

LA PLATA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTION PLAN 2018

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<p>1. Arts & Culture:</p> <p>Implement Maintenance Plan for Art in Public Places in Durango</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango Public Arts Commission • Local First 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donations & grants • National Endowment for the Arts • State funding through Creative District grants • Durango 	Undetermined	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement projects based on condition assessment and maintenance plan initiated in 2015. • Commission and install Hwy 550 art project. • Pursue Creative District Designation.
<p>2. Arts & Culture:</p> <p>Complete Early Stage Analysis for Durango Arts & Events Center Initiative</p>	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango • Community coalition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private & public funding 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed feasibility studies. • Determine the best physical site for the project.
<p>3. Business Development:</p> <p>Complete Bayfield Priorities in Downtown Colorado Inc. Plan</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Bayfield • Downtown Business Association • DoLA • Bayfield Farmers' Market 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Historical Funds • Bayfield • DoLA • Colorado Main St. Program • Bayfield Chamber • USDA - Business & Industry loans • Downtown Colorado Inc. 	<p>Year 1 - \$75K grant (\$25K local match)</p> <p>Year 2 - \$50K grant \$50K local</p>	1 part-time coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete branding effort for community. • Implement Downtown Colorado Inc. priority recommendations. • Comprehensive street and sidewalk renewal. • Beautification projects on Mill Street including signage, historic plaques, benches and trash containers. • Increase amenities for tourism. • Improved appearance and pedestrian safety throughout business district.

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<p>4. Business Development:</p> <p>Determine Feasibility of Industrial Business Park Locations & Infrastructure</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata Economic Alliance • Durango Industrial Development Foundation • La Plata County • City of Durango 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EDA • DoLA • Bank participation • DIDF • County Alliance • Region 9 EDD 	Up to \$27,500 from EDA matched 50/50 by Alliance	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine demand for an industrial park, price point and roadmap. • Determine feasibility of sites. • Continue La Posta/Animas Airpark planning.
<p>5. Business Development:</p> <p>Explore/Pursue Major Employer with Primary Jobs in Bayfield</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Bayfield • La Plata County • La Plata Economic Alliance • Region 9 EDD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Region 9 EDD • State & federal funding sources/incentives • DoLA • Bayfield • OEDIT 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pursue major employer for Bayfield. • Identify prospective employers, explore potential sites and structure favorable leases. • Provide broadband access.
<p>6. Business Development:</p> <p>Recruit National Chain Retail Stores to Bayfield</p>	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Bayfield • Region 9 EDD • Bayfield Chamber • Area businesses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bayfield • Alliance • State & federal funding sources/incentives • CDOT • Private Landowner 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase Town tax revenue and address substantial source of retail marketing leakage. • Hire retail consulting firm. • Explore potential sites and structure favorable leases. • Town conducted a visioning exercise to determine direction and character of community before recruitment. • Downtown Colorado Inc. recommendation.

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<p>7. Business Development:</p> <p>Revitalize Downtown Ignacio</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Ignacio • DoLA • Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Ignacio Chamber • SWCCOG 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DoLA -Main Street grants • Ignacio • Downtown Colorado Inc. • Ignacio Chamber • School Bond • SWCCOG • Region 9 EDD 	<p>Year 1 -\$75K grant (\$25K local match)</p> <p>Year 2 - \$50Kgrant \$50K local</p>	1 part-time position for 2 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustain downtown businesses. • Replace and update welcome signage. • Complete on-going priorities for downtown revitalization and beautification.

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<p>8. Education Respond to regional school district and community priorities for college and workforce training</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pueblo Community College Southwest • Nine Regional School Districts • Fort Lewis College 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State funding from Colorado Community College, Carl Perkins Grant and Amendment 50 • Pueblo Community College • Regional school districts • Private & public donations • Student fees 	<p>Faculty positions to accommodate student enrollment</p> <p>Capital investments for program start-ups, upgrades and new technologies</p>	<p>Retain existing faculty positions and increase staff through adjunct and part time employees as program enrollment demands</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase post-secondary academic and CTE opportunities at Pueblo Community College Southwest in La Plata County. • Increase student enrollment in early college concurrent courses in high schools, online courses from PCC and academic and CTE programs offered by PCC SW. • Through visionary leadership and strong partnerships with FLC and school districts, create a seamless college system that allows for students to achieve post- secondary goals and workforce readiness. • Strengthen local business, school and community partnerships with Pueblo Community College Southwest. • Provide technical & vocational opportunities that result in local workforce preparation and advancement. • Build regional financial investment and support. • Increase offerings of distance delivery courses to reach more students. • Collaborate with regional education institutions to increase post-secondary training opportunities for all students through cost sharing efficiencies and technology.

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<p>9. Health & Human Services:</p> <p>Build Dental Health Care & Education for Adults</p>	<p>Low</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AXIS Health Systems • San Juan Basin Health Dental Clinic • Mercy Regional Medical Center • Community Health Action Coalition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delta Dental of Colorado Foundation • Caring for Colorado • Area dentists • State • County • Healthy Lifestyles La Plata • Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) 	<p>Undetermined</p>	<p>7 FTEs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement reduced fee dental care program that begins with adult clients. • Explore recruitment to meet needs of seniors needing dental care. • Acquired \$230,000 in grant funding. • Continue to develop an oral health ‘spoke’ resource at La Plata Integrated Healthcare to better serve the oral health needs of all clinic patients, including those of low-income, publicly insured, and un/underinsured residents of La Plata County. • Increased patient visits by 425 from FY 2017-FY 2018 at Axis Oral Health.

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<p>10. Health & Human Services:</p> <p>Expand Mercy Regional Telemedicine Service</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mercy Regional Medical Center (MMRC) • Centura • Catholic Health Initiatives • Tele-communications / Internet Service Providers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants • User charges • Fast Track fiber runs by hospital site • Region 9 EDD • SWCCOG 	Undetermined	6 (at least 2 FTE) in the neurological clinic in Durango	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to develop MMRC into the regional hub for tele-medical allowing high quality medical outreach in a large, rural, geographic area. • Grow network with major medical facilities to increase neurological services via telemedicine to supplant Durango clinic. • Create partnership with neurological medical providers by robotic device technology. • Provide trainings for medical personnel. • Provide telemedicine link between medical providers to increase and enhance access health care. • Build support network between SW Memorial, Cortez with Mercy Regional Medical Center.
<p>11. Health & Human Services:</p> <p>Expand Mercy Regional Medical Center Heart & Vascular Care</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic Health Initiatives • Mercy Regional Medical Center (MMRC) • Mercy Cardiology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State funding • Fundraising • Grants 	\$4M	<p>~20 construction jobs</p> <p>~25 combination of FT & PT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decrease travel and reduce window of time for critical treatment of heart conditions. • Improve medical cardio outcomes. • Add specialized provider and support staff.

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<p>12. Health & Human Services:</p> <p>Implement Behavioral Health Plan to Reduce Loneliness in Adults 50 and Older</p>	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Health Action Coalition • Axis Health System • Mercy Regional Medical Center • La Plata County Senior Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants 	Undetermined	2 PT jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding for implementation. • Provide community education on the behavioral health in adults 50 and older. • Reduce stigma associated with behavioral health. • Increase access to integrated health care. • Creation of Senior Reach Program.
<p>13. Health & Human Services:</p> <p>Outreach & Enrollment in Health Insurance</p>	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata Family Centers Coalition • San Juan Basin Public Health • La Plata County Department of Human Services • Axis Health System • La Plata Economic Alliance 	<p>Connect for Health Colorado</p> <p>Health Care Policy and Finance (HCPF)</p> <p>Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)</p> <p>The Colorado Health Foundation (funding ending Nov. 2018)</p>	Undetermined	Positions at various agencies have been hired to assist clients with health coverage application assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing input to Connect for Health Colorado to increase user ease when using online application system. • Increased awareness among residents about health coverage options including availability of Advanced Premium Tax Credits to reduce insurance premiums. • Coordinated network of trained health coverage assisters in Archuleta and La Plata counties. • Decreased number of uninsured adults, children, and pregnant women due to increased numbers of insured in both counties. • Explore coverage for businesses.

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<p>14. Health & Human Services:</p> <p>Implement food systems planning and coordination at the food system and community level.</p>	<p>Med</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Good Food Collective • CSU Extension • Fort Lewis College Environmental Center • San Juan Resource Conservation & Development Council • The Healthy Community Food Systems • Local First • Cooking Matters of Southwestern Colorado • The Garden Project of Southwest Colorado • Bear Smart Durango • Local farmers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USDA 	<p>Undetermined</p>	<p>Undetermined</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded a 3-year USDA LFPP grant to reestablish and intact regional food system that drives economic development, workforce development, environmental stewardship and social equity. • Coordination of discrete segments of the food system (production, access, economy). • Develop community workshops via the Local Food, Local Places grant.

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<p>15. Housing:</p> <p>Complete Rock Creek Housing Project in Ignacio</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Ignacio • SW Colorado Council of Governments (SWCCOG) • Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Habitat for Humanity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ignacio • DoLA 	Undetermined	Construction jobs during project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop 60 units on 5.5 acres. • Determine feasibility of product types for development. • Solicit development partner. • Secure funding and commence construction.
<p>16. Housing:</p> <p>Complete Fox Farm Village in Bayfield</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Habitat for Humanity of La Plata County • Town of Bayfield 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colorado Dept. of Housing • DoLA • Habitat ReStore and donations 	@\$720K per 4 units	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete final 18 homes for project at the rate of 2 to 4 units (duplex) a year. • Meet workforce housing needs.
<p>17. Housing:</p> <p>Implement Affordable Housing Goals from the Durango Housing Plan</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango • La Plata County • HomesFund • SW Colorado Council of Governments (SWCCOG) • Housing Solutions for the Southwest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VA-HUD Vash Vouchers • State & federal funding/incentives • Medicaid • TANF • LIHTC • DoLA • CHFA • Co Division of Housing • Private Activity Bonds • CDFI 	\$25 Million	<p>120 construction jobs</p> <p>30 permanent FTE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create up to 40 additional supportive housing opportunities (units) for veterans and homeless families and individuals. • Reduce local cost for emergency services. • Lumien Apt Phase II of 40 units planned. • Create up to 100 affordable housing opportunities by 2020 in La Plata County. • Senior housing received tax credits.

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<p>18. Housing:</p> <p>Make Energy Efficient Improvements on homes in La Plata County</p>	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4CORE • Housing Solutions • Housing Resources of Western Colorado 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EPA • Utility companies • Utility rebates • Colorado Energy Office • Businesses 	Dependent on organizational budgets	2 new positions for BPI certified energy auditors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete energy improvements, weatherization audits and upgrades to 80 homes through the CARE and Energy Smart Colorado Programs. • Improve health and Safety issues in homes. • Reduce utility costs. • Improve health. • Reduce energy consumption. • Build affordable energy efficient homes.
<p>19. Housing:</p> <p>Provide Second Mortgage Loans for Low & Moderate Families in La Plata County</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HomesFund • Habitat for Humanity • La Plata County • City of Durango 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDFI • CDBG • Private contributions • Durango • County 	\$20K to \$50K per unit	Workforce recruitment/retainment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create affordable home ownership opportunities. • Explore ways to meet changing housing needs of aging population. • Provide up to 25 loans of \$350K annually.
<p>20. Land Use:</p> <p>Continue Character District Projects within the City of Durango</p>	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango • Region 9 EDD 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Durango City Council has designated 11 Character Districts with City limits. • Explore improvement potential in the North Main and Southfork Character Districts.

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<p>21. Land Use:</p> <p>Revise the City of Durango Sign Code</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango 	\$10K	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango Sign Code has not been updated since 1989. • The Sign Code regulates all commercial, public and residential signage within the City of Durango.
<p>22. Land Use:</p> <p>Revise & Update the La Plata County Land Use Code</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County 	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarify and simplify existing land use code. • Explore county permitting process to identify bottlenecks for businesses building or locating in the County. • Develop process to reduce bottlenecks and streamline process. • Install improved database application to simplify process.

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<p>23. Parks & Recreation:</p> <p>Continue Development of Animas River Trail & SMART 160 Trail</p>	<p>Med</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango • Town of Bayfield • CDOT • La Plata County • BLM • Trails 2000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango • Great Outdoors Colorado • FHWA • FTA 5320 grant 	<p>Undetermined</p>	<p>Undetermined</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design and construct 32nd Street to Oxbox Park and Preserve. • Construct Escalante Trail and Underpass. • Design preliminary Farmington Hill to future 550/160 Interchange. • Develop commuter trails between Durango and Bayfield. • Develop shared use path on CR 501. • Acquire right of way for bike path from Bayfield to Homestead Trails. • Develop SMART 160 Trail extensions to Three Springs.
<p>24. Parks & Recreation:</p> <p>Continue Phased Development for Recreation at Lake Nighthorse</p>	<p>Med</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango • Bureau of Reclamation (BLM) • La Plata County • State of Colorado • Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Ute Mountain Ute Indian Tribe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango • BLM • County 	<p>Undetermined</p>	<p>Consultant & construction jobs</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement Lake Nighthorse Recreation Master Plan for phased project.

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<p>25. Public Infrastructure:</p> <p>Expand City of Durango Water System</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango • User fees 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water main extension construction for treatment plant. • Construct pipelines to serve future Ridges Basin Water treatment plant from Ridges Basin dam. • Complete conceptual design for raw water outlet pipeline.
<p>26. Public Infrastructure:</p> <p>Complete County Facilities Master Plan Projects</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata County • U.S. General Services Administration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County general fund • U.S. General Services Administration 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remodel Courthouse facility to better serve state and federal needs. • Construct building for the Assessor/Clerk/Treasurer offices. • Remodel the old National Guard Armory to house Sheriff's office staff.
<p>27. Public Infrastructure:</p> <p>Expand Domestic Water System for East La Plata County</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata Archuleta Water District (LAPLAWD) • Pine River Irrigation District • La Plata County • Town of Bayfield • Southern Ute Indian Tribe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water rights • USDA funding • BBC Research & Consulting • Southern Ute Indian Tribe • CWCB • DoLA 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Bayfield and LAPLAWD Joint Water Treatment Facility constructed. • LAPLAWD has constructed multiple phases of water distribution line to rural areas. • LAPLAWD plans to extend water line through Gem Village back to CR 509, completing loop in water system fall of 2018.

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28. Public Infrastructure: Implement ADA Transition Plan	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FTA 5304 • CDOT 	Undetermined	Construction jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve access to city facilities and infrastructure through ADA Transition Plan. • Implementation of SRTS Needham Connect Phase II including improved sidewalks and ADA ramps.
29. Public Infrastructure: Implement North Main Mobility Plan Phases	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango • CDOT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango • CDOT • State & federal grant opportunities 	Undetermined	In-direct job creation & retention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvements to enhance mobility, improve safety, and increase walking and biking. • Encourage redevelopment and improve gateway to community. • Widen sidewalks and improve pedestrian crossings. • Improve and add wayfinding signage.
30. Public Infrastructure: Complete Feasibility Study & Develop a Plan for Installation of Solar Arrays at City Facilities	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango • La Plata Electric 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango 	Undetermined	Related installation jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Install solar on city water treatment plan, recycle center and Cemetery.
31. Public Infrastructure: Complete Municipal Wastewater Treatment System & Plant in Durango	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango • State Revolving Loan Funds (SRF) 	Up to \$68M	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconstruct Santa Rita Plant to handle population growth and address aged infrastructure. • Issue bonds to be paid off using user fee revenues collected by the sewer utility.

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32. Public Infrastructure: Replace Greenmount Parks Shop	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango 	\$2.200M	Design & construction jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal and replacement of Parks office and shop. (9,460 sq foot facility).
33. Public Infrastructure: Create Rural Water System for West Side of County	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata West Water Authority (LPWWC) • SW Water Conservancy District (SWWCD) • Animas/La Plata Water Conservation District (ALPWCD) • La Plata Water Conservancy District (LPWCD) • Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Ute Mountain Ute Indian Tribe • Lake Durango Water Authority (LDWA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colorado Water Conservation Board • USDA • Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Ute Mt Ute Indian Tribe • San Juan RC & D • State Water Fund • CDBG • DoLA • Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority • LPWWC • SWWCD • ALPWCD • LDWA 	Phase 1 estimated at \$3.85 to \$5 million	Construction related jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal is to create rural water system supplying water from Hesperus to the New Mexico state line. • Completed special district formation. • Complete project design and associated agreements providing for LDWA to provide treated water for initial LPWWA users. • Complete phased distribution system design for the LPWWA distribution system. • Sign up required number of property owners to participate.

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<p>34. Public Infrastructure:</p> <p>Implement Master Plan for La Plata County Multi-Use Events Center</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County • Potential sponsorships & grants 	Undetermined	Construction jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secure site for multi-use event center. • Develop recreational and event space and facilities.
<p>35. Public Infrastructure:</p> <p>Expand South Durango Sanitation District Infrastructure</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Durango Sanitation District • La Plata Economic Alliance • La Plata County • San Juan Basin Health • Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Property owners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USDA • Colorado • Environmental Protection Agency • Property owners 	\$2.5 - 3.5M	Construction & contractor jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand sewer service to Koshak Mesa and Animas Airpark so that commercial and industrial development can occur. • Complete necessary water, road and infrastructure improvements to meet demands of usage and future growth. • Acquired funding from the State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund (WPCRF).
<p>36. Public Infrastructure:</p> <p>Improve Storm Drainage in Bayfield</p>	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Bayfield 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bayfield • FEMA • CWCB • DoLA 	\$1M	Design & construction jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete improvements identified in the Master Drainage Plan.

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<p>37. Public Infrastructure:</p> <p>Improve Storm Drainage in Durango</p>	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango • Grants • FEMA 	Undetermined	Consultant/contractors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete Storm Drainage Master Plan Phase II. • 13th St. from north Point Mall to Animas River. • 32nd St. and Holly extended drainage basin. • Clovis Dr. storm drain improvements. • System-wide upgrades to meet current standards.
<p>38. Public Infrastructure:</p> <p>Emergency Watershed Protection Program</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Resources Conservation Service • DoLA • Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management 	<p>\$5M</p> <p>75% federal grant from NRCS, 25% local match</p>	Project Management, Engineering services, Construction jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection of individual lives and property. • Protection of the Hermosa Watershed and affected drainages. • Restoration and mitigation of the effects of the 416 Fire in the burn scar.
<p>39. Public Infrastructure</p> <p>Construct Search & Rescue Building</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata County • La Plata County Search and Rescue 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State • DoLA • County • Private donations 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raised funds for grant match. • Location identified. • Create permanent home for search and rescue staff to manage and deploy services.

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<p>40. Public/Private Lands:</p> <p>Address Forest Health, Water and Wildfire Risks</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colorado State Forest Service • Colorado State Univ. • US Forest Service • BLM • Fire Protection Districts • Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Wildfire Adapted Partnership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Fire Plan funds • Fire hazard mitigation contractors • Southwest Conservation Corps • Region 9 EDD • USDA if private land • Southern Ute Tribe • Timber Industry 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce fire risk. • Strengthen timber products industry. • Improve forest health. • Control beetle infestation. • Reduce risk to life and property and protect watershed/community water supplies. • Defensible space education resulting in defensible space created around values at risk.
<p>41. Telecommunications:</p> <p>Enhance the Fiber Optic Backbone in Town of Bayfield</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Bayfield • Southwest Colorado Council of Governments (SWCCOG) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiber internet companies • Wireless internet companies • Bayfield • DoLA 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% high speed internet coverage. • 100 Mbps available for businesses.

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<p>42. Telecommunications:</p> <p>Provide Rural Areas with High Speed Connections & Fiber</p>	<p>High</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SW Colorado Council of Governments • La Plata Economic Alliance • Private Telecom Companies • Fort Lewis College • La Plata County • Area municipalities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DoLA • Municipalities • La Plata - \$260K set aside • USDA • Alliance • SWCCOG • CAF • Private telecom companies 	<p>\$75K DoLA grant and \$25K match SWCCOG partners</p>	<p>Undetermined</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of redundant broadband telecommunications connections in communities for regional broadband expansion. • Fiber connection to airport and rural areas. • SWCCOG received broadband planning grant to develop operations/IT plan to better utilize SCAN Network—provide database of equipment. • Exploring partnerships with private firms for additional extensions. • Strengthen Local Technology Planning Team to assist with identifying demand for technology and fill service provider, and infrastructure gaps. • Provide Internet Services to all Households in La Plata County. • 100% high speed internet coverage by 2020. • Additional \$20-\$30 million annual in County GDP.

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<p>43. Transportation:</p> <p>Add Airline Flight(s) & Round-Trip Routes at Durango-La Plata County Airport</p>	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Durango/La Plata County Airport • Airport Commission • La Plata Economic Alliance • Air Carriers • La Plata County • City of Durango • Southern Ute Indian Tribe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private sector incentives • Federal Air Transportation grant • Local businesses • Local government 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanded and enhanced regional air service. • Provide better access to East bound destinations. • Expand flight schedule. • Seek round trip route to Houston.
<p>44. Transportation:</p> <p>Complete Priority Highway Transportation Projects</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDOT • SW Regional Transportation Planning Region (SWTPR) 4P Planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State, federal & local funding • TAP • FASTER funds • FAST Federal Transportation legislation • Potentially State Transportation (depending on 2018 ballot measure(s) 	\$92M	Construction jobs retained	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add passing lanes between Bayfield and Durango US160 Mile post 96-99. • Add passing lanes between Elmore’s to Ignacio SH 172 Milepost 9-19. • Widen shoulders and bridges SH 140 Mile Post 1-23. • US 550 Gap CR302 to Sunnyside Mile post 9-12. • SH140 Mile post 1-23. • US 160 Mile post 73-144 wildlife mitigation.

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45. Transportation: Connect Pedestrian & ADA Facilities	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango • CDOT • FTA • D&SNGRR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FTA 5317 SRTS Funding 	\$500K	Construction jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved access, safety, and connectivity.
46. Transportation: Construct Intersections for Bayfield Parkway/US 160 East & West of Bayfield	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town of Bayfield • County • CDOT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDOT • Bayfield 	Undetermined	Construction jobs retained	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop Bayfield Parkway and US 160 east side intersection. • Bayfield, County, and CDOT have IGA Access Control Plan.
47. Transportation: Expand Transit Connection Network	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Transit Coordinating Council • Area governments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transit providers • Area governments • Transit Funding sources • SWCCOG • CDOT 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on Park-n-ride locations. • Continue to work towards expanding and coordinating transit routes between communities.
48. Transportation: Continue Capital improvements to Durango/ La Plata County Airport	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango • La Plata County • FAA • CDOT - Aviation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Airport Revenues • FAA Airport Improvement Program Grants • CDOT Discretionary Aviation Grants • Airport passenger facility charges 	\$34 million in capital projects identified through 2025	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rehabilitate Taxiway A. • Repair automobile parking lot pavements. • Repair public roadways. • Upgrade access control and surveillance. • Purchase new Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) vehicle. • Construct improvements to water and wastewater systems.

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49. Transportation: Complete Improvements to 32nd Street Durango connecting to CR 250	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango • La Plata County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County • Durango 	Undetermined	Construction jobs retained	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconstruct CR 251 from Holly Ave. to CR 250 and intersection of CR 251 and 250 to urban standards. • Improved bike/pedestrian facilities. • Annexation by Durango to County upon completion.
50. Transportation: Sustain Bustang Regional Bus Service	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roadrunner Transit • Regional Transit Coordinating Council • Durango Transit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDOT - FTA/FASTER • Transit Providers • Transit Funding sources • SW Regional Transportation Planning Region • Area governments • SWCCOG 	\$50K per year	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce traffic and greenhouse gases. • Provide inter-city transportation for community members. • Coordinate existing transit services.
51. Transportation: Complete Phase II Pedestrian & Bicycle Improvements in Durango	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Durango • CDOT • FHWA • Durango School District 9-R 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe Routes to Schools • CDOT 	Undetermined	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue work from Phase I. • Improve access and safety for pedestrian and bicycles around Needham Elementary including Arroyo Dr., Delwood Ave., Columbine Ave. San Juan and Needham Ct.
52. Transportation: CR 502 Box Culvert project	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata County 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County • DOLA 	\$4.2K	Construction jobs retained	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace two irrigation culverts with box culverts.

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<p>53. Transportation Southwest Colorado US 550-US 160 Connection South Design-Build Project</p>	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • La Plata County • City of Durango • Southern Ute Indian Tribe • Southern Ute Tribe Growth Fund 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FASTLANE Federal Grant • State of Colorado • DOLA • Southern Ute Tribe Growth Fund • County • Durango • CDOT 	\$100M	Undetermined	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engage part of long-range plan to enhance transportation for Southwest Colorado. • Link US 550 to US 160 at the existing interchange. • Provide mobility, safety, economic vitality and connectivity for the entire Four Corners area and all communities within this region.

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