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CBMR announces plan for Gold Link Subdivision

MT. CRESTED BUTTE, CO. – Crested Butte Mountain Resort this week announced its plan to develop a 35-acre parcel of land on the northern edge of Mt. Crested Butte into 32 single-family home sites.

The land adjoins existing residential development and is bounded by Winterset Road on the south, Gothic Road on the west and Forest Service land on the east. The land is across the Gothic Road from the proposed North Village development at the base of Snodgrass Mountain.

Although the land was originally included in the planned unit development (PUD3) for the North Village, it more closely ties into the existing town than into the proposed development, CBMR President Edward Callaway said. The plan to develop the land reflects the current demand for single-family home sites; "absolutely nothing else is afoot with the North Village," Callaway said.

Under the PUD, approved ten years ago, the land was zoned for 150 townhouses. The resort will begin the process of downscaling the development to 32 home sites on November 25 by presenting a sketch plan to the Mt. Crested Butte Planning Commission.

The plan, created by Design Workshop, calls for the intact preservation of the small wetlands area located on the land and the smallest possible disruption of natural land features and vegetation.

"We are trying to create the highest quality development possible, as reflected by the low density, roads, rock work and vegetation," Callaway said. "This is a light use of the land and is sensitive to the wetlands and the area's natural contours."

Design Workshop also arranged the lots of the Gold Link Subdivision with maximum visual corridors for all 32 home sites.

"In our minds, this is the beginning of the transition to the North Village," Callaway said, "so we want to do a first class subdivision. We have chosen the finest land design architect, Design Workshop, and engineering firm, Merrick, that we could find."

"The change from townhouses to lower density reflects both the shift in public demand for single-family homes and the public's desire for a more 'benign' use of the land," Callaway said.

The resort hopes to bring a sketch plan to the Mt. Crested Butte Town Council on December 1 and to complete the approval process by mid-February or March.