

## Detailed Narrative of Ropes Course Request

Challenging Leadership Adventure Systems (CLAS) wants to build a ropes course on the wooded, river-bottom, property of 950 North 4700 West in Ogden (Unincorporated West Weber). The property is 23 acres, but the ropes course would be built on 3.5 acres. More than half of the course will be built in tree cover.

A ropes course is a series of team building and adventure activities on the ground and in the air. For example, a low course activity could include a group working together to get from one platform to another by a rope without touching the ground. A high course activity could include participants climbing a pole, walking across a balance beam, and then riding down a zip line. These activities help families, scout troops, youth groups, and others to be more unified, learn, and have fun as they process and discuss their experiences with a facilitator. Discussions are based on the principles of leadership, trust, communication, and problem solving skills. Groups may come in sizes of 5- 50 people, with 25 people being the average.

Ropes course activities will be constructed of wood, cables, ropes, etc. and will be on the ground, in the trees, or on telephone poles. We do not plan to build any buildings.

We would be open seasonally Monday- Saturday, from May-October with most usage from June until mid September. Groups typically come by reservation only -- usually during daylight hours and would stay from 1-8 hours.

Benjamin Allen founded CLAS Ropes Course 26 years ago in Provo, Utah. CLAS has built over 80 courses for different companies and individuals and has performed inspections, training, and upgrades in more than 10 states and in Mexico. All construction is built and inspected according to the Association for Challenge Course Technologies' (ACCT) standards. ACCT is the leader in ropes course safety, inspections, innovation, etc. This ropes course would be inspected by an ACCT certified inspector outside of our company yearly. Also, several staff members certified and trained through ACCT would be hired to help facilitate groups as needed.

CLAS has a multi million dollar insurance policy which will also include this new ropes course in West Weber.

Questions? - Please visit our website: [www.clasropes.com](http://www.clasropes.com) or call Gregg Allen at 801-995-5067 (Manager of CLAS Ropes Course Ogden) or Benjamin at 801-400-5865

