

# Natural Resource Management Plan Funding Request

**BOCC Presentation, April 2024** 

## Agenda

Consultant Selection

**Funding Request** 

Questions



# Natural Resource Management Plan Consultant Selection



### NRM Plan Project Management Structure

- Steering Committee
  - The leadership team guiding the planning process
  - Arapahoe County Open Spaces, Denver Parks & Recreation,
    Douglas County Parks, Trails, and Building Grounds, High Line Canal
    Conservancy, and the Mile High Flood District
- Project Team
  - Subject matter experts from all agencies in the Canal Collaborative
  - Provide input on key decisions & Canal-wide recommendations
- Sub-Area Teams
  - Subject matter experts from all agencies in the Canal Collaborative
  - Develop and refine region-specific recommendations
  - Anticipated sub-areas:
    - Douglas County
    - Southern Arapahoe County
    - Denver & Unincorporated Arapahoe County
    - Aurora & Adams County



### Scope of Work Overview

- 1. Formalizing Goals, Defining Subareas and Setting Targets
- 2. Maintenance of Existing Resources
- 3. Natural Resource Enhancement Strategies
- 4. Operations and Management Structure Recommendations
- 5. Public Communications Planning



#### Consultant Selection

- 1. RFP Proposal Review & Scoring
  - Qualifications of the firm
  - Proposed project approach
  - Capacity to complete project successfully and on schedule
  - Pricing
- 2. Consultant Interviews with Steering Committee (top two consultants)
  - Interviews and follow up questions. Documented with notes.
  - Steering Committee, each member provided a recommendation on top consultant and runner up.
  - Staff from the HLC Conservancy and key members of the Steering
    Committee met with top consultant to finalize project scope and pricing.
- 3. High Line Canal Conservancy facilitates contract award and associated joint project funding request to Arapahoe County.



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### NRM Plan Funding Partners

The High Line Canal Conservancy and its Canal Collaborative partners are contributing the following funds to support the total cost of the Natural Resource Management Plan.

Funding Request	Requested	Confirmed
Douglas County	\$15,000	
HRMD	\$15,000	
City of Littleton		\$15,000
SEMSWA		\$15,000
SSPRD		\$15,000
Greenwood Village		\$15,000
Cherry Hills Village		\$15,000
Arapahoe County	\$162,000	
City & County of Denver		\$15,000
City of Aurora		\$15,000
Adams County	\$43,000	
MHFD		\$15,000
Tota	\$235,000	\$120,000



### NRM Plan Funding Request

The High Line Canal Conservancy and its Canal Collaborative partners are requesting \$162,000 from Arapahoe County Open Spaces to support the NR Management Plan.

Funding Source / Partner	Join Project Request	Cash Match	Total Funds
Arapahoe County Open Spaces	\$162,000		\$162,000
Highline Canal Conservancy		In-Kind, \$25,000	\$0
Secured Partner Match's (Littleton, SSPRD, SEMSWA, GV, CHV, Aurora, Denver Existing Conditions)		\$120,000	\$120,000
County Requests in Progress (Douglas County, Adams County)		\$58,000	\$58,000
Request Pending (Highlands Ranch)		\$15,000	\$15,000
Project Totals:	\$162,000	\$193,000	\$355,000



### NRM Plan Joint Project Funding

#### **Staff Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that OSTAB forward for BoCC consideration the joint project funding request of \$162,000 from the \$4 million-dollar Highline Canal Working Group pledge within the Open Space Acquisition and Development Fund to support the High Line Canal Natural Resource Management Plan.

### **Suggested Motion:**

I move that OSTAB recommend to the BoCC approval of \$162,000 from the \$4 million-dollar Highline Canal Working Group pledge within the Open Space Acquisition and Development Fund to support the High Line Canal Natural Resource Management Plan.



