

February 16, 2024

## Subject: Invitation to participate in Our Valley Our Vision planning study

Centerfield and Gunnison are starting a pro-active effort to shape the future of Gunnison Valley together and we'd like your help in this process as an important stakeholder. Your perspective and participation are invaluable to this endeavor. Your insights and expertise will ensure that final plans reflect the aspirations and needs of our entire community. You will have a significant impact on growth and change over the coming decades as we identify what we want to preserve and enhance in the future, while also exploring new opportunities and emerging challenges. As a member of the stakeholder committee, you will help guide the process, identify issues and opportunities, and assist the public engagement process.

Focus areas for this effort include creating:

- A communitywide vision,
- An areawide recreation plan,
- An areawide transportation plan, and
- Main Street corridor plans for economic viability of both Centerfield and Gunnison

## We anticipate stakeholders participating in three "clusters" of activities over the next six to eight months. The first cluster includes the following:

- A Valley Tour (Optional): 1:00-4:00 pm, Monday, March 11, meet at Gunnison City Hall located at 38 West Center Street in Gunnison. This tour will include visiting current and future farming, industry, commercial, recreation and natural areas to identify future opportunities and issues.
- Stakeholder Kick-off Meeting and Brainstorming Workshop: 6:00-8:00 pm, Monday, March 11, meet at Gunnison City Hall located at 38 West Center Street in Gunnison.
- Public Brainstorming Workshop: 6:30-8:30 pm, Tuesday, March 12, at Gunnison Valley Middle School

## Please RSVP to Dennis Marker (dmaker@gunnisoncity.org) for the events above if you are able to participate. We would greatly appreciate your participation.

Together, let's envision a future for our community that benefits current residents as well as our children and grandchildren. We look forward to your valuable participation and insights.

Warm regards,

Mayor Lori Nay, Gureison City

Mayor Travis Leatherwood, Centerfield City