



## Boulder County Flood Recovery Projects Road Construction and Creek Restoration

Contractor Information Session August 11, 2016

# Meeting Agenda

- Introductions
- Road/Creek Flood Recovery Approach and Goals
- Importance of Creek Restoration Experience
- Experience Requirements for Creek Restoration and Vegetation Installation
- Funding Sources and Requirements
- Project Maps and Summaries
- Estimated Schedules
- Other Upcoming Projects
- Questions & Answers



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The information presented today is the best information that is available at this time and is subject to change.

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## Road/Creek Flood Recovery Approach and Goals

- September 2013 flood damaged 150 miles of Boulder County roadway and 30 major structures
- Creeks were also damaged, including:
  - Debris
  - Channel migration
  - Sediment aggradation and degradation
- In Boulder County's narrow canyons, the road and the creek are interconnected
- Integration is essential for flood recovery

Boulder County's Goal: Increase resilience to hazards in the canyons through complementary design & implementation of road & creek systems.









## Road/Creek Flood Recovery Approach and Goals

- Boulder County Transportation is committed to maintaining the natural stream/riparian systems as much as possible
- Boulder County intends to bid road/creek projects together (5 projects total)
- Benefit of constructing together include:
  - Allows maximum benefit to both systems
  - Reduces construction impact time on residents
  - Cost efficiencies and less re-work

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# Creek Restoration Approach

- Creek designs are not at 100% level
- Will be "field-fitted" under the direction of the County and the County's Construction Management consultant
- Where possible, bids will be based on operator hours
- Boulder County will contract-grow native trees & shrubs--where possible, Boulder County will provide certain project plant materials



## Importance of Creek Restoration Experience

- Site access is tricky & requires creativity
- Grading & earthwork can be very detailed
- Revegetation approach is critical
- Constructing in wet conditions is not easy
- Challenging sediment management & dewatering





## Importance of Creek Restoration Experience

- Construction sequence is constrained
- Very detailed structure construction
- Important to have an understanding of geomorphology & channel hydraulics





# Stream Restoration Contractor Requirements

- Road & creek projects require in-channel work.
- Project success is dependent on contractors with knowledge of stream restoration. It is helpful for the contractor to:
  - Have employees with stream restoration training
  - ▶ Be familiar with stream structures & their implementation
  - Show stream restoration experience in similar environments
- The contractor needs to show that they have the experience & ability to construct stream restoration projects.



# Stream Restoration Contractor Requirements

- During the bid process, Boulder County will require contractors to show:
  - Overall stream restoration experience,
  - Examples of stream restoration projects, and
  - References for work they've completed
- Award for the entire contract will be granted to the contractor that provides the best possible value for each project, price and other factors considered.



# Vegetation Contractor Requirements

- The establishment of native plant species is critical to restoration project successes.
- Vegetation contractor must show that they have experience & ability to install native plants on large-scale (over 1,000 plants) stream, wetland, or drainage way projects.
- Boulder County will require vegetation project examples and references.
- Award for the entire contract will be granted to the contractor that provides the best possible value for each project, price and other factors considered.



## Funding Sources and Requirements

- Each project will have multiple funding sources
- Road Reconstruction
  - ► FEMA
  - Boulder County
- Creek Restoration
  - Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program (NRCS)
  - Boulder County









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## Funding Sources and Requirements Cont.

- Quantities/costs must be tracked by funding source
- Rules/requirements of all funding sources must be met
- ▶ EWP has strict completion timeline of 220 days
  - Flexibility on when clock starts
  - Contractor will not have full 220 days due to contracting and administrative requirements
  - Some projects have multiple EWP projects







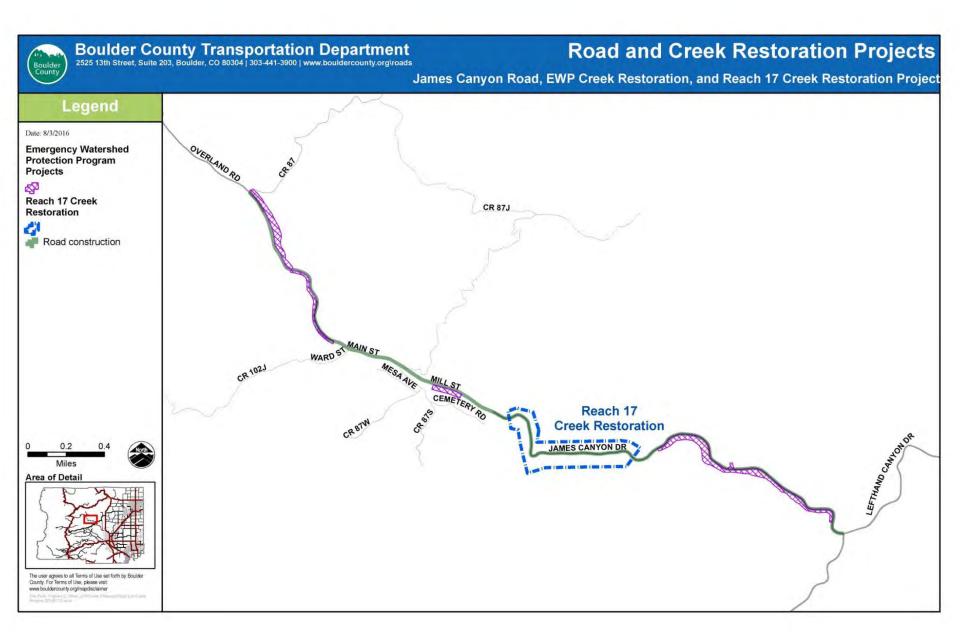


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## James Canyon Drive & James Creek



# James Canyon Drive & James Creek

#### Road Construction

- Spot improvements from Lefthand Canyon Drive to just north of Jamestown including roadway reconstruction, drainage, culverts, embankment repairs
- ▶ 2.4 miles of roadway repairs over a 4.3 mile stretch

#### Creek Restoration

- Grading/sediment removal, revegetation, bank stabilization, lowflow channel, in-stream structures (root wads, log vanes)
- ▶ ~3 linear miles of restoration

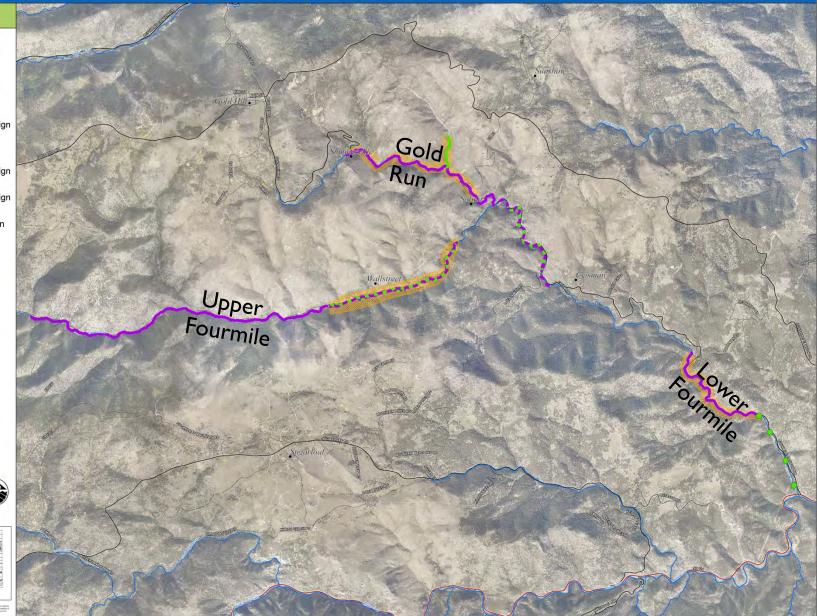


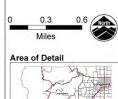
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#### Legend

Date: 5/25/2016

- Fourmile WatershedCoalition Bank
- Stabilization
- Watershed Coalition
  Design and
  Implementation
- Boulder County Design and Watershed Coalition Implementation
- Boulder County Design and Implementation
- Boulder County Design
- NRCS Emergency
  Watershed Protection
  Program

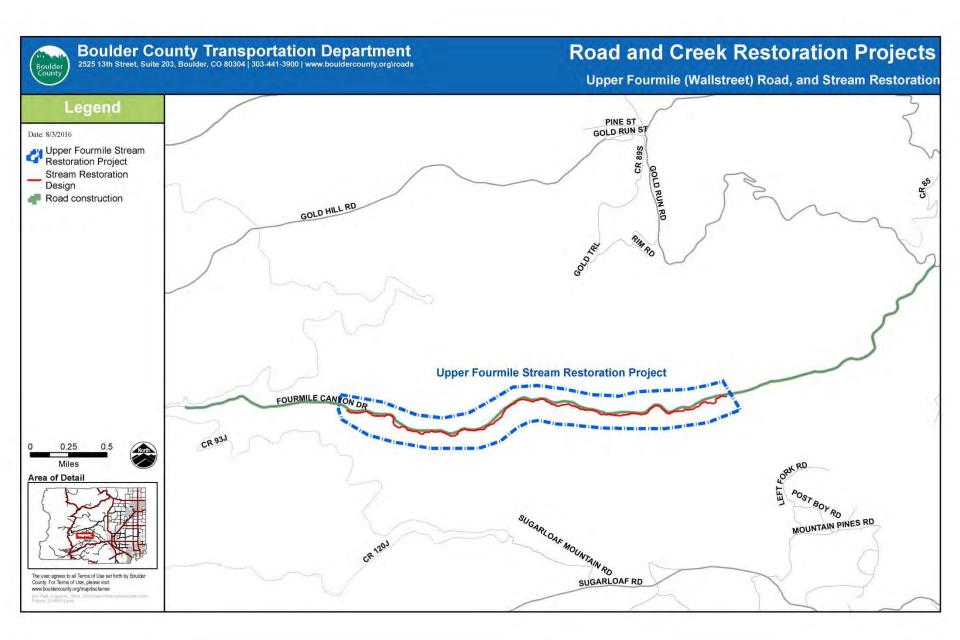






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#### Road Construction

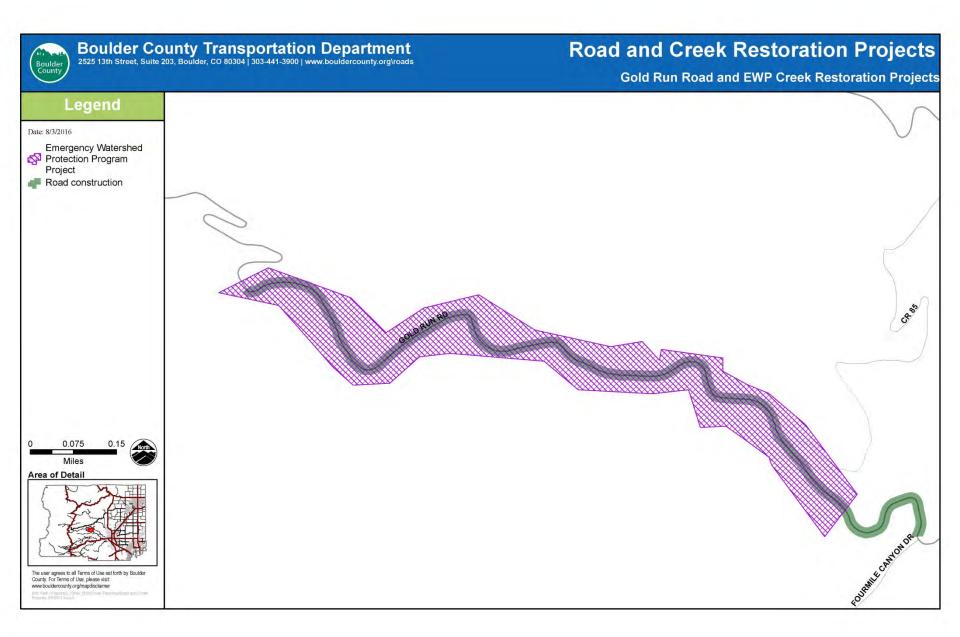
 Spot improvements along five miles of gravel road including drainage, grading, retaining walls and some paved areas

#### Creek Restoration

- Wetland & riparian restoration, revegetation, boulder bank protection, toe wood soil-lift wraps, low-flow channel, & instream structures like log vanes, step-pools, riffles, rock wings, boulder clusters, & outlet protection.
- > ~ 2 linear miles of stream restoration work



### Gold Run Road & Gold Run Creek



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#### Road Construction

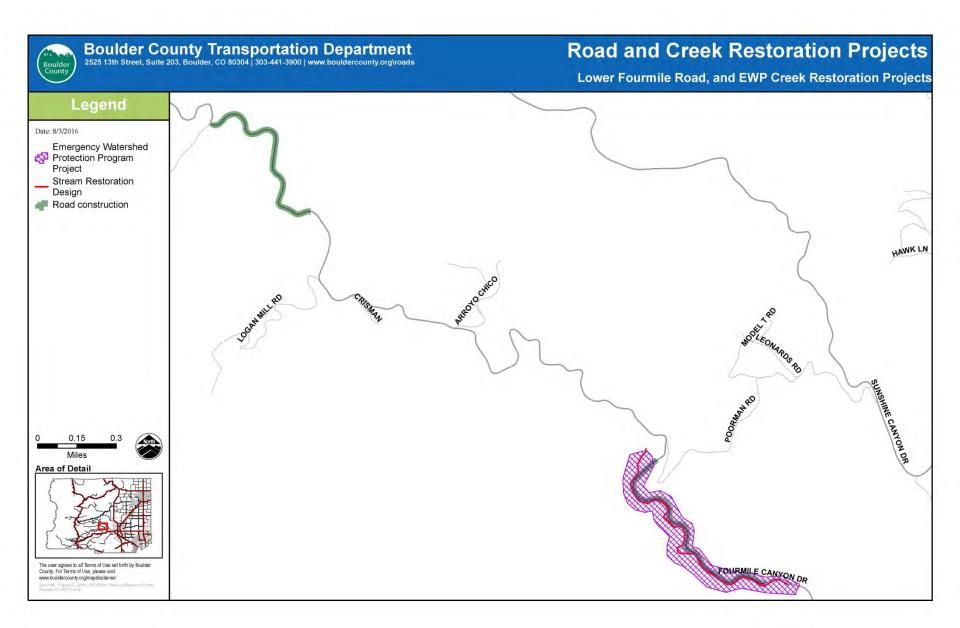
- Reconstruct paved and gravel road sections from the Salina Townsite to approximately 1.5 miles west, including grading, drainage, culverts and retaining walls
- Stream and road are VERY close together with several culvert crossings
- Some stream work required for road work

#### Stream Restoration

- Revegetation, boulder bank protection, stacked boulder walls, root wads, toe wood, converging boulder cluster, cross vanes, & step-pools, outlet protection, & sediment removal
- ~ I linear mile of stream restoration work



## Lower Fourmile Canyon Drive & Lower Fourmile Creek



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#### Road Construction

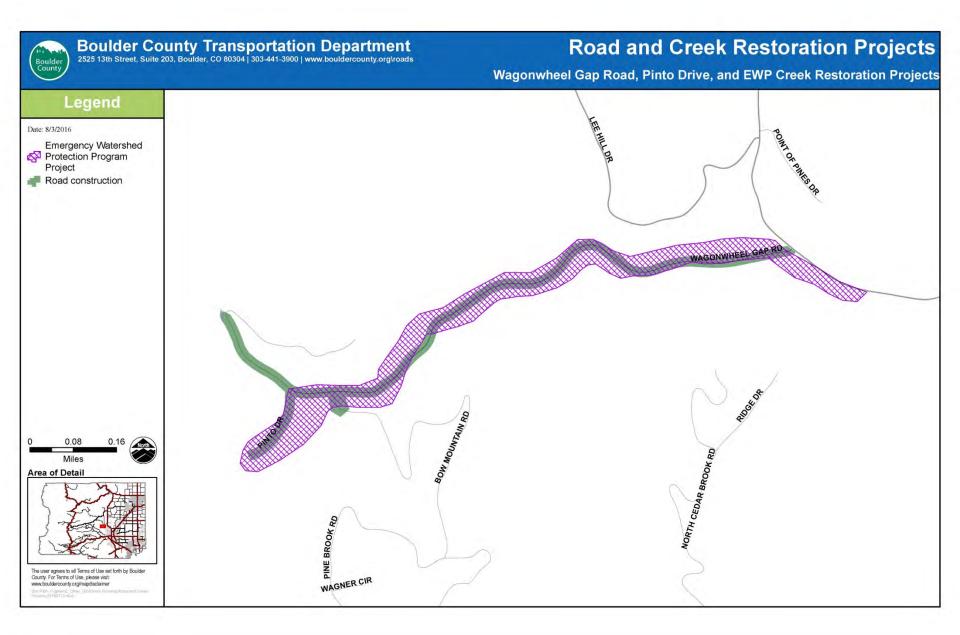
- Road reconstruction from north of SH 119 (Boulder Canyon) to Salina Townsite including new uphill shoulder, drainage, culverts, embankment repairs and retaining walls
- ▶ 1.6 linear miles of road reconstruction

#### Stream Restoration

- Wetland & riparian restoration, revegetation, bank protection, low-flow channel, outlet protection & in-stream structures
- ▶ 0.5 linear miles of stream restoration work



### Wagonwheel Gap Road & Fourmile Canyon Creek



# Wagonwheel Gap Road & Fourmile Canyon Creek

#### Road Construction

- Reconstruct approximately one mile of paved road from Lee Hill to Pinto, including two new bridges, retaining walls, drainage improvements and culverts
- Several stream crossings must coordinate between stream and crossing construction
- Some stream work required for road construction

#### Creek Restoration

- Wetland & riparian restoration, revegetation, boulder bank protection, root wads, toe wood, low-flow channel, & in-stream structures like converging boulder clusters, j-hooks, cross vanes, step-pools, riffles, & outlet protection
- ▶ 1.3 linear miles of stream restoration work



# Projects and Estimated Schedules

Project	Estimated Bid Release*	Estimated Construction Start*
James Canyon Drive/James Creek	Spring 2017	Summer 2017
Upper Fourmile Canyon Drive/Upper Fourmile Creek	Spring 2017	Summer 2017
Wagonwheel Gap Road/Fourmile Canyon Creek	Early 2017	Spring 2017
Gold Run Road/Gold Run Creek	Spring 2017	Summer 2017
Lower Fourmile Canyon Drive/Lower Fourmile Creek	Summer 2017	Fall 2017

<sup>\*</sup>Best estimate at this time. May be sooner or later depending on permitting process.



# Other Upcoming Projects

### Road Projects

 Boulder County Transportation will have solicitations for other flood and non-flood road projects

## Stream Restoration Projects

- Boulder County Parks and Open Space (POS) will have solicitations for other stream restorations projects
- Other local entities will have solicitations for EWP and CDBG-DR stream restoration projects



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  - Bids will be posted through Rocky Mountain E-Purchasing
  - http://www.rockymountainbidsystem.com/?utm\_medium=referra&utm\_source=ADA84CO&utm\_campaign=web\_site

