

Our Parker community supports coordination at the regional and local levels in order to manage growth and address issues that affect not only the Town but the region as a whole.



Regional Coordination

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INTRODUCTION

Parker’s days as an independent crossroads serving the local ranching community have all but disappeared. With improvements to Parker Road, improved connections to I-25, the construction of E-470 and the southeast light rail corridor, Parker is now closer than ever to the Denver Metropolitan Region. As such, the region’s planning decisions directly affect the Town and our planning decisions will affect the region as well.

The Denver area is home to 2.8 million people today and another million people are expected in the Metro area by 2035. With this expected growth, not all challenges associated with increased development will be able to be resolved by local governments working independently. Issues such as air quality, water quality and transportation will need to be evaluated and resolved across jurisdictional boundaries and thus, will require cooperative solutions.

The Town acknowledges our interrelationship with the region and believes that our relationships with surrounding communities are important and must continue to be fostered.



GOALS AND STRATEGIES

I. Collaborate with regional and local jurisdictions and other stewardship organizations to jointly plan and manage regional growth and to address common concerns.

1.A. Collaborate with the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) to coordinate the Town's planning efforts with its responsibility to develop long range regional plans for the Denver Metropolitan Region.

- The Town endorses the 'Mile High Compact' and the 'Metro Vision 2035 Plan'.

1.B. Continue to coordinate with neighboring jurisdictions and Douglas County to jointly plan and manage growth in the region.

1.C. Work with stewardship and land management agencies and other organizations to seek collaborative solutions to regional concerns that affect the Town.

