



Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Friday, May 1st, 2026 – 7:00am
Recreation Center 651 10th Avenue, Room 101C

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Agenda

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call – Welcome Daniela Hernandez**
- 3. Agenda Approval**
- 4. Approval of Minutes**
- 5. Citizen Input**
- 6. Board Member Committee Reports: Art Commission – Sharon Wright**
- 7. Staff Reports**
- 8. Old Business – Calendar of Events update, Meeting locations**
- 9. New Business – Ferguson Property Park and Dog Park Naming**
- 10. Scheduling of Meetings – Friday June 5th, Recreation Center**
- 11. Adjournment**

Our Mission: Provide services, experiences, and spaces that promote community, health, and wellbeing for all.

The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board meets the first Friday of the month at 7:00 am. For information on how to place an item on the agenda, email: Jema.Moody@Greeleygov.com at least one week prior to the scheduled meeting date.

GREELEY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES – April 3rdth, 2026.

1. ROLL CALL

The Greeley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met Friday, February 6th, 2026, at 7:00am at the Greeley Recreation Center. Board members joining: Rand Morgan, Sharon Wright, Kirsten Daniel, Beth Kleiber, Greg McIntosh, Eric Parrish, Ben Christiansen, and Savanna Bennett. City Council Liaison Deb DeBoutez.

Staff joining: Diana Frick (Director of Culture Parks and Recreation), Jill Krantz (Deputy Director of Culture Parks and Recreation), Daniel Lawrence (Deputy Director of Culture Parks and Recreation) Eric Bloomer (Parks Division Manager), Justin Scharton (Natural Areas and Trails Division Manager), Becca Mack (Recreation Manager), Benjamin Alexander (Business Manager), Brecklyn Everhart (Administrative Assistant II)

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Sharon Wright made a motion to approve the agenda, which was seconded by Greg McIntosh, and passed unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Beth Kleiber made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, which was seconded by Ben Christiansen and passed unanimously.

4. CITIZEN INPUT – None

5. BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS – Art commission – Sharon Wright – Parks is kicking off a design of Ferguson Property with \$30,000 budgeted for a park and dog park. More information to come.

6. Staff Reports-

Natural Areas- Justin Scharton-3 year grant from the Regional Partnership initiative and hired the facilitator for the project. Next phase is working in the Northeast quadrant of the state, 6 counties about 12,000square miles with local communities and nonprofits.

Parks- Eric Bloomer- Brentwood Park is going up pretty quickly with a new playground going in. The kids are really excited because we involved them in the whole process. We are starting at Peakview Park and have been working on the design so it will be getting demoed in the next couple of months and replace. Red Tail Park is flying right along with the new bridge has gone in and walkways are done. The company installing the bike playground met on site so in the next couple of months we are going to be flourish of activities as we shoot for a fall opening.

Recreation- Becca Mack- 20 years of play weekend with an attached schedule of activities. All activities are free to the community and they are highlighting our 20th anniversary oat the Ice Haus, Discovery Bay and Family Funplex and also celebrating our 4th annual Family Field Day event. Throughout this this three-day weekend we will be promoting our Youth Assistance fund to the community. To try to secure some more donations to help drive that fund so we can impact more children. The Ice Haus is turning 21 so there will be cosmic skate on Friday night with adult only beverage appropriate to celebrate their facility. Family field day is driven heavily by volunteers. We can do shifts or commit to a full day. Facilities updates- Family Funplex steam room, work expected to begin March 30th, ADA handrails and new tile. A generator was ordered and will install when down for slide repair. Family Funplex green

slide repair closure May 18th -May 31st. Pool and splash pads- Sunrise splash pad will have a second set of repairs completed week of March 30th and will open with IG splash pad and Discovery Bay on May 23rd. Centennial Pool opens to club teams and lap swimmers on May 4th and open to the public May 23rd. Active Adult Center-New front desk will be constructed and operational by the middle of April.

Diana- Diana, Eric bloomer and Deb DeBoutz had the opportunity to go to Denver to the Urban Land Institute Impact Awards for the design of Delta Park. We did not win the award but what an honor to be selected. It was an amazing opportunity to be invited and be a finalist. Gave us motivation for what we could do next.

7. **OLD BUSINESS** – Naming of new natural area, reviewed the information that was covered last month. Motion to recommend Triple Creek Natural Area was made by Greg McIntosha and was seconded by Beth Kleiber and passed unanimously.
8. **NEW BUSINESS** – Event Calendar – Arbor Day this month April 25th at 9:00Am at Centennial Park. Eric explained the tradition on Arbor day and shared about volunteer opportunities for the giving tree presentations in the elementary schools.

Triennial Review questionnaire was discussed. Diana gave a brief background on what the triennial review is and said she will meet with Rand to go over the questions.

9. **UPCOMING AGENDAS** – Diana is going to wait for all 3 areas to be named and then she will take all 3 to council. Board requested to have information about Ferguson Park before the meeting. The board requested to have 3 locations to choose for the June meeting.
10. **NEXT MEETING** – The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 1st, 2026, at the Recreation Center.
11. **ADJOURNMENT** – Sharon Wright called for a motion to adjourn the meeting, at 7:42 am. Tour of the Rodarte Center Commenced.

Respectfully submitted:

Greg McIntosh, Chair

Diana Frick, Director of Culture, Parks and Recreation



RECREATION

CITY OF GREELEY

Recreation Facility Visit Updates

YOY Comparison- Recreation Facility	January- April 2025 compared to January- April 2026
Greeley Recreation Center	- 6%
Greeley Active Adult Center	-3%
Greeley Family Fun Plex	+2%
Greeley Ice Haus	+25%
Rodarte Community Center	+24%

* YTD= 64,291 visits to the above Recreation facilities

Facility Closures/Updates

Greeley Recreation Center scheduled maintenance closure: May 18- May 22, 2026.

Greeley Family Fun Plex pool closure (green slide repairs): May 13- May 31, 2026.

Pools de-winterized work has begun.

Repairs completed at Sunrise splash pad.

Re-surfacing all splash pad surfaces will cover in next 2 weeks.

Centennial pool opens May 11 for club swim and lap swim.

Remaining outdoor aquatic areas open Memorial Day weekend.

Steam Room update: all floor & seating tiles installed. The walls and ceiling will be completed this week. Schluter membrane and ADA handrails added as well.

General Updates

- The Active Adult Center recently completed the remodel of their customer service desk. They are in the process of fully moving into the new space.



- Recently, the Active Adult Center celebrated and recognized 45 volunteers through our annual Volunteer Recognition luncheon.

Press Release: United Way donation

GREELEY, Colo. — On April 8, [United Way of Weld County](#) hosted a scholarship reception. The City of Greeley’s Culture, Parks and Recreation Department (CPRD) accepted a \$10,000 donation at the event.

This annual donation helps fund its youth scholarship program. Families who need help covering costs for recreational programming can [apply online](#).

Greeley Recreation is ecstatic to partner with United Way on this valuable program to help the underserved in our community. By offering scholarship dollars to those in need, children under 18 can play the sport they love, try new hobbies, learn to swim and much more!



PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

STAFF REPORTS – May 1, 2026

Justin Scharton – Natural Areas & Trails

March 2026 Counts

LOCATION	Month Total	Year Total	Daily Avg (Month) Trend (prior month)	YTD Daily Avg Trend (prior year)
Sheep Draw @ McCloskey TH (installed May 2018; NEW counter with bike detection installed Aug 2023)	4562	10787	147 ↑12.0%	120 ↑5.7%
Triple Creek Spur @ Mountain Vista TH (re-installed Aug 18, 2020)	1636	4446	53 ↑36.8%	49 ↓33.7%
Poudre Trail @ Island Grove (installed Aug 2020)	2865*	3152	136 ↓n/a%	41 ↓n/a%
Poudre Trail @ Rover Run (new counter w/bike detection installed 3/6/24)	4082***	4509	132 No data prior month ↓xxx%	53 No data Jan-Mar ↑xxx%
Poudre Trail @ PLC (installed Aug 2020)	1669**	3985	54 ↑28.9%	44 ↓27.5%
Poudre Trail @ Poudre East (Kodak TH)	5745	13565	185 ↑15.1%	151 ↑22.8%
****Missile Site TH (Arroyos del Sol) (installed 3/22/24)	457	895	16 ↑15.1%	15 ↑883%
****Missile Site Car/Bus (installed 3/19/24)	116	40	5 ↓37.2%	5 ↓72.7%

*Battery depleted. No data since 1/4/26 (new battery installed March 18th)

**Trail from 83rd Ave to 95th Ave closed for construction.

*** Partial month. New battery installed and activated 3/12. No data Jan-Mar 11.

****Arroyos del Sol closed for winter season. Opened 4/1/26

CAPTIAL PROJECT UPDATES

NAT is progressing on several capital projects, and with design processes taking months or even years at times, long periods can lapse between updates. Below is a quick update for all NAT capital projects in design or implementation:

- Poudre Ponds Upgrades | While the property remains closed for Water & Sewer to mine the site, NAT has continued with upgrades funded by Fishing is Fun and Great Outdoors Fund grants. Two new kiosks have been built in the two parking lots with volunteers from Oxy Petroleum, and two

new port-a-let shelters are being installed around the pond for easier access when the site re-opens. A new boat ramp will be installed in the next month.

- Poudre River Trail – 59th Ave. | Within the Sheep Draw Natural Area, just west of 59th Ave., the southern bank of the Poudre River has moved closer to the Poudre Trail over the past several years. In 2025, NAT constructed a temporary soft surface trail to the south of the existing trail and has contracted with Otak to begin design work on the re-alignment of the trail, along with the development of a trailhead on this property as well. This project is funded by a State Trails grant and the City’s Trail Development fund.
- Poudre River Trail – 25th Ave. | Sustained runoff in 2024 eroded the southern riverbank and threatens the Poudre Trail alignment. Funded by Weld County’s Poudre Trail capital contribution, this project is working toward 30% design to provide solutions to prevent more erosion while increasing river health in this stretch of the river.
- Poudre River Trail – Narrows | The narrows section of the Poudre Trail, between 71st and 83rd Ave. has been slowly slipping into the river for the past several years. Design kicked off in 2025, and the project is at 30% design. A contractor selection is underway to work with the design team to complete the design and ensure the project is within identified scope and budget. Construction is scheduled to be begin in the fall/winter of 2026. This project is funded by the City’s Quality of Life fund.



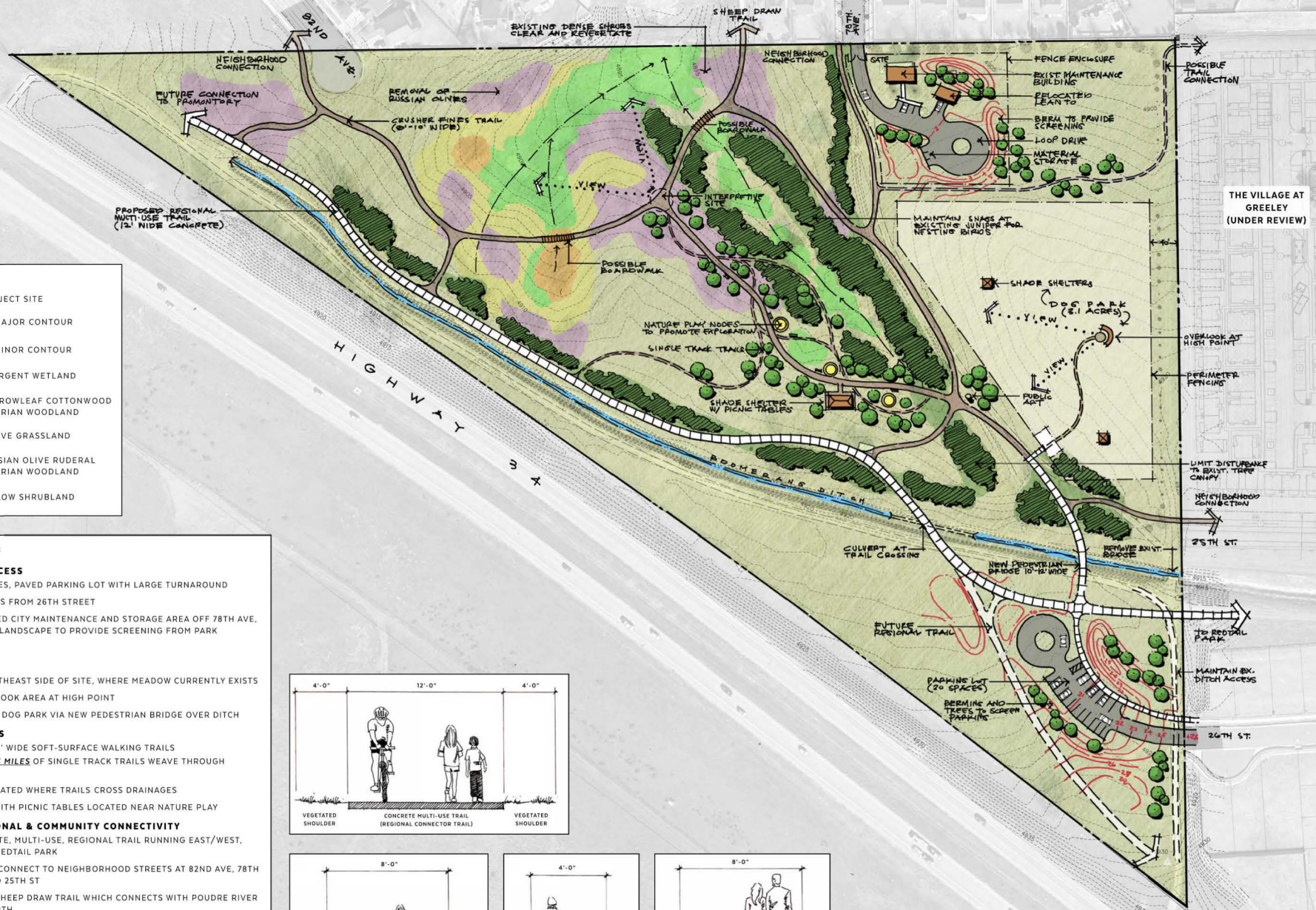
A new port-a-let enclosure is installed along the Poudre Trail at Poudre Ponds. This project is funded by Fishing is Fun and Great Outdoors



A new erosion area along the Poudre Trail, just north of the Rover Run Dog Park. Design will begin in 2026 to make emergency repairs.

- Poudre River Trail – Martin Marietta | This section of the Poudre Trail travels north and then east from the Rover Run Dog Park, threading between the Poudre river on one side and a gravel mine site on the other. This section is a hot spot for river erosion, and a trail repair project was completed here in 2019. Just downstream of the repaired section, another erosion spot has opened and is within three feet of the trail edge.

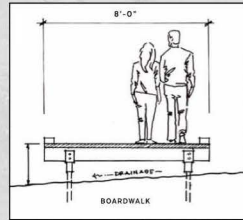
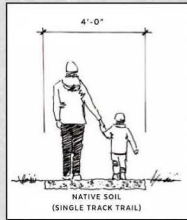
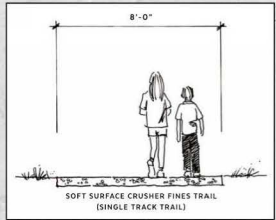
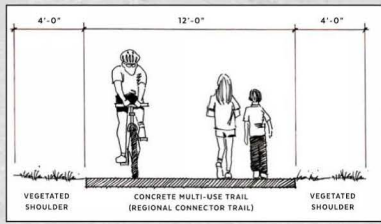
To repair this section, emergency repairs will need to be completed to tie into the existing repair project, provide natural protection to the riverbank downstream, and tie the repair into the next solid downstream feature. Without prompt completion of this project, the riverbank may continue to erode toward the newly constructed trail, with risk of failure if not addressed properly and by 2027 runoff.



LEGEND

- PROJECT SITE
- EX MAJOR CONTOUR
- EX MINOR CONTOUR
- EMERGENT WETLAND
- NARROWLEAF COTTONWOOD RIPARIAN WOODLAND
- NATIVE GRASSLAND
- RUSSIAN OLIVE RUDERAL RIPARIAN WOODLAND
- WILLOW SHRUBLAND

- ENHANCEMENTS:**
- PARKING AND ACCESS**
- 20 PARKING SPACES, PAVED PARKING LOT WITH LARGE TURNAROUND
 - VEHICULAR ACCESS FROM 26TH STREET
 - FENCED AND GATED CITY MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE AREA OFF 78TH AVE, WITH BERMS AND LANDSCAPE TO PROVIDE SCREENING FROM PARK
- DOG PARK**
- 3.1 TOTAL ACRES
 - LOCATED ON NORTHEAST SIDE OF SITE, WHERE MEADOW CURRENTLY EXISTS
 - POTENTIAL OVERLOOK AREA AT HIGH POINT
 - PAVED ACCESS TO DOG PARK VIA NEW PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER DITCH
- TRAILS/SHELTERS**
- .53 MILES OF 8'-10' WIDE SOFT-SURFACE WALKING TRAILS
 - EXPLORATORY, .23 MILES OF SINGLE TRACK TRAILS WEAVE THROUGH VEGETATION
 - BOARDWALKS LOCATED WHERE TRAILS CROSS DRAINAGES
 - SHADE SHELTER WITH PICNIC TABLES LOCATED NEAR NATURE PLAY
- ENHANCED REGIONAL & COMMUNITY CONNECTIVITY**
- 12' WIDE, CONCRETE, MULTI-USE, REGIONAL TRAIL RUNNING EAST/WEST, CONNECTING TO REDTAIL PARK
 - INTERIOR TRAILS CONNECT TO NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS AT 82ND AVE, 78TH AVE, 26TH ST, AND 25TH ST
 - CONNECTION TO SHEEP DRAW TRAIL WHICH CONNECTS WITH POUDBRE RIVER TRAIL TO THE NORTH
 - FUTURE REGIONAL TRAIL CONNECTION ADJACENT TO PARKING LOT
- NATURE PLAY AND INTERPRETIVE OPPORTUNITIES**
- MULTIPLE NATURE PLAY NODES LOCATED ALONG PEDESTRIAN TRAIL TO PROMOTE EXPLORATION
 - OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC ART INSTALLATIONS AND INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE ALONG INTERIOR TRAIL SYSTEM



NEW COMMUNITY PARK - CONCEPT 1

GREELEY, COLORADO
MARCH 2026



LEGEND

- PROJECT SITE
- - - EX MAJOR CONTOUR
- - - EX MINOR CONTOUR
- EXISTING FENCE
- GAS EXISTING GAS UTILITY
- FO EXISTING FIBER OPTIC UTILITY
- EMERGENT WETLAND
- NARROWLEAF COTTONWOOD RIPARIAN WOODLAND
- NATIVE GRASSLAND
- RUSSIAN OLIVE RUDERAL RIPARIAN WOODLAND
- WILLOW SHRUBLAND

VEGETATION COMMUNITIES



EMERGENT WETLANDS



NARROWLEAF COTTONWOOD



NATIVE GRASSLAND



RUSSIAN OLIVE



WILLOW SHRUBLAND



SMOOTH BROME

RESTORATION AND ENHANCEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

ENHANCE AND PROTECT GRASSLANDS

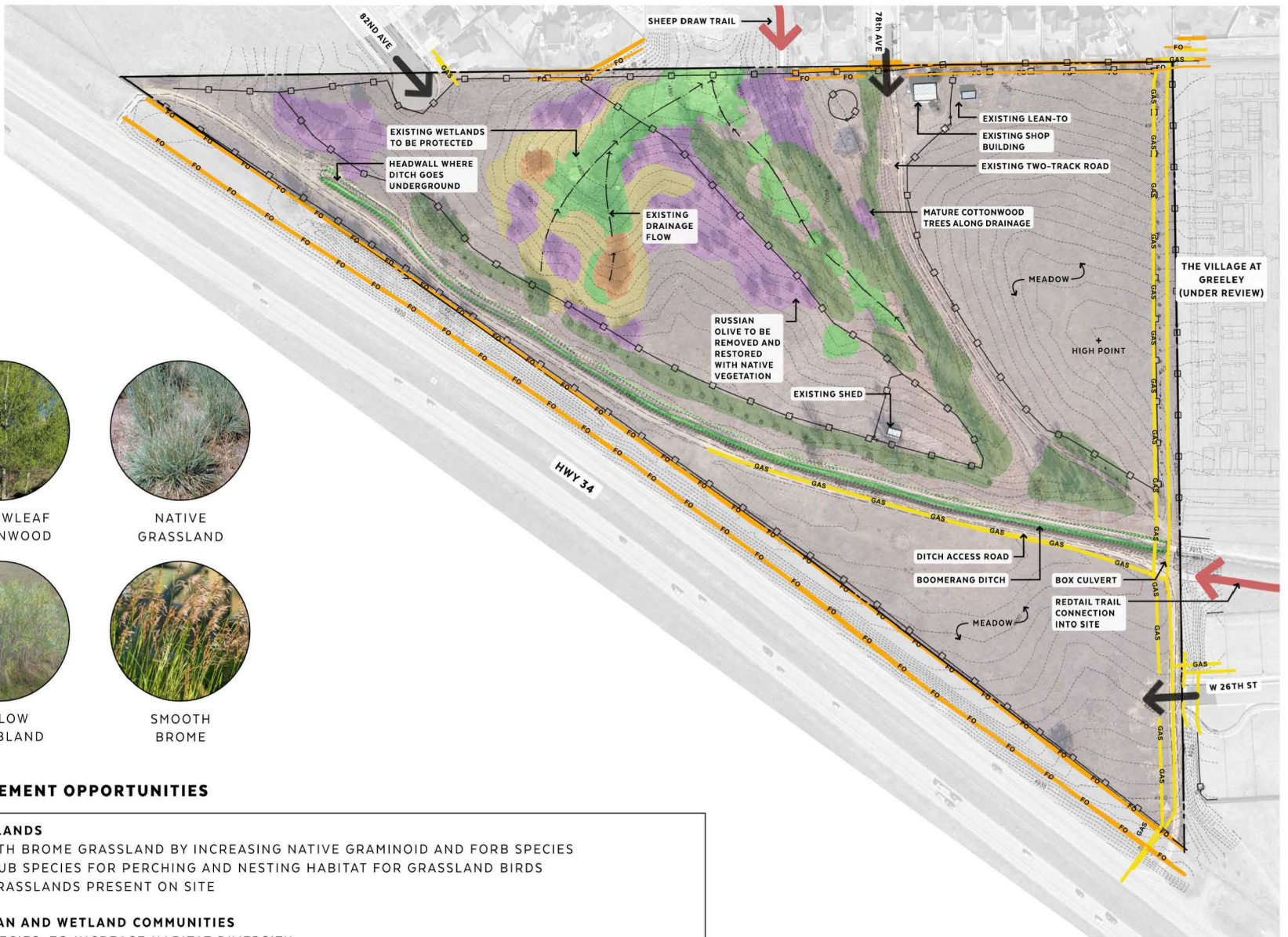
- IMPROVE NON-NATIVE SMOOTH BROME GRASSLAND BY INCREASING NATIVE GRAMINOID AND FORB SPECIES
- ADD SCATTERED NATIVE SHRUB SPECIES FOR PERCHING AND NESTING HABITAT FOR GRASSLAND BIRDS
- AVOID IMPACTS TO NATIVE GRASSLANDS PRESENT ON SITE

ENHANCE AND PROTECT RIPARIAN AND WETLAND COMMUNITIES

- ADD MORE NATIVE SHRUB SPECIES, TO INCREASE HABITAT DIVERSITY
- REMOVE AND TREAT INVASIVE RUSSIAN OLIVE TREES AND CANADA THISTLE
- AVOID DISTURBANCE TO WETLANDS AND RIPARIAN AREAS TO MAINTAIN ECOLOGICAL FUNCTION
- PROTECT EXISTING COTTONWOOD TREES, ESPECIALLY MATURE STANDS THAT PROVIDE SHADE AND WILDLIFE HABITAT

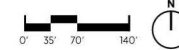
ENHANCE AND PROTECT HABITAT FOR WILDLIFE

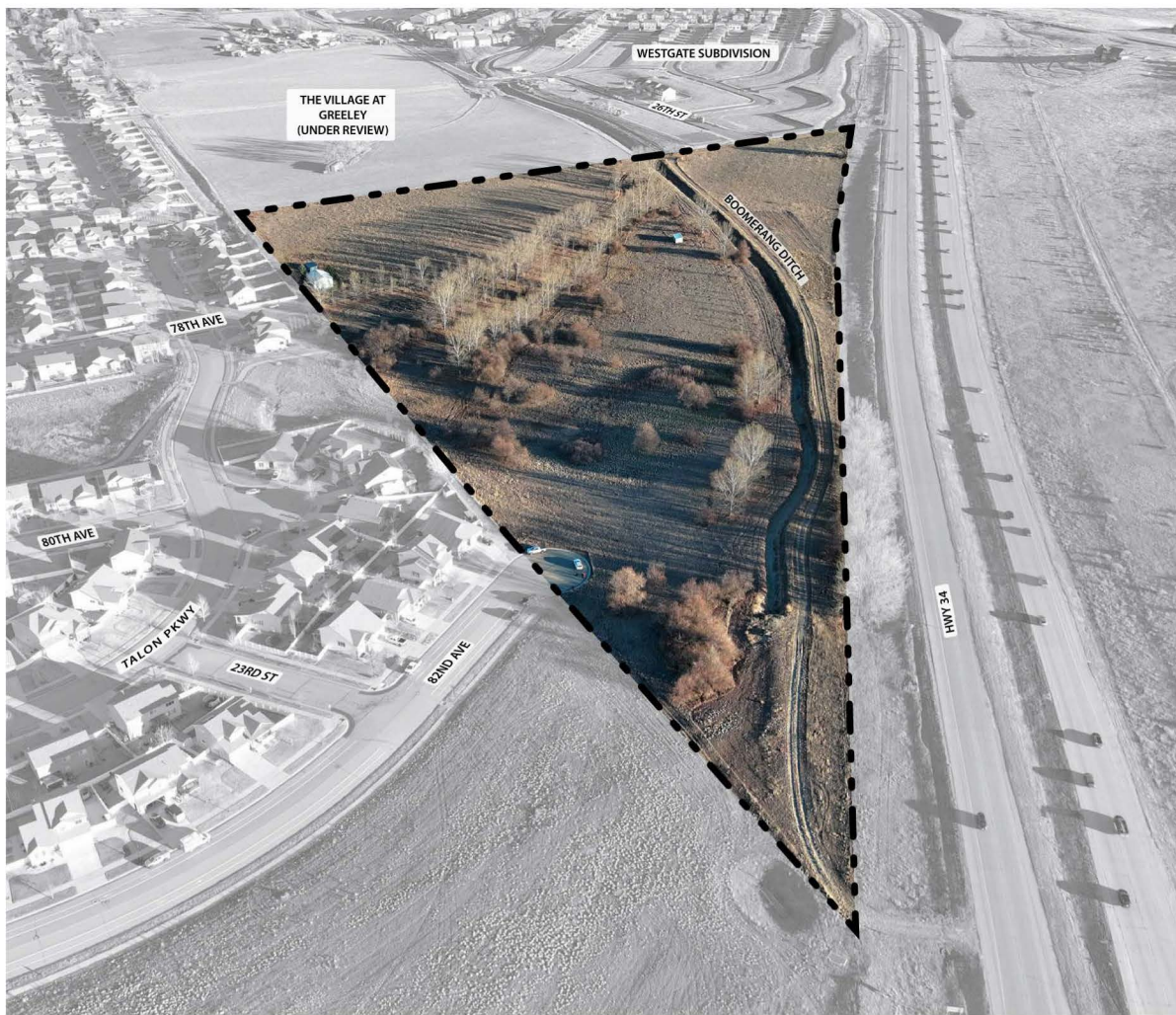
- PROTECT ACTIVE RAPTOR NESTS BY LIMITING DISTURBANCE DURING NESTING SEASON
- RETAIN STANDING DEAD TREES AND SNAGS THAT PROVIDE IMPORTANT NESTING AND SHELTER HABITAT
- INCREASE PLANT DIVERSITY IN RIPARIAN AND WETLAND AREAS TO SUPPORT BIRDS, POLLINATORS, AND OTHER WILDLIFE
- ADD NESTING FEATURES SUCH AS BIRD BOXES IN APPROPRIATE LOCATIONS, FOR SWALLOWS, KESTRELS, AND WRENS
- MAINTAIN CONNECTIONS BETWEEN GRASSLAND AND RIPARIAN AREAS TO SUPPORT WILDLIFE MOVEMENT ACROSS THE SITE



NEW COMMUNITY PARK - EXISTING CONDITIONS

GREELEY, COLORADO
MARCH 2026





PANORAMIC VIEW LOOKING SOUTHEAST



KEY MAP



REGIONAL MAP



MEADOW AND RIPARIAN AREA



EXISTING TWO-TRACK ROAD



EXISTING DITCH ACCESS ROAD LOOKING WEST



EXISTING MATURE COTTONWOODS AND RIPARIAN WOODLAND

NEW COMMUNITY PARK - EXISTING CONDITIONS

GREELEY, COLORADO
MARCH 2026

Culture, Parks & Recreation Department Facility and Property Naming Policy

Adopted 03.04.22

by Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

PURPOSE

The Culture, Parks, and Recreation Department (CPRD) acquires lands, and constructs facilities and other amenities as part of the normal operation and growth of the department. Many of the facilities and properties are named through a community engagement process. This policy will detail the process and standards from which the City will solicit community input, provide recommendations, and secure approval for naming of applicable CPRD facilities.

SCOPE

This policy is applicable to all existing and future CPRD managed properties, facilities, and other amenities that have been/will be named.

This policy is not intended to supersede or place restrictions on naming of facilities through sponsorships or similar underwriting of events, facilities, or amenities within CPRD. The process and standards for sponsorship naming rights are provided through the Guidelines for Naming Rights, adopted by City Council in 2003 (Appendix A).

SITE NAMING

As new properties and facilities are acquired and developed, they need to be named, or an existing site may need to be renamed for a variety of reasons. The Greeley Municipal Code (section 2-422) currently provides that the Parks & Recreation advisory board submit name recommendations for City parks to City Council for approval and adoption by Resolution. The naming process is set out below.

Greeley municipal code section (section 2-805) currently provides similar guidance for the Island Grove Park Advisory Board, using the naming process set out below, except that City Council's approval not required.

While specific code guidance isn't detailed for the Museum, Rodarte Center, and other advisory boards, this policy, and its associated process and guidelines, should direct the naming process for those boards as well.

NAMING PROCESS

The City, through staff and the above-referenced advisory boards, shall use the following process to name or rename CPRD properties and facilities.

- A. Newly Acquired/Constructed Property or Facility
 - 1) The applicable advisory board or commission, by way of CPRD staff, will solicit suggestions from the public to name the property/facility. Additional effort should be made to garner feedback from groups that do not typically engage in public processes, and nearby populations that require specific engagement efforts.

- 2) Staff will provide a report to the advisory board or commission that summarizes the background of the property based on Division standards and management goals. Staff will also compile and provide the full list of submitted name suggestions to the Board within the report, along with a short list of recommended names that all meet the criteria in subsection C below.
- 3) The advisory board or commission shall review the suggested names and select one name to recommend to City Council.
- 4) The City Council shall affirm the name of the property/facility by resolution.

B. Name Changes to Existing Properties/Facilities

In some cases, a need may arise to change the name of a property or facility. When the applicable advisory board or commission or CPRD staff identifies the need to change the name of an existing property or facility, staff will present options and a recommendation to the Board for consideration. If the Board concurs with the recommendation to change a name, the process detailed in subsection A above will be followed.

C. Naming Criteria

The applicable advisory board or commission will select a name for a property or facility that meets one or more of the following criteria:

- The name of a culturally relevant and/or historical event, structure or artifact that occurred or was found on the property or in the vicinity
- The name of an individual or family name linked to the history of the property or facility, with the following guidelines:
 - the name should have local significance
 - displayed outstanding, long-term commitment and made significant contributions to the betterment of the community;
 - made noteworthy contribution to the development and improvement of culture, parks and recreation, conservation, or outdoor recreation activities;
 - prominent in the history of the development of Greeley;
 - historic landowner and/or the homesteading family of the property
 - name of person/family that has contributed significant funds for the specific park, natural area or trail, or for parks and recreation in general.
 - the immediate former landowner's name may be used if the property was donated or significantly discounted when conveyed to the City (typically greater than 50% of overall cost/value of the project)
- A natural landmark, feature or habitat type in the vicinity of the natural area or trail section
- The name of a native wildlife or plant species that occupies the property or vicinity, and/or has occupied the vicinity in the past
- A person or family that has contributed significantly to the applicable division's mission and management goals over a long period of time in the Greeley community

Other Considerations:

Acquisition of new parcels and construction of new trail sections contiguous to existing properties or trail sections, respectively, should use the same name as the original natural area or trail section unless significant circumstances dictate another name should be chosen, compliant with

the criteria set forth in this policy. An exception to this guideline will be stand-alone and/or trail spur sections that connect to larger regional trail sections that may necessitate a different name to aid in wayfinding.

D. Exclusions

The following guidelines provide direction of names for CPRD properties and facilities that should be avoided:

- a current City employee (former employees' names may be considered)
- a current local elected official
- a person, family, organization, business, or other affiliation with an overt political, controversial, or otherwise divisive nature
- a name that is similar to an existing facility, road, trail, property, etc. that may cause confusion for the public.

In addition to the exclusions above, the following guidelines provide direction for names that should be avoided for a natural area or trail:

- The name of non-native or invasive wildlife or vegetation species
- Any names of the subdivision, development, or developer of an adjacent property, even if the natural area or trail section was conveyed and/or constructed as a part of the development agreement, unless the name meets the criteria in Section C above.

Current Dog Park Names:

1. Rover Run
2. Waggin' Tail

Proposed Dog Park Names (from July 2025 survey on Speak Up Greeley):

Highlighted names are the top 4 selected by CPRD staff.

1. Poudre Paws
2. The Barkyard
3. The Barking Lot
4. Good Boy Grounds
5. Bark Park
6. Four Paws Park
7. Wagmore Dog Park
8. Pawsitive Playground
9. Barkington Park
10. Dogtown
11. Zoomies Field
12. Pawnderosa Bark
13. Greeley City Bark
14. The Bark Park
15. Poudre Pup Park
16. Bark Along Park
17. Pooch Paradise
18. Union Tails
19. The Bark-Bark
20. Canine Cove
21. The Hound Grounds
22. Pupper Park
23. The PAWnee Grassland
24. Central Bark
25. Poudre River Tails
26. Prairie Paws
27. Muttropolis
28. Mutt Meadows
29. West Side Trails & Tails
30. Peaks to Paws
31. Hound Haven

Proposed Community Park Names (from March 2026 survey on Speak Up Greeley):

1. Ferguson Park – Previous landowner
2. Miriam Gideon Park – American composer born in Greeley (1906-1996)
3. Prairie Sky Park
4. Soaring Heights Park
5. Eagles Wings Park
6. Blackbird Trails
7. Plume Park
8. Featherstone Park
9. Perch Park
10. Cottonwood Park