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Participant Biographies

Eric Bergman is Director of the Office of Smart Growth in the Colorado Department of Local Affairs. The office provides technical and financial assistance to local governments throughout Colorado in the areas of land use planning and growth management, and is involved in related legislative and policy issues. Eric holds a BA in Philosophy from the University of Colorado at Boulder and a Masters in Environmental Studies from The Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington. Prior to working in state government, Eric served as director of research and communications for Colorado Counties, Inc. He lives in Westminster with his wife, Sandra, and their two sons, Cole and Porter.

Tom Boone joined DRCOG March 1, 2006 to lead the agency's TOD initiatives. Boone's responsibilities include understanding the information needs of TOD decision makers and marshaling the resources within DRCOG and allied organizations to fulfill those needs. Boone has co-authored two white papers on TOD: *The Invasion of the Truffles*, published in 2005, and *Creating and Sustaining People-Oriented Places*." Boone has a background in marketing: including product development, product management, market research, advertising and public relations. He comes to DRCOG from Market InfoMania, a market intelligence firm where he was a principal. He can be reached at 303-480-6776 or at tboone@drcog.org.

Michael Buchenau, Executive Director, Denver Urban Gardens (DUG), holds a master's degree in landscape architecture from Harvard University. Prior to joining DUG in 1994, he worked in the private sector as a landscape architect managing numerous large-scale, land design projects, including long-range environmental management plans for Pike's Peak Highway, Mount Rainier, Yellowstone, and Denali National Parks. His work in ecology and design, in partnership with the National Park Service, was published in *The Ecology of Greenways, 1993*. He also served on a taskforce preparing Denver's Comprehensive Plan, and on Denver Water's Citizen's Advisory Committee. He is currently on the Board of Directors of Groundwork Denver. As DUG's Executive Director for 13 years, Mr. Buchenau oversees all programs and operations including: botanic and horticulture education, seeds and transplants distribution, garden leader training, garden site preservation, special events planning, database management, annual reporting and fiscal management of the corporation. He also manages volunteer labor groups, garden site design and construction, fundraising and public relations. Mr. Buchenau is helping to lead a three-year, participatory health research study, in partnership with the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center (UCHSC) and funded by the Center for Disease Control, to explore the effects of community gardens on community health. Mr. Buchenau is also managing a three-year LiveWell Colorado project in the Sun Valley, La Alma-Lincoln Park, and Baker communities of Denver. The

current goal of this work is to implement over a dozen garden-based health initiatives that support and encourage healthy eating and active living.

Lisa Buckley is an Associate and planner in Clarion's North Carolina office. Since joining Clarion, Lisa has worked on a number of zoning ordinances for Southeastern communities with diverse growth challenges. These communities include Falls Church, Virginia; Folly Beach, South Carolina; Franklin, Tennessee; Mooresville, North Carolina; and Portsmouth, Virginia. Ms. Buckley holds a Masters Degree in Regional Planning from UNC-Chapel Hill and Masters in Environmental Management from Duke University where she concentrated her studies on sustainable development and wetland management. Prior to joining Clarion, she worked as a land use policy analyst at a regional law firm. Ms. Buckley also serves as a Commissioner on the Durham County Open Space and Trails Commission.

Ms. Lisa Burke, AICP is a Project Manager for PMC in Rancho Cordova, California. Over the last 16 years, Ms. Burke has managed a wide variety of advanced planning and current planning projects including Specific Plans, Zoning Code Updates and Design Guideline documents. Ms. Burke has worked with local jurisdictions to incorporate sustainability policies and development standards into various planning documents.

Federico Cheever is Director of the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program and Professor of Law at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. After graduating from Stanford University (B.A./M.A. 1981) and UCLA (J.D. 1986), and clerking for Judge Harry Pregerson of United States Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit in Los Angeles (1986-1987), he came to Denver as an Associate Attorney for the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund (1987-1989). Between 1990 and 1993, he was an associate at the law firm Faegre & Benson, in Denver, doing commercial and environmental litigation. He began teaching at the University of Denver College of Law in 1993 specializing in Environmental Law, Wildlife Law, Public Land Law, Land Conservation Transactions and Property. He is also currently also an adjunct professor at the Colorado School of Mines, teaching Environmental Law. Professor Cheever writes extensively about the Endangered Species Act, federal public land law and land conservation transactions. He has recently co-authored a natural resources casebook, *Natural Resources Law: A Place-Based Book of Problems and Cases*, with Christine Klein and Bret Birdsong (2005). Over the years, Professor Cheever has represented environmental groups in cases under the Endangered Species Act, the National Forest Management Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, the Wilderness Act and a number of other environmental laws. While in private practice he also represented regulated parties in disputes under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) and the Clean Air Act. Professor Cheever has been a visiting scholar at the University of London and at the Australian National University in Canberra.

Dr. Thomas A. Clark is Professor of Planning and Chair of the Department of Planning and Design in the College of Architecture and Planning at the University of Colorado at

Denver and Health Sciences Center. A graduate of Brown University (1966) and the University of Iowa (1969 and 1975), he holds degrees in political science (minor in physics) (A.B.), urban and regional planning (M.A.), and urban/economic geography (Ph.D.). His skill-sets traverse the subjects of urban planning, geography and regional economics. His prior faculty appointments include: McGill University (Quebec, Canada, 1972-3), Middlebury College (Vermont, 1973-6), and Rutgers University (New Brunswick, NJ, 1976-82). He served previously as CU-Denver's Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Graduate School. He is a specialist in urban economic development and regional land policy. He has published five books and monographs, numerous journal articles, and many professional reports. His next book will be a co-authored volume reporting the definitive assessment of statewide smart growth practices in the United States. His last, also co-authored, address the subject of mountain resort planning and development in an era of globalization. Overall, his publications address economic development, urban labor markets, minority suburbanization, regional and statewide growth management, small business development, environmental impact analysis, metropolitan spatial options, and national non-metropolitan economic futures. He now edits the world's major scholarly outlet for longer monographs in urban and regional planning, *Progress in Planning* (Elsevier), available both on-line and in hard copy. With others he is now involved in the oversight of a \$3.4 million grant from the National Science Foundation (IGERT) regarding sustainable infrastructure. He has served as a consultant with the United Nations, the federal government, several states and numerous localities. His work is widely cited and has received extensive national media coverage. Named Director of the Center for Sustainable Urbanism in late 2006, he is now pursuing projects with the Lincoln Institute for Land Policy, the Brookings Institution, the Pew Charitable Trusts, and the Urban Land Institute. And he oversees the work of several doctoral students and numerous master of planning students. These doctoral students, past and present, hail from the United States, China, Taiwan, India, Bahrain, Mexico, and Puerto Rico. He has been deeply engaged with the work of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, the American Planning Association, and the Planning Accreditation Board. He is married to Patricia O'Leary, former Dean of the College of Architecture and Planning. Together they count five children and five grandchildren. His daughters now attend graduate school in New York City: Annah, the Ph.D. in English and Comparative Literature at Columbia University and Naomi the MFA at Pratt Institute.

Michelle DeLaria is a programs and projects manager for Meza Construction Company in Denver, Colorado specializing in Low Impact Development (LID) techniques and stormwater structure maintenance. She is also the Stormwater quality committee chairperson for the Colorado Association of Stormwater and Floodplain Managers and serves on the AWARE Colorado (Addressing Water and Natural Resource Education) advisory committee. Prior to joining Meza Construction, Michelle developed and managed Jefferson County's Stormwater Quality permit program for five years and has nearly 10 years of experience in water and wastewater quality as an environmental health specialist. She also served on the boards of Bear Creek, Chatfield, Upper Clear Creek and the Coalition of the Upper South Platte watershed organizations. Michelle holds a Master's degree in Environmental Science and Engineering from Colorado School of

Mines and is a Registered Environmental Health Specialist. She frequently speaks about the effects of stormwater runoff on waterways and the benefits of Low Impact Development as well as on the unique techniques of mountain stormwater management. She welcomes further discussion on these topics and can be reached at mdelaria@mezaconstruction.com or 720.863.4170.

Christopher Duerksen, Esq. is managing director of Clarion Associates of Colorado, LLC, a land use consulting firm with offices in Denver, Fort Collins, Chapel Hill, Chicago, Cincinnati, and Philadelphia. He has represented local governments, nonprofits, and the private sector in a variety of land-use and zoning matters and specializes in development code revisions, growth management planning, historic preservation, natural resource and scenic area protection strategies, airport-area development, and market development strategies. A co-founder of the Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute, Duerksen has written and spoken extensively on land use issues in Colorado and nationally. He has authored many books and articles on land use and conservation issues, including *Takings Law in Plain English*, *Aesthetics, Community Character, and the Law*, *True West: Authentic Development Patterns for Small Towns and Rural Areas*, and *Nature Friendly Communities*, and speaks extensively across the United States on those subjects. He is a former elected member of the city council in Fredericksburg, Virginia, and directed the Gateway/Stapleton Development Office for the City of Denver prior to joining Clarion.

Joseph Hanke, AICP is a senior regional planner with the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) in the Metro Vision Planning Section. He currently serves as the project manager for the Metro Vision 2035 Plan updates of the urban centers and senior-friendly development elements. Previously, Joe served in various planning capacities with the City of Loveland, Colorado; Johnson County, Kansas; the City of Chesterfield, Missouri; and Ochsner, Hare and Hare, Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. Hanke has a B.S. in Land Use from The Metropolitan State College of Denver; a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of Missouri – Kansas City; and a Certificate of Advanced Study in GIS from the University of Denver. He is also a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners.

Erica Heller is an Associate with Clarion Associates, based in Denver and Fort Collins, Colorado. Ms. Heller is a land use planner with six years of professional experience in community plans, neighborhood plans, and development codes. Prior to joining Clarion Associates, she was a long-range planner and led the redevelopment authority for Lakewood, Colorado. Ms. Heller's areas of knowledge include neighborhood and community planning, redevelopment/revitalization, transit oriented and mixed use development, public participation strategies, land use policies and standards, and Growth management and smart growth techniques. Ms. Heller has spoken on the topic of effective neighborhood involvement strategies. She holds a master's degree in Public Policy from the University of Colorado. She graduated with honors from Yale University with a bachelor's degree in Environmental Studies and Latin American Studies. She is a member of the American Planning Association and the Urban Land Institute.

Paige Heydon-McCrary is a Senior Associate at Civic Results and the Program Director of Livable Communities Support Center. Paige manages a number of local and statewide healthy eating and active living including the LiveWell Wheat Ridge project, the Peer to Peer Learning project for the national Convergence Partnership and most recently, the Healthiest Communities Team of the Metro Denver Health and Wellness Commission. Paige also works on a number of projects focused on promoting pedestrian friendly community design and pedestrian friendly transit oriented development in the Denver metro area. Paige is part of the 2007 Emerging Leaders Program of the Downtown Denver Partnership and in that capacity, is working to help develop a business engagement plan for the Greenprint Denver Program. Prior to Civic Results, Interim Executive Director for the Colorado League of Women Voters. Paige hails, most recently, from the Northwest where she managed a high-volume grants program at a Seattle-area foundation for several years. Paige holds a B.A. and M.A. in Political Science as well as a Masters of Nonprofit Management from Regis University.

Jeff Hirt is an Associate in the Denver office of Clarion Associates, a national land use and real estate consulting firm. Mr. Hirt received his master's degree in planning and his liberal arts degree from the University of Kansas. He is a planner with both public and private sector experience in many aspects of planning. He works principally in the areas of planning and zoning, growth management, redevelopment/revitalization, and preservation planning projects. Projects he has experience with include regional planning, subarea planning, public participation, managing land use cases, downtown planning, and market and economic analysis. Prior to joining Clarion Associates, Mr. Hirt worked as a planner for the City of Wheat Ridge, Colorado, where he was involved with both current and long range planning projects. He has also worked for the planning department of the City of Shawnee, Kansas, and Downtown Lawrence, Incorporated in Lawrence, Kansas.

Jon Holmberg is a TOD Planning technician with DRCOG, where his work includes developing the website, organizing TOD workshops, as well as survey collection and analysis. Jon is a recent graduate of University of Colorado's Masters in Urban Planning, with an undergraduate degree in Architecture from the University of Kansas. Previously, he worked with Habitat for Humanity in Denver, Ireland, St Louis, Kansas and Hawaii. Since 2004 he has been part of a variety of Denver-based research projects on urban form and public health

Peter Italiano currently oversees the strategic operations of the Community Development Department for Douglas County, Colorado. Facilitating principles of sound growth management in a community known during most of the 1990's as the nation's fastest growing county has provided Italiano with an incredible opportunity to effect positive change to the socio-economic fabric of the community. After earning a Forestry degree from Paul Smith's College of Arts & Science in New York State, he went on to graduate from Cornell University's Landscape Architecture Program. Italiano also enjoyed enriching his cultural awareness while living and traveling in Scandinavia studying architecture at the Royal Academy of Design in Copenhagen, Denmark. After he returned to the United States, Italiano decided to focus his career efforts on improving

the natural environment through the sensitive shaping of the built environment. Arriving in Denver in the mid 1980's, Italiano worked as a landscape architect before settling in as a land planner consultant. As the Community Development Director since 2000, he has been responsible for the leadership of the Planning, Community Services, and Building divisions. Coordinating their myriad programs, ranging from code compliance, wildfire, storm water management, comprehensive planning, development project review, CDBG and housing, as well as building permit review, has given him an excellent opportunity to ensure the public's voice on growth is heard. Outside of his office, Italiano is an active participant in regional issues through his involvement with the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG). He is also a member of the American Planning Association, the Urban Land Institute, and a Board member of the Colorado Community Design Network (CCDN) affiliated with the Center for Sustainable Urbanism at Colorado University at Denver.

Bill Johnston, AICP, is the Regional Development Manager for the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG). He oversees a team of planners involved in refining and advancing Metro Vision, the regional transportation and land use plan for the 9-county Denver region. Prior to joining DRCOG in 2003, Bill was the Community Development Director for Teller County, Colorado. Before coming to Colorado, he worked as a planner in the Portland, Oregon area, and as a civil engineer in the private sector. Bill received his B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Colorado, an M.A. in Urban Planning from the University of Virginia, and an M.A. in Public Administration from the University of Virginia. Bill is certified by the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP), and is a member of the American Planning Association.

Leigh Anne King, AICP is an Associate and planner in Clarion's North Carolina office. Since joining Clarion, Leigh Anne has worked on a variety of public sector planning projects. Among them are development of neighborhood and comprehensive plans for Fredericksburg, Virginia, and Wake Forest and Chapel Hill, North Carolina; growth management plans for Rock Hill, South Carolina, and Hillsborough, North Carolina; Affordable Housing Methodology and Mitigation Programs for four southern Florida communities; design strategies for two village centers in Emerald Isle, NC and for Henrico County, Virginia; updating the zoning ordinance for Alachua, Florida; and impact fee support studies and implementation legislation for DeSoto County, Florida, and Beaufort County, South Carolina. Leigh Anne holds a Masters in Regional Planning from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where she was awarded the NCAPA Outstanding Student Award. While in graduate school, Ms. King worked on a research project with the Center for Urban and Regional Studies assessing collaborative planning efforts between school districts and local governments in North Carolina, and published Green Infrastructure Plan Evaluation Framework, evaluating systems for assessing green infrastructure conservation plans. Prior to joining Clarion Associates, she worked for a national conservation nonprofit in Arlington, Virginia.

Jeremy Klop is an Associate with Fehr & Peers, a transportation planning and engineering consulting firm, in Denver, Colorado. His professional experience includes multimodal transportation planning and forecasting, comprehensive and transportation

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Robin Kniech is an attorney and serves as the Program Director for the non-profit FRESC in Denver, Colorado. She coordinates FRESC's Campaign for Responsible Development (CRD), and works to implement agreements and policies for equity and sustainability in subsidized developments. Robin actively participates in many of Denver's planning process, sometimes serving as an advocate, other times facilitating the direct participation of vulnerable communities including low-income housing residents, renters, and working families. Robin also staffed a coalition that was successful in achieving affordable housing, citizen access to environmental clean-up processes, and other community benefits at the Old Gates Rubber Factory redevelopment in Denver, Colorado.

Jim Lindberg is the Director of Preservation Initiatives in the Mountains/Plains Office of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, located in Denver. A native of Iowa City, Iowa, Mr. Lindberg received his B.A. degree in the Growth and Structure of Cities from Haverford College and his M.S. degree in Historic Preservation from the University of Vermont. Mr. Lindberg began his work with the National Trust in 1991. He works to save historic places and address historic preservation issues at the local, regional and national level. Mr. Lindberg led the National Trust's efforts to save and rehabilitate the historic McGraw Ranch in Rocky Mountain National Park and helped develop an innovative project to save rural churches in North Dakota. He is currently involved in the National Trust's efforts to address the teardown trend in older neighborhoods and serves as the National Trust's Rural Heritage Coordinator. Mr. Lindberg is the author of numerous articles on historic preservation and is a co-author of three books: *Rocky Mountain Rustic: Historic Buildings in the Rocky Mountain National Park Area* (Rocky Mountain Nature Association, 2004), *Protecting America's Historic Neighborhoods: Taming the Teardown Trend* (National Trust for Historic Preservation, 2002) and *A Pictorial History of the University of Iowa* (University of Iowa Press, 1988). Mr. Lindberg is active in Denver civic issues and currently is a member of the Zoning Code Update Task Force. He lives in a 1931 bungalow in Denver's Platt Park neighborhood with his wife, Ginny, and their three children.

Dr. Jill Litt is an Assistant Professor with the Department of Preventive Medicine and Biostatistics and the Environmental Studies Program at the University of Colorado at Boulder in the College of Arts and Sciences. Her primary research interest is in the area of urban environmental health studies, with a particular interest in the role of the chemical and built environment in shaping community health status. Dr. Litt graduated from the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland in 1993 and received her PhD in Environmental Health Policy at the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health in 2000. Following the completion of her doctoral studies, Dr. Litt joined the Department of Environmental Health at the Boston University School of Public Health for post-doctoral training from December 2000 through August 2001. Dr. Litt and her family moved to Colorado in 2001. For more information about Dr. Litt's work, please visit <http://pmb.uchsc.edu/> and www.gghcdenver.org.

Carol Maclennan is Senior Environmental Health Policy Coordinator for Tri-County Health Department, serving Adams, Arapahoe and Douglas Counties. Her primary responsibility is serving as staff lead for the agency's Land Use Program. Carol has been an invited speaker at several national conferences on the public health/planning connection. She currently co-chairs the Active Community Environment Task Force of the Colorado Physical Activity and Nutrition Program. Past positions include Environmental Coordinator for the City of Aurora, contractor to the Colorado Office of Energy Conservation, Community Liaison for the Solar Energy Research Institute (currently the National Renewable Energy Laboratory), solar energy project staff in the Office of the Governor, and social worker. Carol is a former member of both the Colorado Board of Health and the Colorado Hazardous Waste Regulatory Committee, served on the elected Boards for several state renewable energy and waste management organizations, and was a founding member and volunteer Executive Director of a non-profit organization that addressed hazardous waste issues in Colorado. She received a B.S. degree in Psychology from Penn State University and did graduate work in the University of Denver School of Social Work.

David Mallory earned a civil engineering degree from CSU a really long time ago. He has spent the last 30 years working in the areas of major drainage, water resources and floodplain management in the Denver metropolitan area. David worked in the private sector for 20 years prior to joining the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District. He currently holds the position of Senior Project Engineer in the Floodplain Management Program. Current responsibilities include review of development proposals that impact major drainage systems, implementation of District master plans, technical review partner with FEMA on floodplains revisions, and District floodplain studies. David is also actively involved in the District's outreach effort to promote the natural and beneficial functions of floodplains to the development community.

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Peter Pollock, FAICP, is the Ronald Smith Fellow at the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy. Since July 2006 he has been working with the Department of Planning and Urban Form to manage the Institute's joint venture projects with the Sonoran Institute and the Public Policy Research Institute of the University of Montana. He worked for almost 25 years for the City of Boulder, Colorado as both a current and long-range planner, and he served as director of the city's Planning Department from 1999 to 2006. His work in Boulder is profiled in Roger Waldon's book *Planners and Politics: Helping Communities Make Decisions* (APA Planners Press 2006). Pollock began his career as the staff urban planner for the National Renewable Energy Lab in Golden, Colorado, where he specialized in solar access protection, energy-conserving land use planning, and outreach to local communities. During the 1997–1998 academic year Pollock was a Loeb Fellow at the Harvard University Graduate School of Design and a visiting fellow at the Lincoln Institute. He received his master's degree in Landscape Architecture at the University of California at Berkeley in 1978 and his bachelor's degree in Environmental Planning at the University of California at Santa Cruz in 1976. Contact: ppollock@lincolninst.edu

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Bud Watson is the Research Director for the Model Forest Policy Program. Mr. Watson, an attorney with a natural science background, has concentrated on evaluating land development impacts on water quality and the development of effective measures to alleviate these adverse environmental impacts. He was the first director of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation's Virginia office, where he litigated water quality cases, one of which reached the U.S. Supreme Court. Also in that capacity he participated in the drafting of the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act, and then became the first director of the Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department, which wrote and implemented the regulations that implemented the land use and water quality protective measures of the act. Before joining the Model Forest Policy Program Mr. Watson served as a forest policy consultant to the Dogwood Alliance. In addition to his work with the Model Forest Policy Program, he is of counsel with the Environmental Law Group, PLLC, of Richmond, Virginia and teaches courses in environmental law and environmental policy at Virginia Commonwealth University and Randolph-Macon College.

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