FISHERS PEAK STATE PARK MASTER PLAN

PRELIMINARY VISION FOCUS AREAS AND OBJECTIVES

VISION FOR THE PROPERTY: As it has for eons, Fishers Peak continues to provide for the life that thrives there and serves as a destination for those inspired by all that nature offers for generations to come.

BLUEPRINT TO ACHIEVE THE VISION: Fishers Peak State Park offers a unique and synergistic blend of resource conservation, recreation, education, economic benefit, and cultural significance to the City of Trinidad and the State of Colorado.

VISION FOCUS AREA 1

NATURAL SYSTEMS AND WILDLIFE ARE MAINTAINED, CONSERVED, AND PROTECTED

Objective 1: Existing natural resources and their conditions determine a baseline to inform long-term property management.

Objective 2: The park maintains ecological sustainability for wildlife habitats and populations.

VISION FOCUS AREA 2

NATURE-BASED OUTDOOR AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES ENHANCE THE VISITOR EXPERIENCE

Objective 1: Recreational activities complement the resources and local/regional context of the property.

Objective 2: The Park's character relates to the recreational opportunities best suited for the property landscape and topography.

Objective 3: Visitor behavior and natural resource response informs phased recreation opportunities.

VISION FOCUS AREA 3

THE PARK REMAINS A CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL RESOURCE

Objective 1: Cultural and historical resources are honored, preserved, and protected.

Objective 2: Local heritage, as well as history and ongoing significance of the property, informs recreation and interpretation opportunities.

Objective 3: Best Management Practices seek to avoid impacts to and degradation/reduction of significant non-renewable resources.

VISION FOCUS AREA 4

OUTREACH AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES EXIST FOR ALL COLORADANS AND VISITORS

Objective 1: Inclusive, nature-based recreational and educational activities are available for everyone.

Objective 2: Programming and interpretive content enhance visitors' understanding and appreciation of the Park's cultural, historical, and natural resources.

Objective 3: Education and interpretive messaging foster visitor behavior that protects the Park's resources.

Objective 4: Local community residents continue to connect with and learn about the property and its resources.

VISION FOCUS AREA 5

ECONOMIC BENEFIT EXISTS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE QUALITIES AND CHARACTER OF THE LOCAL **COMMUNITY**

Objective 1: The local economy expands and new business opportunities develop in a manner that preserves the community's vision for prosperity.

Objective 2: Improvement in local economic performance is related to recreational activities.

Objective 3: Trinidad and the local area are seen as a destination.

VISION FOCUS AREA 6

PARTNERSHIP ALONG WITH PARK DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATIONS ADVANCE OBJECTIVES FROM ALL **VISION FOCUS AREAS**

Objective 1: Partners' expertise serve as a foundation to inform property management.

Objective 2: Partnership diversity and project story inspire similar projects around the nation for the benefit of public lands.

Objective 3: Available financial resources and the property management sustain the quality and condition of the natural resources and recreation opportunities.

Objective 4: Property management responds to the dynamic nature of visitor behavior, recreation trends, population trends, natural disasters (i.e., fire, flood, drought) and other changing conditions.