



## Status of Teton County Commissioners' Priorities

In early 2015, the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) established a list of priority projects and initiatives. This list continues to evolve as projects get completed and county needs change. We will update this list periodically to keep the public informed of the current work the BoCC is engaged in.

### **Planning, Building, Weeds, Recreation and Public Access**

**New Land Use Code Based on 2012 Comprehensive Plan** – Planning staff has been working with the Planning and Zoning Commission for the past 2 years to draft new land use codes and zoning maps for the county. The new land use codes and zoning maps are intended to meet the goals and policies outlined in Teton County's Comprehensive Plan. The website: [www.tetonvalleycode.org](http://www.tetonvalleycode.org) has considerable information on this subject.

**Noxious Weed Management and Enforcement** – Teton County recently hired a full time Weed Superintendent to develop and implement a comprehensive weed management program for the County. The objective is to help property owners address their weed problems effectively through education and assistance, while reducing the need for County enforcement efforts. County roads and properties will be more closely monitored and controlled for weeds. Collaboration with other local, state, and federal agencies will also be enhanced.

**Recreation and Public Access** – Teton County has hired a part-time staff person to begin the implementation of the Recreation and Public Access Master Plan that was approved by the BoCC in 2014. One priority item is to create a website that will serve as a clearing house for recreation and public access opportunities in our county. Several grant proposals were recently submitted to the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation to protect and enhance public access points on the Teton River and Caribou-Targhee National Forest.

**Comprehensive Plan Annual Report** – The Comprehensive Plan requires an annual report that addresses the status of implementing the plan. To date, an annual report has not been prepared and presented. The BoCC has directed the Planning Administrator to prepare a report and present it prior to the end of September 2016.

**Code and Ordinance Enforcement** – The BoCC has been actively involved in understanding the planning and building codes, code enforcement efforts, and avenues for making sure our codes are applied in a fair and consistent manner. The Planning and Building Department is working to identify and address outstanding issues with properties that are out of compliance with the County's current zoning and land use codes.