

Dedicated to stewardship of, access to, and support for year round recreation in Hyalite Canyon.

Annual Report

April 1, 2022- March 31, 2023















Letter from the President of the Board May 16 2023

Dear Friends,

Hyalite experienced one of the longest winters in recent memory this year. The snow started falling in late October and it kept coming through April. In spite of being plowed regularly, the road up Hyalite Canyon became increasingly difficult to drive and when we were hit with a massive snowstorm the at the beginning of the last week in March it simply wasn't worth plowing it one more time to get a few more days of access. Friends of Hyalite is grateful for the Gallatin County Road Crews who worked hard all winter to keep the road open.

The amount of snow Hyalite received this year was enough that we had to postpone the annual Spring Cleanup again this year. Even though the road is open again now, the upper reaches of the canyon are still loaded with snow in mid-May. Perhaps Nature is giving us a lesson in being patient and appreciating the short summer season when it finally comes.

Friends of Hyalite has expanded its role in stewardship of the canyon in the last several years. In addition to the annual Fall and Spring Cleanup events we offer Stewardship Evening events in the summer which provide additional opportunities for volunteers to help out and give back to this wonderful resource in our back yard.

Education is one of the most important roles that Friends of Hyalite provides to the community. We now provide weekly road conditions updates during the winter so that the community is informed about what it's going to be like if they want to head up Hyalite Canyon to recreate. We post on social media any time there is something noteworthy going on in Hyalite. We sell maps showing trails and other resources. We have paid for trailhead signs and one of our projects this year is providing directional trail signs in the Blackmore/History Rock trail complex.

Friends of Hyalite relies on donations from the community to fund our operations and we are most grateful for the generosity of so many people who contribute to support Hyalite Canyon.

Thank you,

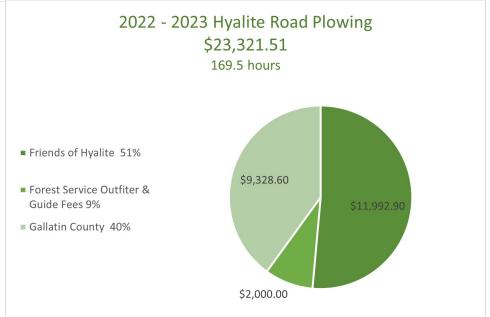
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Peter Bennett and the Board of Directors



Volunteers doing stewardship work





In addition to road plowing Friends of Hyalite paid for the Hyalite Steward position and trail etiquette signs

Friends of Hyalite volunteers contributed 419 hours of stewardship to Hyalite in 2022



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Grotto Falls (up to \$25)

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