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BOOMING BRECKENRIDGE: OFF-PISTE LUXURY DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHTS BLUE RIVER

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Breckenridge has seen little new luxury home construction over the last seven years, says one developer looking to fill the potential void with a 56-home development on the Blue River.

Noah Hahn, managing partner of Boulder-based Meriwether Companies, introduced the first phase of riverfront development **The Shores** this year with San Diego company Pathfinder Partners, LLC. With the first phase completed in October, the development emphasizes year-round vacationing.

"Colorado mountain towns, renowned for their winters, are surging in popularity with summer vacationers, fly fishermen, hikers, bikers and nature enthusiasts as well – with growing consumer demand for year-round tourism." Hahn said, stopping short of targeting more year-round residents for the 5,000-person town.

Now part of the luxe Vail Resorts umbrella under the tagline, "Perfect Mountain. Perfect Town," Breckenridge has steadily grown as a charming alternative to nearby Aspen and Vail. The Shores aims to attract these vacationers.



Among the homes' many features are open floor plans, vaulted ceilings, views of the Rocky Mountains and Blue River, and hundreds of acres of protected open space adjacent to the property, according to a release from The Shores. Clean, transitional finishes include natural stone accents, oak flooring and knotty alder, shaker-style cabinetry. Each state-of-the-art kitchen is outfitted with slab granite countertops and premium Bosch® appliances including a French door refrigerator, gas cook top, built-in wall oven and microwave and dual-zone wine refrigerator.

Meriwether and Pathfinder acquired 20 lots – each entitled for two 2,500-square-foot duplexes for a total of 40 residences – and began construction in 2014. The second phase is now underway with deliveries scheduled for summer 2016. Once complete, the entire community will feature 56 paired homes with unprecedented access and proximity to the Blue River.



Homes at The Shores feature three or four bedrooms and 3½ baths with expansive outdoor areas. Prices for the two remaining homes in the first phase range from \$989,000 to \$1,625,000.