



# Bob Easton

## Project Consultant

### Work Experience:

Bob has 31 years of experience in Parks, Open Space, and Recreation Management. His career history has involved all aspects of park and recreation administration with a focus on parks and open space development and management. Bob has been a lifetime resident of Arapahoe and Douglas Counties.

- GreenPlay, LLC, Management Consultant (part time), 2008-Present
- Bergen Ditch and Reservoir Company, Contracted Manager
- Foothills Park and Recreation District, Jefferson County, CO, Executive Director, 1994- 2007
- Foothills Park and Recreation District, Jefferson County, CO, Deputy Director, 1984- 1994

### Education

- NRPA Executive Development School, University of Georgia, 1985
- Bachelor of Arts, Park and Recreation Administration, Metro State College, Denver, 1976
- NRPA Planning and Maintenance School, and Western Revenue Management School Additional Industry-Related Skills and Affiliations
- Public process coordination and conflict resolution
- Bond/tax election management
- Open space policy development and review
- Government agency grant writing and strategic funding initiative development and implementation
- Capital development and land acquisition planning, appraisals review and negotiations
- Water use regulations and policies; irrigation ditch company operations
- Risk management, insurance, safety committee, claims review
- Legislative policy, political process, and lobbying experience

### Professional and Project Experience

As Executive Director for Foothills Park and Recreation District, Bob managed all aspects of the District, overseeing park and recreation operations that included 54 developed parks, 26 open space/greenbelt areas, 3 developed regional parks, 3 recreation centers, 2 golf courses, 6 swimming pools, an ice arena, indoor sports arena, and approximately 20 miles of multiuse trails. Bob directly supervised multiple departments, including Community Services, Parks and Planning, Construction, Finance, Human Resources, and Information Technology. Bob brings broad-based and extensive experience in Parks and Recreation supervision with a focus on park and open space management. As an experienced professional in the Parks and Recreation industry, Bob has joined the teams of GreenPlay, LLC and Bergen Ditch and Reservoir Company.

#### GreenPlay LLC

- Carbon Valley Recreation District, Colorado – Operational Assessment
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife – Site Redevelopment Plans
- Eaton, CO – Recreation Center Business Plan and Operational Pro Forma
- El Paso County, CO – Operations and Maintenance Manual Review
- Erie, CO – Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trails Master Plan
- Evergreen Recreation and Parks District – Strategic Plan
- Lakewood, CO – Bear Creek Lake Park Plan
- Littleton, CO – Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan
- Louisville, CO – Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trails Master Plan
- Manitou Springs, CO – Parks, Open Space, and Trails Master Plan
- Widefield School District – Parks and Recreation Master Plan

#### Additional areas of expertise:

- Feasibility study, implementation, construction and 5 year budget projections for an 80,000 sq. ft recreation center built in conjunction with BRS. The center included a lap/competition pool, therapy pool, and indoor water park with slides, lazy river, zero depth, etc.
- Feasibility study for a 2 sheet ice arena, developed and eventually built in a design/build approach by Saunders Construction, included 5 year budget projections that proved accurate and facility operates at a profit INCLUDING debt retirement
- Similar feasibility study for an indoor sports arena, also design/build by Saunders Construction, 5 year budget projection prepared by staff, facility met and actually exceeds budget projections, operating at a profit
- Feasibility study in conjunction with BRS for a proposed new recreation Center in the Conifer area, including budget and programming projections, election for inclusion into Foothills and tax increase was not successful, therefore the study was never implemented.