INDIVIDUAL: Unsanctioned user/inhabitant of Denver Parks **GROUP SIZE:** Indeterminate due to the transitory nature of the individuals **NATURE OF GROUP:** hobos, recreational binge drinkers, graffiti taggers, and off-leash dog-walkers.

INCIDENCE OF SOCIOMETRY: WeDUPT, West Denver Urban Preserve and Trail

PRELIMINARY RESEARCH AND TAXONIMIES: FALL 2004

WeDUPT will follow Lakewood Gulch from the Platte River to the border of Denver and suburban Lakewood. Lakewood Gulch is a vital geologic corridor and a de facto north/south division of the West Denver grid. A natural necessity, vital for flood control, it provides the city of Denver with an irreplaceable infrastructure corridor for, high voltage power lines, and the imminent expansion of mass transit.

Denver Parks and Recreation currently mediates land use in Lakewood Gulch between the cities' infrastructure demands and sanctioned recreators such as joggers, cyclists and dog walkers via a series of parks and bike trails.

DENVER PARKS AND RECREATION MISSION: "To provide a creative, balanced, and integrated system of recreation facilities which are sensitive and responsive to diverse citizen needs."

The Institute of Sociometries' "pro-bono" incorporation of WeDUPT will assist the Denver Parks and Recreation Department fulfill their mission objectives by mediating the unsanctioned use of Lakewood Gulch by hobos, recreational binge drinkers, and graffiti taggers. Furthermore, incorporation of the "Preserve" (section 4) will raise awareness of the threat that unsanctioned use habitat is under from increasing infrastructure development.

INSTITUTE OF SOCIOMETRY MISSION: To creatively facilitate Denver Parks and Recreation's fulfillment of their mission objectives on a "pro-bono" basis.



