



**MEETING OF THE  
PARKS & OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
BOULDER COUNTY, COLORADO  
AGENDA**

**Thursday, August 28, 2025, 6:30 p.m.**

**Third Floor Hearing Room**

**County Court House**

**1325 Pearl Street, Boulder**

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- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of Last Month's Minutes**
- 4. Presentations**
  - 4.1 Creekside Property Acquisition**  
Staff Presenter: Melissa Arnold, Land Officer  
  
**Action Requested: Recommendation to BOCC**
  - 4.2 50th Birthday Party and Fundraiser sponsored by Boulder County Parks & Open Space Foundation**  
Staff Presenter: Tina Nielsen, Special Projects Coordinator and Foundation Board Vice Chair  
  
**Action Requested: Information Only**
  - 4.3 BCPOS Budget Requests for 2026**  
Staff Presenter: Therese Glowacki, Director  
  
**Action Requested: Recommendation to the BOCC**
- 5. Public Comment Period for Items Not on Agenda**
- 6. POSAC Members Comment Period for Items Not on Agenda**
- 7. Director's Update**
- 8. Adjournment of Regular Meeting**

**9. Acquisition Priorities (Executive Session for Real Estate)**

*Closed to the public*

Staff Presenter: Janis Whisman, Real Estate Division Manager

**Action Requested: Information only**

**10. Adjournment of Executive Session**



**MEETING OF THE PARKS & OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**BOULDER COUNTY, COLORADO**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**July 24, 2025, 6:30 p.m.**

**Third Floor Hearing Room**

**County Court House**

**1325 Pearl Street, Boulder**

Members Present: Janet George  
Tony Lewis  
Trace Baker  
Kristine Johnson  
Derek Turner  
Carol Byerly  
Joan Lutz  
John White  
Viki Lawrence

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Approval of Last Month's Minutes**

Kristine Johnson requested an edit.

Carol Byerly and Trace Baker both abstained because they were not at the last meeting.

**Moved by** Derek Turner

**Seconded by** Joan Lutz

**APPROVED**

#### **4. Presentations**

##### **4.1 Kestrel Property Acquisition**

Staff Presenter: Aaron Clark, Land Officer

**Action Requested: Recommendation to BOCC**

Q: Are the building rights not included in the total cost?

Response: A building right in this part of the county is valued at around \$1.5 million and so that's how we come to the value of the property and what we will offer.

Q: Are the water shares the driving interest for acquiring this property?

Response: Being this is irrigated farmland, the water is very important.

Q: What is the current fund balance?

Response: We have \$17 million allocated for purchases this year with sales tax money. The Cliffside purchase, which was approved last month, will use Conservation Trust fund money in the amount of \$1.8 million. We have plenty of money for this purchase. Before we bring a property acquisition to you, we already have it worked out how we will fund the purchase.

Q: I think it would be helpful to see those numbers when we are considering a purchase.

Response: We can include that in our memo form for future purchases.

Q: When do the leases expire for the current lessee? Do you think the lessee is interested in renewing?

Response: The leases are on a year-to-year basis. The lease is up Dec. 31, and I know the lessee is interested in renewing the lease.

Q: What is the crop grown on this property?

Response: Corn.

Q: Is the Preble's meadow jumping mouse habitat on the plowed fields?

Response: Their habitat is along the riparian area.

Q: I know there are past issues with drainage on this property and crop damage due to elk. What are some plans to deal with those issues?

Response: We don't have the time to plan how to manage properties before we acquire them. That planning will happen later and other workgroups will be involved.

Public Comment:

Tess MacDonald, Boulder County. She spoke against the use of pesticides near this property, including on Rabbit Mountain.

**Moved by** Tony Lewis

**Seconded by** Trace Baker

**APPROVED**

#### 4.2 Gateway Property Acquisition

Staff Presenter: Melissa Arnold, Land Officer

**Action Requested: Recommendation to BOCC**

Q: Are those prairie dog holes on the aerial view?

Response: Yes, there is a population of prairie dogs on the property.

Q: What is the advantage of a conservation easement between the cities?

Response: It ensures protection of this land. The CEs layer restrictions on the land and the cities, as partners, stay apprised of any decisions or changes. This is a joint partnership that ensures stewardship into the future.

Q: Based on the proximity to a business park, the NW Parkway, residential neighborhoods, and prairie dog colonies, this doesn't seem like a high priority to me.

Response: In 1999, growth was happening and the county didn't have confidence that surrounding cities would be able to have their own open space programs.

The county worked with surrounding communities to create Intergovernmental Agreements [IGA] to create community buffers by protecting certain properties from development. This property was a priority for Louisville and the county shares open space tax money with the cities for their priorities.

Q: I think it would be valuable to have an executive session mid-year to consider those priorities again and see the properties that you've passed on.

Response: Yes, we can do that.

Q: I'm surprised there is a rush by the seller for this type of deal. Is there another offer being considered?

Response: We were able to negotiate a very good price on this property, with the seller requiring a 60-day closure. I can't speak to why they are on a short timeline.

Q: You are still waiting to know if the mineral interests have been severed. Could there be oil and gas drilling on this property if someone else owns the interests?

Response: Yes. We have made the decision that it is more important to protect the land as we can. Mineral owners would need to come to us as the landowners to have conversations and make an agreement, so we can mitigate the harm.

Public Comment:

Catherine Smith, Louisville. She is representing Louisville Open Space Advocates. They are very supportive of this acquisition.

**Moved by** Kristine Johnson

**Seconded by** Viki Lawrence

**APPROVED**

#### 4.3 Limber Pine and Bristlecone Pine Conservation in Boulder County

Staff Presenter: Shane Milne, Forest Planning Supervisor

**Action Requested: Information Only**

Q: Are you checking the genetics of the seeds to determine if they are rust resistant before replanting?

Response: We want to get in on rust-resistance trials. Two out of 10 trees could have complete resistance. We are trying to find that out.

Q: What is your rate of success planting seedlings?

Response: We have a volunteer who goes out in the spring and fall to check every tree. We are seeing 85% survival.

Q: Is there any plan to do conservation on the bristlecone pine?

Response: We know that we do not have white pine blister rust in that population. It's a unique population that we want to monitor, but we don't know what we want to do beyond that.

**5. Public Comment Period for Items Not on Agenda**

Elle Cushman, Hygiene. She spoke about an ongoing lease dispute with the department.

**6. POSAC Members Comment Period for Items Not on Agenda**

Kristine Johnson commented on an email submitted by Mark Guttridge at Ollin Farms regarding a lack of scaling back on pesticide use by the county. She shared Mark's concern.

Staff response: The plan was signed in Nov. 2024, so it's been less than a year that this has been in effect. Staff is planning to return to POSAC in the 3rd quarter to give a report. Our reporting has increased, so that is why you see an increase in the numbers. Regarding water contamination, we follow all label directions and laws. Staff is working to finalize our perimeters on testing water in the area of spraying. We have approximately 3,000 acres that have high infestations of cheatgrass. We need to get those 3,000 acres under control with a one-time treatment to hit our 2030 mark. We will be able to reduce spraying at that time and just do spot treatments. This was in the plan that POSAC approved.

**7. Director's Update**

- CPW is launching a beaver management study and BCPOS will collaborate. We've been doing Beaver Dam Analog (BDA), relocating beavers and trying to improve beaver habitat on our open space.

- The Society for Ecological Restoration Conference coming to Denver. BCPOS will host a field trip to our St. Vrain Restoration Site for the conference.
- Rangeview Property, located on Gunbarrel Hill (the formerly proposed tennis facility), will close on July 30, 2025.
- We've selected a contractor for the SW quadrant of Prairie Run open space, which includes the parking lot and 1-mile trail connecting to Erie.
- Legion Park parking lot resurfacing work is starting soon.
- BOCO Youth Corps is ending for the season on Aug. 6.
- Work has started on the Lagerman Agricultural Preserve parking lot area improvements and expansion. The trailhead and Lagerman Trail will be closed for up to 6 months.
- An extension of a .15% open space sales tax will be on November's ballot.

## 8. **Adjournment**

8:51 p.m.





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### PARKS & OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Time/Date of Meeting: 6:30 p.m., Thursday, August 28, 2025

**TO:** Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee  
**FROM:** Melissa Arnold, Land Officer  
**AGENDA ITEM:** Creekside Property Acquisition  
**ACTION REQUESTED:** Recommendation to the BOCC

Real Estate Land Commitment: For much longer than Parks & Open Space's history of stewarding open space, the land in this community has been important to American Indian, urban native, Indigenous, and other cultural communities that continue to live here. We are making meaningful changes to how we do our work that include them, incorporate their perspectives, and honor their land stewardship legacy. Parks & Open Space operates within modern legal constructs of land ownership to steward Boulder County open space and accomplish these efforts on behalf of our community.

#### Summary

Boulder County proposes to acquire fee title to approximately 127 acres owned by Ron Readmond and Andi Blackwell for \$3,600,000. The property has addresses of 1390 Old Saint Vrain Road, 1015 Old Saint Vrain Road and 0 Jade Way, located southwest of the Town of Lyons near the intersection of State Highway 7/South Saint Vrain Drive and Old Saint Vrain Road. This request includes permission to create and sell two conservation easement encumbered house lots should the department determine it is necessary at any point in the future. Staff recommends approval.

#### Background Information

The Creekside property includes approximately 420 feet of the South Saint Vrain Creek, sandstone cliffs, and a topography that rises from 5,440 to 6,150 feet in elevation. It borders Hall Ranch open space to the west and north and the Lyons Park Estates neighborhood to the east and south. The Hall Ranch Trailhead sits just 500 feet away on the other side of State Highway 7, and the property is visible from many vista points along the Nighthawk and Bitterbrush Trails on Hall Ranch. Old Saint Vrain Road is a popular walking route for many birders and recreationists looking to enjoy the solitude of the surrounding open space.

The property has been in the landowner's family for over 50 years and has primarily been used for residential and agricultural purposes. The property consists of four parcels with two residences and several outbuildings. The westernmost parcel at 1390 Old St. Vrain Road includes the stretch of the South Saint Vrain Creek, a residence, detached garage and three outbuildings. The two middle parcels share the address of 1015 Old St. Vrain Road, one which contains a residence built in 1890, a detached garage and several outbuildings, including a log barn that has been found to be eligible for local landmarking and listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The other parcel at 1015 Old Saint Vrain Road

contains a large storage building and a shed. The easternmost parcel at 0 Jade Way is a vacant strip of unbuildable land from the Lyons Park Estates.

### **Deal Description**

The landowner would like to sell the fee simple interest in the property, including all structures and minerals rights, to the county. There are no irrigation water rights to be transferred with the property; however, the property contains wells supporting the residential uses. The county would lease the residences, outbuildings and the immediately surrounding land back to the landowners after closing until June 30, 2026, at no cost.

The department would like the ability in the future to decide whether to sell the houses and is requesting approval to create two lots of approximately 1 to 2 acres around each house and to sell them at a later date subject to conservation easements. The decision whether to keep them to support the open space program or sell them will be made after closing, after the department has a chance to fully evaluate the need for keeping them versus the potential costs of doing so. These lots will not be divided from the property at closing, but if the department later determines it is appropriate to sell either or both the house lots, the lots would be divided at that time. Staff would present the proposed sale deals for future approval by the Commissioners at the appropriate time.

### **Acquisition Summary**

\$3,600,000      Land Price (includes mineral rights) (Fund Source: Open Space Sales and Use Taxes)

Boulder County will acquire these interests:

- 127      Acres (Fee) [\$20,472/acre, or said differently, \$866,667/right for 3 Bldg Rights]
- 2          Residences and multiple outbuildings [\$1,000,000 total value]
- All       Mineral Rights [valued with land price]

The property is not subject to an oil and gas lease.

The property is within the Town of Lyons' planning area and according to the Lyons Comprehensive Development Plan and Intergovernmental Agreement with Boulder County, is designated as a Rural Preservation Area. At a May 19, 2025, public meeting, the Town of Lyons Board of Trustees voted to allow Boulder County to acquire the Creekside property as open space. The town board asked that Parks & Open Space include them in discussions about future property uses, and the department will aim to do so.

### **Boulder County Comprehensive Plan Designations**

The Boulder County Comprehensive Plan (Comp Plan) provides information about the area's agricultural, cultural, environmental, and other open space resources (including passive recreation, community buffers, and scenic viewsheds). Maps in the Comp Plan indicate the following designations of these resources near the property: Rare Plant Area; Riparian Area and Riparian Habitat Connector; Critical Wildlife Habitat, St. Vrain Corridor; Preble's Meadow

Jumping Mouse Conservation Area, zone 1 mouse management area; and View Protection Corridor.

### **Potential Uses**

Like all properties acquired for open space, the property will be managed for an open space use. The property is currently used for residential and limited agricultural purposes, and private open space by the landowner. The property will be closed for management review and not open to public use, unless Parks & Open Space later determines other closures or other open space uses are appropriate.

Parks & Open Space will determine whether current uses of the property will continue or whether other open space uses of the property may be suitable. The process to determine specific future open space uses (including public access via trails or other passive recreation versus closures that protect a property's open space resources) is an involved planning process that can only be done after acquisition. Parks & Open Space staff need ample time after acquisition to evaluate the property, and no evaluations about other potential future uses have been made at this time.

### **Staff Recommendation**

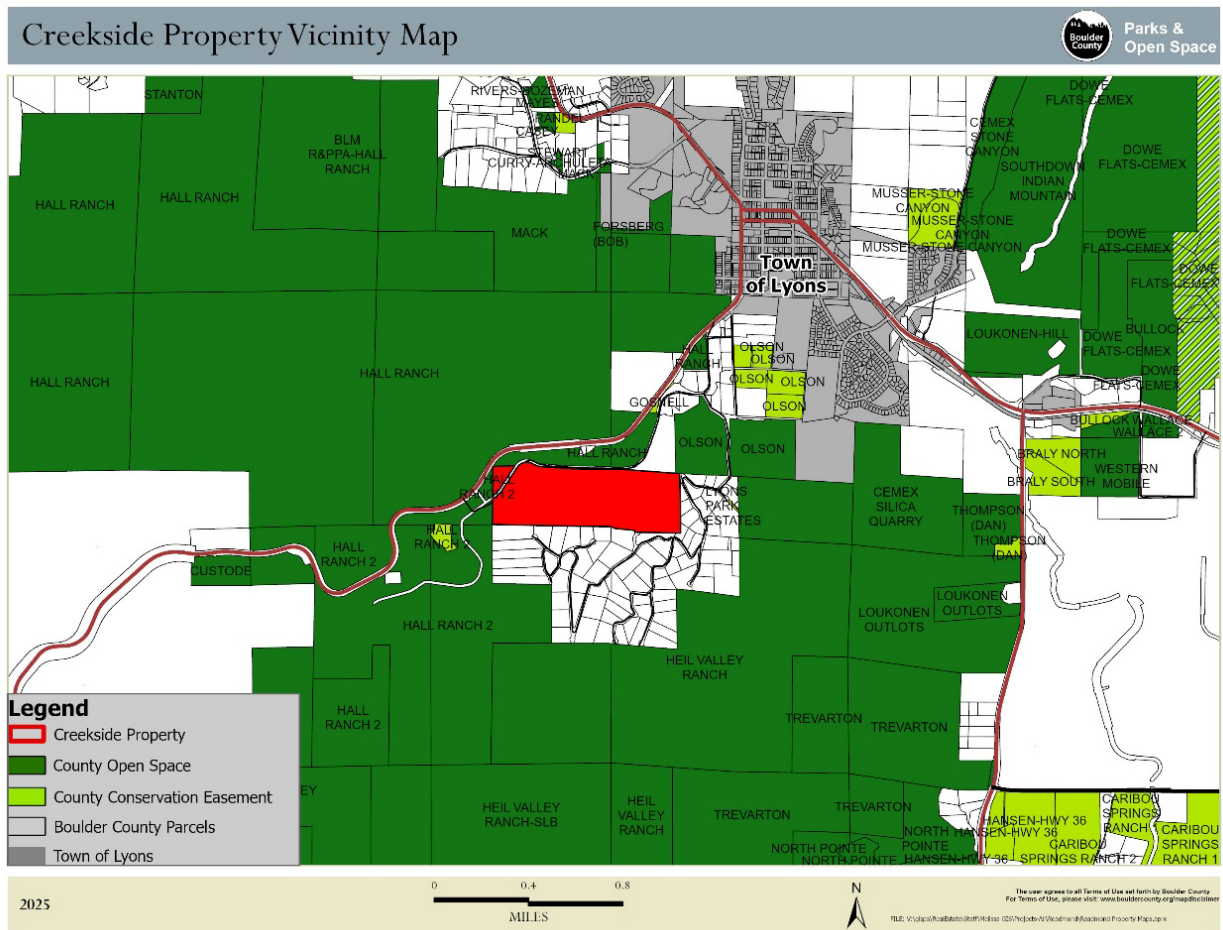
Staff recommends approval. Acquisition of the Creekside property will remove one development right from the property and greatly assist Boulder County's efforts in managing Hall Ranch open space, connecting together the natural habitats of steep slopes and cliffs, and protecting a significant stretch of the South St. Vrain Creek and riparian habitat.

### **POSAC Action Requested**

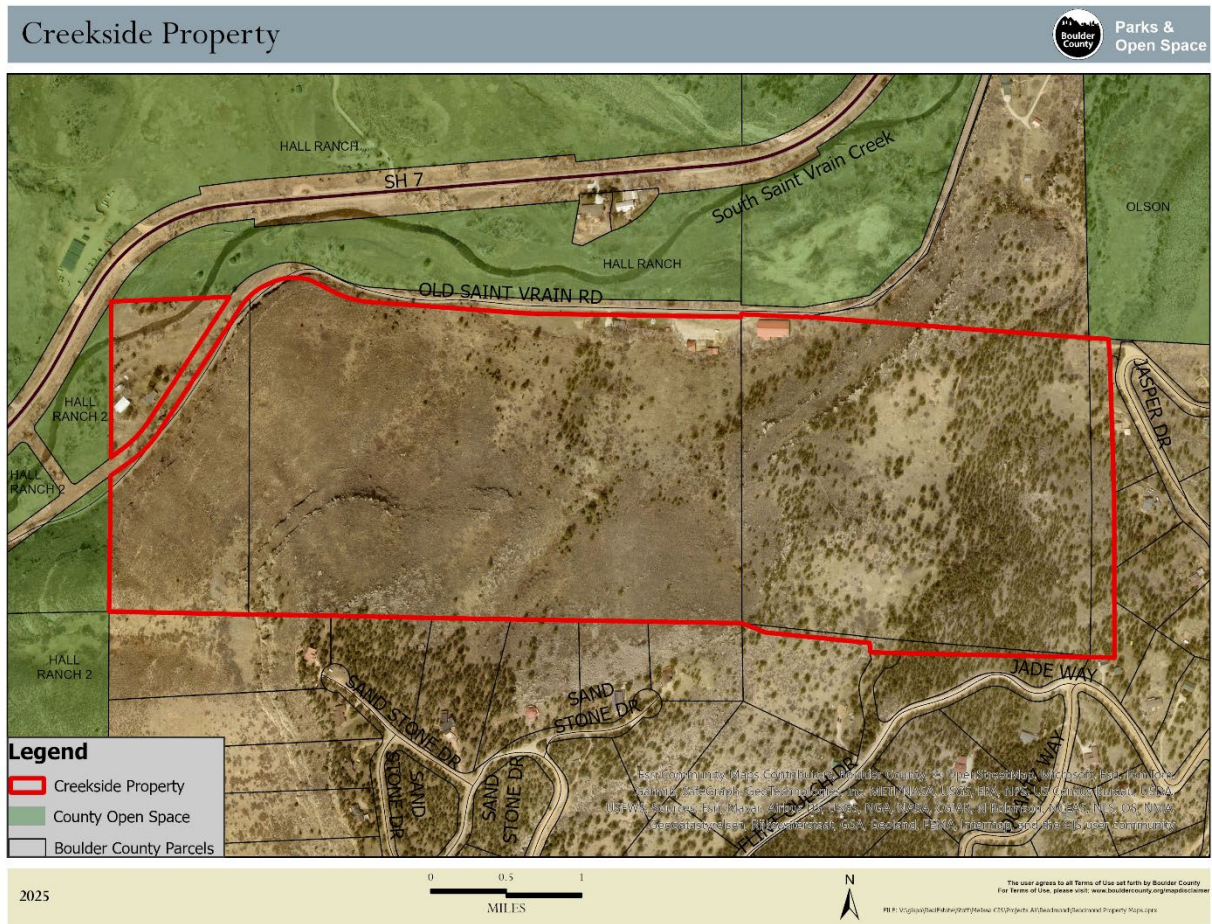
Recommendation to the Boulder County Commissioners for approval of the project as described above and as further described by staff at the POSAC meeting.

Suggested motion language: I move approval of the project as described above and as further described by staff in their presentation.

### Vicinity Map



### Close-Up Map







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<b>TO:</b>	Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee
<b>FROM/PRESENTER:</b>	Tina Nielsen, Special Projects Coordinator and Foundation Board Vice Chair
<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	<b>50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration and Fundraiser hosted by Boulder County Parks &amp; Open Space Foundation</b>
<b>ACTION REQUESTED:</b>	Information Only

The Boulder County Parks & Open Space Foundation is a supporting non-profit organization. The Foundation's Mission is to strengthen the connections between the public and the Boulder County Parks & Open Space Department by raising private funds, supporting innovative projects, fostering partnerships, and increasing community involvement. The attached article, to be published in Images Magazine this fall, highlights many of the Foundation's contributions.

The Foundation has generously supported the Parks & Open Space Department's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebratory events. For example, the Foundation sponsored beverages at the staff appreciation party at Left Hand Brewing in June.

To round out this milestone anniversary year, the Foundation is hosting a party:

#### **Rooted and Reaching: 50th Anniversary Celebration!**

- Thursday, Oct. 9, 5-8 pm. at Chautauqua Dining Hall, 900 Baseline Rd., Boulder
- Event tickets are \$50 available at: [PreserveBoulderCounty.org/50-event](https://www.PreserveBoulderCounty.org/50-event)
- Cocktails and heavy appetizers
- Expo highlighting projects made possible by the Foundation
- Silent auction with unique open space-themed items and experiences and a raffle for a special prize

The Foundation Board is hard at work to create this special celebration. We hope you will help us spread the word and join us for this unforgettable evening of community, conservation, and celebration.

## *Images Magazine Article, Fall 2025*

### **Ripple Effect: Boulder County Parks & Open Space Foundation Extends the Reach of Conservation and Community**

By Tina Nielsen

The story of Boulder County's beloved parks, open spaces, and agricultural lands is a story of foresight, commitment, and community. For 50 years, the Boulder County Parks & Open Space Department has worked to protect the region's natural landscapes and heritage. And behind the scenes for the last 20 years, quietly and powerfully amplifying that mission, is the Boulder County Parks & Open Space Foundation—a small but mighty organization making a big impact.

Just like a stone cast into a still pond, the Foundation creates ripples—small acts of support that extend outward, touching people, programs, and partnerships that otherwise might not flourish. From cultural celebrations to nature-based education, the Foundation extends the reach of the county's open space program by funding collaborations for tangible programs that deepen our connection to the land.

#### **Collaborating for Inclusion and Connection**

One of the most powerful ways the Foundation creates impact is by collaborating with community-based nonprofit organizations. These partnerships open doors—often literally—for underrepresented groups to feel welcome in public spaces and (re)connected to nature. Take *Explorando Senderos*, for example. This grassroots initiative creates safe, welcoming hiking experiences for Latinx families in Boulder County. Through Foundation support, Explorando Senderos has been able to expand its offerings of guided hikes, led by bilingual leaders who help families explore local trails while building confidence and community. These hikes aren't just outdoor recreation—they're moments of belonging, empowerment, and joy.

Similarly, through its work with *Harvest of All First Nations*, the Foundation has helped elevate Indigenous voices and traditions in Boulder County. With Foundation support, Harvest of All First Nations hosts the annual *Corn Festival* at the Agricultural Heritage Center. The event celebrates corn as a unifying ancestral food that connects many Native and Indigenous communities. It weaves storytelling, music, and traditional dance into a family-friendly, educational experience. It's more than a festival—it's a reclamation of space and an invitation to learn with original peoples of the land.

#### **Helping Students Experience the Land**

The Foundation also plays a crucial role in educational access. For many elementary school children, the chance to see a working farm, pet a sheep, or watch a blacksmith at work can be life changing. But those experiences often depend on one simple, overlooked detail: how to get them there.

That's why the Foundation helps fund school bus transportation for elementary classes visiting the Agricultural Heritage Center. These field trips connect young students to Boulder County's agricultural history through immersive, hands-on learning. Thanks to Foundation

support, financial barriers are removed for schools with limited resources, ensuring all children—regardless of background—can experience the magic of learning outdoors.

### **Expanding Naturalist Programming for All Abilities**

Another ripple of impact comes through a partnership with *Environment for the Americas*, a nonprofit dedicated to increasing diversity in the conservation field. With the Foundation's support, the two organizations have launched "train-the-trainer" naturalist programs designed for differently abled individuals and the professionals who serve them.

This work is about more than compliance—it's about creating authentic, enriching outdoor experiences for people of all abilities. By training educators and caregivers to adapt programming, interpretive signs, and outdoor experiences, the Foundation is helping ensure that Boulder County's open spaces are truly for everyone.

### **A Golden Year: Celebrating 50 Years of Parks & Open Space**

This year marks a major milestone: the 50th anniversary of the Boulder County Parks & Open Space Department (learn more at [boco.org/OpenSpace50](http://boco.org/OpenSpace50)). In honor of this golden year, the Foundation is sponsoring a special *cocktail party on Oct. 9*, bringing together founders, volunteers, and current supporters to honor a half-century of stewardship.

This festive event will celebrate and pay tribute to those whose vision created the department in 1975 and to the residents who fought—through three separate elections—to secure the county's first open space sales tax, finally passing in 1993. Their persistence and voters' continued support for supporting sales taxes shaped the open space legacy that now defines Boulder County.

### **Join the Ripple Effect**

The Boulder County Parks & Open Space Foundation is not a household name—but its work is felt across the county, in every community hike, every child's delighted laugh on a field trip, and every event that celebrates the deep cultural connections to land.

As the department looks to the next 50 years, the Foundation's role will only grow more important. Your support can help make sure those ripples continue to spread.

To donate or learn more about the Foundation's work, visit [preservebouldercounty.org](http://preservebouldercounty.org).

Whether your passion lies in equity, education, conservation, or celebration, your gift helps ensure that Boulder County's parks and open spaces remain not just protected, but truly shared.





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<b>TO:</b>	Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee
<b>FROM/PRESENTER:</b>	Therese Glowacki, Director
<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	<b>POS 2026 Budget Requests</b>
<b>ACTION REQUESTED:</b>	Recommendation to the BOCC

### Summary

The normal budget cycle for Boulder County begins in early summer when departments start assessing their needs for funding for the following year. POS looks at 5 different funding needs: 1) Ongoing operating budgets; 2) One-time project funding (mine clean-up, etc.); 3) New staff requests; 4) Seasonal budgets; and 5) Capital/equipment. In POS, we discuss these among divisions and get a priority list for the whole department.

For our 2026 budget process, due to overall concern for the county's budget, the County Commissioners directed departments not to ask for any new staff or additional on-going funding increases (operating or seasonals). This leaves one-time project requests, and capital/equipment requests.

This presentation will summarize our one-time requests and look at our long-term funding projections.

### Background

Our funding for POS comes from three main sources.

- The first is the general fund, generated from property taxes. This is the largest source of income for the county and funds most county functions like administrative, IT, and human resources.
- The second is our open space sales and use taxes. These are dedicated revenues that can only be used on open space and are for acquisitions, management, and maintenance.
- The third source is grants. We typically are successful in securing grant funding for restoration projects, trail construction, and historic preservation.

### 2025 Budget

Our general fund operating budget is \$2.5 million dollars. Our sales tax operating budget is \$13.5 million (\$7.3M on-going, \$6.2 M one-time), with an additional \$25 million for potential acquisitions. Among the one-time projects, there is \$2 million for Prairie Run open

space riparian restoration and park development, and the Cardinal Mill water contamination cleanup. Our grant funding for 2025 is \$4.8 million dollars for forestry, stream restoration, and flood mitigation (i.e. Prince Lake dam reconstruction). These numbers do not include staff salaries.

**2026 Budget Requests**

Attached you will see the individual project requests for 2026 for your review. The presentation will also cover open space sales tax revenues and long-term projections for POS budgets. We would like POSAC input on these requests.

**POSAC Action Requested:** Recommendation to the BOCC of presented or modified POS 2026 one-time budget requests.

Attachment: POS 2026 one-time requests

## Boulder County Parks & Open Space 2026 Budget Requests for Sales and Use Tax Funds

19-Aug-2025

Proposal details	New budget Expense	Description/Justification (tied to BoCo Strategic Priorities)
Cardinal Mill Water Quality Treatment	\$ 4,000,000	Environmental Stewardship: Water quality treatment facility required by state
Prairie Run	\$534,000	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 2025 we anticipate improving the following wetland and riparian areas: Alex 8, Keno-49, and Lower Boulder Creek (from west of Highway 287 to N. 109th St.) Wildlife monitoring & wildlife surveys to collect baseline data, provide data analysis and reports, surveys prior to, during, and after projects, installations, park/trail opening etc. We will implement soil health practices, off-stream cattle water, and build storage off-site. Design, construction materials, operational & personnel expenses total \$2.4 million for FY 2025.
Prince Lake Dam Rehabilitation	\$251,250	Environmental Stewardship: Dam safety construction required by state
Howell Ditch Diversion Design	\$300,000	Environmental Stewardship: Fish passage, restoration, and irrigation infrastructure
	<b>\$5,085,250</b>	
Heron Lake Outlet Contruction	\$ 350,000	Environmental Stewardship: Repair of a culvert for floodwater safety This proposal supports Good Governance by addressing our maintenance backlog. Our program provides single family caretaker homes & agricultural land based housing to promote the well being of our open space. This program supports our commitment to Good Governance by through improving our public assets to current standards. Our rental property program has developed a 3-5 year plan to address the 30 years of maintenance backlog. In 2025 (year 3) we will focus on
Admin. Rental Property Maintenance Backlog	\$ 500,000	completing the final 8 homes out of our originally assessed 26 building. Renovations will include new roofs, gutters, exterior & interior painting, asbestos remediation, window & door replacements and conversions from fossil fuel sources to electric. As our renovations are completed rent is increased towards market value (discounted per policy).
Community Engagement Program	\$ 5,000	Good Governnace: Parks has continued to address Racial Equity through Inclusive Community Engagement. We recently hired a second community engagement specialist and these funds will help with program establishment.
Innovation Center Project	\$ 5,000	Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship: working on issues around species conservation. The project also has an outreach and education component working with students from the St Vrain Valley School District.
Species of Special Concern	\$ 5,000	Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship: focusing on Species of Special Concern including more efficient prairie dog vaccinations for future Black Footed Ferret re-introduction
Breeding Bird Surveys	\$ 20,000	Climate Action and Environmental Stewardship: focusing on improvement of our data collection and analysis process surrounding our breeding bird program.

Buffalo Fencing	\$	1,000,000	This proposal supports Good Governance through assuring all voices are heard, valued and considered. As part of our Departments' continued efforts to support diversity and inclusivity we are 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.
Ag General Land Management	\$	35,000	Stewardship: One-time funds will be used to enhance operations by enabling the purchase of operating supplies in support of Prairie Dog management on agricultural lands
AG Maintenance Backlog	\$	90,000	Stewardship: Funds will be used to continue restoration work of degraded ag lands, improve safety by contracting for the removal hazard trees and contracting for the maintenance of stockwater tanks
	\$	<b>2,010,000</b>	
Water Assessments & Cropshare Expense	\$	63,000	Stewardship: Requesting one-time funds to cover the cost of water assessments and cropshare expenses that are billed to POS by the Ditch Companies and Agricultural Leaseholders. These expenses have increased approximatley 12% over the last several years and this increase is needed to keep up with inflation.
	\$	<b>63,000</b>	
<b>Sum of 126 Sales and Use One-Time Requests</b>	\$	<b>7,158,250</b>	