



## PROTECT the OPEN SPACE in South Boulder!

### This Tuesday, July 11th

**Boulder City Council will vote to change existing open space land-use designations on the property known as “CU South,” paving the way for massive development.**

Rigorous analysis of the impacts of development, which includes a high hazard dam, thousands of new residents, traffic congestion, and more, has yet to be done. Two-thirds of the 308-acre property is already protected as Open Space and much of the area is within the natural floodplain of South Boulder Creek.

**The Council Vote Will Be Very Close!!  
Here's What YOU Can Do to Help.**

Email City Council at [council@bouldercolorado.gov](mailto:council@bouldercolorado.gov) before the vote on Tuesday, July 11th (see additional talking pints on back page).

**Urge Council members to support Councilman Sam Weaver's proposal, which is the best option on the table so far. Weaver's proposal would:**

- Designate more open space than the staff recommendation
- Better protect residents against future floods
- Require completion of critical studies before final development decisions are made



# HOW WILL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT SOUTH BOULDER?

Impacts on groundwater, flood safety, traffic, noise, wetlands and natural springs, wildlife and endangered species, are largely or completely unknown. Studies should be done before irrevocable land-use decisions are made.



## **3,000+ NEW RESIDENTS and vehicles.**

CU proposes building 1,125 apts/townhomes, structures, parking lots, roads, athletic fields, and about 8 academic & research buildings/facilities. This will increase the population in south Boulder by ~20% and traffic at one on Boulder's busiest intersection at Table Mesa and the entrance to Highway 36/28th Street.



## **70% REDUCTION IN OPEN SPACE**

220 acres designated Open Space/O since 1977 would be slashed to 66 acres (& would never again look like what we now enjoy). Open space is what makes Boulder, Boulder! Once land-use changes are made, we can never go back!



## **REDUCED FLOOD PROTECTION**

Protecting Boulder residents from future flooding is important. City Council should not commit to a high-hazard dam, which engineers have said could be flawed, simply to accommodate CU's development demands. Flood control and floodplain/open space protection work together. Flood control and development do not. Let's keep options open in case studies find the dam is flawed.

## **ADDITIONAL TALKING POINTS (Please Feel Free To Personalize Your Message)**

- Land-use designation changes are premature. Complete critical scientific, engineering, ecological & transportation studies before changing land-use designations.
- Restore wetlands and native habitat throughout the entire site as both the city and the county originally intended and have repeatedly articulated in planning and other official documents since the 1970s. This should continue to be THE guiding principle for managing this land.
- Protect the entire area either as open space or through other means such as a designated conservation area.
- Evaluate land swaps & more suitable places for CU expansion.

**Save South Boulder is an all-volunteer group working to protect South Boulder neighborhoods.**

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