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Questions Submitted By Residents

1. What do you recommended be done for our community and surrounding areas, to help prevent a wildfire spreading and causing damage? Basically what would CCOB do in surrounding areas they own, and what could we do as a HOA community like fence replacement to non wood types, trees along north border, etc

Currently we are looking at zones of protection for fire mitigation starting with work that can be done by the homeowner on their property. Staff met with NMGD personnel on March 2 and talked about mowing as a mitigation practice. We discussed a second zone of 30ft - 50ft from the property that CCOB will mow one time per year after the growing season and continued mowing of 15 ft beauty bans along fence lines, sidewalks, and trails. The mowing will focus on west facing areas of the open space. Conditions like terrain, weather, protected species all have to be considered and evaluated at each site.

2. Is the city thinking about, and if not why not, creating future grants to subdivisions to assist them in fire mitigation efforts for their community that the city prescribes?

At this time we will not be requiring any mitigation efforts that would require funding for any subdivision.

3. Since the open space dog park trails are adjacent to Skystone and are full of native grass and some plants, what can be done or is going to be done to prevent fire spreading from that area into the Skystone plan?

We are happy to reach out to our partnering agencies to discuss fire mitigation. Ultimately, any fire mitigation on Westminster property would be their responsibility.

4. What do you do if you have no place to go in case of an evacuation?

If CCOB is evacuating residents we will have a shelter/evacuation site set up. Please listen for emergency notifications of where the evacuation site might be located. We highly encourage residents to sign up for emergency notifications through [CodeRed](#). This will provide you the most up to date information with emergency alerts from Broomfield.

5. On 12/30 fire and emergency personnel drove through Montane Drive to alert residents of the need to evacuate. We are concerned that they did not come through our street- Montane Ct. Montane Ct as well as at least two other Skystone streets are "private" and evidently not owned by CCOB. Is this the reason

we were not alerted? If so, emergency personnel need to add to their planning maps these “private” streets.

Broomfield did not call for an evacuation of the Skystone area during the Marshall. This was a miscommunication with Boulder County. According to our GIS information all the streets in Skystone are listed.

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6. May we please seriously consider creating a north exit from Skystone Parkway? If we were to have a wildfire from the direction of the Westminster Dog Park, those of us on the west and north part of Skystone need to exit safely.

The extension of Skystone Parkway north of the clubhouse has been dedicated by the master developer of Great Western Park. The extension has not occurred to date since no development has occurred north of the creek necessitating access to Skystone Parkway’s northern extension. Broomfield has no timeframe for the extension and at Skystone resident request, Broomfield is evaluating the extension beginning with requesting resident feedback on the extension through the [Broomfield Voice](#). North Metro has and continues to support the extension to ensure multiple points for ingress to and egress from the neighborhood.

7. This question is for CCOB: We have cracks in our neighborhood streets that are beginning to look like earthquake fault lines. What’s the plan for repairing them before there’s more significant damage to the streets?

Cracking is a common pavement distress and is most often related to the wide temperature swings in our area. As part of our pavement preservation strategy, we have an annual program to seal and repair those cracks. The [Crack Seal Maintenance Program](#) webpage identifies the order of priority for all regions throughout Broomfield. Each spring, Broomfield’s Streets Services team assesses the condition of each street. These condition assessments guide and prioritize repairs and preservation treatments including reconstruction, seal coats, crack sealing and patching. You can report large cracks or other distresses by contacting public works at 303-438-6334 or by filling out [this form](#).

8. Please speak to the plans to widen and reroute Simms and to extend Skystone Parkway?

Please see above regarding the extension of Skystone Parkway.

The Verve Innovation Park is a 600 acre mixed use development in Jefferson County located between W. 112th Avenue and Highway 128. A conceptual level plan for this area can be found [at this link](#). As can be seen in the conceptual plans, the long range plan for Simms is to be realigned north of W. 112th Avenue so that it would align with Eldorado Blvd. on the north side of Highway 128. This vision for the realignment north of W. 112th Avenue will be driven by development occurring within the Verve Innovation Park.

Widening of Simms Street south of W. 112th Avenue adjacent to the Great Western Park development in Broomfield will be phased to coincide with development within Great Western Park. The Simms Technology Park proposed north of Walnut Creek will be responsible for improvements, including a multi-use sidewalk/trail, curb, gutter, lighting, landscaping, and additional lanes adjacent to their parcels and similar improvements will be required when

development occurs on the commercial parcels at the entrance to the Skyestone community. Since this roadway is shared with the City of Westminster and connects with the segment in Jefferson County to the north, the road improvements will be coordinated with those jurisdictions.

9. What are the plans for the Great Western Reservoir? The new fence in places blocks the social trail that Skyestone residents have access to Westminster Hills Open Space and Trails.

Great Western Reservoir is Broomfield's primary storage location for its reuse water supply. The keystone of Broomfield's water efficiency efforts is the nonpotable distribution system, also known as the reuse system. Broomfield's reuse system provides water to approximately 940 acres of irrigated parks in the city. There are approximately 1,500 additional acres of non-city owned areas served by the reuse system, including Arista, Flatirons Mall, Legacy High School, Anthem, and Interlocken Business Park along Highway 36.

The reuse system is extremely beneficial because it allows Broomfield to expand its water supplies beyond a single, one-time use and reduces the amount of treated domestic drinking water that would otherwise be needed for these irrigation purposes. Broomfield's reuse system addresses as much as 20% of the overall water demand in the city.

Because of the non-potable nature of the reservoir, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's (CDPHE) Water Quality Control Division classifies Great Western Reservoir as Recreation Class N - not for primary contact use. This classification means the surface waters are not suitable for primary contact recreation. Although E. coli levels in the reservoir are low, algal toxins can be present that can harm pets and children at play. Also, since the reservoir is used for reuse, the depths fluctuate and treacherous 'mudflats' tend to occur when the reservoir levels recede. For these reasons, CDPHE requirements call for fencing around this type of reservoir.

Broomfield's Water Resources Division implemented a project to replace the old, dilapidated barbed wire fence around Great Western Reservoir. The new wire fence is designed to be more wildlife friendly and aesthetically pleasing.

Regarding trails, the trail access into Westminster Hills may be opened up in the future. In 2023, Westminster plans to complete a management plan for the Westminster Hills Open Space. Westminster will address the numerous social trails that have developed across their open space. Broomfield staff has requested that Westminster allow trail access at the southwest corner of Skyestone into Westminster Hills. Westminster agreed to evaluate this request during the upcoming planning process.

A trail may also be built along the eastern side of the Great Western Reservoir property from West 112th Avenue north to State Highway 128. If the proposed Simms Technology Park project is constructed on the north side of Walnut Creek, Skyestone residents will be able to use the proposed pedestrian bridge over Walnut Creek that is part of the Simms Technology project. This project also includes 8-foot sidewalks that will connect to West 112th Avenue.