

Chatfield State Park Dog Off-Leash Area Management Plan

Public Comment Synopsis

Overview

The following document provides a brief summary of public comments received for the Chatfield State Park dog off-leash area in response to the presentation of proposed alternatives at two open houses in April 2010. About 90 individuals attended the open house near Cherry Creek State Park on April 12; about 65 individuals attended the open house near Chatfield State Park on April 15. State Parks staff distributed a survey to members of the public at both open houses.



The survey and an email link for additional comments were also available on the State Parks website until April 21 at: <http://parks.state.co.us/dogtraining/Pages/DogTrainingAreas.aspx>. In total, there were about 290 surveys and 325 electronic comments submitted for both parks.

Survey Questions

Question 1. What are your favorite and least favorite aspects of the alternatives presented?

What I like – reflects top 3 recurring responses

- Option A: • Most acreage; • Nothing / do not like / leave park alone; • Best water access
- Option B: • Sport dog training area / water access; • Nothing / do not like / leave park alone; • Best of options provided
- Option C: • Nothing / do not like / leave park alone; • Sport dog training area / water access; • Best water access and acreage

What I do not like – reflects top 3 recurring responses

- Option A: • Sport dog area – not enough water / area / access; • Fee; • Lack of water access
- Option B: • Lack of acreage; • Fee; • Sport dog area – necessary for just a few?
- Option C: • Reservation / special permit / multi-use; • Lack of acreage; • Fee