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## **New Arapahoe County Open Space Board to meet with Board of County Commissioners Tuesday evening**

Arapahoe County's new Open Space Trails and Advisory Board will meet for the first time Tuesday in a joint session with the Board of County Commissioners.

The meeting, which is open to the public, will be held 6 – 8 p.m. at the County's Development Services and Infrastructure Management Office, 10730 E. Briarwood Ave., Suite 100, Centennial. The new Board will meet with County Commissioners to discuss goals and objectives as it gears up to help oversee the County's new Open Space program.

Last November, Arapahoe County voters approved a .25 percent sales tax for the preservation of open space in the county, which included the creation of a citizen advisory board. The seven-member advisory board will be responsible for reviewing proposed projects, making recommendations regarding the distribution of revenue collected from the sales tax and to the municipalities in the County, as well as performing other duties as permitted under the resolution approved by voters.

The Open Space and Trails Advisory Board is made up of citizens representing each Commissioner district and two candidates that serve at-large. Citizens serving on the Open Space Trails and Advisory Board include:

- Andrew Cole, District 1, *term expires Feb. 13, 2007*
- Thomas Cosgrove, District 2, *term expires Feb. 13, 2007*
- Gary Pratt, District 3, *term expires Feb. 13, 2007*
- Mike Rosser, District 4, *term expires Feb. 13, 2007*
- Ellen Belef, District 5, *term expires Feb. 14, 2006*
- Bob Legare, At large, *term expires Feb. 14, 2006*
- Barbara Sheffield, At large, *term expires Feb. 14, 2006*

On Tuesday, the Board will set its meeting schedule and discuss adoption of bylaws, election of officers, financing, and goals and objectives. For more information about Arapahoe County's Open Space program, visit our web site at [www.co.arapahoe.co.us](http://www.co.arapahoe.co.us) and click under What's New.

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