

POS-126/CTF1- RED Land Acquisition



Proposal: \$665,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship

Properties on the list for 2025 include CEMEX (pictured) and Golden Fredstrom.

There are still privately owned lands with environmental and other open space values that are unprotected and at risk of development. This funding will continue acquiring identified priority properties.

POS-126/CFT1-Farigrounds Exhibit Building



Proposal: \$1,600,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Good Governance

The exhibit building is >40 years old with a leaky and deteriorating roof. A new roof will improve insulation and reduce damage caused by leaks to the building and to event users' personal property.

POS 126/GAD1-Ag Water Assessments & Crop share Expense



Proposal: \$63,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship

This increase will cover the cost of water assessments and crop share expenses that are billed to POS by the ditch companies and agricultural leaseholders.

These expenses have increased approximately 12% over the last several years and this increase is needed to keep up with inflation.

POS-126/OS51-Prince Lake Rehabilitation



**Proposal: \$251,250 1X
Operating**

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and
Environmental Stewardship

The project is for water storage infrastructure improvement, addressing the department's maintenance backlog, resilience and safety.

In 2017, the State Engineers Office of Dam Safety increased the hazard classification of the dam from Low Hazard to Significant Hazard, meaning there is a significant risk to downstream life and property.

FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) is funding 75% of this project, our 2026 match is \$251,259 to complete this project.

POS-126/OS51-Howell Ditch Diversion Design



Proposal: \$300,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship

This project is a continuation of creek restoration efforts on county open space on Boulder Creek being implemented in partnership with Mile High Flood District.

The project is located immediately downstream of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's Lower Boulder Creek project, a project with similar objectives for the creek. This project stabilizes about ½-mile of flood-impacted creek by incorporating Natural Channel Design concepts.

We have a grant from Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) & FEMA flood Total grant revenue anticipated is \$680,000. This \$300K request is for our match.

POS-126/OS51- Heron Lake Outlet Construction



Proposal: \$350,000 1 X Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship

This budget request is the city of Longmont's highest priority for the county's flood mitigation after the 2013 flood to protect neighborhoods.

This work involves repair of a culvert for floodwater safety from Pella Ponds.

POS-126/OS51- Administrative Rental Property Maintenance Backlog



Proposal: \$500,000 1X Operating

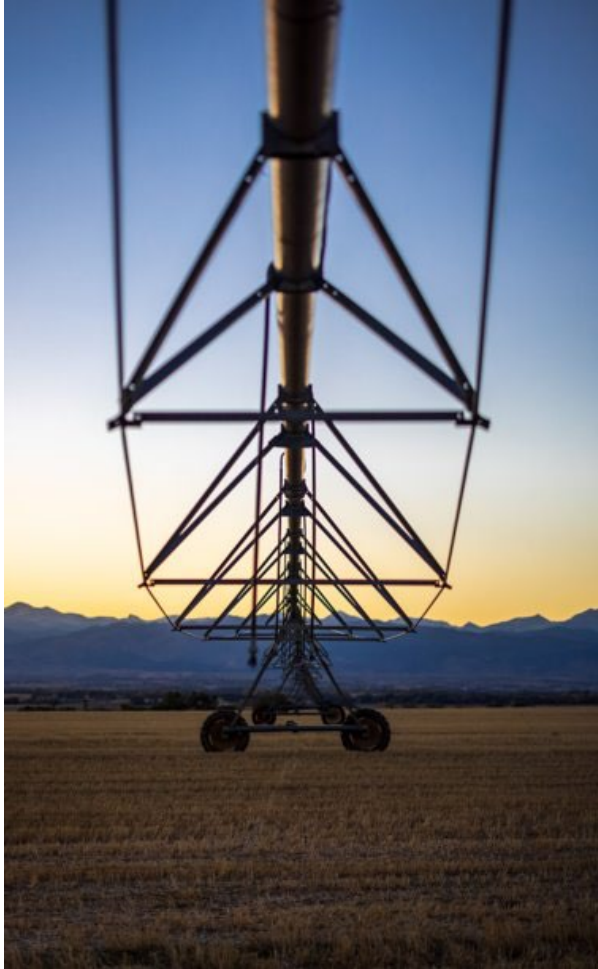
BOCC Priority: Good Governance

This proposal supports our maintenance backlog. Our program provides single family caretaker homes & agricultural land-based housing on open space.

Renovations include conversions from fossil fuels to electricity, new roofs, gutters, exterior & interior painting, asbestos remediation, window & door replacements, etc.

As our renovations are completed, rent is increased towards market value (discounted per policy).

POS-126/OS51 Ag Maintenance Backlog



Proposal: \$250,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and
Environmental Stewardship

This will be used to continue restoration work of degraded ag lands, improve safety by removing hazard trees, and maintaining stock water tanks. This request will also rehabilitate center pivots on Ludlow, Swanson or LUH.

POS-126/OS51- Ag Buffalo Fencing



Proposal: \$1,000,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Environmental Sustainability, Climate Action and Good Governance

This proposal helps assure more community voices, past, present and future, are heard, valued and considered. As part of our Departments' continued efforts to support diversity and inclusivity we continue working with Native Tribal leaders in our communities to assist in bringing a buffalo herd back to Boulder County. The location for the buffalo heard will be determined in 2025/2026.

This was requested and approve in 2025, but the project implementation is now targeting 2026.

POS-126/OS51-Natural Resource Management & Community Engagement



Proposal: \$35,000 1x Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship and Good Governance

This is for Boulder County Comprehensive Plan Environmental Resource Element (BCCP ERE) species of special concern management programs.

Funding for projects improving our data analysis of breeding birds, vaccinations of prairie dogs to support black-footed ferret reintroduction and working with the SVVSD Innovation Center to complete species conservation including e-DNA detection.

Also, a portion will help support our Racial Equity work through inclusive community outreach.

POS-126/OS51-AG Prairie Dog Management



Proposal: \$35,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship

This budget request will be used to enhance operations by enabling the purchase of operating supplies in support of Prairie Dog management on agricultural lands.

POS-126/GAD1 to O111-RED Land Acquisitions



Proposal: \$7,249,536 Net zero transfer

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship

This is a net zero transfer from one appropriation (GAD1) to another (O111) for land acquisitions.

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POS-126/O111-RED Land Acquisitions



Proposal: \$3,000,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship

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POS-126/OS51-Cardinal Mill Water Quality Treatment



Proposal: \$4,000,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship

This is the next phase in implementing a water treatment system for contaminated mine shaft wastewater that is polluting Coon Track Creek at the POS Cardinal Mill Mine.

This project is to meet CDPHE regulatory standards for clean water and will include monitoring, permitting and construction.

POS-126/OS51-Prairie Run



Proposal: \$534,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship and Economic Security and Social Stability.

This capital project will span 7 years from 2024 -2030. Total project cost is \$7,300,000. Engineering and permitting has started and will continue through 2026. Construction will occur in two phases starting in 2025 and concluding in 2030.

In 2026 we'll be improving wetland and riparian areas along Lower Boulder Creek from west of Highway 287 to N. 109th St.

Wildlife monitoring will be done for baseline data, and continued during, and after constructing park/trails.

We'll also implement soil health practices, off-stream cattle water, and build storage off-site. Design, construction materials, operational & personnel expenses total \$534,000 million for FY 2026.

POS-150/WMT-Sort Yards



Proposal: \$150,000 1X Operating

BOCC Priority: Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship

This request is for \$150,000 for grinding contract evaluation.

The Morbark Grinder currently being used by both sort yards was purchased in 2014. It is aging and failing.

Rather than requesting budget to replace it with a new, larger grinder in 2026, we would like to hire a grinding contractor to evaluate the expense, service, and practicality of contracting out the grinding and transportation of sort yard materials.

This amount would not likely cover all the expense of processing and transporting the material for the 2026 sort yard season, so we would still utilize in-house grinding operations to make up for the shortfall during the evaluation period.

POS-151/EST-New FTE Ranger Request



Proposal: \$102,302 Recurring Personnel

BOCC Priority: Good Governance

The voters of Boulder County approved Sales Tax 1B: Emergency Services Sales and Use Tax and Revenue Change.

The ballot language specifically identifies increased support for “Wildland and firefighting staffing, and trail and trailhead safety services”.

BCPOS provides both these services through our Rangers (and forestry staff).

Rangers also are crucial in many emergency response events throughout the county, such as evacuations during wildland fires, floods, and assisting with recreation rescues.

Funding is for their salary.

POS-151/EST-One-time Operating (new FTE Ranger)



Proposal: \$14,625 1X Operating
BOCC Priority: Good Governance

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Funding is for computer and safety equipment.

POS-151/EST-New FTE Ranger Request-TERM #1



Proposal: \$102,302 Recurring Personnel for 3 years

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POS-151/EST-One-time Operating -new FTE Ranger-TERM #1



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BOCC Priority: Good Governance

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Funding is for computer, uniforms and other equipment.

POS-151/EST-New FTE Ranger Request-TERM #2



Proposal: \$102,302 Recurring Personnel for 3 years

BOCC Priority: Good Governance

With trails and trailheads extending to all reaches of Boulder County and into Gilpin County, support for additional rangers will improve the safety of the public using County Open Space and adjacent lands.

Funding is for their salary.

POS-151/EST-One-time Operating-new FTE Ranger-TERM #2



Proposal: \$14,625 1X Operating

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