Denver Parks & Recreation
Proposed Park Designations
6th Round
Park System had its origin in 1858 with the cities of Auraria, Denver City and Highland at the confluence of the South Platte River and Cherry Creek.

First park was Curtis Park in 1868.

First Park Board was created in 1893.

The Park Board directed the management and development of the park system until about 1904.

Under Mayor Speer, a charter amendment in 1904 was adopted that created the Department of “Improvements and Parks.”

In 1910 the Mountain Park System was established.

In 1956 the Department of Parks and Recreation was created.

Parcels that were acquired, developed or treated as a park at this time (1956) became designated under this charter amendment.

Subsequent park designations are accomplished through the City Council ordinance process.
Designation Considerations

- Supports a master plan (City Park)
- Has historical, cultural, ecological, or educational significance (Civic Center, Cheesman)
- Preservation of key visual corridors or scenic vistas (Cranmer)
- Park facilities have been or are planned to be constructed (13th & Xenia, Cuatro Vientos)
- Area infrastructure / utilities are not in a state of flux that may impact or change the park (Hampden Heights Park)
- There are no title / ownership issues that cast a cloud on the City’s title or right to possession of the park
- No pending or anticipated plans for making/expanding non-park uses within the park.
• **Beginning of 2013**  
  – Approximately 68% of Parks were already designated

• **1st Round - April 2013**  
  – Approximately 180 acres became designated  
  – Approximately 72% of system designated as parkland

• **2nd Round – January 2014**  
  – Approximately 275 acres became designated  
  – Approximately 78% of system designated as parkland

• **3rd Round – April 2014**  
  – Approximately 164 acres became designated  
  – Approximately 82% of system designated as parkland

• **4th and 5th Rounds – November 2014**  
  – Approximately 42 acres became designated  
  – Approximately 84% of system designated as parkland
• 6th Round – Spring 2015
  – Approximately 88 acres will become designated
  – Approximately 85% of system will be designated as parkland
## Proposed Designations - Round 6

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**Total Acres:** 88

* Portion of Park to be Designated
Proposed Park Designations - 6th Round

Legend
- Proposed Park Designation
Questions / Comments