

Expand Bobcat Springs FAQ

What happens if the full \$8,000 is not raised?

The pond project will be scaled back to a size consistent with the donations. Even if only \$1,000 is raised that is still about 2 days of operator hours and quite a bit can be accomplished in that time. The project is designed to be completed in phases depending on the donations received. In no way will this become an unfinished “mud pit” – the project will be carefully planned around the donations that are received.

What happens to my donations if the pond project is canceled or voted down?

Donations will simply be credited to your water bill or refunded.

Will this impact my water bill or HOA fee?

No. The project is funded strictly by donations.

Why is this expansion being planned?

The goal is to add value and benefit to the community.

How will the finished pond be landscaped?

All disturbed earth will be finish graded and properly re-vegetated, to include planting of aspens in key areas. Some large rocks existing on the site will probably be incorporated into the landscaping and no mature trees will be harmed. The primary goal is for this to look nice.

When will construction begin and what is the timeline?

This will depend in large part on the amount of donations received. The initial phase could happen as soon as this fall. We will try to keep everyone updated here on the website.

Will non-owners be drawn to the area?

The pond will still be a very small pond by fisherman’s standards and it is a long drive up the canyon. Some people may abuse the privilege but then again they may decide to become future owners on the ranch. Any unauthorized use should be reported to the sheriff in the same way that it would be now.

What about on-going future expenses?

The pond should not require any on-going expenses in the same way that the current pond does not have any expenses or problems with flooding. The cost to stock the pond with trout will continue to be a donation based system which has worked out surprisingly well so far.

What about the Liability if someone falls in and drowns or is hurt in any way?

Since we already have a pond the liability already exists. There are many far more hazardous ways to recreate in Tollgate canyon.

What about Parking? Are we going to find many vehicles, etc. scattered all around there?

The parking situation and enforcement will be the same as it is now. It is important to remember that we are not building a reservoir here, but instead marginally increasing the size of the current pond. I would say that the current pond can support a max of about two large families using it at once. The proposed pond might increase that to 3 or 4.

It isn't that I am against it... it's just that I know absolutely NOTHING about it.

Very good point and we apologize for that. That’s why we are going to take your questions, add a few from others and answer them here with this FAQ.

