

OBJECTIVES

Reclamation Mission and Vision

Define the management framework for the conservation, protection, and enhancement of the four Big Thompson Project Reservoirs located in Larimer County. The RMP/EA document will guide Reclamation, along with Larimer County and other participating agencies in managing, allocating, and appropriately using the land and other resources at the four reservoirs while protecting the authorized project purposes.

The RMP is needed to do the following:

- Ensure that management of the natural and recreational resources is compatible with authorized Reclamation project purposes.
- Provide decision makers with consistent direction and guidance to successfully manage resources and project facilities at the four reservoirs.
- Provide a framework to resolve land use and other management issues that result from population growth in Larimer County and surrounding areas in the Front Range.
- Address the increasing demand for public use of the resources, while protecting and enhancing the natural and recreational resources.
- Serve as a management tool for Reclamation and Larimer County, and other possible managing agencies, that outlines resources, policies, and actions that will guide decisions over the 10-year life of the plan.

Existing Facilities

- Horsetooth Reservoir
- Pinewood Reservoir
- Flatiron Reservoir
- Carter Lake

Resource Management Plan/EA

NEPA PROCESS & PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Issue Identification & Inventory
June - Sept 2016

Public Scoping
July 25- Sept 13, 2016



Alternatives Development & Analysis
Fall 2016

Draft RMP/EA
January 2017

Public Review Period
Early 2017

Final RMP/EA
Spring 2017

RMP/EA & Parks Master Plan

The following projects will not be addressed:

- **NISP/Glade & Galetton Reservoirs**
 - The Northern Integrated Supply Project would create a large new reservoir in Larimer County.
 - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is in the process of completing an Environmental Impact Statement. Comments can be submitted through September 3 .
 - Any potential recreational use plans would be developed after the USACE decision in 2017.
- **Chimney Hollow**
 - Creation of a new reservoir at Chimney Hollow near Carter Lake.
 - Larimer County owns 1,847 acres of adjacent open space.
 - A management plan will be completed that may include nonmotorized boating, fishing and multi-use trails.
- **Horsetooth Mountain Open Space (HTMOS)**
 - Management direction for HTMOS is provided by the 2006 Management Plan.
 - Larimer County manages HTMOS separately from Horsetooth Reservoir Park.