

## Save Bear Creek Lake Park Spring Gathering

Hello SaveBCLP friends,

It's been nearly three years since the Lakewood City Council unanimously approved a Proclamation Supporting Save Bear Creek Lake Park. Back then, we knew this would be a marathon. The Corps of Engineers is now six years into a feasibility study that was initially expected to span three years. Thanks for staying the course with us; an aid station is right around the corner.

Tuesday, April 8, 2025  
4:00-6:00pm

Great Frontier Brewing Company  
2010 S. Oak Street  
Lakewood, CO 80227

Please drop by to visit. We'll be selling the latest design of our Save BCLP t-shirts, handing out yard signs and answering your questions. Bring a friend who needs to know about the issue.

We may sound like a broken record, but we're still waiting for the Army Corps of Engineers to announce their next public scoping meeting. At that meeting, we expect to learn the status of the study on adding a storage component to Bear Creek Lake. Doing so would enlarge the reservoir, inundate critical riparian areas, and periodically flood wooded areas along Bear Creek and Turkey Creek, causing irreparable harm to the ecosystem and recreational amenities.

The reservoir proposal is NOT a done-deal. We've heard it said that if the Army Corps of Engineers and the Colorado Water Conservation Board want to build this, we can't stop them. Not true. Public input is still required, as is congressional approval. Our voices are critical.

Belt-tightening in Washington doesn't mean projects like this won't receive funding. We're not willing to predict how federal action will effect BCLP. Our best course of action is to stay vigilant, organized and motivated to fight any proposals that will negatively impact the park.

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