

# 20 YEARS AGO today

BY ALYSSA MOORE

## CBMR presents plan for super half-pipe to Forest Service (abridged)

BY KRISTEN VAN HOESEN

The U.S. Forest Service has requested public input on a proposal by Crested Butte Mountain Resort (CBMR) to clear approximately 1.25 acres of national forest to accommodate the proposed Forest Queen Super Half-Pipe. The super half-pipe is planned to replace and improve upon the existing half-pipe on the Bushwacker ski run and could be open to riders as soon as Christmas.

Due to grade and terrain requirements, the Forest Queen run—a popular intermediate cruiser — was chosen as the most practical place for the new super-pipe. The inclusion of such a large-scale endeavor on the popular run was initially of concern to Forest Service officials on the grounds that it would reduce the already minimal intermediate terrain on the mountain. However, in response to the concern, CBMR reworked the half-pipe proposal in a plan that incorporates widening the Forest Queen run by 55 feet, the width of the pipe effectively preserving skier terrain.

According to Ethan Mueller, CBMR director of operations, the addition of the super half-pipe will add to the appeal of Crested Butte Mountain, as it will create an adequate half-pipe for riders. The superpipe is now the standard at competitive ski areas. “This is where the industry is,” says Mueller. “In wanting the mountain to compete on the level it should with major resorts, we need to provide the whole experience for everybody. We’ve got extremes, got

groomers, and one part of the puzzle is the super pipe ... it’s an important aspect of the ski area.” The proposed super half-pipe will be 500 feet long, 55 feet wide and about 18 feet high, compared to the existing pipe, which is from eight to 10 feet high. “It is an important part of the puzzle for Crested Butte and ultimately the valley, with the success of the ski resort,” says Mueller.

## Two Plank’s Unwritten History premieres (abridged)

BY BEN SOMRAK

Every morning when our crew would head into the remote parts of our backcountry, we never knew what was going to happen next. That’s the *Unwritten History*. We did know that we were going to try our best to write the history books of filmmaking about a young group of friends, tailor-making a legacy for themselves in the action sports video world.

Last year we released our third feature, *Elevation*, and we were still not satisfied where we were. Sure, Corey, being only 17, and myself, being 19, had accomplished so much by that point, but we both knew that we had a way to go to reach our full potential. The cool thing is that we always will, because there is so much to be learned, and every year keeps getting so much better than the last year, it’s ridiculous.

Consider this our first step out into the mainstream realm of action sports videos. After an intense year of traveling, filming and constant phone calls, the fourth feature film from Two Plank



**The Standard Mine, pictured here, may be the subject of a federally backed Superfund cleanup.** PHOTO BY STEVE GLAZER

Productions, *Unwritten History*, is now a reality. And everyone will be surprised at what they see.

A couple hundred hours in the studio, a few hundred hours on the phone and too much time on the road and filming are to thank in part for this production. *Unwritten History* was filmed all over the western part of the United States and some locations in Canada. Linking up with some of today’s best pro skiers, we documented amazing shots and terrain as our athletes dominated all. Once again, Crested Butte became our choice stomping grounds. I simply cannot believe the amount of amazing terrain we have here in the Butte, and how lucky we are to have it as our biggest filming resource. *Unwritten History* dares to ask the question, “What if the new skiing movement never happened? What if it still hasn’t?”

## Former mine site may get a federal cleanup (abridged)

BY KRISTEN VAN HOESEN

After months of soliciting funds and raising awareness, the Coal Creek Watershed Coalition is now working with the Environmental Protection Agency to further examine heavy metal contamination in the Coal Creek Watershed. The water supply serving Crested Butte has higher levels of heavy metal, which may be attributable to contamination of a mine site eight miles out of town.

Heavy metal in town drinking water remains within safe drinking standards set by the Safe Drinking Water Act. However, increased levels of arsenic, barium, lead, zinc, cadmium, copper and chromium appeared in sediments and surface water samples in Coal Creek, which flows through Crested Butte.

The Standard Mine, located in the Coal Creek Watershed on the south

slope of Mt. Emmons, “may be responsible for this heavy loading,” says Gunnison County long-range planner Dave Michaelson. Mining operations for zinc, lead, silver and gold began in 1931 and continued steadily until 1966, at which point the mine was abandoned.

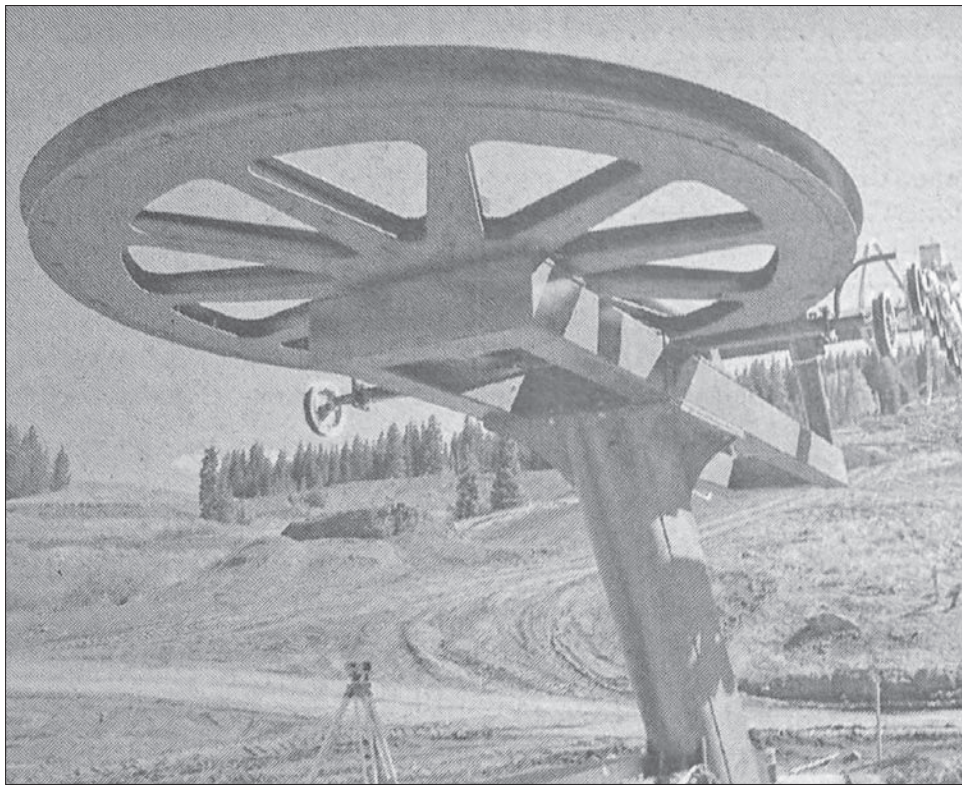
Today, approximately 10 gallons of water per minute flow from the mine to a tailings pond, held by a non-engineered surface impoundment dam. The dam also shows evidence of leaking and overflowing into Elk Creek.

Recent studies of the mine site, surface and sediments show that a potential threat exists to downstream water users. In the event of a catastrophic failure of the surface dam, the EPA and the CDPHE believe significant quantities of heavy metals would be released into Coal Creek, possibly reaching reservoirs serving Crested Butte.

While drinking water standards in Crested Butte are being met, aquatic life standards are not, causing the Elk Creek to be completely devoid of aquatic life. However, by the time water reaches the Coal Creek, zinc is the only heavy metal exceeding state standards for aquatic life.

The EPA, U.S. Forest Service and CDPHE agree the site needs to be cleaned up, as the water flowing over the mine site contributes to contamination of the surface impoundment and Elk Creek. As a result, the surface impoundment cannot be cleaned up without addressing the entire mine site.

Now, the Standard Mine site is being considered for federal funding for cleanup on the Superfund National Priorities List. The mixed ownership of the site between public and private parties makes funding of the site complex; therefore, listing the site on the NPL will enable funding for the entire site, which is anticipated to be very costly.



**The bottom terminal of the new Prospect Lift is in place, and awaits the remaining towers, which will be flown in later next week.** PHOTO BY ALEX FENLON

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### —NOTICE TO TOWN OF MT. CRESTED BUTTE CITIZENS—

The Mt. Crested Butte Town Council has approved the submission of one (1) tax question at the November 5, 2024 coordinated election. Amendment One (1992) to the Colorado Constitution requires a notice of the election to be mailed to all registered voters with certain information about the election and financial implications of the ballot question (TABOR notice). Part of the notice to be sent to electors must include summaries of written comments, up to 500 words each, one for and one against the proposal, filed with the

election officer by 45 days before the election. The Town of Mt. Crested Butte hereby solicits written comments for and against the question listed below. Please address your comments to the Town Clerk, Town of Mt. Crested Butte, PO Box 5800, Mt. Crested Butte, CO 81225. **Only comments filed by persons eligible to vote in the Town of Mt. Crested Butte will be summarized in the ballot notice.** To be summarized in the ballot issue notice, the comments must address this specific

ballot issue, indicate whether they are “for” or “against” the issue, must include a signature and the address where the signor is registered to vote. **Written comments must be received no later than Friday, September 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.** The TABOR ballot issues for the November regular municipal election read as follows: **TOWN OF MT. CRESTED BUTTE BALLOT ISSUE** \_\_\_\_\_ SHALL TOWN OF MT. CRESTED BUTTE TAXES BE INCREASED NOT MORE THAN \$1,115,000 COM-

MENCING JANUARY 1, 2025 AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS ARE GENERATED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY AN INCREASE OF 2% IN THE TOWN’S EXISTING 2.9% SHORT TERM RENTAL EXCISE TAX, FOR A TOTAL TAX OF 4.9% ON THE AMOUNT CHARGED TO PERSONS RENTING SHORT TERM RENTAL PROPERTIES (DEFINED AS RENTALS FOR LESS THAN 30 DAYS) FOR THE PURPOSE OF RAISING FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE CREATION AND RETENTION OF CRITICAL UNMET COMMUNITY

HOUSING NEEDS, AND SHALL ALL AMOUNTS RECEIVED BY THE TOWN FROM SUCH TAX AND OTHER REVENUES AND EARNINGS THEREON BE COLLECTED AND SPENT WITHOUT LIMITATION OR CONDITION AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

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—AGENDA—  
TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE  
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
507 MAROON AVE; CRESTED BUTTE, CO • MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

Meeting Information to Connect Remotely:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88456608950>  
Or Telephone: Dial: +1 719 359 4580 US +1 253 205 0468 US  
+1 669 444 9171 US +1 386 347 5053 US +1 507 473 4847 US  
+1 564 217 2000 US +1 646 931 3860 US +1 689 278 1000 US  
+1 305 224 1968 US +1 309 205 3325 US +1 360 209 5623 US  
Webinar ID: 884 5660 8950  
Public comments may be submitted at any time to the entire Council via email at [towncouncil@crestedbutte-co.gov](mailto:towncouncil@crestedbutte-co.gov).  
The times are approximate. The meeting may move faster or slower than expected.

**6:00 WORK SESSION**  
1) 2025 Budget Priorities and Assumptions  
Staff Contact: Finance Director Kathy Ridgeway

**7:00 REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR OR MAYOR PRO-TEM**

**7:01 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**7:02 CONSENT AGENDA**  
1) September 3, 2024 Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes.  
Staff Contact: Town Clerk Lynelle Stanford  
2) Red Lady Celebration Special Event Application Closing Elk Avenue Between Second Street and Third Street on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024.  
Staff Contact: Deputy Town Clerk Kellie Cheever  
The listing under Consent Agenda is a group of items to be

acted on with a single motion. The Consent Agenda is designed to expedite Council business. Council members may request that an item be removed from Consent Agenda prior to the Council's vote. Items removed from the Consent Agenda will be considered under New Business.

**7:03 PROCLAMATION**  
1) Suicide Prevention Awareness Month – September 2024.

**7:08** 2) Designating the Last Saturday of September of Each Year as "Pointed Laccolith Day," a Celebration of the Valley's Geological Heritage and of Accuracy in Nomenclature.

**7:15 PUBLIC COMMENT**  
Citizens may make comments on items not scheduled on the agenda. Those commenting should state their name and physical address for the record. Comments may be limited to five minutes.

**7:20 STAFF UPDATES**

**7:25 LEGAL MATTERS**

**7:30 PRESENTATION**  
1) 2023 Financial Audit Presentation by Michael Jenkins of McMahan and Associates LLC.  
Staff Contact: Finance Director Kathy Ridgeway

**7:40 NEW BUSINESS**  
1) Revisit Parking Changes for the Winter.  
Staff Contact: Community Development Director Troy Russ

**8:30** 2) Whetstone Roundabout/Underpass Timing and Mitigation Discussion.  
Staff Contact: Community Development Director Troy Russ

**9:00** 3) Request to Increase Business License Fees to Fund the Visitor Center.  
Staff Contact: Town Manager Dara MacDonald

**9:30 COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMITTEE UPDATES**

**9:35 OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL**

**9:40 DISCUSSION OF SCHEDULING FUTURE WORK SESSION TOPICS AND COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE**  
• Monday, September 23, 2024 - 6:00PM - Joint Dinner with the Mt. Crested Butte Town Council  
• Monday, September 30, 2024 - 6:00PM - Intergovernmental Meeting hosted by the City of Gunnison  
• Monday, October 7, 2024 - 6:00PM Work Session - 7:00PM Regular Council  
• Monday, October 21, 2024 - 6:00PM Work Session - 7:00PM Regular Council  
• Monday, November 4, 2024 - 6:00PM Work Session - 7:00PM Regular Council

**9:45 ADJOURNMENT**

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—COMBINED NOTICE - PUBLICATION—  
CRS §38-38-103 FORECLOSURE SALE NO. 2024-003

To Whom It May Concern: This Notice is given with regard to the following described Deed of Trust:  
On June 7, 2024, the undersigned Public Trustee caused the Notice of Election and Demand relating to the Deed of Trust described below to be recorded in the County of Gunnison records.

Original Grantor(s)	DAVID L DIMMOCK
Original Beneficiary(ies)	MERRILL LYNCH CREDIT CORPORATION
Current Holder of Evidence of Debt	HSBC BANK USA, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR MERRILL LYNCH MORTGAGE INVESTORS TRUST SERIES MLCC 2006-3 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES

Date of Deed of Trust July 24, 2006  
County of Recording Gunnison  
Recording Date of Deed of Trust July 27, 2006  
Recording Information (Reception No. and/or Book/Page No.) 567391  
Original Principal Amount \$620,000.00  
Outstanding Principal Balance \$440,815.20

Pursuant to CRS §38-38-101(4)(i), you are hereby notified that the covenants of the deed of trust have been violated as follows: Failure to pay principal and interest when due together with all other payments provided for in the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust and other violations of the terms thereof

**THE LIEN FORECLOSED MAY NOT BE A FIRST LIEN.**  
**LOT 16B, VILLAS AT MT. CRESTED BUTTE PHASE III, ACCORDING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL MAP RECORDED JULY 5, 2006 BEARING RECEPTION NO. 566608 OF THE RECORDS OF GUNNISON COUNTY, COLORADO, COUNTY OF GUNNISON, STATE OF COLORADO,**  
**Purported common address: 211 MINERAL POINT ROAD, MOUNT CRESTED BUTTE, CO 81225.**  
**THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN IS ALL OF THE PROPERTY CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED BY THE LIEN OF THE DEED OF TRUST.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

The current holder of the Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, described herein, has filed Notice of Election and Demand for sale as provided by law and in said Deed of Trust.  
THEREFORE, Notice Is Hereby Given that I will at public auction, at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, 10/09/2024, at Treasurer's Office, 221 N. Wisconsin, Suite T, Gunnison, CO 81230, sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the said real property and all interest of the said Grantor(s), Grantor(s)' heirs and assigns therein, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness provided in said Evidence of Debt secured by the Deed of Trust, plus attorneys' fees, the expenses of sale and other items allowed by law, and will issue to the purchaser a Certificate of Purchase, all as provided by law.

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**IF THE SALE DATE IS CONTINUED TO A LATER DATE, THE DEADLINE TO FILE A NOTICE OF INTENT TO CURE BY THOSE PARTIES ENTITLED TO CURE MAY ALSO BE EXTENDED.**  
DATE: 06/07/2024  
Debbie Dunbar, Public Trustee in and for the County of Gunnison, State of Colorado  
*/s/ Teresa Brown*  
By: Teresa Brown, Deputy Public Trustee  
The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:  
Carly Imbrogno, Esq. #59553  
Ryan Bourgeois, Esq. #51088  
David Drake #43315  
Randall M. Chin, Esq. #31149  
Barrett Frappier & Weisserman, LLP 1391 Speer Blvd STE 700, Denver, CO 80204 (303) 350-3711  
Attorney File # 00000010150068  
The Attorney above is acting as a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information provided may be used for that purpose.  
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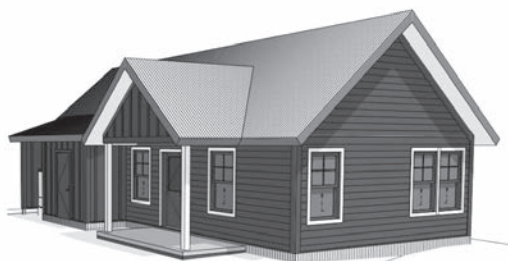
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—NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING—  
CRESTED BUTTE BOARD OF ZONING AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW  
TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO  
20 TENTH STREET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT a public hearing, which may result in the granting of a vested property right, will be held on September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024, beginning at **6:00 p.m.** in the Crested Butte Town Hall located at 507 Maroon Ave. in Crested Butte, Colorado, specific information can be found on the agenda on the Town website regarding access to the virtual meeting, for the purpose of considering the following: Consideration of the application of **Town of Crested Butte** to revise the previously approved plans to site an accessory dwelling to be located at 20 Tenth Street, Lot 05, Block 80 in the Paradise Park Subdivision in the R2A zone. (Desousa/ Chavez)  
**- Architectural approval is required.**  
**- A conditional use permit for an accessory dwelling in the R2A zone is required.**  
TOWN OF CRESTED BUTTE

By Madison Manning, Planning Technician

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—MEETING NOTICE—  
UPPER GUNNISON RIVER WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2024 • 5:30 PM

The Board of Directors of the Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District (UGRWCD) will conduct a regular board meeting on Monday, September 23, 2024 at 5:30 PM at the UGRWCD Offices, 210 W. Spencer Ave., Suite A, Gunnison, CO 81230 and via Zoom video/teleconferencing.

If you have questions or would like the Zoom login information, please contact the District at (970)641-6065.  
A meeting agenda will be posted at the District Office prior to the meeting.

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—PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING—  
MT. CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2024 • 5:00 P.M.

The Planning Commission of the Town of Mt. Crested Butte will be having a Regular Meeting at 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 18, 2024. The agenda and packet will be posted to the Town's website no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting. This meeting will be at the Mt. Crested Butte Town Hall, 911 Gothic Road, Mt. Crested Butte. Please review the meeting agenda on the website for attendance options.

Please go to <https://mtcrestedbuttecolorado.civicweb.net/portal/> or contact Mt. Crested Butte Town Hall at (970) 349-6632 for the agenda. Subscribe to the Town website to receive notifications when agendas are posted here: <https://mtcrestedbuttecolorado.civicweb.net/Portal/Subscribe.aspx>

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—LEGAL NOTICE—

**RFP – Town of Mt. Crested Butte – Exterior Repairs to Mt. Crested Butte Town Hall Building.** The Town of Mt. Crested Butte (Town) is soliciting proposals from qualified firms to provide exterior repairs to the Mt. Crested Butte Town Hall Buildings. The Town Hall buildings are located at 911 Gothic Road, Mt. Crested Butte, CO 81225. This Project involves exterior repairs to two separate Town buildings, including the Town Hall Administration Building and the Town Garage Building. The purpose of this Project is to provide exterior building siding and roof repairs in 2025 and potentially beyond. The improvements may involve a combination of refurbishment, repairs and replacement. Project phasing and costs are a major consideration for the Town. The Town's primary objec-

tives for this Project are: Task 1: Assess the need and timing of exterior repairs – per building and type of repair. Task 2: Identify a phased means and method for accomplishing exterior repairs – per building. Task 3: Identify the repair costs proposed for 2025 – per building and type of repair. The Proposal deadline is Friday, November 15, 2024 at 3:00 PM (Mountain Standard Time). The Bid Documents and any addendums can be found on the Town's website at <https://mtcb.colorado.gov/request-for-proposals>. For more information please email Jeff Smith at [jsmith@mtcb.colorado.gov](mailto:jsmith@mtcb.colorado.gov) or call him at 970-349-6632 ext 108.

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—TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING —  
MT CRESTED BUTTE, COLORADO  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2024 • 6:00 P.M.

The Town Council of the Town of Mt. Crested Butte will be having a work session at 5:30 P.M. on September 17, 2024. The regular Town Council meeting will begin at 6:00 P.M. The agenda and packet will be posted to the Town's website no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting. This meeting will be at the Mt. Crested Butte Town Hall, 911 Gothic Road, Mt. Crested Butte. Please review the meeting agenda on the website for attendance options. Please go to <https://mtcrestedbuttecolorado.civicweb.net/portal/> or contact Mt. Crested Butte Town Hall at (970) 349-6632 for the agenda. Subscribe to the Town website to receive notifications when agendas are posted here: <https://mtcrestedbuttecolorado.civicweb.net/Portal/Subscribe.aspx>

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