Larimer County Open Lands Master Plan

Phase 1
- Identify gaps from previous studies
- Identify priorities and issue areas

Phase 2
- Public Forum #1
- Focus groups
- Plan direction and recommendations

Phase 3
- Public Forum #2
- Present key findings
- Develop draft Plan

Phase 4
- Agency and Committee Review
- Public Draft Plan
- Adopted Plan

Loveland Parks and Recreation Plan

Fort Collins Natural Areas Master Plan
Public Feedback

• 30 day comment period
  o 72 citizen comments
  o Agriculture Advisory Board
  o Legacy Land Trust
  o City of Ft. Collins Natural Areas
  o Overland Mountain Bike Club
Larimer County Open Land Program’s Role

• The Open Lands Program will primarily focus on the natural landscapes, river corridors, and agricultural priorities areas with willing landowners beyond municipal Growth Management Areas.

• Expanding existing open lands and conserved properties by conserving in-holdings and adjacent lands

• Cities, towns, and non-profit land trusts will lead conservation activities in the partnership priority areas and within their respective Growth Management Areas, often with financial support from the County.
Open Land Program’s Role in Recreation

• More of the same!

• Trails!

• Outside of Growth Management Areas, offer a diversity of large-acreage compatible recreational experiences, while minimizing multiuse visitor conflicts and negative impacts on conservation values.

• Within and near the Growth Management Areas, partner with all municipalities to serve their local, open space and natural area recreational needs, as appropriate.
Acquisition Process Overview (Flow Chart)
[Refer to Narrative for more details]

1. PROJECT SELECTION
   - STOP PROCESS

2. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT
   - STOP PROCESS

3. INITIAL REVIEW
   OPEN LANDS ADVISORY BOARD &
   BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
   Executive Session
   - FAST TRACK
   Urgent Projects*

3. NOTIFY OPEN LANDS ADVISORY
   BOARD & BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

STOP PROCESS

4. DUE DILIGENCE REVIEW &
   PROJECT NEGOTIATION
   - FAST TRACK
   Urgent Projects*

5. CLAR FINAL REVIEW &
   RECOMMENDATION
   - POLL OPEN LANDS
   ADVISORY BOARD

STOP PROCESS

6. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
   FINAL REVIEW & DECISION

STOP PROCESS

7. CLOSING

8. DEVELOP MANAGEMENT
   PLAN & STEWARD

* Urgent Projects are determined on a case-by-case basis, but generally the reason for the urgency must be out of the control of the party seeking the status to qualify.
Review the plan at:
www.larimer.org/olmasterplan/

Comments?