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COLORADO- WE'RE TALK'N DESIGNATION

WE NEED YOUR HELP COLORADO

We have been busy contacting County Commissioners, drawing maps, and requesting letters of support in each of the 16 counties for the Pike Trail in Colorado. More is below about our Auto, Bike and Hike Routes being suggested including a map on Page 3.

Things are moving on the Pike Trail in Colorado toward designation as you have read in the Pike Newsletters.

Request- That you give support in your county

We need your help- if you live in the 16 counties Pike traversed in 1806-7. {Prowers, Bent, Otero, Pueblo, El Paso, Teller, Fremont, Park, Chaffee, Lake, Custer, Huerfano, Saguache, Alamosa, Costillo, and Conejos} please support this designation. If you have ties with any of these counties and don't live in Colorado, please contact these folks.

Each County Commission must know that there is support in their county.

Some background for your letter or phone call of Support...

In April Governor Hickenlooper signed into law CO House 16-1106 [30-11-127 of the Colorado Revised Statutes] permitting county commissions to designate Pioneer Trails on public roads. We have asked all 16 County Commissions to designate the Pike Trail in Colorado as a pioneer trail in their county.

Could you write a letter of support to your County Commissioners for Pike Trail in Colorado?

And ask Historical/Heritage Societies, Chambers, town officials, etc. to do the same?

We have been citing the educational, economic, recreational, cultural preservation and historical heritage preservation reasons such a trail would bring to Colorado.

Sample-

"I/we support the designation of the Pike Trail in Colorado- [County name] by resolution as provided by the Pioneer Trail law [CO House 16-1106]. A suggested route has been provided for you by the Pike National Historic Trail Association."

MOVEMENT

Two counties are drafting designation resolutions, and Commissions are beginning to hear of the support from their county.

PIKE'S DAMN'D RASCALS- 6



1st as Pvt.-2nd as Cpl. Jeremiah Jackson **BOTH expeditions. Detained in New Spain back in US by the end of 1809** Enlisted May 15, 1805, transferred from Daniel to Russell Bissell July 31, 1806. A man of this name enlisted in the 3d Infantry July 1, 1811 and deserted at Baton Rouge in 1812.

Sent before 2/17 with 3 men to retrieve the 3 in the Wet Mt. Valley



Hugh Menaugh **BOTH expeditions.** — — — left on 1/27 at Muddy Creek near Medano Pass Wet Mtn Valley because of frostbite [rescued 2/18]

MORE NEXT MONTH

The *Pike National Historic Trail Association* has Driving/Bicycling/Hiking Route drafts for Missouri, Kansas/Nebraska, New Mexico and Texas/Louisiana. There is a sketchy, draft Auto route for Chihuahua, Durango, Coahuila and Nuevo Leon Provinces of Mexico.

The designation of the Pike Trail in Colorado involves our due diligence. That is why we have asked for your help on page 1 of this newsletter.

Basically, the Association's car routes for the Pike Trail in Colorado use US 50 from the Kansas border to Salida, US 285 from near Hartsel to Salida and on to the New Mexico border, US 24 to and from Leadville, US 67 in the Cripple Creek area, US 160 in Huerfano and Alamosa Counties, Colorado Routes 115, 9, 17, 150, ... and many county roads.

The Bike/Hike route is slightly different because of safety concerns, the ability to get closer to the actual route Pike took and to cut down on mileage.

We have concerns and challenges with our routes which will be worked out:

1. The Pike Trail in Mexico will necessarily be an international endeavor similar to the El Camino Royale de Tierra Adentro National Historic Trail,
2. The Colorado routes are, to a large extent, field-tested. Some of this will be altered when each county commission considers designation. Some of the other routes in the US have been partially field tested.
3. CO 3- Pike's attempt to climb Pikes Peak on Little Fountain Creek is a matter of further communications with the Forest Service.
4. CO 3- Pike's attempt to climb Pikes Peak also involves possible use of Fort Carson roads which means communication with the United States Army-Fort Carson.

Please join our Association!

Our Membership chairman is in negotiations with three Colorado corporations to establish partnerships and receive financial assistance. Last year an asphalt company joined us with the pledge and a medical company funded for two years or smart phone app.

We need you to renew your membership or join for the first time. Click here for a membership form:
<http://zebulonpike.org/docs/MembershipBrochure.pdf>

Our Purpose: To Establish federal designation of the Pike National Historic Trail

We are a Charitable nonprofit organization Our website is www.zebulonpike.org

"Zebulon Pike was an American hero, a patriot who lived and died for his country." -Thomas Jefferson

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The Pike Association's vinyl decals- The cost is \$2.50 each with price breaks at 5, 10, or 25 decals, plus shipping.

Our next Annual Meeting will be on April 28th 2017 at the Royal Gorge, CO.

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