

Summary of South Boulder Creek Flood Mitigation Plan Public Process

May 13, 2015 OSBT Motion:

The Open Space Board of Trustees voted 4-0 to support staff's recommendation for City Council to accept the South Boulder Creek Major Drainageway Flood Mitigation Plan, specifically Option D (single berm using Colorado Department of Transportation Right of Way - and requiring no disposal of City of Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks lands) which significantly lessens environmental impacts to Open Space Lands for Regional Detention at US 36. This is conditioned upon staff returning to the Open Space Board of Trustees in the event staff determines construction will involve non-trivial impacts to Open Space.

The motion passed 4-0. Trustee Molly Davis was absent.

May 18, 2015 WRAB Motion:

The Water Resources Advisory Board voted to recommend that City Council accept the South Boulder Creek Major Drainageway Flood Mitigation Plan including Option D (single berm using Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Right of Way) for 'Regional Detention at US 36' along with the Downstream Improvements as the recommended comprehensive alternative to mitigate flood risks associated with South Boulder Creek.

The motion passed 3-0. Board Members Ed Clancy and Mark Squillace were absent.

Following a long vetting process that included **15 public meetings** many of these are summarized below:

December 21, 2009: [WRAB Information Item](#)

January 27, 2010: Project Workshop held to present and overview of the study goals and timeline along with a presentation and discussion of known constraints and potential conceptual solutions.

June 21, 2010: [WRAB Information Item](#)-6 sets of alternatives presented

December 14, 2010: 9 alternatives presented to [WRAB](#). WRAB recommended moving forward with 4 alternatives

December 18, 2012: FEMA formally adopts South Boulder Creek Floodplain Maps

September 2013: Significant flooding throughout the city.

November 21, 2013: Post-flood open house

July 21, 2014: [WRAB Information Item](#)

August 18, 2014: Recommended plan presented to [WRAB](#) and Public Open House held

August 20, 2014: Recommended plan presented to [OSBT](#)

September 10, 2014: Recommended plan presented to [OSBT](#)

September 30, 2014: Recommended plan discussed with City Council at the [Flood Study Session](#)

May 13, 2015: [OSBT Meeting](#) and Public Open House

May 18, 2015: [WRAB Meeting](#)