ROCC Dark Sky Committee Report

ROCC Meeting March 21, 2024

Background:

- Since 2017 the Dark Sky Committee has partnered with the Town of Ridgway and Top of the Pines to facilitate Dark Sky certifications by DarkSky International.
- DarkSky International certifications have set the standard in protecting the dark sky resource that residents of the area enjoy.
- Actively involved to influence OC Planning Commission update to Master Plan

Accomplishments:

- Continued to provide Dark Sky related contributions to the ROCC Ad Hoc Master Plan committee
- Planning initiated for a ROCC dark sky presentation event with invited speakers from Ridgway State Park and other at the Decker Room, Ridgway April 25th.
- Early outreach planning initiated for 2024 to include events at Top of the Pines Aug 10, Ridgway State Park Aug 31and Ridgway (TBD).
- Completed and submitted Top of the Pines Dark Sky Annual report to DarkSky International (DSI). Report posted on DSI site <u>here</u>.

Upcoming Plans:

Looking for new committee members

Continue detailed planning for 2024 outreach events

Provide Dark Sky recommended protections to HOA's in Ouray County.

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