



East Boulder Creek Site Management Plan

Community Survey 1 Results

Appendix I: Survey 1 Responses



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East Boulder Creek Site Management Plan Survey Questions

Please be sure you watch the East Boulder Creek video before taking the survey.

Thank you for sharing your feedback!

1. What are the conservation values you would prioritize at the East Boulder Creek site? Select your top three.

- ☐ View of the mountains.
- ☐ Native trees, wildflowers, and grasses.
- ☐ Wildlife habitat.
- ☐ Ponds and flowing water.
- ☐ Protecting land from development.
- ☐ Agricultural fields.

2. What kind of visitor experiences would you seek out at the East Boulder Creek site? (Select your top three)

- ☐ Respite/quiet reflection.
- ☐ Accessibility for people with disabilities.
- ☐ Access to water.
- ☐ Opportunity for exercise.
- ☐ Let kids explore.
- ☐ Gathering with family and friends.

3. Do you have a suggestion for what this site should be named?

4. What would you name this site? Please keep your ideas appropriate and three words or less.

5. Why do you feel this would be a good name for the site?

6. Is there any other feedback you would like us to consider?

Demographics questions

(all questions optional)

7. Which of the following best describes your race or ethnicity?

- ☐ White or Caucasian
- ☐ I prefer not to answer
- ☐ I prefer to self-describe (please specify)
- ☐ Hispanic or Latinx
- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
- ☐ Asian or Asian American
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

8. Where do you live?

- ☐ A town or city in Boulder County
- ☐ Unincorporated Boulder County
- ☐ Outside Boulder County, but in Colorado
- ☐ Outside of Colorado
- ☐ Outside of the United States

Questions 4 & 5 Long Answers

Suggestion: (name chosen by Native American community)

Why:

Suggestion: [TBD]

Why: I haven't researched an idea for naming the site yet, but please consider names which indigenous people have called this area. Thank you.

Suggestion: A Native American name

Why: These were once lands where Indians roamed, lived, hunted and enjoyed. Restoring these lands to their original state is important. Possibly contact an Arapahoe tribe to participate in the decision

Suggestion: Agricultural Open Space

Why: Because of the history of the space and to promote saving agricultural land

Suggestion: Arapaho name

Why: developed in consultation with Arapaho tribe

Suggestion: Boulder Creek Conservatory

Why: Represents what the area should be about... conservation of the eco system in that area.

Suggestion: Boulder Creek Open Space

Why: It's simple, identifies the primary watercourse, which implicitly describes the landscape.

Suggestion: Boulder Creek Sanctuary

Why: It is a place of beauty, recreation where residents can release their stress.

Suggestion: Boulder Creek Wetlands

Why: Encourages visitors to understand the concept of wetlands

Suggestion: Boulder Equestrian Park

Why: Because Equestrians need a place to ride without bicyclists and rocks

Suggestion: Boulder Valley Farm

Why: I believe that is the name of the largest part of this parcel

Suggestion: Boulder Wild

Why: To keep it wild

Suggestion: Braided Sweetgrass

Why: To honor the sacred grasses that have shaped these lands for millennia and to symbolize the harmonious relationship between the land, wildlife and humans that will utilize it.

Suggestion: Canino Ranch

Why: because that was previous owner of part of it and he was a long time resident

Suggestion: Cheyenne Arapahoe Creek

Why: Because it honors the land's original inhabitants

Suggestion: Confluence Conservation Area

Why: East Boulder Creek Conservation Area

Questions 4 & 5 Long Answers (cont.)

Suggestion: Deerfield Park

Why: Paying tribute to the states, history of African-American settlement along the front Range

Suggestion: Eagle Valley

Why: So many eagles live in this area. It is common to see Bald and Golden Eagles on top of the power lines on Kenosha, Lookout and Hwy 52.

Suggestion: East Boulder Creek

Why: Accurate

Suggestion: East Boulder Creek

Why: I think people are already calling it this and it makes sense!

Suggestion: East Boulder Creek

Why: tells it like it is

Suggestion: East Boulder Creek

Why: It has already been described as such

Suggestion: East Boulder Creek Eden

Why: It's a beautiful place.

Suggestion: East Boulder Creek Open Space

Why: Its what it is

Suggestion: East Boulder Creek Open Space

Why: Says it all!

Suggestion: East Boulder Creek Park

Why: Because

Suggestion: East Boulder Creek Recreation Area

Why: Open space land should be available for public use and nature preservation while the name describes the location.

Suggestion: East Boulder Ponds

Why: Descriptive

Suggestion: East Boulder Preserve

Why: It's appropriate

Suggestion: East Panorama Greenway

Why: This property will offer a beautiful view of the entire Indian Peaks + RMNP skyline

Suggestion: EBOCOP (East Boco Park)

Why: It should be a park and is located in east BOCO

Suggestion: equestrian community of Bolder

Why: Because horse riders are losing area's to ride

Suggestion: Espacio de gratitude /Gratitude Space

Why: I live behind the space. I'm grateful everyday for the open space, land, animals, views and natural wonders I see on it daily.

Suggestion: Front Range Vista

Why: Because it will offer an excellent vista of the whole front range.

Suggestion: Gooding wildlife or Wise Wildlife

Why: Historical

Questions 4 & 5 Long Answers (cont.)

Suggestion: Gunbarrel Hill One Space

Why: I don't get why we use east Boulder trail for a trail that runs from Teller to Gunbarrell. If you say your lost on the east Boulder trail it leaves too much to think about for first responders

Suggestion: Harrier Park

Why: Name for a native animal that lives here - and not a commonly known one- to offer something for visitors to be curious about

Suggestion: Heron open space/parkland on East Boulder Creek

Why: It should be attractive to Great Blue and Night Heron

Suggestion: Honor Indigenous Peoples with a title they choose

Why: This was once the land where indigenous people lived

Suggestion: I will ask indigenous people

Why: I will ask indigenous people (Arapaho) for their input

Suggestion: Indigenous tribal names

Why: We need to have more public recognition of the Native tribes who have lived here for thousands of years.

Suggestion: Jarosa ranch open space

Why: The past history of the barns at 11995 Kenosha road and previous owners of a portion of the land sold to Boulder county. We have records we can share with you dating back to 1911. The documents are amazing.

Suggestion: Kenosha Farms

Why:

Suggestion: Kenosha open space

Why: The area was at one time titled Kenosha ponds. And the road just south of the area is Kenosha Road, which would make sense as this would be the likely access to the area to the public

Suggestion: Kenosha Ponds

Why: It's easy and to the point!

Suggestion: Kenosha Ponds

Why:

Suggestion: Let local Natives choose name

Why: Native people are still here, and correcting historical wrongs concerning land theft should be done wherever possible. Arapaho tribal members will know what this area was called before European colonization renamed it.

Suggestion: Little Raven Park

Why: Honors an important Arapaho leader, bringing awareness to whose land this once was

Suggestion: Lower Boulder Creek

Why: East Boulder Creek sounds like it is a tributary of Boulder Creek

Suggestion: Meadowlands Open Space

Why: Good description of the area and it sounds nice.

Questions 4 & 5 Long Answers (cont.)

Suggestion: meaningful Arapahoe name

Why: all lands indigenous by treaty

Suggestion: Mineral Creek Open Space

Why: Mineral road and east Boulder creek convergence

Suggestion: Nature Restored

Why: Speaks to the problematic history and a potential for a brighter future.

Suggestion: Nii'ehii

Why: Birds in Arapaho language

Suggestion: Northeast Riparian Parkway

Why: This would describe the current and future plans to restore and protect the waterways, the migratory birds and animals, agricultural lands, and public usage.

Suggestion: Possibilities Park

Why: It applies to all ages, is universal, and can take on different meanings for different people.

Suggestion: Raptors Landing

Why: This site is full of raptors, they use the grasslands, ponds, creek and riparian habitat. This name would help visitors notice and respect the raptors and appreciate their habitat.

Suggestion: Reclamation Park

Why: It seems that reclamation is its most important purpose.

Suggestion: Redtail Recreational Area

Why: The abundance of Redtail hawks in the area. Our family lives adjacent to this site and we love to watch the hawks.

Suggestion: See 5

Why: I think you should ask Native groups what they call this site.

Suggestion: SERENITY

Why: Expresses the atmosphere of being there

Suggestion: Should ask Arapahoe and Cheyenne

Why: Would like to have more input from peoples who were Indigenous to this land

Suggestion: Something native American

Why: they've been here the longest

Suggestion: Southern Arapaho word or member

Why: The name should be selected in conjunction with the Southern Arapaho tribal members to reflect the importance of living in harmony with nature, and respect for the peoples who were driven from this land. Contact the CU Boulder Center for Native American S

Suggestion: St. Vrain Flyway

Why: Ponds and river offer good habitat for migrating birds

Suggestion: Talley Preserve

Why: In honor of Officer Eric Talley who gave his life protecting Boulder county residents in the King Soopers shooting.

Questions 4 & 5 Long Answers (cont.)

Suggestion: The Confluence

Why: It was mentioned that this site is just past where Boulder and Coal Creek meet.

Suggestion: The Forever Land

Why: This or a name that reflects the true natural beauty of the area that is preserved & used by humans & wildlife both.

Suggestion: Trail McTrailface

Why: See here: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boaty_McBoatface

Suggestion: Trump Open Space

Why: Honors a great president

Suggestion: Wheeler Ranch

Why: Because for a long time the wheeler family took great care of the land, which is located along the creek. The wheeler Ranch is a beautiful place with lots

of wild life. I know not all the land was wheelers, but looks like a good portion is.

Suggestion: Wildlife habitat

Why: Because the Boulder county open space was designed to creat living space for wildlife to live undisturbed by humans running, walking dogs and excessive noise pollution from people and pets.

Suggestion:

Why: something historic and to honor our native American heritage and those who lived here long before us

Suggestion:

Why: We should ask the native people what they called this area.

Questions 6 Long Answers

Respondent ID: 114246478869

What rules will be in effect to keep visitors away from neighboring private properties? This is my primary concern! What sanitation facilities will be provided? Where will visitors park? Several years ago you installed a fence along the west edge of the property. It is falling down. What will you do to fix the falling down fence that you installed?

Respondent ID: 114257479685

(PLEASE ask the folks indigenous to this land to weigh in, to be a part of this plan and project. Let it be Indigenously Led!) all my answers are muted next to the original dwellers of these lands. Please stop asking white folks for our opinions, we continue to be short sighted and invested in our own interestes.

Respondent ID: 114228453260

1. It would be very nice if the most geometric (rectangular) ponds could be resculptured to have more natural shoreline shapes and gently sloping sides. Wetland habitats could be greatly increased in size, diversity, and quality in the process. Some resculpturing occurred in the 1980s on the pond alongside Boulder OSMP's East Boulder Trail just south of Boulder Creek; as a result, it is far more attractive than Sawhill Ponds where most of the ponds were not resculptured. 2. Starting in the late 1980s, OSMP managed to reclaim over 1000 acres of native grasslands on Gunbarrel Hill, a site that receives less precipitation than anywhere around it (I've lived in Heatherwood for 27 years and know how little rain the hill gets). BCPOS' project site probably gets more precipitation and is certainly more level (i.e., less runoff). Despite poor soils, native plants should be able to be re-established, at least in some areas. Native prairie here can be beautiful; it would be great if the site could return to native prairie with

cottonwoods and willows along the shorelines. 3. Cottonwood Marsh, in my opinion, is the best part of Walden Ponds. It's nice to have a large pond with large wetlands and a semblance of a natural shoreline, rather than a bunch of artificial-looking ponds with a lot of narrow shoreline wetland but low visual quality. The new site could and should have far more extensive wetlands on consolidated ponds. 4. I think the best use of this site is to try to create some version of a more natural site over a 50-100 year period. Restoring nature takes time; the public would be patient if BCPOS makes it clear that restoration is a very long game. Being clear about the long timeframe entails discussing it on signs on the project site, establishing long schedules, etc. 5. Reclamation of the new site should be much more aggressive and extensive than it was with Walden Ponds. "Go big" with the ponds and build a much more diverse, attractive, and naturalistic series of ponds even if it means completely destroying existing wetlands. However, only do the destructive resculpturing work in one area at a time, letting it revegetate for 3-7 years before the next major resculpturing work. It takes 3-7 years before revegetated areas look decent enough for the public to believe that the restoration is a good idea and "worth it." 6. At least several places on the site should be available for kids to play and do what they want, including accessing water, walking/going out into the water on a very gently sloping gradient, throwing rocks in the water, building things out of native logs and branches, etc. (I grew up in that "last child in the woods" way myself and think it's essential.) I designed a tiny site like that on a wooded peninsula in a constructed pond for Cleveland Metroparks in Ohio. It was geared for very young children, such as age 5, and was named "Little Beavers" not only because there were gnawed trees from beaver activity but also because kids were allowed to build stuff and do whatever they wanted to a small, wooded, shady site with clear

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

natural boundaries close to the visitor center. Here, a good spot would be under some large existing cottonwoods. A place along Coal Creek or Boulder Creek might be nice, too, because of running water, especially if it's along a natural gravel bar where it's safe and inviting to walk out to and into the water without having to build anything. 7. I'm a trail designer, so I'm always thinking about trails. For this site, however, I think it's best to go slow with planning and providing trails. Existing roads can be used for public access for years, with the eventual objective of an extensive trail system that enables visitors to go anywhere that visitors are allowed to go without being on old roads at all. Trails should not look or feel anything like roads; given that the site is level, trails should crookedly wind around a lot so that they hide from themselves in the (new) prairie vegetation. Don't let users form social trails all over the place like Sawhill Ponds; that just fragments everything. 8. A good starting point might be a "build, demonstrate, celebrate" development of a small area that could be thoroughly transformed and is easy for the public to visit and see, such as the area next to one of the parking areas/trailheads. That site should have some natural beauty that is preserved and enhanced. Take extensive "before" photographs, thoroughly document the transformation over the years, and display time series of annual photos on signs on the project site and online media. 9. I have a lot of good ideas quickly when I visit a site. If you're interested in the point of view of someone who has lived in Boulder County for 33 years and knows a lot about most of the publicly accessible parts of all BCPOS and OSMP areas, and would like to go out onto the site to banter some ideas, please contact me. - Troy Scott Parker, tsparker@natureshape.com, 303-530-1785 mobile

Respondent ID: 114255391055

A hicking/biking trail through the area would be great.

Respondent ID: 114256977232

A mix of cement and dirt/cinder walking paths.

Respondent ID: 114248634161

A place to walk ,no runners or bikes

Respondent ID: 114216662223

Absolutely have trails available for horseback riding with adequate trailer parking.

Respondent ID: 114215084001

Access for horses

Respondent ID: 114228334168

Access to fishable trout water is a great addition to our open spaces.

Respondent ID: 114214776738

Accessible or horses and equestrians.

Respondent ID: 114257451865

Acknowledge indigenous land

Respondent ID: 114228384903

All of bike trails in Boulder County are over-crowded, so we can always use more of those.

Respondent ID: 114255385062

ALLOW DOGS ON LEASH.

Respondent ID: 114214809139

Allow equestrian access

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114240172079

allow equestrians No motorized vehicles re: e bikes

Respondent ID: 114240342175

Allow horses on this area as well.

Respondent ID: 114205935934

Allowing for continued oil/gas extraction.

Respondent ID: 114257454037

Always remember we owe our lives to Nature and Earth. Weâ€™ve taken so much. It is true, right, and correct to give back now, to restore now. Letâ€™s show great humility and respect as we plan for the future of this space.

Respondent ID: 114216444141

Anything that supports horse activities, no developmentâ€™ etc

Respondent ID: 114216754397

Apex predators and their importance

Respondent ID: 114237363965

As a family with young kids living adjacent to this site, weâ€™ve often longed to be able to explore the open space around us and would not mind others enjoying the space as well, even in our â€œbackyardâ€. However, our top priority is protecting the wildlife habitat and maintaining the rare serenity the space currently offers. Weâ€™re also very curious what access points would like and where theyâ€™d be located. Thank you for reaching out to the public about this.

Respondent ID: 114249450289

As a resident who li es adjacent to the area in question, I can personally attest to the wildlife sanctuary benefits of land. I would hate to see an increase in human activity further stress and displace the deer, bobcats, coyotes, and numerous raptors. The reclamation post 2013 displaces the heron nesting.

Respondent ID: 114215215306

As an equestrian in Boulder County who lives in Lafayette and rides regularly in nearby open space areas such as Teller, I would love to see this space opened up for equestrian use. The terrain in this area is highly suitable for a soft surface trail with plenty of visibility and would lend itself especially well for equestrians to recreate safely in a multi-use setting.

Respondent ID: 114257020212

As east Boulder County gets overdeveloped by Erie and Lafayette, it would be nice to keep a large area of natural, undeveloped land along the creek. For wildlife, and to give residents of the area somewhere calm and spacious to go to get a break from the density, traffic and aggression thatâ€™s a result of overdevelopment. Natural, open space is good for our mental health!

Respondent ID: 114209614838

At least a pond or two could be designated for fishing. Protect bird habitat. Prohibit camping. Provide sanitation facilities.

Respondent ID: 114243075144

Balancing mixed use would be great - dog/water park, horse trails, bike trails and nature walks. Adding outdoor sculpture would be a plus.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114229131513

Be VERY careful of allowing E-bikes. If you do allow e-bikes, the signs need to CLEARLY state which classes of e-bikes are allowed. And DO allow regular bikes.

Respondent ID: 114226467642

Bicycle access!!!

Respondent ID: 114225811749

Bike and pedestrian paths would be great!

Respondent ID: 114228938480

Bike trails would be lovely.

Respondent ID: 114233846720

Biking trails please!

Respondent ID: 114255299323

Boulder County Audubon Society looks forward to attending site visits and providing comments on the East Boulder Creek Site Management Plan. We support a Plan for this special area that emphasizes protection and restoration of native ecosystems, including wildlife species and their habitats, over recreation and other human uses.

Respondent ID: 114249538115

Boulder County Nature Association will be attending the site visit(s) and after that we will have a better understanding of the area and then formulate thoughts on the area utilization

Respondent ID: 114257309991

Boulder County should take the opportunity to include Southern Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes in planning for this land.

Respondent ID: 114247537070

bring public transportation close to site

Respondent ID: 114228624910

Can it connect to other open space?

Respondent ID: 114228556137

Cap & plug all oil and gas wells asap. Restore and refurbish mining and fracking sites. Create paths and areas for recreation and picnic gatherings and for non-motorized uses. Do not allow commercial development. Minimize impact from parking areas and bathroom facilities. Include adequate trash and recycling receptacles. Keep some large areas cordoned off from people so wildlife can have adequate privacy and non-disturbed habitat.

Respondent ID: 114233824679

Concerns I have: Preserving the wildlife corridor along Boulder creek with minimal disturbance of the animals, well thought out parking and access, GREAT CARE in leaving distance/margin between any recreational use and existing adjacent communities (preserve their peace and security)

Respondent ID: 114227600916

Connect the boxy ponds with wetlands to reshape more naturally. If trails can connect to others in the area it would be great

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114243468871

Connectivity to existing/future trails to reduce need for vehicle access and parking.

Respondent ID: 114257324725

Consider consulting with Southern Cheyenne and Arapahoe tribes for the best use of this site.

Respondent ID: 114236954758

Consider impact to current housing nearby any trails or parking

Respondent ID: 114226352783

Consider making the area open to mountain biking.

Respondent ID: 114226673186

Consider the practices being used in restoration and the impact on soil health, water quality and ecosystem function. Test soil and water for herbicides and consult with independent scientists to understand true impacts.

Respondent ID: 114245399538

Control of Prairie Dogs to restore native grass and other native vegetation.

Respondent ID: 114227176509

County ran golf course!

Respondent ID: 114235403885

Create additional hunting and fishing opportunities for the public

Respondent ID: 114231888507

Create more trails that allow e-bike access

Respondent ID: 114228333949

Cycling trails in the space would be great and connect to the larger trail system

Respondent ID: 114257350750

Do no harm.

Respondent ID: 114257565466

Do not reopen this up for drilling/fracking. Close all open drill sites. Cap off. Clean up area.

Respondent ID: 114256108205

Dogs on leash

Respondent ID: 114255893162

Don't overdevelop it | plan for keeping wildlife safe and same with humans.

Respondent ID: 114214942689

Don't let the prairie dogs ruin the land! Thanks

Respondent ID: 114241266774

Equestrian access

Respondent ID: 114221907374

Equestrian activities

Respondent ID: 114214750632

Equestrian and dog friendly

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114242116266

Equestrian trails

you have given all of us with the open space. Thank you to all involved and I know this will be a beautiful project. And I travel this area a lot so looking forward to seeing the project come to life.

Respondent ID: 114257388464

Equestrian usage

Respondent ID: 114256964953

Get rid of prairie dogs. They've stripped so much of our grasslands bare. No wildflowers, no grass, no place for small ground animals. And TOPSOIL that blows away because there is no ground cover. Even keystone species become overpopulated. Why do you think they cull elk? To keep them from over foraging their habitat, like the rodents have done. You all need to learn better land management practices!

Respondent ID: 114214985084

Equestrian use

Respondent ID: 114216628928

Equestrian use was not an option but this is an ideal location for horse trails!

Respondent ID: 114226034366

getting the extraction off of there. thank you!

Respondent ID: 114215041775

Equestrian use would be wonderful for this area.

Respondent ID: 114226068336

Good multiuse path design, parking and facilities (restrooms and rest area) help focus where the impacts will be greatest.

Respondent ID: 114240262875

Equine access is paramount to me.

Respondent ID: 114224685494

Extend the Boulder Creek multi-use path along the waterway in this property.

Respondent ID: 114178393397

Gravel bike access would be great.

Respondent ID: 114236985900

fishing

Respondent ID: 114228451356

Gravel/mountain biking trails

Respondent ID: 114250109743

Fishing access please

Respondent ID: 114205989509

Hard to select only 3 from those questions. Great property and easily accessed from several towns.

Respondent ID: 114225586737

From what I have seen in the last 15 years living in Boulder County I understand more and more what

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114226315515

Having a plan to connect to regional trails to reduce parking at trailheads and allow safer cycling routes.

Respondent ID: 114229355999

Hiking and biking trails, please!

Respondent ID: 114226764085

Hiking/biking trails alongside the creek. Revising the aggregate mining ponds so that they are not rectangular, revising the contours and banks to regain a natural appearance consistent with pre-development.

Respondent ID: 114216844870

Horse back riding trail system, please!

Respondent ID: 114256598187

Horse riding and horse carriage driving access and trails would be great!

Respondent ID: 114240711896

Horse trailer parking is key!

Respondent ID: 114215022490

Horse trails.

Respondent ID: 114216786873

Horseback riding trails and trailer parking!

Respondent ID: 114227723120

How about we don't develop this one and just keep a lot of space for plants and animals...

Respondent ID: 114224686862

Human overpopulation will always expand to the maximum possible level. We must try to reserve these few tiny areas from being destroyed by human rapacity.

Respondent ID: 114224936518

I am an avid birder, and this site seems important to maintain as a natural wildlife habitat. This wasn't an option on what I would do in the space, so I chose quiet and exercise, although birding isn't really exercise, and too much foot/bike traffic can prohibit wildlife use of the space (as you well know). Thanks for the survey!

Respondent ID: 114226285840

I am grateful that plans are being made for restoration of wild lands

Respondent ID: 114256293717

I am in support of the county moving forward with the proposal to allow use of the Wheeler Ranch parcel by the Arapahoe and Cheyenne peoples. I hope that this would be a model for restoration of native grasslands and wildlife habitat for the rest of the EBC area. It would be wonderful if the entire area was restored to its natural state with reintroduction of native species that are now endangered or gone from the county.

Respondent ID: 114257470083

I answered the previous questions because they were required, but the most important thing is to work in partnership with the Cheyenne and Arapaho. My understanding is that they would like to develop an adaptive grassland management plan in partnership with OSPM. I support their wishes.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114252449951

I don't think we need further development of the land in retail or residential ventures.

Respondent ID: 114254126531

I enjoy the boardwalk paths at Walden Ponds and would love to see more like that in other recreation areas.

Respondent ID: 114228531154

I had no idea there's so much open space there! The video was beautiful and I hope we can protect/restore this treasure.

Respondent ID: 114228493890

I have a concern with water cleanliness and public health hazard due to the large number of homeless allowed to camp upstream on Boulder creek. The creek is being used for a toilet by large numbers of IV drug users so hepatitis is a concern.

Respondent ID: 114237000664

I hope it doesn't get developed.

Respondent ID: 114250072923

I hope that the agricultural lands are not separated from the housing that has supported them. Not sure what the plans are, but having ag lands with no useable housing on them, or letting the irrigation infrastructure go into disrepair makes them unsuitable for anyone to steward those lands into the future. Please consider the ongoing expenses of ag land upkeep in your planning process for this parcel. Thank you!

Respondent ID: 114236241065

I hope the site will have plenty of trails. The trails should be open to all non-motorized recreation forms.

Respondent ID: 114240582431

I hope you will allow horses and provide trailer parking. A water crossing would be very nice for those hot summer days.

Respondent ID: 114232832453

I just moved to Erie and it's shocking that there is no access to the land that is owned by the people. Obviously with Ag and Oil/Gas being the priority, it is a shame that the people who paid to buy the land and would like to use it for legal recreation are being banned by organizations who are exploiting it.

Respondent ID: 114255395300

I know Boulder County will create a distinctive and we'll planned site that will enco

Respondent ID: 114246526614

I like to fish as well as walk/hike and check out wildlife. I'd rather not have to dodge bicycles on a path. I love dogs but they scare off wildlife and damage animal nesting areas. Many owners don't keep them on a leash. (Like what I saw at the Teller lake #5 area yesterday!) If you put fish in the ponds and/or creek that creates food for other birds and critters. For people, catch and release(?). I am 70 and live in the Gunbarrel (Hill) area so I would visit this area. Adding more native trees would be nice too. (Nesting for birds.) Picnic areas? Restrooms! This area could be nice. Another gem.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114236569816

I live near the site and strongly believe we should preserve as much as Boulder Creek and the surrounding area as possible for wildlife and for human enjoyment.

Respondent ID: 114225539815

I look forward to spending time there birding and walking.

Respondent ID: 114227278921

I love the ideal of being out planet for our children

Respondent ID: 114236426352

I prefer minimal access and use - particularly limited dog access to preserve the natural wildlife habitat

Respondent ID: 114252144639

I strongly do not want any development of any kind. So much habitat has been destroyed, nothing should be done

Respondent ID: 114225594563

I think Boulder would greatly benefit from something like a Rec Center but for the mind. This site might be a good location for such a facility. Such a facility would include indoor, solar powered, hot springs with a view of the mountains and open space. It would also include a meditation area. And it would include a volunteer placement office and a small restaurant. The facility would have parking for the disabled only. All other visitors would travel by shuttle, bike, or foot. Meditation and volunteerism are primary pathways to contentment and good mental health. Demand for the hot springs would likely be so high that an online reservation system would be needed for peak periods.

Respondent ID: 114225546311

I think it should be a requirement that any agriculture on public land is grows food directly for people to eat rather than cash crops

Respondent ID: 114257327617

I think the planned land use ought to consider the Southern Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes first and foremost. OSMP teams need to develop a partnership to foster designing and implementing an adaptive grassland management plan for open space agricultural land in Boulder County. This land ought to be restored mainly for the use of Native tribes; the white citizens of Boulder have plenty of opportunities for "recreation." The primary objective should be restoring the land to the Native tribes, with Boulder OSMP as a limited partner.

Respondent ID: 114218520134

I think trails in a concentrated area are a great opportunity but they don't have to be everywhere. Leave plenty of room for Ag, wildlife, and water mgmt.

Respondent ID: 114225878599

I think you should reintroduce beavers. They can do the work of restoration and engineering far better than humans. They would be of great assistance in increasing other wildlife and species diversity. I also think you should consider regenerative agriculture as a solution to mending the soil. It is of less importance to have it for human use.

Respondent ID: 114257534896

I understand there is interest in working with Right Relationship Boulder and indigenous tribes to manage this site. I am very interested in learning more about this option.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114254042743

I want footpaths with frequent spots for sitting and enjoying the surroundings along the creek. Whoever farms the land in the future should allow for right of way. Oil and gas development should be squeezed out.

Respondent ID: 114229982147

I would hope to have a vast path system similar to what is provided at Lagerman Reservoir. Thanks!

Respondent ID: 114226396005

I would like some voice and sight trails in the area for visitors with dogs to enjoy.

Respondent ID: 114224724498

I would like this site to connect with trails in the area, making a big loop through east Boulder County. Flat, somewhat graded dirt or gravel trails are good recreation and exercise for the average citizen, including families, and are safer than roads with cars. I would like to start at Teller Farms and ride through east county all the way along the creek system and then pick up Coal Creek Trail and come back. While you are at it, please make a safe way to access Teller Farm South from the south without a car. Like a short stretch of path/trail from 95th to the Teller Farm turnout.

Respondent ID: 114254400891

I would like to see an option of "no public access" in the options of selecting the top three activities of choice. Believe it or not, there are still some of us that think open space should be disturbance-free habitat for plants and animals and not a playground for humans

Respondent ID: 114215010108

I would like to see it open for quietly riding my horses. I do not think this peaceful area should be open to all sorts of human involved activity that would disturb wildlife.

Respondent ID: 114254078729

I would like to see some education at the site about the interplay between resource extraction and restoration.

Respondent ID: 114215030078

I would love for Equestrian trails to be included in the development of this open space, including parking for horse trailers

Respondent ID: 114228558130

I would love to have a multi-use path on the old Union Pacific railway line through this area while I am still able to enjoy it!

Respondent ID: 114215758562

I would love to see access to horses and trail riding.

Respondent ID: 114255263881

I would love to see signs that give the history of the area and explain native plants, animals, ecosystems, etc. (like at national and state parks)

Respondent ID: 114239566285

I would love to someday see a multiuse trail connection through this property, connecting to the Boulder trail system at Gunbarrel Ranch (or somewhere else that makes sense) and running along Boulder Creek to Sandstone Ranch.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114225494306

I'd like to see the primary focus of management to be a healthy environment for wildlife, floral and fauna. Instead of cutting hay continue restoration of native grasses. Mimimize cattle grazing except where needed for health of pastures. No motor vehicles. Boat must be the kind that can be carried in on a human drawn device or on a person. Please, please, please allow for off leash dogs. Here is a dream request: no using cell phones except for emergencies!

Respondent ID: 114224894951

I'd like to see this worked into regional trail connections

Respondent ID: 114225033038

I'd be especially interested in birding in this area

Respondent ID: 114217465661

Ideally, no motorized use

Respondent ID: 114226791731

If applicable, connectivity and access to regional trails for bike commuting and similar

Respondent ID: 114256384464

If possible areas for off-leash dogs in the form of the Valmont dog park and/or Twin lakes would be wonderful - if it could be worked into the design dogs really need places to run and play and if it could include water that would be great-i think there is a nice amount of space to fit this in alongside the other priorities and ideas. A place where seniors, individuals and families could incorporate letting their dogs play would be well used and very good for the mental health of dogs and persons. I hope this place will

be accessible to folks with disabilities also, maybe a nature trail

Respondent ID: 114243393162

if swimming is possible, designate some areas for swimming or playing in the creek

Respondent ID: 114180559781

I'm not sure, is this the end of the survey? No, I guess not, I came back to this, but need to finish the survey first to know what else I may want to add.

Respondent ID: 114224809035

Important to consider connecting trails to regional trails.

Respondent ID: 114228337098

include a variety of trails and a variety of type, some small rugged for hiking and running, some wide and gravel for biking, some crafted to create an experience for mountain bikers, no need for concrete.

Respondent ID: 114254487045

Include pathways for walking, birding, biking. Include a parking area with restrooms.

Respondent ID: 114228498414

Is there anyway to allow for access from 95th?

Respondent ID: 114226828338

It could be a nice site for a disc golf course

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114228431980

It is a wonderful idea to open up such a large new area to recreation. I realize that it is not pristine grass and wet lands. However, I'm worried about the impact that people and dogs will have. There needs to be strict restrictions on access off-trail. Dogs should be required to be on leash. Dog owners are going to assume it will be a free-for-all since it is relatively remote from the cities. I also want to ask if there is a plan to connect thru to the west of these properties as far west as the trail west of 95th, which connects to Heatherwood, Boulder Creek, Walden Ponds. Thank you for your work.

Respondent ID: 114256471341

It would be amazing to have a cool playground in the area!

Respondent ID: 114215360979

It would be great if equestrians could have access to this beautiful area, of course with appropriate parking too.

Respondent ID: 114255996474

It would be great if there were a mile or two of paved paths that are cleared in the winter, so people with mobility limitations/wheelchairs could get out there year-round. Since it's flat, it will be great for the non-athletes. Plenty of parking with lots of handicapped-designated spaces.

Respondent ID: 114244258445

it would be great if this could connect to the open space that is west of this area (valmont toward the watertower in gunbarrel)

Respondent ID: 114216718140

It would be great to see some type of equestrian trail and usage here

Respondent ID: 114227451283

I've lived in east Boulder for the past 17 years and am still exploring the open space. Protection and restoration of this area is high on my list for contributing to the quality of life here. I applaud Boulder County Open Space for asking for input and I look forward to walking this land in the future. Please safeguard it to the extent that you're able to for our children and grandchildren, the farmers, and wildlife and natural foliage and waterways. Thank you!

Respondent ID: 114226820155

Just build it. Open it. Go into production. Ship it. Ask for forgiveness, not permission. Oh, sorry, I mean let's do a 10 year environmental study, a 10 year funding feasibility study, then 10 years designing it, then 10 years planning it, then 10 years building it. I mean it took almost 100 years to build Notre Dame and you cannot be too careful when putting gravel on top of ancient tractor ruts.

Respondent ID: 114228713838

Just moved to the gunbarrel area and my family was surprised how few places there were to bike on trails here. It would be amazing if some walk/run/bike trails could be added

Respondent ID: 114227264180

Just think this is a great opportunity to restore grassland habitat.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114234462262

Keep it as wild as possible; restore as much as possible. End oil and gas extraction if/when possible.

Respondent ID: 114227312630

Keep it low key, don't over-develop.

Respondent ID: 114178929427

Keep it simple. It does not need to be restored to it's original, natural state (which is probably impossible). Rather, prioritize the creek itself, open up dirt surfaced walking, running and cycling paths and don't try to turn it into a manicured "park".

Respondent ID: 114227717145

Keep working on tracks to trails so the eastern part of the county can have direct trail access to the vast network of trails existing in Boulder county

Respondent ID: 114237339484

Leave it open with livestock and wild animals!

Respondent ID: 114215058960

Let people trail ride there horses. The flatness and terrain are excellent for the activity.

Respondent ID: 114257227120

Let's not lose sight of the necessity and importance of keeping Open Space! Too much has disappeared before our eyes. Developers and Money are NOT the main components in healthy living for our future and our children's future!!

Respondent ID: 114216495471

Let's protect this land. Making it environmentally friendly. Let's make it safe and enjoyable for equestrians and others.

Respondent ID: 114228427452

Limit the use of e bikes.

Respondent ID: 114182023795

Limited access, leave natural with limited interferences by human foot or auto traffic. Don't promote long term activities like picnic areas or parking lots.

Respondent ID: 114179687687

Look for opportunities to connect with regional trails and other surrounding natural areas and open space. This would be of value to surrounding communities/users as well as wildlife.

Respondent ID: 114257505974

Looks like it would be a great place to install hiking trails and do birding. Thanks for the survey. LOVE BOULDER COUNTY.

Respondent ID: 114228463334

lots of trail is always nice. Bonus if there can be separate walking and biking trails

Respondent ID: 114256422615

Main priority of mine is off leash dog walking (with voice and sight control tag)

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114256217385

Maintain animal grazing and the ag stays in the area.
Without proper management it quickly becomes
another Marshall fire problem.

Respondent ID: 114216770948

Make it a place for equestrian riders.

Respondent ID: 114251040028

Make it as wild and natural as possible.

Respondent ID: 114240175930

Make sure it is Equestrian-friendly and offers multiple
large horse trailer parking sites.

Respondent ID: 114237469423

Merge the ponds and create more shoreline by
removing rectangular shapes. Allow kayaking on lake.

Respondent ID: 114255935585

Minimally develop at least one site for late viewing of
the night time sky

Respondent ID: 114215059545

More space for horses

Respondent ID: 114225742151

mountain bike area

Respondent ID: 114228522978

Multi-use trail system(s). Stocked ponds-catch &
release. Community gardens

Respondent ID: 114227612452

MUP would be great!

Respondent ID: 114237388943

Never build homes, Just keep it natural open space
people can enjoy

Respondent ID: 114224706378

No bicycles

Respondent ID: 114226145493

No bikes and dogs must be leashes or no dogs please.

Respondent ID: 114255450056

No dogs allowed.

Respondent ID: 114225010398

No e-bikes allowed on the site. Keep the site a quiet
respite to enjoy nature and the scenery at a slow
pace.

Respondent ID: 114215183592

No monster homes

Respondent ID: 114225874502

Oil & gas extraction should end; OSMP should work
on native revegetation/rewilding projects.

Respondent ID: 114215043395

Open it for equestrian use.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114256086343

Open the land to public use and preserve what is there.

Respondent ID: 114254487738

Opportunities for short and longer loops like at Pella would be nice.

Respondent ID: 114248497566

Parking, safety, preserving current and past use of the land. As a resident in this area I don't want to see the land get ruined by recreational over use.

Respondent ID: 114228423158

Pea gravel biking/hiking trails that connect with others outside of area would be great. The more we can have cycling trails that give bikers options beyond the highway is super important.

Respondent ID: 114256046330

Personally, I would love lots of walking loops of varying lengths, with a rich variety of native plants and water habitats to attract wildlife. It would be very helpful during wet weather if some portion of the trail system were paved, to it could still be accessed during wet/snowy weather.

Respondent ID: 114231952868

Please allow biking (but not ebikes). No dogs (they swim in the lake) and poop nearby

Respondent ID: 114215011281

Please allow equestrian access here! We want to be able to ride our horses!

Respondent ID: 114216732754

Please allow equestrian use on this trail as the area is agricultural and has many equestrian facilities on its borders.

Respondent ID: 114215325251

Please allow equestrians enjoy this area. E-bikes are fine too

Respondent ID: 114215073017

Please allow for horses. We need to maintain agricultural growth in todays society and part of that is equine. We need more open spaces that is accessible to ride.

Respondent ID: 114216689084

Please allow horses

Respondent ID: 114220119177

Please allow horses and have trailer parking for horse trailers. Diagonal spots at a good angle that allows horses to be tied to their trailer without interfering with other trailers. Hitching posts and rocks to use for mounting blocks are helpful also.

Respondent ID: 114249992692

Please allow more access to fishing!

Respondent ID: 114257553158

PLEASE ask Indigenous Folks for their help, their permission. Let this project be LED by folks who were indigenous to these lands, or at the very least - deep conversations with Southern Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114257556927

PLEASE ask Indigenous Folks for their help, their permission. Make sure this project is LED by folks who are indigenous to these lands, or at the very least deep conversations with Southern Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes. we need to stop asking white folks or having white folks manage and merely get input from a few native peoples. We, settlers, have made and continue to make many decisions based upon self interest while disregarding for those whom had lands stolen.

Respondent ID: 114226399336

Please be gentle with the land and the species already living there.

Respondent ID: 114245312960

please cease oil/gas activities on the property. please reserve some paths for pedestrians and equestrians only. thank you for protecting this irreplaceable natural resource!

Respondent ID: 114214744154

Please consider allowing equestrian-use trails in this area!

Respondent ID: 114255888736

Please consider an off-leash dog area! With the looming loss of CU South, a large open area with room to walk would be a high priority.

Respondent ID: 114225478016

Please consider banning dogs from using this space. Parks & Open Space wholly fails to enforce leash and pet waste laws at sites such as Rabbit Mountain (off leash rampant) and Pella Crossing (positively covered

in dog feces). Providing open space that is accessible and does not allow dogs serves a portion of the community that is otherwise ignored, and could serve as a null study area for impacts of canine overuse.

Respondent ID: 114222257957

Please consider connecting this new site to existing bike trails in Boulder county. It would be hugely beneficial to many people (and save on parking spaces) if the site was easily and safely accessible by bicycle from surrounding communities such as Longmont and Boulder. Thank you!

Respondent ID: 114215432789

Please consider equestrians ! We would love to have access while respecting the land as well!

Respondent ID: 114225525497

Please consider multi-use trails that connect to other nearby trails. Also, can you please post a better area map that shows existing nearby trails and other open space lands? Thanks!!!

Respondent ID: 114257520952

please consider Right Relationship and the native peoples who are descendants of this heritage, how are they included?

Respondent ID: 114215027728

Please consider the ability to ride horses on the paths.

Respondent ID: 114227716350

Please consider the traffic volume at proposed access points. Hwy 287 is far too busy for an access point and would create more traffic on an already overused and dangerous highway.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114257606016

Please deeply involve the Southern Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes in the planning and management processes that will take on their unceded lands. Thank you!

Respondent ID: 114228446182

Please develop a gravel, non-motorized road system for walking, running and pedal biking. (Accessible from all surrounding border paved roads. Have this road circuit visit great views and bird watching locations. Thanks

Respondent ID: 114224774275

Please do not allow further oil, gas, or mineral harvesting in this area.

Respondent ID: 114237311112

Please do not include access closer than 1000 yards from any adjacent personal property. Many of us live in a rural area to ensure a quiet residence life style.

Respondent ID: 114227108328

Please do not spray any chemicals in this area; they are not needed and kill large numbers of species of insect that feed birds and keep nature intact.

Respondent ID: 114178530586

Please don't let folks defecate in the creek

Respondent ID: 114215043159

please don't let the trail sides turn into massive weeds like at Lagerman Reservoir

Respondent ID: 114247616483

Please don't use synthetic chemicals to control weeds but ecologically sound approaches like targeted goat grazing, prescribed burns, and weed removal volunteer groups.

Respondent ID: 114226362863

Please ensure top priorities are riparian area conservation and wildlife habitat. Fragmentation of habitat is a very real concern and this is one of the few areas that BCPOS owns on the plains that is somewhat large enough to maintain continuity of habitat.

Respondent ID: 114228577550

Please focus on recreational opportunities.

Respondent ID: 114256499409

Please have trails that accommodate horses. I would love to have this space for that! Thank you so much

Respondent ID: 114257594227

Please include access and use for equestrians

Respondent ID: 114178487112

Please include bike trails.

Respondent ID: 114218467686

Please include equestrians (trails and adequate trailer parking) in your planning process.

Respondent ID: 114228371942

Please include significant public access, fishing, trails, and tie into the future rail with trail project.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114238363373

Please institute lasting policies that will preserve the East Boulder Creek Site for current and future generations.

Respondent ID: 114226370896

Please keep further mining out of this area and recommend that organic farming operations be encouraged without the use of hazardous chemicals for the health of the restored ecosystems.

Respondent ID: 114237523320

Please keep it open space :) (i.e. NO development, including housing, recreational game fields & playgrounds). Would love walking/biking trails that connect to other trail systems in BoCo - thank you for your work!!

Respondent ID: 114226106516

Please keep open space open for animals and no development!

Respondent ID: 114236988310

Please keep this area low impact.

Respondent ID: 114227749097

Please leave some of the best habitat WITHOUT human access so that native species can thrive there, and provide some areas for quiet -- to get away from the hustle and bustle of fast-paced life. Allow for Ag productivity on appropriate areas away from the creek. Do NOT allow dogs.

Respondent ID: 114237132331

Please limit public access to Boulder creek and as many natural ponds as possible. Best to restrict visitor pathways to along N119th St and Jasper road (where human activity already happens) and maintain a protected core zone of no human access. Pelicans, herons, turtles, ospreys, bald eagles etc. all concentrate in the limited riparian stretches in Boulder County. All of these species avoid nesting in areas of public access. We have enough public access recreational open spaces in a 3 mile radius of this site.

Respondent ID: 114228330678

Please make open space accessible to the public

Respondent ID: 114228427585

Please make sure trails allow mountain bikes and safely link to the broader network of open space trails.

Respondent ID: 114238368738

Please make the trails at least 4 feet wide. The smaller concrete trails are not wide enough for 2 people and 2 dogs to walk side by side. Plus if someone has a stroller there definitely needs to be 4 feet for 2 people to walk. Preserve as much natural habitat as possible. No reason to gut it and start over. Work around what is already there so the current wildlife populations are not displaced or run out of their homes and become prey to coyotes.

Respondent ID: 114256105032

Please maximize access to different recreation groups as much as possible.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114257538087

Please no house or commercial property development.

Respondent ID: 114240273426

Please open this to equestrians

Respondent ID: 114214752408

Please please please incorporate trail heads with room for horse trailer parking and trails for horses or walking but no bikes. Thank you.

Respondent ID: 114226114017

Please prioritize native plant associations and native fauna.

Respondent ID: 114236922526

Please protect existing adjacent homes with a limited access boundary. Thank you and good luck with this project.

Respondent ID: 114242107918

Please provide horse opportunities and trailer parking at north and south ends

Respondent ID: 114255008617

Please retain grasslands and wildlife habitats. Accessible trails, not for bikes, may be paramount to maintaining these, while allowing exploration and appreciation.

Respondent ID: 114240419148

Please strongly consider equestrian use for this area. Horse-friendly trails and trailer parking are in short supply on land such as this.

Respondent ID: 114241265229

Please, Please preserve this area. Plant lots of carbon capturing trees!!

Respondent ID: 114228448642

Possible some stream and lake fishing

Respondent ID: 114254066597

Prioritize multiuse trails -- loops, regional non-motorized trail (but not "transportation corridor")

Respondent ID: 114226484620

Protection of riparian areas/waterways and adjacent areas should clearly trump recreation with its impacts. Design in the protection in (trail placement away from riparian areas, limited water access where least impactful, fence and sign adjacent to trail to keep people and dogs on the trail) to reduce the need for on-sight patrol and the expensive restoration.

Respondent ID: 114238285384

provide mountain biking, dogs off leash, walking, fishing

Respondent ID: 114241419140

Provide several entrance points and parking lots accessible to horse trailers

Respondent ID: 114243024041

Public access for boating on boulder creek from the city of Boulder to the confluence of the St Vrain

Respondent ID: 114257305826

Put nature first

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114178509304

Recreational trails, such as for biking, are really lacking in the eastern part of the county. So I would like to see biking access prioritized. It's low impact and provides exercise opportunities for all.

Respondent ID: 114250084086

Regenerative agriculture could be helpful in bolstering community in and around the land. All the water is such a valuable asset to year round, permaculture-type growing.

Respondent ID: 114227688232

Respect the importance of agricultural use for sustaining our community into the future.

Respondent ID: 114226670349

Restoring/protecting wildlife habitat is extremely valuable/important. Thank you for working on this project!

Respondent ID: 114256991254

Seems like an opportunity for new trails that are flat (not super hilly) for both hikers and mountain bikers who do not necessarily want a lot of climbing.

Respondent ID: 114257558208

Significant First People's input. Some maintained space for larger gatherings that would not damage area, honoring of the First People who knew, loved, and return to this area. Visual beauty, native plants and traditional landscape, signs in native languages and English, large areas of shade, parking out of sight, natural sound absorption from high traffic noise, factual truths on signage regarding the history of the area, scattered restrooms. One picnic area with tables and if feasible water and bathrooms.

Respondent ID: 114244111252

-Site management remain wildlife habitat preservation and restoration focused. -Provide limited and focused public access for environmental interpretation, youth education, and wildlife viewing. -Maintain the open space properties as required within limitations of the funds used to acquire the properties. -Construct limited access points, overlooks, education facilities. -Ensure areas accessed by the public are strategically designed to minimize wildlife conflicts. - Provide guided environmental education opportunities to ensure youth, and visitors receive quality wildlife viewing, accurate information, and minimize disturbance to the site. -The wildlife preservation aspects of this site currently provides balance with other sites in the County that already provide running, hiking, horseback trails, parks, dog walks, and playgrounds. -Where public use opportunities are offered, they should wildlife focused (education, interpretation, fishing, wildlife viewing).

Respondent ID: 114254036245

So glad this land is being protected

Respondent ID: 114227711758

Something that reflects the geography or environment

Respondent ID: 114236991785

Stop taking my money to purchase land and then preventing me from accessing it. Stop continuing to allow what use to be an agricultural, rural county and turning it into California. Stop making it hard to farm and ranch, the farms and ranches were here long before the tens and hundreds of thousands of out of state people came and changed the very nature of the county.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114240561794

Support equestrian uses.

Respondent ID: 114225096849

Thank you for asking for feedback -- this is an incredible, irreplaceable, magnificent part of our County.

Respondent ID: 114231005431

Thank you for considering the area to be keep and returned to it's original condition. Where animals and native plants can flourish.

Respondent ID: 114257533767

thank you for protecting whats left of this natural habitat

Respondent ID: 114228248339

Thanks for preserving open space.

Respondent ID: 114203576602

That you keep riverbanks and ponds well vegetated for wildlife, especially bear this in mind if it is to offer fishing, that banks should stay leafy and wild

Respondent ID: 114228702437

The area is wonderful in its current state.

Respondent ID: 114236603330

The highway (287) creates significant noise, some form of noise barrier along the highway that does not obstruct views wouldâ€™ve good. Maybe some low growing evergreens.

Respondent ID: 114178382458

The site offers a great opportunity to hiking and biking trails with connectivity to the other trails in the county

Respondent ID: 114189102295

The video made me seasick. I didn't get a good look at the five properties. Eye-level photos would have been a nice addition to video.

Respondent ID: 114254136360

There are five separate areas, but please consider having continuous trails that connect all of them.

Respondent ID: 114256105905

There doesn't seem to be any recognition of native lands in this area. Surely there were native people living on these lands and some preservation/restoration of that heritage should be included in what happens to the land and/or what the area is named.

Respondent ID: 114256954801

There needs to be a concerted effort to be sure to connect these new recreation areas with natural surface trail to other open space properties accessible by bike and foot. Namely White rocks and Teller farms Isolated plots of land separated by increasingly busy and dangerous roads are of lesser value.

Respondent ID: 114256616650

There should be equestrian trails

Respondent ID: 114236646915

think 7 generations ahead

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114254052624

This area has some wonderful potential as a regional soft-surface recreational trail connecting Erie to Boulder City and County open spaces to the west (Teller/White Rock).

Respondent ID: 114179692516

This area is very rural, I'm curious why the County feels a need to change it from what it is today?

Respondent ID: 114217662151

This area should be an off leash dog area as well as equine friendly.

Respondent ID: 114240378450

This area would be great to have equestrian trails

Respondent ID: 114251068430

This is an opportunity for Pollinator natives as the wild grasses are replaced. Could there be a special Pollinator garden with 'native' plants and labels. Not just forbs but many blossoming plants. We would attract unusual insects and hummingbirds.

Respondent ID: 114229001614

This is very exciting. I am a big fan of Walden Ponds off of 75th and dream that this will one day be a much larger version of that. Thank you Boulder Open Space!

Respondent ID: 114255776565

This plan should be involve all factors: sustainability, environmentally protected (both native plants and vegetation and habitats) , all natural trails

(no concrete), wetland protections (federal law) , no parking lots or roads, Net zero and lastly, no developments for infinity.

Respondent ID: 114236588450

This space is a wildlife sanctuary. If the area is to be developed do so in such a way that it allows people to observe the wildlife and enjoy the area. Similar to the saint vrain greenway.

Respondent ID: 114179271403

This type of terrain lends itself well for soft surface trails that would be safe to use for equestrians.

Respondent ID: 114178351719

This would be a perfect site for Boulder County's compost facility, due to the proximity to weld county and distance from the city of Boulder.

Respondent ID: 114236632073

Traffic impacts Are critical as county line road is already a mess. Bike lanes to the area as well as shoulder width are very limited. Privacy to local homeowners.

Respondent ID: 114228335763

Trails for hiking and biking

Respondent ID: 114240721785

Trails for horseback riding.

Respondent ID: 114228327786

Trails for mountain biking would be great!

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114254186448

Trails! Exercising outdoors in nature is scientifically proven to be the best thing for physical, mental, and emotional health, so please provide this service to people who are paying the bills. And then they will support further conservation.

Respondent ID: 114256086291

Vision: no or minimal rec access to the creek; ponds restored to natural contours & vegetation; one rec trail, either circular or linked to a longer County trail, avoiding good wildlife habitat; one picnic area with shade & access to a pond. How are you limiting this input to single responses, avoiding crowd-comments?

Respondent ID: 114254062429

Walking trails amongst trees and around ponds

Respondent ID: 114225520669

We do not have playgrounds for older kids (tween age) akin to Paco Sanchez in Denver with more challenging and exciting offerings. Please consider something like this, it would fill a big gap in the area.

Respondent ID: 114246070823

we prefer a wildlife sanctuary to ensure the land continues to be undisturbed. I.E. trash, parking, abuse to the environment

Respondent ID: 114236664029

We vehemently oppose any kind of residential or business development.

Respondent ID: 114254798649

We want the Boulder creek to connect to the future BART trail system. We live in Erie and can't wait to explore our way to Boulder on bicycles.

Respondent ID: 114241450881

We would like to request you allow horseback riding on the trails.

Respondent ID: 114224695028

When trails are complete, please have enough parking so people aren't turned away when wanting to recreate here.

Respondent ID: 114178429128

While i'm unsure what the long term intent is, I hope the ponds are treated as Sawhill or Walden ponds which allow fishing (preferably with catch and release fishing for bass and artificial lures to limit trash and worm containers) but also provide habitat for a very wide variety of wildlife to observe or be surprised by while fishing.

Respondent ID: 114226362558

wildlife/bird survey monitoring through volunteer groups, partnering with local groups that have experience with such surveys

Respondent ID: 114224707276

With unconstrained development in Weld County, wildlife habitat adjacent to this area is being lost quickly. Preserve this area and its habitat as it the little we have left. No on accessibility, trails, recreation etc, the County has plenty of the that.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114178524818

Work with the Town of Erie and its Open Space & Trails Advisory Board - build trail through the property to connect to Erie's spine trail to the south and help to extend that trail system northward with eventual connection to Smoljan and further northward.

Respondent ID: 114257042122

Would be great to see all the remaining wells on this land plugged & abandoned, and restore that land.

Respondent ID: 114216054782

Would like an equestrian trail

Respondent ID: 114224688709

would like to ensure you can paddle, bicycle as well as walk within this site. And recently recovering from a knee injury, that there are ample well-placed benches. And bathrooms!

Respondent ID: 114236598943

Would love bike and walking trails along boulder creek and paddleboarding at a lake in the area. We just moved to 5172 N 119th St, Erie, Co 80516 and no access to any type of trail recreation.

Respondent ID: 114228254531

Would love some bike trails! And stroller friendly walks.

Respondent ID: 114180162469

Would love to have great trails, fishing opportunities, osprey nests with cameras and an off leash area for dogs

Respondent ID: 114219979892

Would there be any kind of fishing possibilities and or access?

Respondent ID: 114225973597

Yes!! Why am I just now hearing about this a few weeks before a deadline? My email address is sharleen.bakeman@gmail.com. Please include me on future lists. How will this link in to the proposed BERT trail? Will there be ped/bike access under Hwy 287? "the worst block to nature in the east county? Culverts helping the movement of wildlife? Will we work toward capturing mineral rights so that future wells will not be drilled? Will design include safety swales and water collection for future flooding? Will you allow access from all sides? There is very little info in your very short, but well done video. More info would be so helpful. Thanks!

Respondent ID: 114257310734

Yes, be sure to honor the Indigenous use of the land. Honoring would be more than adding a name. It would be sharing the land with indigenous peoples - collaboration with tribes.

Respondent ID: 114256340222

Yes, please restore at least a portion of this land to the Arapaho and Cheyenne people for ongoing management and use! I ask this as a Broomfield resident who has familial ties the Stengel property in East Boulder not far from this watershed.

Respondent ID: 114254091407

Yes. Allow those who farm and ranch these lands to continue. They are good stewards of the land. They minimize obnoxious weeds, oversee water runoff, and minimize top soil erosion while providing a valuable service to our community.

Questions 6 Long Answers (cont.)

Respondent ID: 114242185074

Yes. I think this could be a keystone in a connecting trail from Erie, through these 5 sites, then linking a trail using the existing dirt roads through the wetlands between 287 and 95th. From there a further link to White Rocks trail could be made, again using existing dirt roads. Using Phillips road a further connection to Walden Ponds would be feasible and from there you could get to Valmont road and have a continuous connection between Erie and Boulder. Work with the state on eBike incentives and all of a sudden you have a viable, non-car route for Erie residents to commute into Boulder.

Respondent ID: 114228968707

Yes. It would be nice to see some kind of connection to/ from the The White Rocks Open Space.