



PIKES PEAK SUMMIT COMPLEX

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Pikes Peak Summit Complex Team Seeks Aspirational Goal, Applies for Living Building Challenge™ Certification

Hear Latest Design/Construction Plans at Oct. 18 Public Meeting.
Come hear how the Pikes Peak Summit Complex project team is aiming high with the environmental sustainability aspects of the new summit visitor center. The team is exploring pursuing Living Building Challenge™ (LBC) certification through the International Living Building Institute, the world's most rigorous and progressive environmentally green performance standard.

Date: Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2016

Time: 6 - 8 p.m.

Presentation: 6:30 p.m.

**Location: City Auditorium, 221 E Kiowa St,
Colorado Springs, CO 80903**

"Less than a dozen buildings in the world have gone through the process and achieved full certification; the challenge is significant," said Stella Hodgkins, GE Johnson Construction's sustainability specialist. "No certified Living Buildings currently exist in the same 14,000' climate zone as Pikes Peak, so this is an opportunity to showcase the unique approaches required to construct a building that works harmoniously with the natural environment with minimal impact to its' surroundings," she said.

"The new summit facilities are anticipated to exceed the U.S. Forest Service requirement of Silver level certification through the U.S. Green

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Presentation and Open House**



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Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program. LBC certification is a high goal for the most aspirational projects from an environmental sustainability standpoint, but we believe the challenge is worth the effort for 'America's Mountain,' a project of national and international significance," said Hodgkins.

In addition to the environmental and sustainability aspects of the project, at the public meeting/presentation, the design team of RTA and GWWO, Inc./Architects will unveil the latest details of the exterior and interior designs for the new Summit House visitor center. Representatives from construction contractor GE Johnson will describe the unique challenges of building a 38,000 square foot visitor center on top of a 14,000' mountain. Public Meeting information and displays will include:

- Summit House, Cog, Parking, Access and Landscaping Designs
- Interpretive and Educational Exhibit Concepts
- Aramark/Concessionaire (retail/food) Offerings
- Construction/Logistic Challenges
- Project Cost/Schedule and Fundraising
- Environmental and Sustainability Concepts (power generation, water requirements, and solar/thermal, photovoltaic renewable energy concepts)
- Status of the U.S. Forest Service Environmental Assessment
- Living Building Challenge application and US Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification

Brian Calhoun/RTA Architects Talks about the Summit Project



[What's On Top of Pikes Peak \(2:21\)](#)

through simulation video.

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Design Timeline

Phase 1 - Programming and Development of Design Concepts - Fall 2015

Phase 2 - Concept Review and Selection - January 2016

Phase 3 - Plan Development and Construction Documents - Early 2017

Phase 4 - Solicitation of Construction Management/General Contractor - Late Fall 2015 (GE Johnson selected)

Phase 5 - Off-site Fabrication - Early 2017 / On-site Construction Start - Mid-2017

Did You Know?

Pikes Peak is a National Historic Landmark (NHL). They are nationally significant historic places designated by the Secretary of the Interior because they possess exceptional value or quality in illustrating or interpreting the heritage of the United States. Pikes Peak was designated a NHL on July 4, 1961. See the entire list of Colorado National Historic Landmarks at

<https://www.nps.gov/nhl/find/statelists/co/CO.pdf>


Environmental Assessment Status

Help Build a New Summit House



Pikes Peak - America's Mountain is a new full-color mini coffee table book just released for \$12.99 plus tax. Available at Pikes Peak Summit House, Glen Cove and Crystal Reservoir gift shops, or by calling the Aramark local office at 719-473-0208 to order. Proceeds go to building a new Summit House. Be among the first to proudly display this tribute to America's Mountain in your home or give as a gift to family and friends.

The City of Colorado Springs, Pikes Peak - America's Mountain (PPAM), in partnership with Colorado Springs Utilities (CSU) and U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine (U.S. Army), selected a preferred design for the new Pikes Peak Summit Complex located in the Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado. The U.S. Forest Service (Forest Service), Pikes Peak Ranger District, carrying forward the preferred design in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) to consider and disclose the environmental effects of redesigning and constructing the Pikes Peak Summit Complex. The Forest Service anticipates the release of the EA and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) in late 2016.

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