

THE NORTH PLAINS COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE

Notes from September 13, 2010 North Plains Community Plan Update Meeting Apex Recreation Center

Welcome to your community meeting!

OPENING COMMENTS?

- What is a trail?
 - Q: Does Jeffco Open Space already have a definition of a “trail”?
 - A: No, not a solid definition, generic term.
 - C: Should include “non-motorized”
 - C: Motorized scooters etc...do not mix well with pedestrians due to different speeds.
 - C: Could be primarily non-motorized – could allow scooters, etc...
 - Q: What about motorized wheelchairs? Would be considered Pedestrian?
 - A: Sheriff: By state statute they are classified as motorized.
 - Russ: The trails we’ll discuss are primarily pedestrian as a start. Bike Lanes will have no pedestrian use, so our trails will be pedestrian, equestrian, etc. Equestrian areas could have key connections. We’ll focus on Ped/Bike/Equestrian.
 - C: Bike/Runners/Walkers – idea is to join trails and networks. Where can we get these trails built without having to use road system. More tension growing between these.
 - C: The width needs to be addressed to accommodate different uses.

steps between drawing a line and having trail built.
Building permit – doesn't apply. Rezone – negotiation.
Open Space can use when buying property, to see areas
of interest for trails.

- Q: Should we be looking at a map that shows Open Space & Prospect wishlists? Seems a lot of work has already been done?
 - A: Yes, we've purposely left these off, to see what community says first. We have Prospect, and Open Space, and County Bike Ped Plan available to review after our _____

 - Q: Private property owners are not here to represent property.
 - A: Trails won't be on private property, connections possible but those lines don't represent actual locations. Trails shouldn't cross anyone's property, just along roads or open space.

 - Q: Canal companies will not allow you to build trail on their property.
 - A: It is rare, but possible, we can still put it down as wishes from the community.

 - Q: We cannot assume that Indiana will never be rezoned because redevelopment occurs.
 - A: Then easement will be dedicated at that time.

 - Q: Quad maps – legends?
 - A: These are now online and available in new updated handouts.
 - Q: Red dashed potential trails are in Jeffco Open Space Master Plan.

 - Q: We heard that open space has closed a trail on east side of table mountain?
 - C: Yes – they gated it and said you have to go on North side of Mountain. (get from Russ)
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Map Comparison:

- Should be a trail system along the extension of beltway. Specifics?
 - o Match trail to south.
 - o There may be ways to do it without following the beltway.

- McIntyre Street?
 - o No room for bikes or pedestrians, this is a major North/South corridor, some type of improvement needs to be there. Include equestrian.
 - Q: Why would anyone want to build trail along road that is heavily traveled, such as McIntyre?
 - A: Numerous properties along McIntyre that have horses, would need to use McIntyre to access other trails. Use as connector.
 - C: This is a logical place to make connection to Clear Creek Trail.

- Prospect Park & Recreation District – shows on McIntyre a “proposed trail” from north end at 60th to 32nd. West side. Probably don’t need to reference in master plan since it is already in this plan.
 - o C: Now that golden has taken over from 44th to 50th, they were very uncooperative, so please include in plan.
 - A: Yes, we will leave in and reference equestrian friendly.

- HWY 93?
 - o C: It is in open space master plan, and there is a Foothills Front Range Trail plan. Shows connection along Hwy 93 north of Hwy 72.
 - o C: Important to have shown on here due to potential development along Hwy 93 or the beltway.
 - o Russ: Something similar to beltway to follow Hwy 93 if/when improved.

- C: Light Rail coming out of Wheat Ridge, connection from end of Gold Line to trail system on map.

- C: Better trail along Ward Road.

- C: Boulder County trails – see notes on map.
- C: Plainview road – connecting into Boulder Open Space – Equestrian/Biking/Hiking.
- (See notes on maps.)
- C: Doudy Draw – to Boulder Open Space.
- Russ: West of North Table Mountain, there is a break in fence that allows people to cross Hwy 93 which then you could potentially link up to 58th Ave, and White Ranch Park. The thought is when beltway is built – to have language to keep connections to Open Space parks.
 - o C: Northwest Parkway, there are box culverts put in place for future trails.
- C: Connecting from Quaker Acres Park by Arvada to east to Saddle Brook West Open Space existing trail and equestrian center.
- C: Colton Trail? Does it allow equestrian? Allow equestrian to Colton Trail head at roundabout.
 - o Boulder will check into this. Rock creek trail in general allows horses on it.
- C: 52nd Fairmount – not too wide, but not enough room to develop wider trail, some type of policy to maintain what exists and maintain safety, children walking, etc... Not sure if it is possible to allow equestrian as is.
- Russ: Anything else? Stanley Lake, Candelas? Probably function of not many people living there.
 - o Whole back section of Stanley Lake is private. Plus max wildlife quality areas, so maybe other connections around there could work.
- NEXT MEETING SEPT 27th – will be talking about Land Use of Airport Area of North Plains Plan.
 - Q: Will someone from Airport be at the meeting?
 - A: We will request contact from Airport to come. There is not a lot of land left in the existing subarea.
 - C: Is part of land under contract?

- A: Yes, we will get a representative to detail this.
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- October 11 meeting is the Equestrian meeting.
 - Q: Could you bring statistical data on horses for that meeting?
 - A: Excellent question, we will look into this.
 - Russ: The discussions will be on lot sizes, zoning resolutions, trails, boarding centers – where they are, special types of rules/procedures?
 - Please let us know if there are specific meeting topics you would like to have.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!