

VISION: Proposals are due in mid-October for Lazy Z plan

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sidebar) that will identify and evaluate effluent irrigation options for the portion of the property suitable for that purpose, and evaluate open space park concepts and a highway view corridor for the rest of the property.

Bertagna said that the City is looking for a “very natural setting — passive, low-impact park use.” A view point would enhance safety where people often pull off the highway to take pictures.

Bertagna said that agencies from the Oregon Department of Transportation to the U.S. Forest Service have expressed support for a project of this type. He also noted that Sisters Trails Alliance will be involved.

The plan will analyze effluent reuse options and associated costs and identify



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The City of Sisters is planning to create an open space park and view point for a portion of its Lazy Z Ranch property that is not suitable for effluent dispersal from the municipal wastewater plant.

crop (grass, hay, etc.) and irrigation options.

The plan is expected to evaluate best use of view corridor and open space park including: wetlands, existing on-site trees, native plant species, and compliance with American with Disabilities Act (ADA).

A concept design for the viewpoint and open space park is to capitalize on

mountain views and evaluate viewing platforms and informational markers. It will explore wetland restoration using native plant species, park amenities including sitting benches and parking for both bikes and vehicles.

The RFP is due by October 15. Bertagna hopes to have a master plan adopted by the end of the budget year in 2021.

City seeks plan for Lazy Z land

The City of Sisters is soliciting proposals from qualified land-use planning, engineering, and/or architectural landscape consulting firms to develop a long-term master plan for the future development and preservation of the City-owned portion of the Lazy Z Ranch.

Interested firms can obtain a copy of the request for proposal (RFP) at www.ci.sisters.or.us/rfps.

Sealed proposals must be received by Kerry Prosser, city recorder, by hand delivery at 520 E. Cascade Ave., or P.O. Box 39 Sisters, OR, 97759, on or before 2 p.m. (local time) on October 7, 2020. Envelopes should be clearly marked “LAZY Z RANCH MASTER PLAN.” Please provide one digital copy (no email submittals); one original hard copy, and 10 hard copies of the proposal. The original should be marked “Original” and must bear an original ink signature by an individual authorized to represent the proposer.

Late submissions will not be accepted.

The City of Sisters reserves the right to reject proposals not in compliance with the prescribed procedures and requirements and may reject any or all responses.

All requests for clarification must be submitted in writing no later than Thursday, October 1, to Paul Bertagna at pbertagna@ci.sisters.or.us. Copy emails to Troy Rayburn at trayburn@ci.sisters.or.us.

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ZIMMERMAN: Area is popular with local shooters

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avoid Zimmerman pit until the work is completed. Shooters may want to choose other pits near Sisters such as:

- Cache Cinder Pit: 15 miles (four-wheel drive, high-clearance vehicle recommended).
- Four-mile Cinder Pit: 7 miles (200 yards of range; high-clearance four-wheel drive vehicle required).

- Garrison Cinder Pit: 7.3 miles (medium-sized pit; high-clearance vehicle recommended).

- Melvin Cinder Pit: 8 miles (easy access; small pit suitable for handgun/shotgun).

- Pole Creek Cinder Pit: 9.8 miles (small pit; relatively easy access, four-wheel drive recommended).

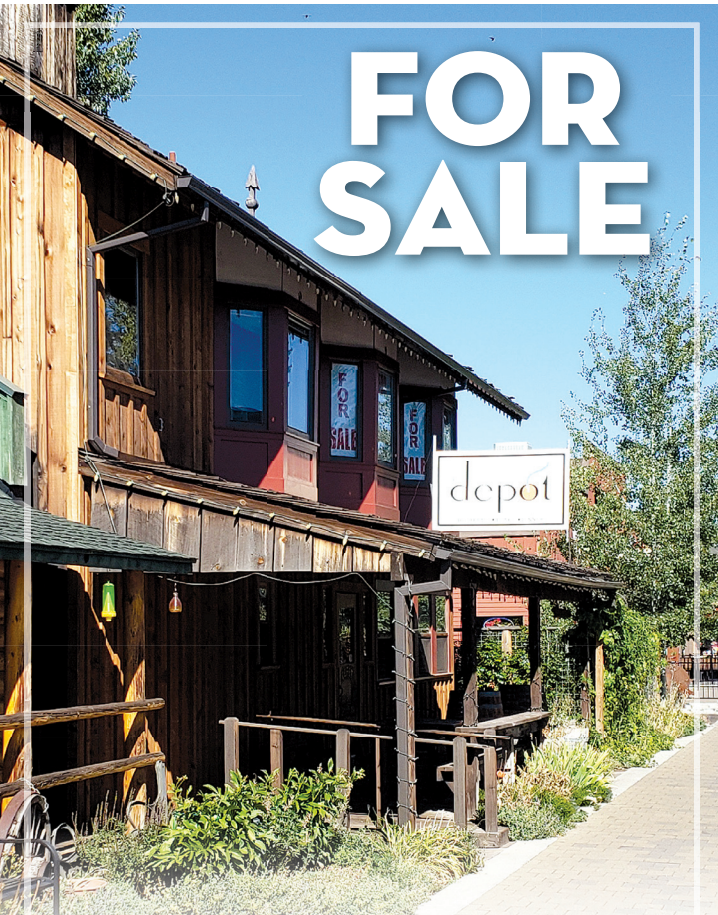
- Schilling Cinder Pit: 19.7 miles (easy access; high-clearance vehicle; suitable for rifle/pistol/shotgun).

For more information contact the Sisters Ranger District at 541-549-7700.



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A crushing operation has occupied Zimmerman Pit, which is a popular shooting area. Shooters are asked to use other locations during the operation.



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