



# Sustainability, Climate Action & Resilience

Climate Policy Action Leadership Collaborative

Meeting 3

5.16.23

# Agenda

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- **Welcome (5 min)**
  - **Land Acknowledgment**
- **Dinner**
  - **Open discussion re: Climate Justice (20 min)**
- **Buildings/Transportation (30 min)**
- **EnviroScreen (15 min)**
- **Next Steps (15 min)**
- **Wrap up (5 min)**



# Land Acknowledgment

- We honor and recognize that we are in the ancestral homeland of the Cheyenne and Arapaho nations. This area also has a long history of exchange, hunting, gathering, healing, and spirituality for many other nations, such as the Lakota, Ute, Comanche, Shoshone, and Apache. As we pronounce and make this recognition and these words are heard, the connection of these nations with their traditional and ancestral territories is renewed and reaffirmed.
- We recognize the indigenous nations as the first stewards of the land, water, plants, and animals that identify this area as their home and make a recognition that these nations and their traditional and ancestral territories are renewed and reaffirmed while recognizing the cruel and painful history of genocide and forced displacement that these nations lived in their territories.
- We respect the diversity of people who still feel and live this connection to this land in which we are present today, and we honor and thank these nations and the ancestors of this territory as we gather. We know that this land acknowledgement is just a first step and that only action, like what we hope this space will support, can help address the injustices of colonization.





Dinner – NEPAL - Sherpa's



# Transportation

- CO's largest greenhouse gas sector
  - Vehicles are also key to our [ozone air quality problem](#) and ozone itself is a GHG.
  - It's a large sector in this county, as it is in all metro areas.
  - High housing costs and sprawl lead to a lot of reliance on transportation.
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- Cleaner Vehicles
  - Better planning and more options



# Transportation

## Cleaner Vehicles

Joining other states in adopting CA rules:



### [Advanced Clean Cars II](#) (July-Oct)

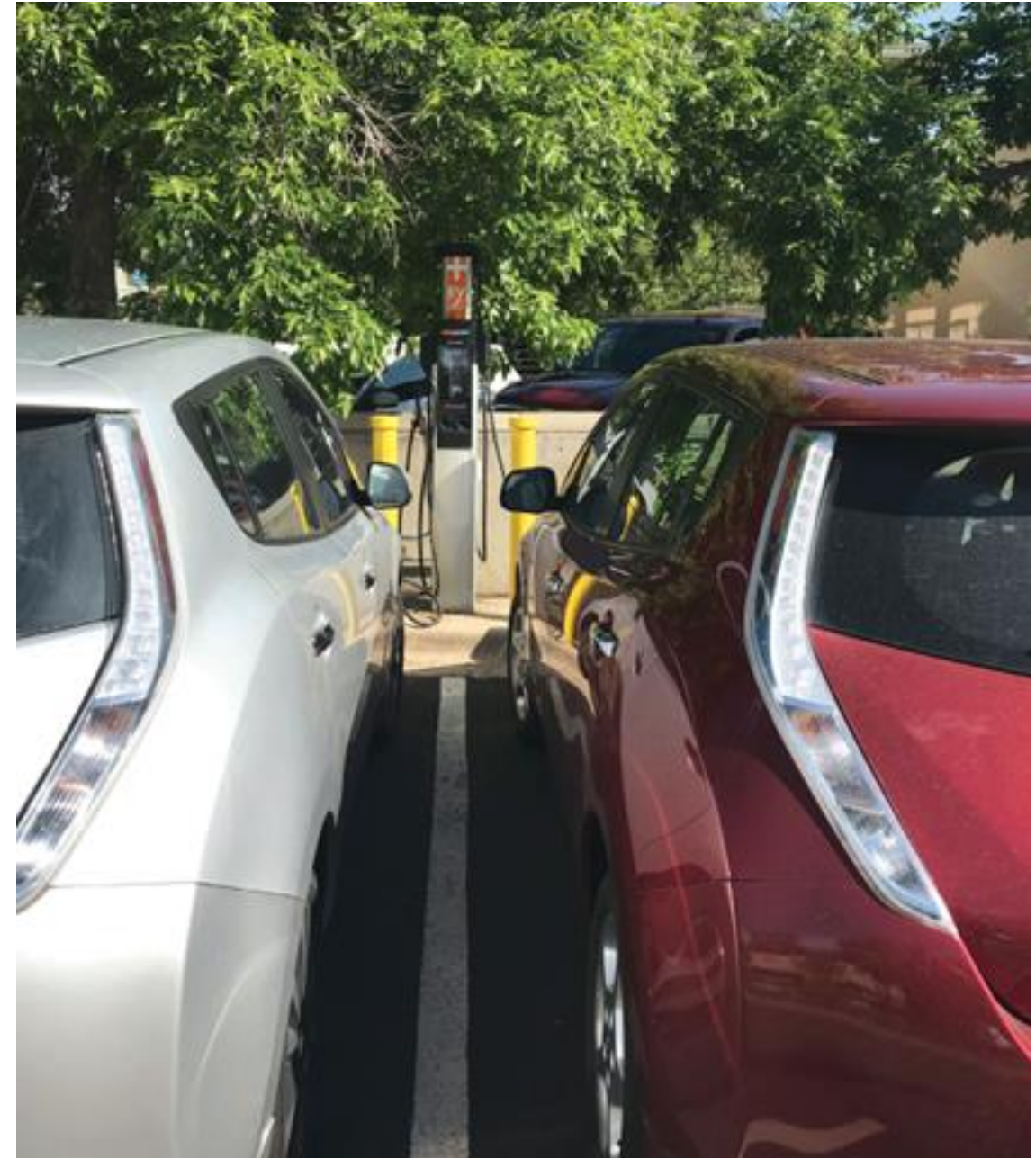
- ACC requires vehicle makers to make and sell more electric vehicles



### [Advanced Clean Trucks and Low-NO<sub>x</sub> Omnibus Rule](#) (Regulation 20)

ADOPTED by [AQCC!](#)

- Requires sales of electric medium and heavy-duty vehicles and gas-burning vehicles to be cleaner



# Transportation

## Better Planning More Options

- [CDOT Greenhouse Gas Planning Standard](#)  
“Mitigation Measures”
- Comment at [Transportation Commission](#) meetings on climate related policy.
- Submit or give public comment to the Denver Regional Council of Governments ([DRCOG](#)) at their board meetings.



# Coming soon...in June

- Water Quantity and Quality
- Community organizing
- Giving comment and testimony







# EnviroScreen Tool

- **The tool defines Disproportionately Impacted Communities for the purpose of prioritizing and directing benefits to these communities through state regulation and programs.**
- Colorado EnviroScreen is an interactive, bilingual, online environmental justice mapping tool. It identifies and visualizes places with environmental health disparities in Colorado.
- A first commitment is to work in science, data, and research to document, educate, and work to change systems that enable race-based health disparities.
- It provides data for CDPHE to address pollution at neighborhood level.
- **In 2023 Boulder County will continue to develop on a Climate Equity mapping tool.**

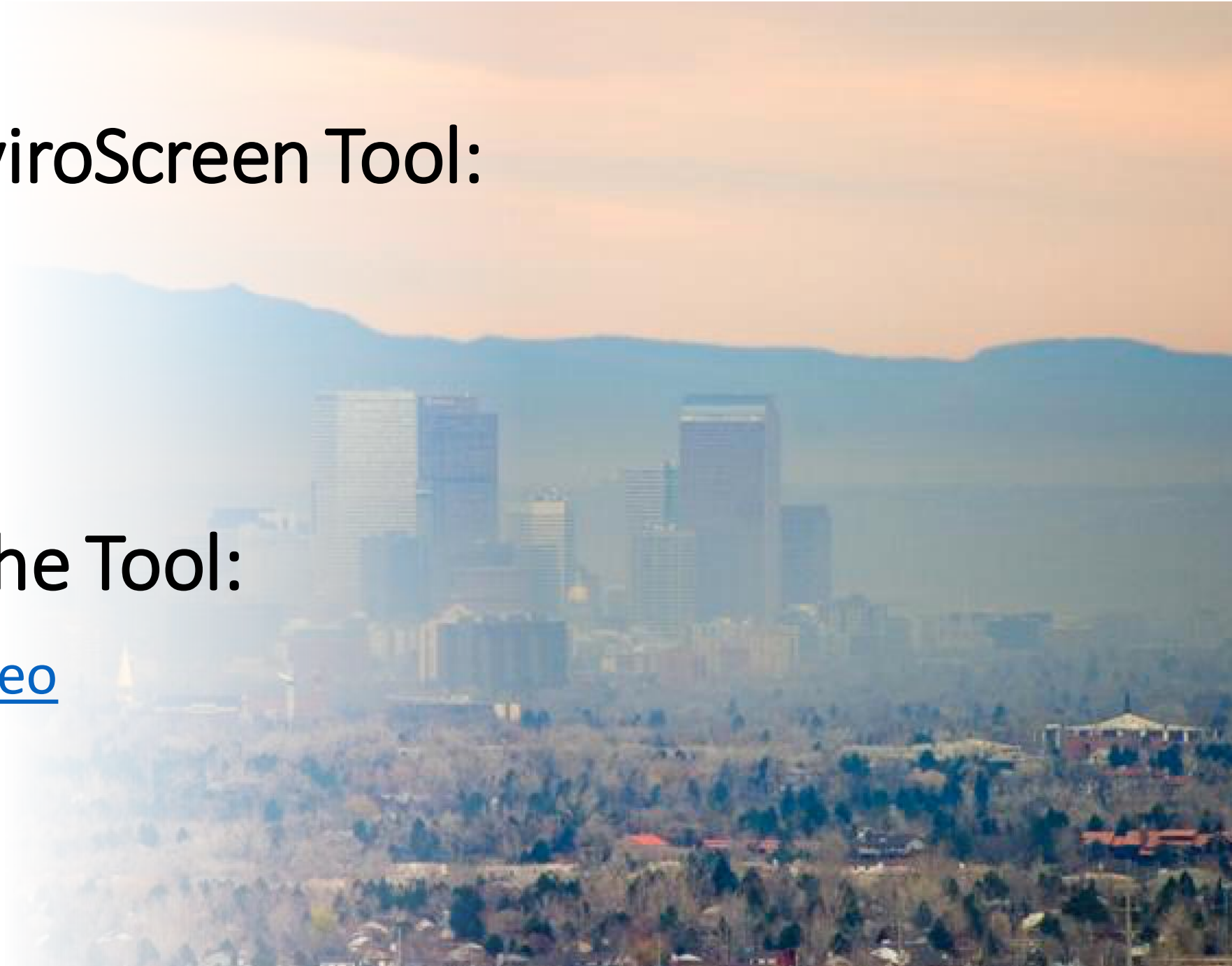
# Colorado EnviroScreen Tool:

[English](#)

[Spanish](#)

## How to use the Tool:

- [Five minute Video](#)



# Why is this tool useful?

- It brings together the best available data to understand how Colorado's unique environmental exposures, climate risks, health impacts, and demographic factors are distributed across the communities that it is designed to serve.
- Colorado EnviroScreen will promote equitable, data-driven decision-making to improve environmental health among communities most impacted by historic and ongoing inequities.
- The tool will be used to evaluate programs, prioritize enforcement activities, inform regulations, and allocate resources to reduce environmental health hazards among disproportionately impacted communities.





# Recent Changes

## **2023 Legislative DI Community definition expansion:**

- Retains "people of color"
- Adds all mobile home parks
- Adds certain tribal areas
- Communities can petition to be included
- Incorporates the federal Justice40 definition

# CO EnviroScreen 2.0

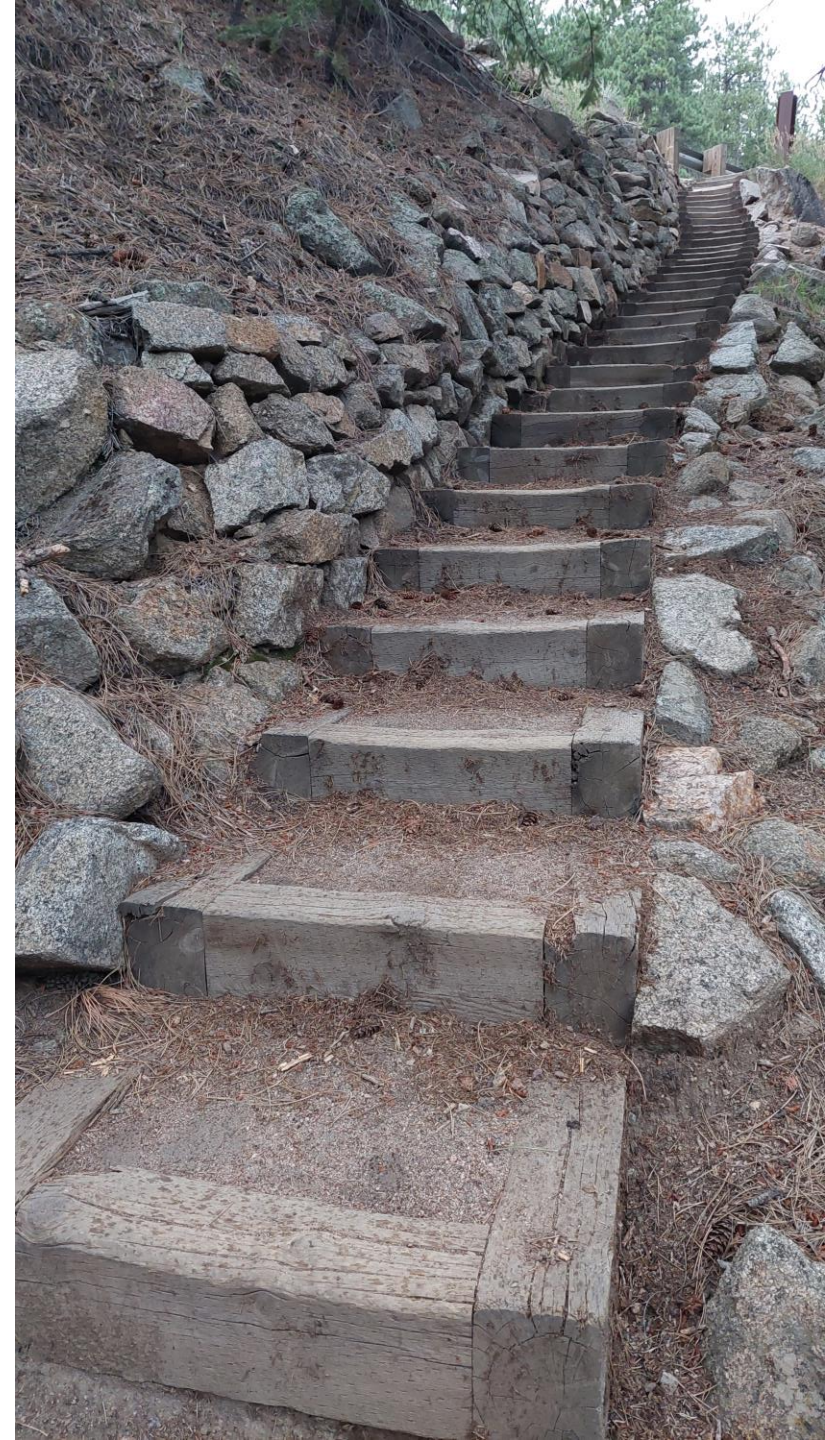
## Public Input

The state team is especially interested in any information that helps reflect the lived experience of communities across Colorado and ways to share qualitative information as well as quantitative data.

- You can take a [short survey](#)
- You can submit [data sources](#) or ideas for consideration
- You can also email [cdphe\\_ej@state.co.us](mailto:cdphe_ej@state.co.us) with feedback.
- Please send feedback by July 15th, 2023.
- The state team is also hosting a virtual feedback session on **June 15th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Zoom.**
- [Register here](#) to attend.

## Next Steps:

- June meeting:
  - Comment and Community engagement
  - Water Quality and Quantity
- Communicating with us
  - WhatsApp (for notifications)
  - Email (for two-way communications)
  - Sharepoint (instead of Google Drive)
- What else do you want



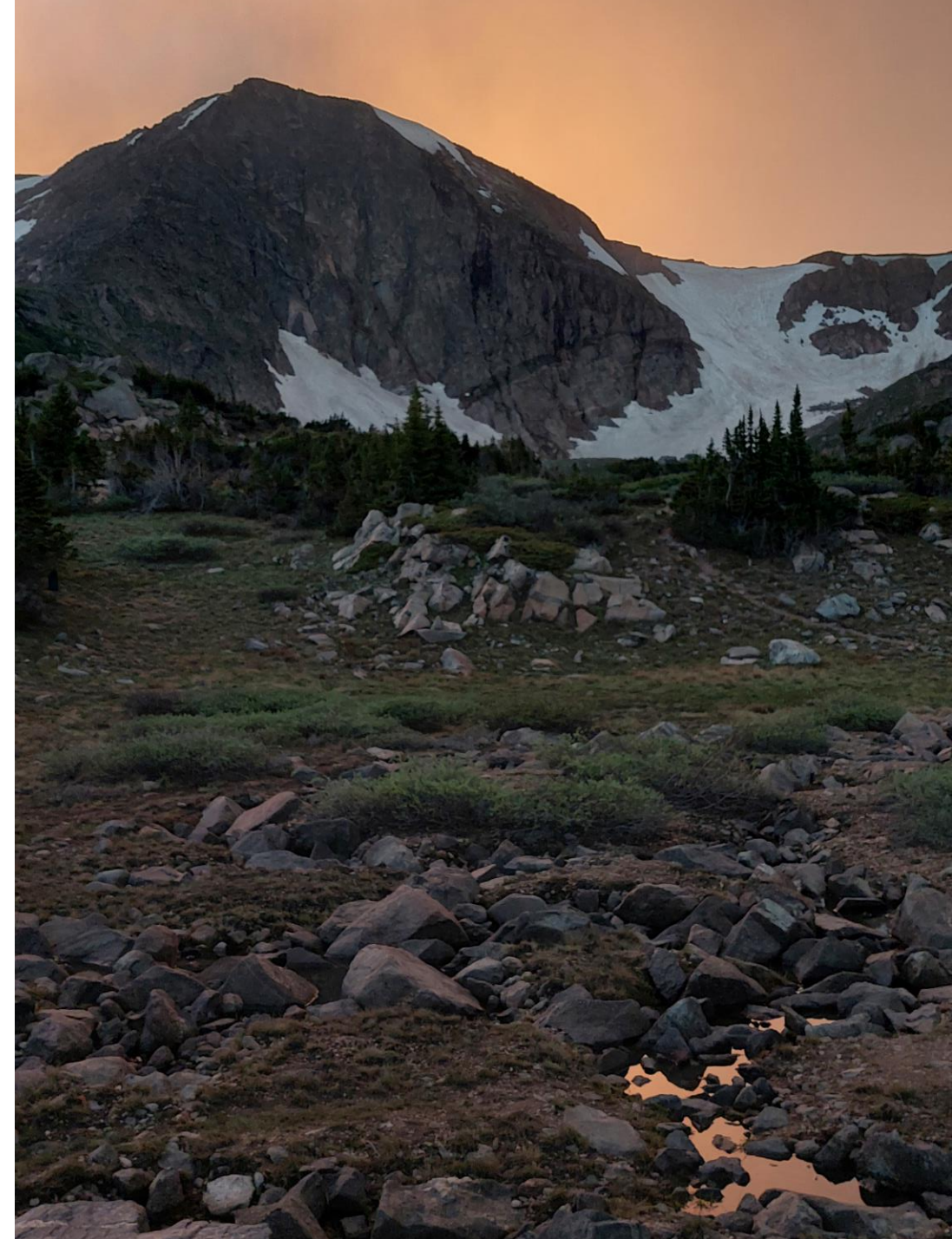
## When giving comment or testimony:

- “Speaking on behalf of CPAL” only if all 8 agree on the position expressed
- “I’m a member of CPAL” (“a policy learning space sponsored by Boulder County”)
- It’s probably more powerful to name your community org than CPAL



# Colorado Open Records Act (CORA)

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# Closing Discussion / Final Thoughts

- Next Steps
- Google Docs/SharePoint
- WhatsApp
- PowerPoint is a source of links for action items
- At 6pm, the meeting will conclude
  - However if you wish to stay and wrap up any final thoughts, we will stick around!