

PROJECT APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

Projects will be reviewed and selected as they come in.

Although you may submit applications at any time of the year, **we ask that [applications for 2026 projects](#) be submitted by October 15, 2025 for best consideration**; this allows ample time for project scouting, marketing, and volunteer recruitment. If you are unable to submit by October 15, please reach out to [Kelly Clouse](#) at 303-715-1010, ext. 118. *Applicants with high-altitude projects are encouraged to submit as early as possible to allow for project scouting before winter conditions set in.*

Before Submitting Your Project

- We recommend familiarizing yourself with VOC projects. [Click here](#) to view the current project schedule.
- Review the services VOC provides to partners [here](#).
- Review our [Project Selection Criteria](#) to ensure your project is a good fit.

After Submitting Your Project

- You will receive an initial confirmation upon submitting your project application. After your application is reviewed, you will be contacted by a VOC staff member or volunteer project scout to schedule a site visit and discuss your proposal in greater detail.
- Once a decision has been made, you will be notified by a VOC staff member if your project has been accepted or declined. We will make every effort possible to decide in a timely manner once your application is received; all notifications will be made by the end of the 2025 calendar year.

If Your Project is Selected

- If your project is selected, it will go through a scheduling process at the end of 2025/beginning of 2026. During this period, VOC coordinates with all project partners to determine the best calendar of projects for the coming season.

- Upon selection of a project date, the final agreed-upon details relating to funding, logistics, and the scope of work will be entered into a Scope of Service Agreement that both VOC and partners will review and sign.
- Finally, your agency/organization will be asked to appoint a representative to serve on the VOC project team assigned to your project. Together, the team will help plan, organize, and implement the project; this may include participating in conference calls, site visits, and additional meetings as needed.

Contact [Kelly Clouse](#) at [303-715-1010 ext. 118](#) for any questions or assistance with your application.