DENVER PARKS AND RECREATION

STRATEGIC ACQUISITION PLAN

TECHNICAL PARTNERS MEETING
INTRODUCTIONS

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ROLL CALL
Please add your name and organization in the chat box now.
VISION & FOCUS AREAS

DRAFT Vision

The DPR Strategic Acquisition Plan provides a clear framework for decision-making that identifies priorities, describes strategies, and explains criteria for success associated with completing and funding future acquisitions. This framework will ensure Denver’s urban and mountain parks, open space and recreation system will equitably meet the recreational needs of its entire community while also ensuring Denver remains a resilient and sustainable city.

Focus Areas

» Equity
» Closing the 10-Minute Walk or Roll Gap
» Mountain Parks
» DPR Facilities
» Resilience, Habitat Restoration & Waterways
» Downtown, High-Density, & Growth Areas
ENGAGEMENT TO DATE
Strategic Acquisition Plan

WHO WE HAVE HEARD FROM

Technical Partners

- This is our second meeting with partner agencies.

Focus Groups

- To date, we have hosted dedicated meetings for each focus area, followed with a survey to dive deeper into findings.
- Participants include DPR staff, other City departments, and other technical participants.

General Public

- One public meeting in Spanish/English
- Two survey pushes with nearly 1700 total respondents
- First push: 1282 responses, broad outreach
- Second push: 411 responses, targeted grassroots outreach to reflect diversity of community
- Survey provided in Vietnamese/Spanish/English
WHAT WE HAVE HEARD

Acquisition Priorities

• Advance community plans and visions

• Connect to other protected properties

• Be near other community services (libraries, groceries, schools, etc.)

• Be near transit

• Connect to other parks and open spaces via bike paths, greenways, and/or trails

• Expand urban tree canopy

• Protect wildlife habitat

• Provide more recreation options

Public Survey: What is most important for you as we think about DPR’s acquisition strategy?
BUILDING OFF WHAT WE HAVE HEARD, WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU IN BREAKOUT SESSIONS.