, state and federal partners to develop long-term solutions that promote river health. Ryan Colyer will be in Hailey on October 10 and 11 to present his latest findings, and to outline short-and long-term project concepts. Stay tuned for meeting time and location.