



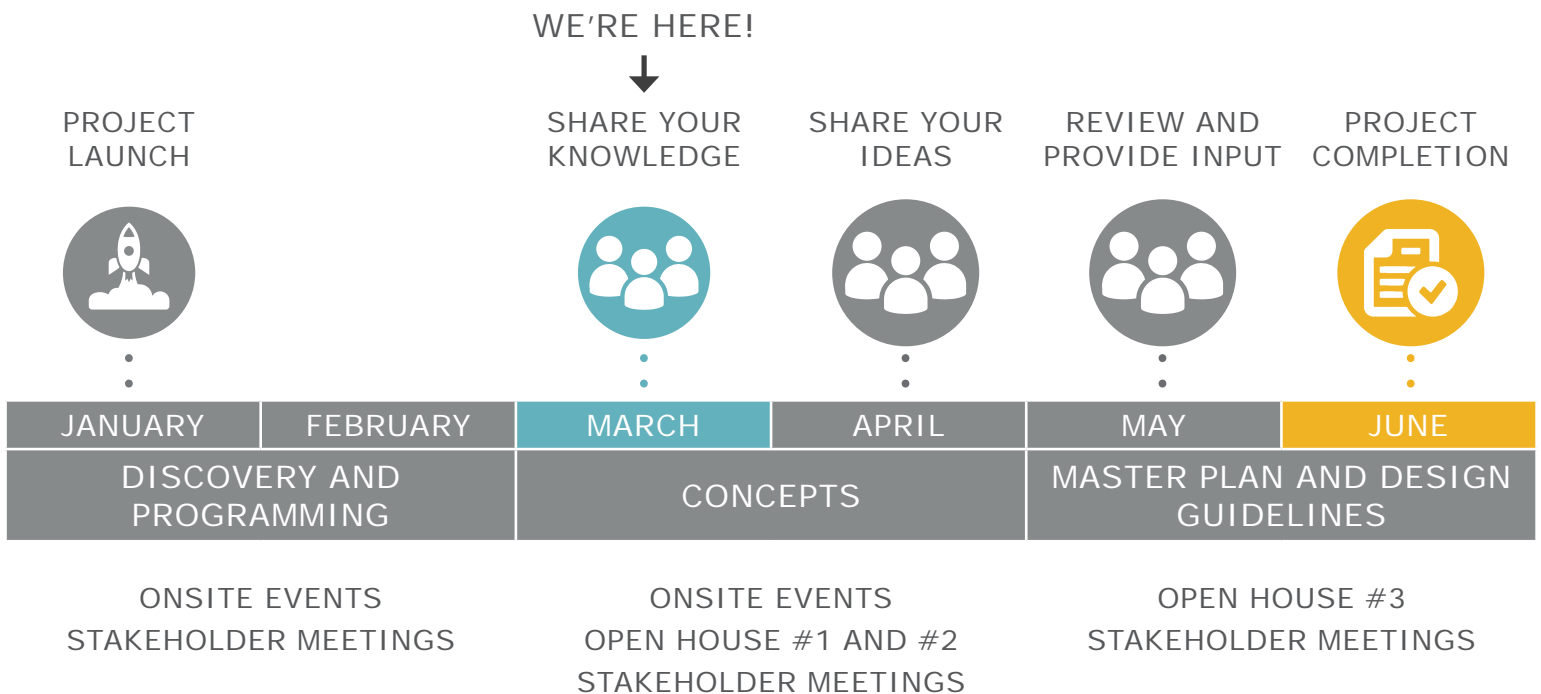
WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROJECT?

Create a shared vision to guide public use, management and marketing of PCC's natural grassland ecosystem, eclectic collection of buildings, and tradition of educational programming and conservation.

HOW CAN I BE INVOLVED RIGHT NOW?

- ▶ Participate in community open houses and events.
- ▶ Complete on-line surveys.

WHAT IS THE PROJECT SCHEDULE?



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DID YOU KNOW?

Site History

1952

PCC opened and engaged farmers and ranchers to implement erosion control and soil and water conservation practices

1968

First PCC building completed

1970

Sod house, school and blacksmith shop were completed

Aurora School District became largest PCC usergroup

1991

First replica Tipi brought to PCC

1996

City of Aurora purchased PCC and committed to continue the mission - protection of and education about the remnant prairie ecosystem and its cultural history

2017

The non-profit PCC left site to focus on West Bijou site. City of Aurora manages site resources and programs on a daily basis. Denver Botanic Gardens offers educational programming for schools and the general public

Natural Resources

PCC's landscape character is expressed by two distinct landscape types—shortgrass prairie uplands and riparian corridor lowlands. The landscape provide critical habitat, and wildlife corridors.



75+
plant
species



30+
mammal
species



102+
bird
species



19+
reptile
species

Cultural Resources

Cultural features are categorized into three themes:

Pioneer Homestead

- » Wells Homestead
- » Jackson and Liebert Homesteads (north of Jewell Avenue)

Military - Lowry Gunnery and Bombing Range

- » 2 observation tower footings
- » 1 target footing
- » Roads

Agriculture

- » Ranch structures

Visitation

In 2018, 12,768 people visited PCC.

