

Guiding Principles

The following principles were drawn from consistent responses received from stakeholder group interviews, ice cream socials, online surveys and a September 19, 2017 community workshop. They serve as guideposts as we work together to develop the North Cheyenne Cañon Park Master and Management Plan.

Stewardship

The City of Colorado Springs, Park staff, volunteers, and visitors are good stewards of the Park, ensuring that the impacts from its popularity are mitigated through sustainable practices, quality design, and enforcement.

Preservation and use

Responsible management accommodates a variety of recreational uses by all ages and abilities while preserving the Park's history, mountain character, and environmental quality.

Ecological protection

The Park's geological features, creeks, and other natural resources are protected through forest management, fire mitigation, and control of erosion, noxious weeds, and insect infestations.

Accessible and safe

Access to the Park's rich natural resources and facilities is available to and convenient for all. Park roadways and parking areas meet user demand and ensure the safety of all users.

Visitor experience

Visitors are able to enjoy this unique mountain Park with a sense of solitude and appreciation for the peaceful setting. Support facilities, signage, and interpretive services enhance their Park experiences.

Trails

Park trails are sustainably designed, have adequate capacity, are well-marked, and maintained. They provide a variety of experiences and connectivity within the Park and to adjacent natural areas.

Implementation

Created in partnership with the Friends of Cheyenne Cañon and with community residents and adjacent jurisdictions, the Master and Management Plan is fully implemented as funding becomes available.