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City of Salida Hires New Parks and Recreation Director

Salida, CO – The City of Salida is pleased to welcome Mike “Diesel” Post as its new Parks and Recreation Director. Post will be transitioning to the position after spending the last seven years as Principal of Chaffee County High School and Director of Priority Projects for the Buena Vista School District. Prior to his time with the school district, Post was the Director of the Salida Adventure Summer Camp and has been a local raft guide since 2001. Mr. Post holds a bachelor’s degree in Recreation, Park and Tourism Management from Pennsylvania State University and a master’s equivalent in Administrative Leadership and Policy from the University of Colorado, Denver.

According to Mayor P.T. Wood, “The addition of Diesel to our leadership team at the City will be a tremendous boost to our capacity to provide exceptional parks and recreation services to the community. With an update to the Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Master Plan kicking off this week, the timing could not be better to have him come on board and step immediately into the planning process for where the community would like us to take parks and recreation in the next decade and beyond.”

Post will be joining the City’s administrative team full time in early July, but he will be attending the kickoff meeting for the PROST Master Plan this week. A Salida resident for 18 years, Post, his wife, and three children are mainstays in the local community. “Diesel’s energy and enthusiasm for youth and adult recreation in Salida is well-known throughout the community,” said Drew Nelson, City Administrator. “He’s a parent, coach, leader and mentor in sports and recreation in Salida. It’s a blessing to have such incredible local talent to fill a complex and demanding position. Recreation is one of the primary drivers of why we’re all here, and Diesel’s understanding of that dynamic gives him a solid foundation to build our programs from.”

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