

**Boulder County
Comprehensive Creek Planning
Initiative**

**Community Outreach Meetings
December, 2013**



Tonight's Agenda

- **Introductions & Meeting Objectives**
- **Boulder County Creek Planning Initiative**
 - Information Presentation
 - Questions & Answers
- **Small Group Discussions**
 - Neighborhood-based
 - Collect information about flood impacts and current conditions

Introductions & Objectives



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Flood 2013 Planning Area Neighborhoods

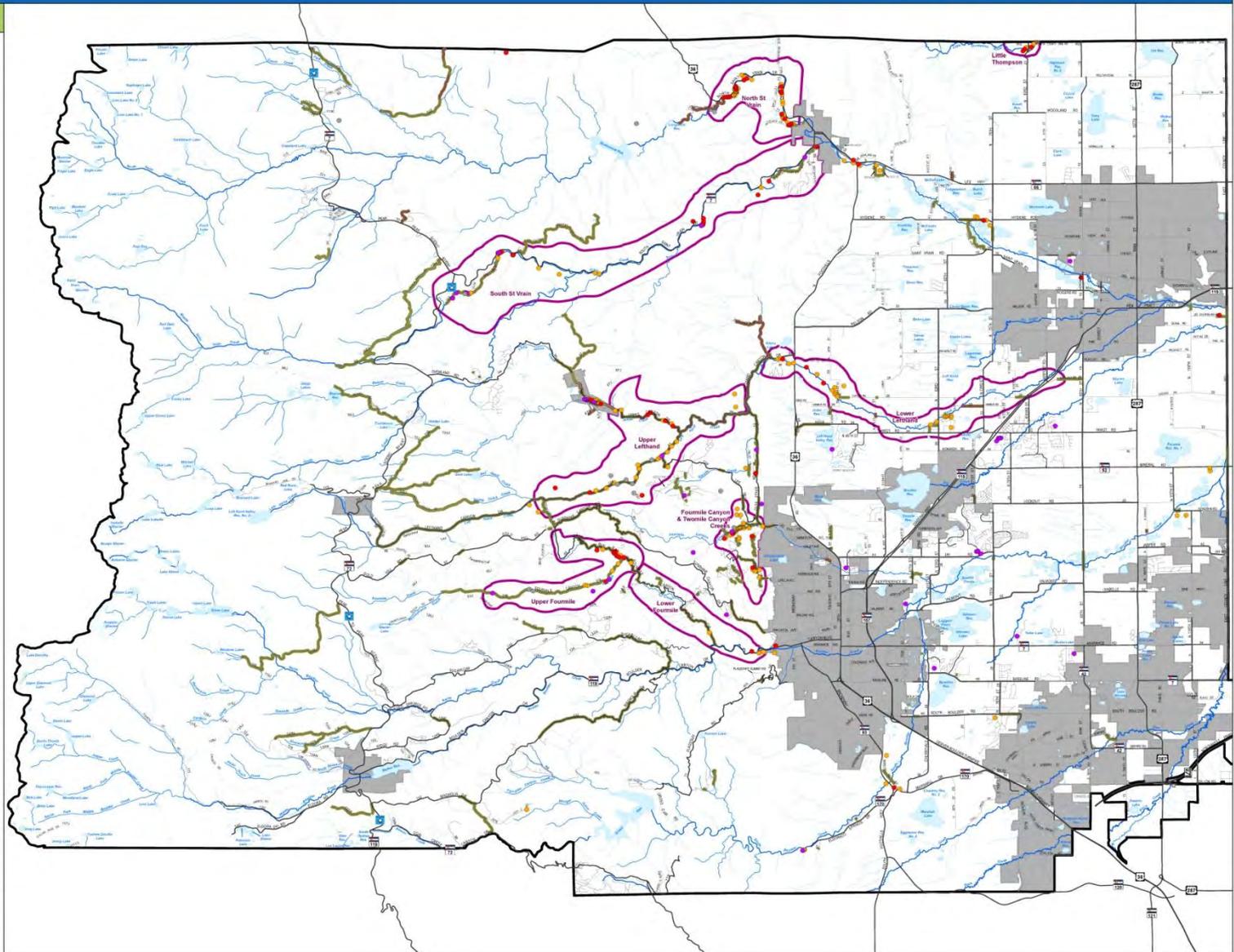
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Boulder County Damage Assessment

- Unsafe (Red placard) (72)
- Limited Entry (Orange placard) (140)
- Self Reported (36)
- No Access (14)

Road Damage

- Washed Out
- Damaged
- Planning Area
- Neighborhood



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Miles
NORTH

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Introductions & Objectives

Boulder County Flood Recovery efforts underway:

- County Road & Bridge Repair (\$100m)
- Debris Removal (\$20m+)
- Open Space Restoration (\$50m)
- County Building Repair (\$2m)
- Flood Rebuilding & Permit Information Center (FRPIC)
- Housing and Human Services assistance
- **Comprehensive Creek Planning Initiative**

Introductions & Objectives

Tonight's Objectives

- Share information about Boulder County's Comprehensive Creek Planning Initiative
- Collect information from you that is critical to successful Plan collaboration and decision-making

Boulder County Comprehensive Creek Planning Initiative

Overview



Boulder County Creek Planning Initiative

- Why is Boulder County initiating this planning process?
- What do we hope to accomplish?
- What is our approach?
- What do we need from you tonight?

Why is Boulder County initiating this process?

Multiple Roles in Flood Recovery

- To **assist** residents of unincorporated Boulder County with flood recovery
- To **regulate** rebuilding of private infrastructure and floodplain development
- To **plan** for future hazardous events through risk reduction and mitigation
- To **restore** county infrastructure and facilities for Transportation and Open Space
- To **coordinate** leadership throughout the County

Why is Boulder County initiating this process?

Changes and Impacts

- Creek Channels
 - Alignment, Elevation, & Flow
 - Debris
- Private and Public Infrastructure
 - Homes, septic systems
 - Roads, Bridges, Culverts
 - Ditches, water delivery structures
- Natural Resources and Habitat
- Recreation

Why is Boulder County initiating this process?

Decision-making about creek stabilization and restoration

- Crosses property and jurisdictional lines
- Residential property owners, resource and regulatory agencies, other stakeholders and public interests
- Information sharing necessary for short-term actions and long-term plans
- No one individual, agency, stakeholder, or locality has authority to make all decisions
- Engagement and coordination to identify and solve complex, inter-related issues

What do we hope to accomplish?

Purpose: The Boulder County *Comprehensive Creek Planning Initiative* is a forum designed to plan the Creek stabilization and restoration process, thus enabling public infrastructure reconstruction, residential rebuilding and private access restoration, and revised floodplain mapping.



What do we hope to accomplish?

Initiative Goals

1. Collect resident input and information
2. Develop interim guidance and identify short-term measures for creek stabilization
3. Determine creek alignments
4. Identify long-term actions that address future risks and needs
5. Identify implementing entities and funding sources for plan actions

What is our approach?



**Property
Owners, Water
Users, &
Stakeholder
Input**

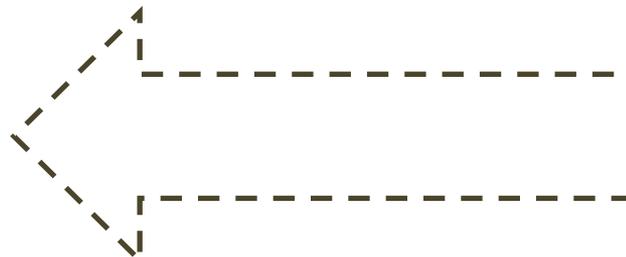
**Engineering
& Technical
Analysis**

**Regulation &
Policy
Guidance**

**Other Creek
Segment
Efforts**



Identify issues and needs
Develop and analyze options
Identify plan actions
Communicate



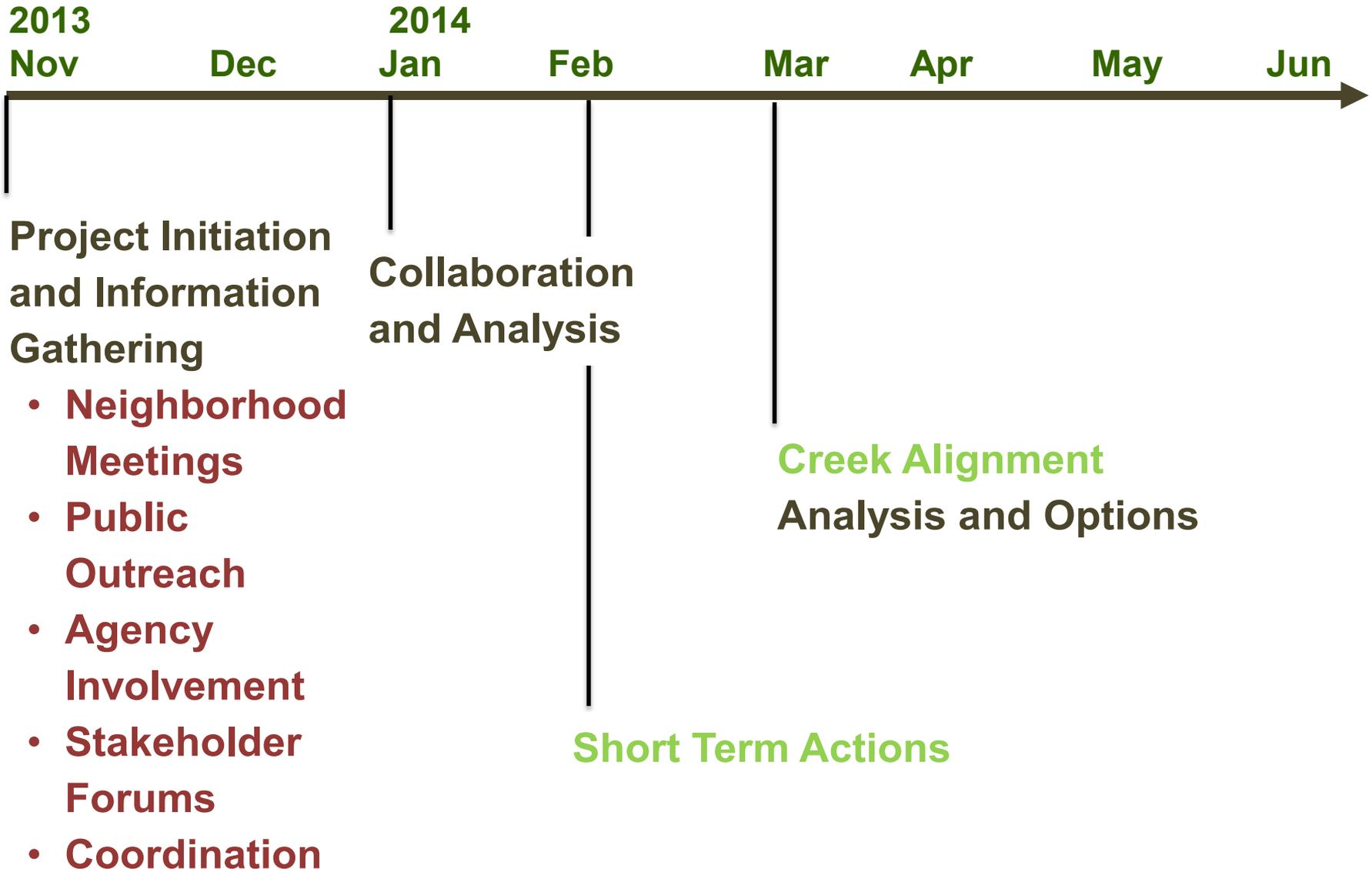
- **Near-term**
- **Mid-term**
- **Long-term**

**Creek
Stabilization,
Alignment, and
Restoration**

**Implementation
Entities and
Funding Sources**

**Local, State and
Federal
Coordination**

What is our approach?



What is our approach?

Next Steps: December - February

- Begin technical analysis, using information from tonight
- Engage with resource and regulatory agencies
- Meet with neighborhoods to share technical assessment and agency requirements
- Involve other stakeholders, e.g. ditch companies, natural resource interests
- Identify potential funding sources

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