

Exhibit A – Project Information

NON-MOTORIZED TRAIL CONSTRUCTION APPLICATION

Applicant or Organization Name:		
Complete Mailing Address:		
Applicant Lead Contact Name:		Title:
Telephone:	Email:	Is this the primary contact for this grant <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

PROJECT MANAGER (this person will have day-to-day responsibility for the project)

Name:	
Telephone:	Email:

PRIMARY PARTNER INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)

Name:		
Mailing Address:		
Partner Contact Name:		Title:
Telephone:	Email:	Is this the primary contact for this grant: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

ABOUT THE PROJECT

Project Title:	
Grant Request: \$	Match Amount (Min. 25%): \$
Total Project Cost: \$	
<p>Project Description: Please write a 2-3 paragraph description of your project and the expected accomplishments. Be sure to include Who, What, When and Where. This is your scope of work. (This section is not the place to talk about the project background, the benefits, the funding, or anything other than the actual work to be accomplished. Please address that information in question #1 of the Selection Criteria.)</p> <p>WHO? Who will complete the work, and who will oversee the project? Provide a brief description of your community or organization, highlighting its mission and purpose.</p> <p>WHAT? Explain what you are going to do or accomplish. What is the goal or the reason for your project? Break down the project into a list of specific activities to be completed. These should be quantifiable items that correspond to the categories on your budget page. Include quantity or quality as part of your description of work to be performed. How long? How many? How many feet? How many miles? What materials will be used? Is a specific standard or guideline being used?</p> <p>WHERE? Explain in detail the location of your project. Where is the project located? What county? What National Forest/BLM Office? Provide the names of the trail(s) or trail system and where the work will be performed. List the land manager agency or municipality.</p> <p>DEFINITIONS? Please define all acronyms and specialized terms that are used in your project description.</p>	

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Project Description

Previous CPW grants awarded (last 3 years) List award year, category and project name

**Resolution
In Support of Application for
Non-Motorized Trails Construction Grant from
Colorado Parks and Wildlife**

A Resolution supporting the Grant Application for a Non-Motorized Trails Construction Grant from Colorado Parks and Wildlife and the completion of the Dutch Creek Regional Trail.


WHEREAS, Foothills Park & Recreation District supports the Colorado Parks and Wildlife grant application for the completion of Dutch Creek Regional Trail. If the grant is awarded, Foothills Park & Recreation District supports the completion of the project; and

WHEREAS, Foothills Park & Recreation District has requested \$250,000 from Colorado Parks and Wildlife to complete the Dutch Creek Regional Trail; and

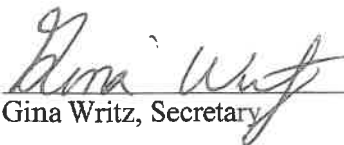
NOW, THEREFORE, be it hereby resolved by the Board of Directors of Foothills Park & Recreation District that:

- Section 1: The Board of Directors of Foothills Park & Recreation District strongly supports the application and has appropriated matching funds for a grant with Colorado Parks and Wildlife.
- Section 2: If the grant is awarded, the Board of Directors of Foothills Park & Recreation District strongly supports the completion of the project.
- Section 3: The Board of Directors of Foothills Park & Recreation District authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations of any Grant awarded.
- Section 4: The project site is owned by Foothills Park & Recreation District and will be under the control of the District for at least 25 years.
- Section 5: The Board of Directors of Foothills Park & Recreation District will continue to maintain the Dutch Creek Regional Trail in a high quality condition upon completion and will appropriate funds for maintenance in its annual budget.
- Section 6: If the grant is awarded, the Foothills Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Executive Director to sign the Grant Agreement with Colorado Parks and Wildlife, and any related documents.
- Section 7: This Resolution is to be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 27th day of September, 2022.



William Meyer, Chair



Gina Writz, Secretary

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LAND OWNERSHIP			
1. Provide the name/s of the property owners: Foothills Park & Recreation District & Jefferson County			
2. The trail corridor is controlled by: <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Simple <input type="checkbox"/> Lease <input type="checkbox"/> Easement <input type="checkbox"/> License <input type="checkbox"/> Right-of-Way			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: To be determined through planning process and final alignment			
USER INFORMATION (Please check all that apply)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hiking, Walking, Running	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biking	<input type="checkbox"/> Equestrian	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Skateboarding, In-Line Skating	<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Sports (non-motorized)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADA Accessible	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other - Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
TRAIL SURFACE			
<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Concrete	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
<input type="checkbox"/> Natural	<input type="checkbox"/> Crusher Fines	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	
PROJECT LOCATION (For multiple project sites attach a separate list.)			
Nearest Town or City: Littleton, CO			
County(ies): Jefferson			
Latitude & Longitude Coordinates (in decimal degrees): 39.595195, -105.115020			
State Congressional District (https://www.govtrack.us/congress/members): 2			
<i>Please fill out all applicable categories for your project:</i>			
Acreage of new trailhead	n/a	Miles of trail being planned	n/a
Miles of new trail construction	2	Miles of trail maintenance	n/a
Miles of inter-connecting trail	n/a	Miles of trail reroute	n/a
Miles of trail to be decommissioned	n/a	Miles of trail to be restored	n/a
Miles of trail to be signed	n/a	Miles of trail grooming	n/a
Other		Other	

Applicant Printed Name: Colin Insley


Applicant Signature:  Date: 8/28/2022

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Preliminary Timeline Estimate – Construction

Provide a timeline estimate using the following form. Remember that the project is to be completed within two and a half years of the award date. Any proposed changes, including extensions or modifications in the project timeline, must be requested in writing and approved in advance by the State Trails Program.

Suggestion - use quarterly time frames. Initial expiration date - June 30 or December 31, 2025, dependent upon assigned funding source.

TASK Mobilization, Staffing, Construction elements, etc.	2021 - 2022 complete	Jan '23 - Mar '23	Apr '23 - Jun '23	Jul '23 - Sep '23	Oct '23 - Dec '23	Jan '24 - Mar '24	Apr '24 - Jun '24	Jul '24 - Sep '24	Oct '24 - Dec '24	2025 +
Administrative Close-Out										

CONSTRUCTION GRANT SCORING CRITERIA

All applicants must respond to the criteria questions. Use the numbered blank pages at the end of this section. This application will be scored on a 100-point basis. The maximum number of points that can be awarded for each question is shown in parentheses. Outside reviewers and State Trails staff will review each project. Projects will be ranked according to reviewer and staff scores.

Grant review subcommittee members review and score grant applications based on the totality of information available. This may include not only the answers provided to the application questions, but also additional information provided to the review subcommittee from agency staff and subcommittee member knowledge and information that is relevant to the proposed project.

Failure to provide a response to any question (unless otherwise noted) will reduce your project's score. Please read and understand all application questions prior to answering. Respond in **12-point font**. Reference all attachments.

1. Scope (10 points)

Describe the proposed project including the length/width of trail construction, and major components necessary to complete the trail such as materials, under/overpasses, bridges, trail heads, trail sections, etc. Address each trail component separately, specifically mentioning its characteristics. Please describe if this is a multi-phase project, and the plan for how future phases will be funded. Discuss the ownership status of the trail corridor and any easements or land acquisitions that have been acquired for the trail. Please include a few site photos and a map of the area.

2. Access/Trail Connections (5 points)

Briefly discuss how this project expands trail loops, links, improves and/or restores trail use and connectivity to other trails, parks, and/or other outdoor recreation opportunities. If the project is connected to a larger trail system, describe the size, extent, and predominant uses of that system.

3. Need (15 Points)

Describe the project's urgency and why it is being pursued at this time. Who are you building the trail for and how does it benefit them? Does this project create or enhance experiences that otherwise do not exist in the area? Why are CPW State Trails funds necessary to complete this project and what opportunities are lost if the grant is not awarded? Describe the community this project will serve and provide population and economic data. Briefly describe how the proposed trail will accommodate non-motorized uses within the region. List each user group and estimate their percentage of overall trail use, e.g., bicyclists - 40%, hikers - 50%, equestrian - 10%. What features make this trail suitable for these uses?

4. **Planning and Prioritization Process (10 points)**

Discuss the planning process that identified the construction of this trail(s) as a priority. Is this project part of an approved master plan, federal Forest or Resource Management Plan, or a landscape level regional planning effort (such as an Outdoor Regional Partnership)? If so, what priority is it given in that plan? Has this project been deemed a priority by any other agencies or given any significant designations? Please explain any existing trails in the area and describe the need for additional trail routes to be constructed.

5. **Design and Construction (10 points)**

How is the trail designed to ensure longevity and sustainability to meet current and future use levels? Who is designing/will design the trail and oversee the trail work and what are their qualifications? What best management practices will be used to construct the trail to ensure that the trail and its amenities will be sustainable? Who will build the trail (staff, volunteers, conservation corps, contractors, etc.)?

6. **Maintenance and Sustainability (10 points)**

Describe how the project will be maintained and managed for long-term sustainability. Has an operations and maintenance plan been developed for the project areas? If so, please explain the plan in detail including who will be responsible for this work, the estimated annual costs and funding plans. Have trail reroute options been considered for current on-the-ground unsustainable trails and trail sections in the project area? If so, are there plans to decommission and/or restore these unsustainable trail sections?

7. **Wildlife and Natural Resources (15 points)**

Describe how potential impacts to wildlife and natural resources were evaluated during the planning process for the trail (such as utilizing resources listed in Planning Trails with Wildlife in Mind). Describe any plans for avoiding sensitive habitat as well as minimizing, and/or mitigating wildlife and natural resource impacts. Describe the plan for trail management and monitoring after construction. Were CPW staff members engaged in the planning process? Describe how their recommendations will be implemented. For example, if a seasonal closure is recommended, what are the dates of the closure and how will it be implemented to be effective (signage, gates, game cameras, etc.)?

8. **Public Engagement (10 points)**

Public notification is mandatory for all projects.

Describe the public process for this trail project (regular meetings, public meetings, working groups, etc.). Please highlight any collaborative approaches that were taken and summarize the feedback received from the public that determined the need for this project? Describe any received opposition to the project, and how the concerns have been addressed.

9. Matching Funds and Partnerships (10 points)

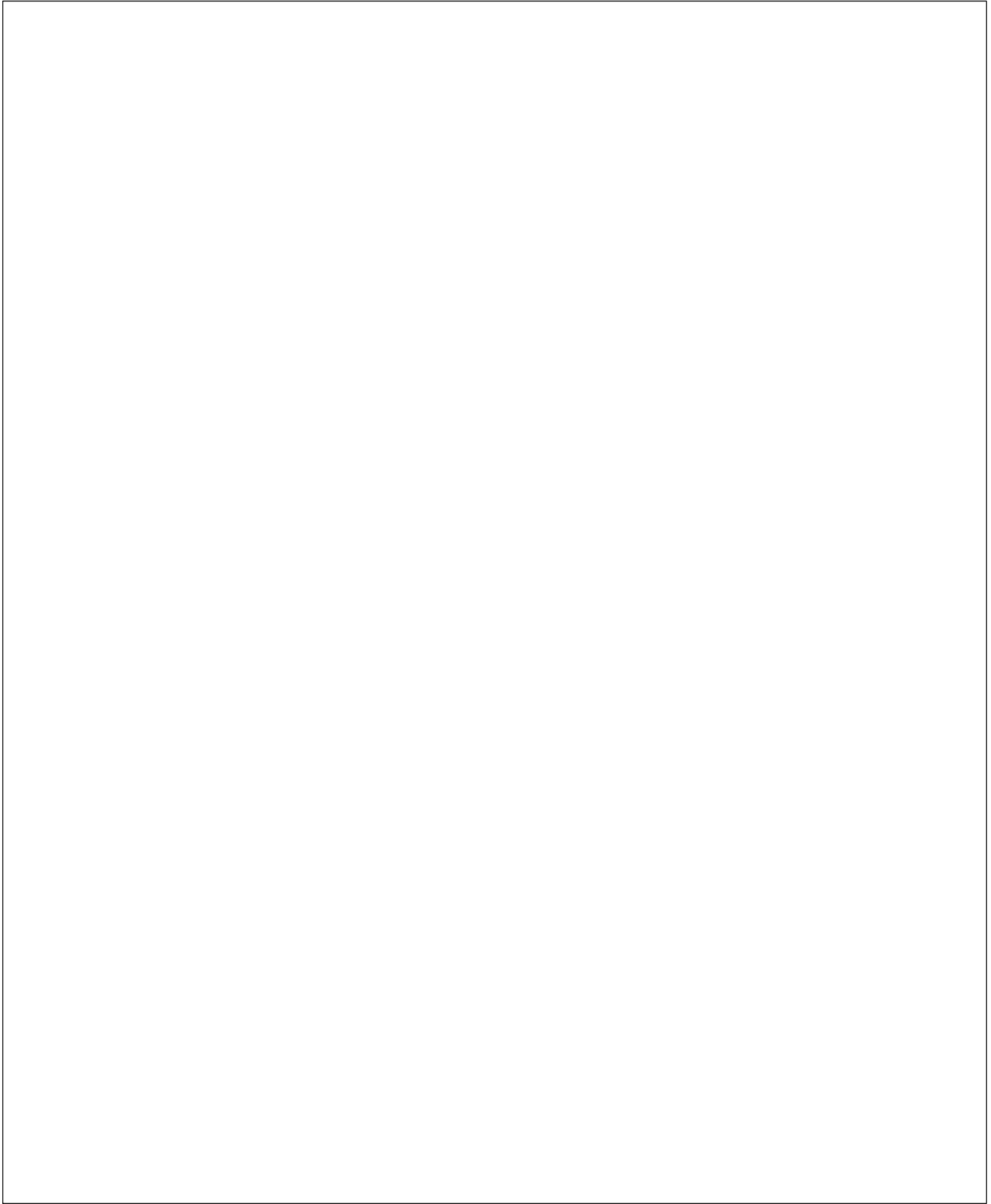
Discuss partnerships established for this project and their contributions. What other funding sources have been dedicated or are anticipated to be dedicated to this project? If matching funds are not yet secured, what are the plans for raising those additional funds? Will applicant and/or partner funds be lost if State Trails funds are not awarded? Submit letters of commitment/support from landowners and/or funders as a separate attachment (resolution from the governing body should include support and resource commitment; a separate support letter is not required). Beyond these letters, up to 5 non-funding letters of support may be submitted.

10. Ability/Contingency (5 points)

Describe your organization's ability to complete the specific grant transaction(s) that will be necessary to accomplish this project. Please provide examples (if any) for grant projects of similar magnitude that demonstrate your organization's ability to manage the requested level of grant funding; including the project title, grantor, award amount and year the project was funded. If State Trails funding is not awarded, what is the plan to complete the project?

1. Scope of Work (10 points)

2. Access/Trail Connections (5 points)



3. Need (15 points)

4. Planning and Prioritization Process (10 points)

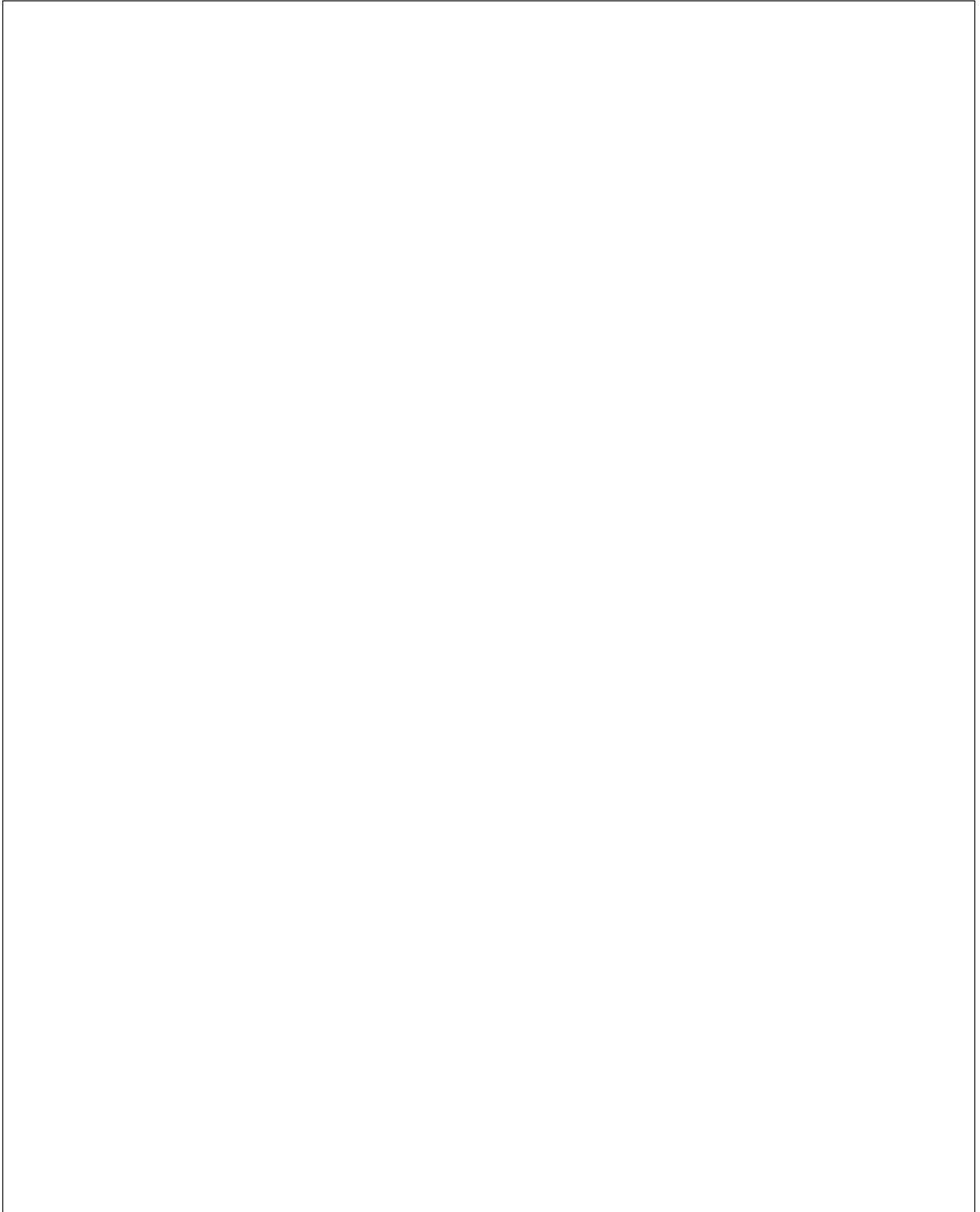
5. Design and Construction (10 points)

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6. Maintenance and Sustainability (10 points)

7. Wildlife and Natural Resources (15 points)

8. Public Engagement (10 points)



9. Matching Funds and Partnerships (10 points)

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10. Ability/Contingency (5 points)

Non-Federal Environmental Form

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECK LIST (for projects outside of NEPA requirements)
(Construction and Maintenance Grants Only)

Applicants are responsible to complete this form with county/local government staff or an environmental consultant to address the following environmental impacts associated with the project, including: securing all necessary permits, licenses, clearances, and environmental analysis documentation necessary to comply with local, state, or federal law. Please fill out the table below and associated narratives. If an environmental review has already been conducted on your proposal and is still viable, include the citation including any planned mitigation for each applicable resource, and choose an impact level as mitigated. If the resource does not apply to your proposal, mark NA in the first column.

All applicants will be evaluated for wildlife and aquatic impacts in a separate evaluation process by CPW wildlife staff.

Project Name: Dutch Creek Regional Trail Completion Plan **Project Sponsor:** Foothills Park & Recreation District

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS Indicate potential for adverse impacts	NOT APPLICABLE Resource does not exist	NEGLIGIBLE IMPACTS Exists but no or negligible impacts	MINOR IMPACTS	IMPACTS EXCEED MINOR	MORE DATA NEEDED TO DETERMINE DEGREE OF IMPACT
1. Plants species of special concern and habitat; state/federal listed or proposed for listing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Water quality/quantity – surface and ground water considerations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Wetlands/floodplains	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Storm water runoff and/or Sedimentation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Geological resources: soils, bedrock, slopes, streambeds, landforms, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Disturbances to neighboring properties	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Historical/cultural resources, including landscapes, ethnographic, archeological, structures, etc.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Introduction or promotion of non-native species	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Environmental disturbances during construction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Air Quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Land/structures with history of contamination/hazardous materials even if remediated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Other important environmental resources to address	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Use a separate sheet if necessary for the following questions.

Please briefly clarify how each resource could be adversely impacted; any direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts that may occur; and any additional data that still needs to be determined. Also explain any planned mitigation already addressed in previous environmental reviews.

MITIGATION: Please describe how impacts exceeding negligible will be mitigated; some considerations below:

- Alternative design or trail route system
- Protection of critical habitat, channeling use through less sensitive habitat areas
- Re-vegetation of disturbed areas and control of invasive species
- Management of users and related activities with signs, fencing, and education programs
- Consideration of runoff when selecting project materials, such as uncured concrete to encourage seepage
- Comprehensive storm water runoff plan

See attached sheet for information.

BENEFIT: Please describe any positive impacts of the project on sensitive species; some considerations below:

- Habitat improvement such as restoration of native habitat, wetlands restoration, erosion reduction, sediment reduction, river corridor clean-up, or plantings with a diversity of species and plant types for habitat restoration, and the reduction or elimination of non-native plant species
- Education of users through environmental education programs

See attached sheet for information.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE: The applicant is responsible for adhering to all applicable environmental compliance regulations including: Migratory Bird Treaty Act; concurrence with US Fish and Wildlife Service if any federally listed species of concern exist in project area; Clean Water Act section 404; US Army Corps of Engineers 404 permits; raptor buffer guidelines and incorporation of CPW recommended wildlife best management practices; CO Senate Bill 40 (33-5-101-107, CRS 1973 as amended); Colorado Historical, Prehistoric and Archeological Resources Act. **All required permits must be acquired prior to submitting a non-motorized trails grant application.**

Colin Insley for Foothills Park & Recreation District

Printed name of applicant

Kristin Marie Russo, Biologist

Printed name and title of environmental authority



09/13/2022

Signature of authority

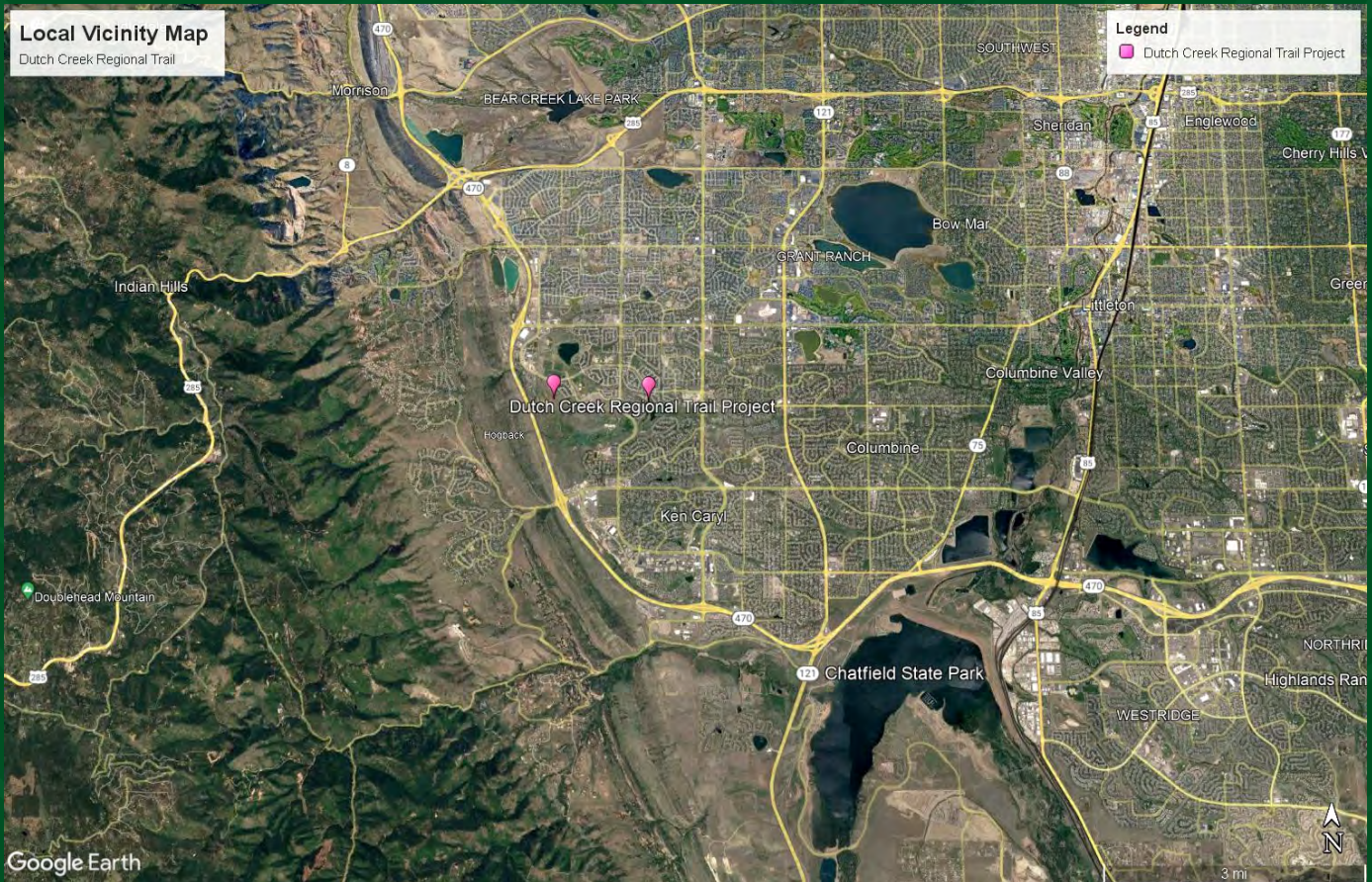
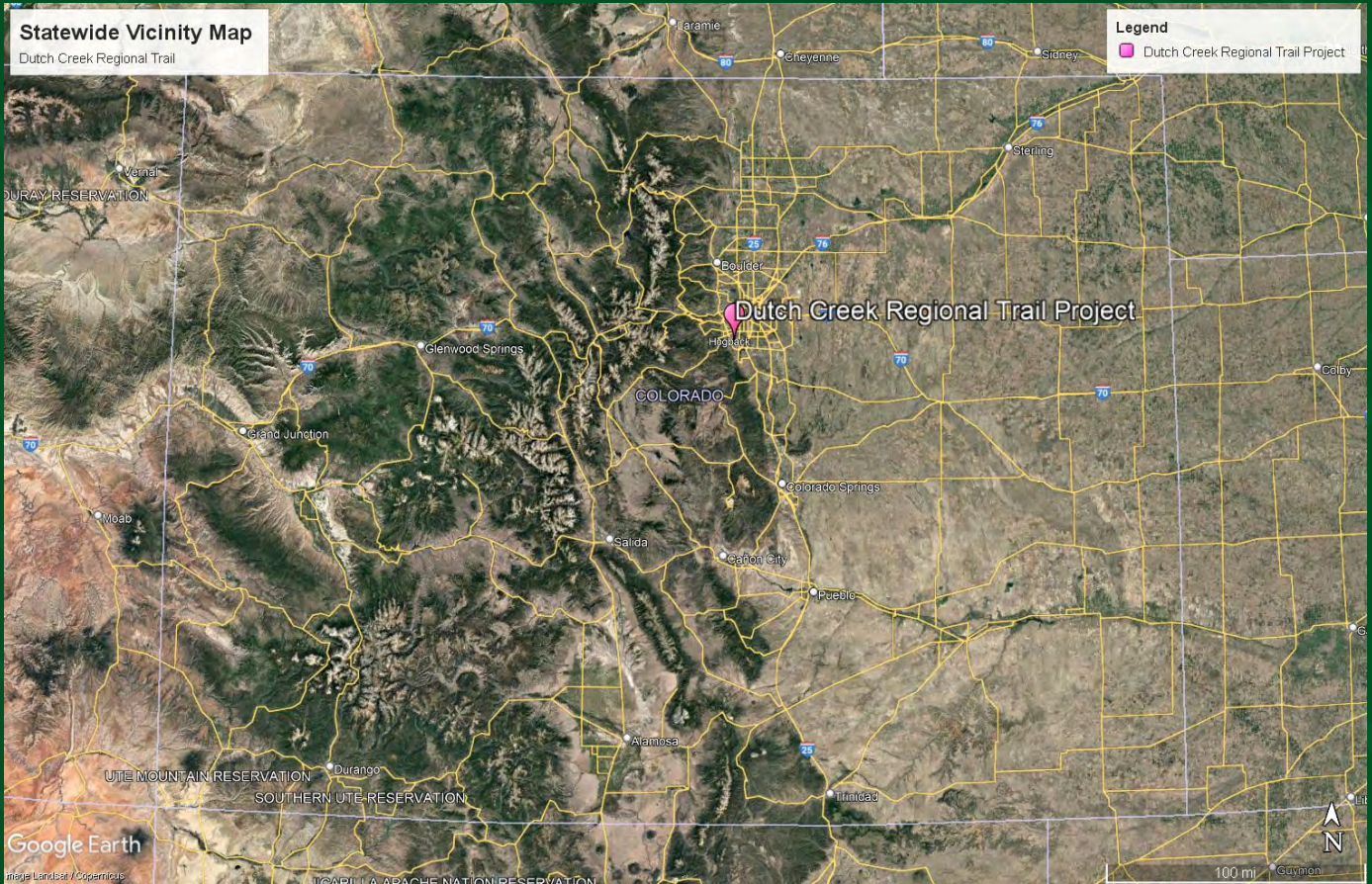
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The Governmental authority, natural resource specialist or hired consultant who completed this checklist must sign here. The applicant and authority must be different.

**State Trails Program Non-Motorized Grants
Project Budget**

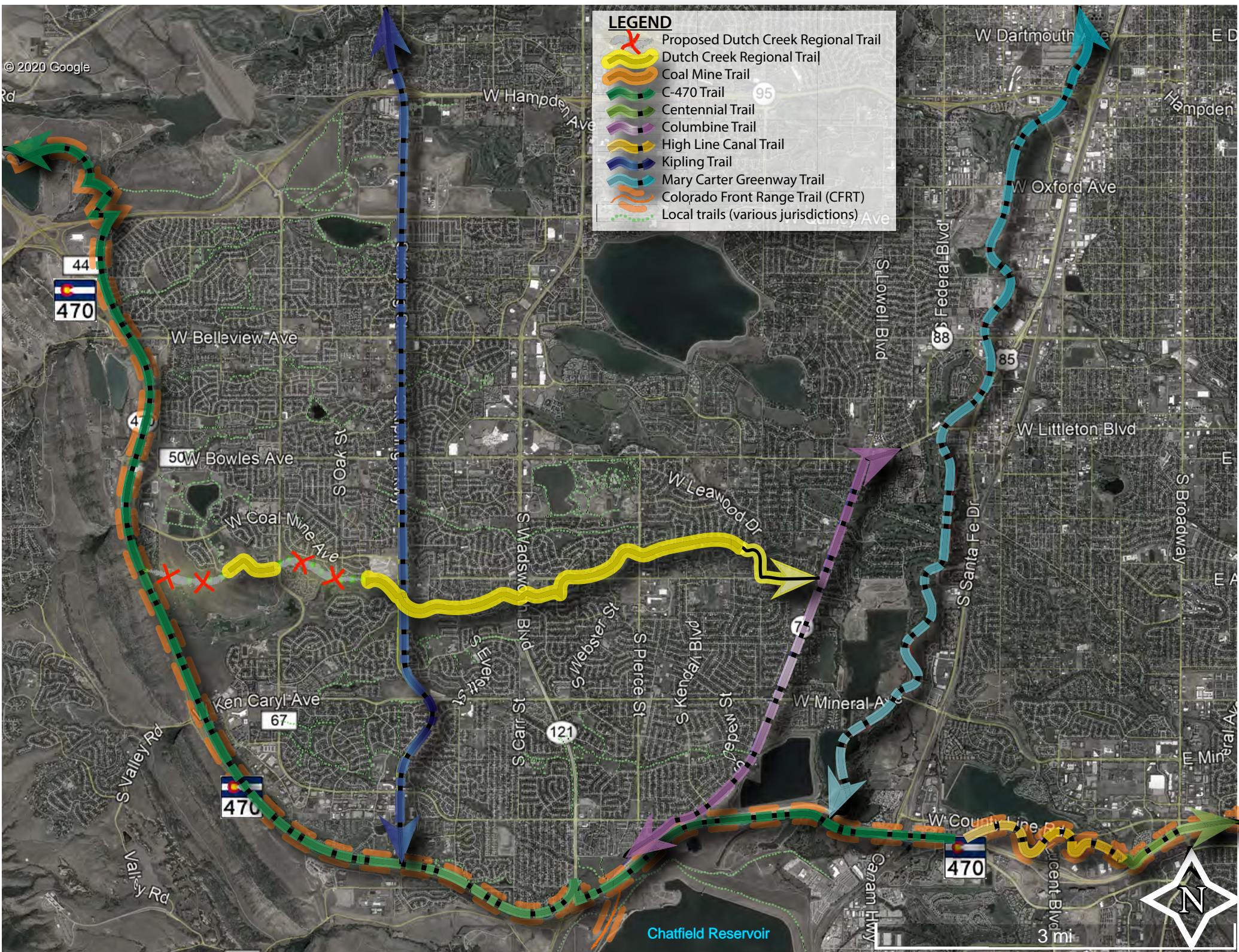
Project Name: Dutch Creek Regional Trail Completion Plan		Use:						
SOURCE OF FUNDS	Date Secured			CPW Trails Grant Request [A]	Total Project Match [B]	Total Funding (\$) [C]		
CASH								
CPW Trails	TBD			\$ 250,000.00		\$ 250,000.00		
Foothills Park & Recreation District	9/22/2020				\$ 1,116,367.00	\$ 1,116,367.00		
Jeffco Open Space Trails Partnership Program Grant	2/17/2022				\$ 1,860,612.00	\$ 1,860,612.00		
Foothills Foundation					\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00		
TOTAL SOURCES OF FUNDS				\$ 250,000.00	\$ 2,979,979.00	\$ 3,229,979.00		
[CASH] Description of Work	Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total (B*D)	CPW Funds	Total Project Match (\$)	Total Funding (\$)	Balance (should be 0)
CATEGORY 1-Contracted Services Identify as: Youth Corps, Engineering, Contractor, etc.								
Mobilization and Preparation (including traffic control, surveying, site prep, demolition, grading, sediment and erosion control)	1	EA	\$ 410,000.00	\$ 410,000.00		\$ 410,000.00	\$ 410,000.00	0
Earthwork	350000	SF	\$ 1.00	\$ 350,000.00		\$ 350,000.00	\$ 350,000.00	0
Soil preparation, native seed and mulch	344542	SF	\$ 0.45	\$ 155,043.90		\$ 155,043.90	\$ 155,043.90	0
Drainage system	1	EA	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00		\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	0
Concrete trail	84980	SF	\$ 12.00	\$ 1,019,760.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 769,760.00	\$ 1,019,760.00	0
Concrete pedestrian bridge abutment walls (C-470, Simms)	141	CY	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 211,500.00		\$ 211,500.00	\$ 211,500.00	0
Additional concrete work (approach slabs, bridge decks, ramps, curb, gutter, colored/textured island)	1	EA	\$ 199,120.00	\$ 199,120.00		\$ 199,120.00	\$ 199,120.00	0
Crosswalk striping	3	EA	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 7,500.00		\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	0
Vinyl painted line	3000	LF	\$ 10.00	\$ 30,000.00		\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	0
Pedestrian bridge (C-470, Simms) installation	2	EA	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 60,000.00		\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	0
Irrigation system (Native Areas, Tree bubblers)	1	EA	\$ 71,625.85	\$ 71,625.85		\$ 71,625.85	\$ 71,625.85	0
Mile High Youth Corp Day Crew	1	WK	\$ 8,679.25	\$ 8,679.25		\$ 8,679.25	\$ 8,679.25	0
CATEGORY 3-Materials/Supplies Identify as: Signs, crusherfines, native seed, weed barrier, etc.								
Pedestrian activated solar flashing lights	3	EA	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 30,000.00		\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	0
Pedestrian bridge (C-470, Simms)	280	LF	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 420,000.00		\$ 420,000.00	\$ 420,000.00	0
Wayfinding signage	80	EA	\$ 750.00	\$ 60,000.00		\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	0
Evergreen trees	56	EA	\$ 750.00	\$ 42,000.00		\$ 42,000.00	\$ 42,000.00	0
8' Chain link fence (1-3/4" mesh)	1130	LF	\$ 75.00	\$ 84,750.00		\$ 84,750.00	\$ 84,750.00	0
Benches	20	EA	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	0
USE OF FUNDS - CASH SUBTOTAL					\$ 250,000.00	\$ 2,979,979.00	\$ 3,229,979.00	
*ESTIMATE NUMBER OF CREW HOURS [GRANT AND MATCH] CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE						320	*REQUIRED INPUT	
[IN-KIND] Description of Work	Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total (B*D)			Total Funding (\$)	Balance (should be 0)
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
				\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	0
IN-KIND SUBTOTAL						\$ -	\$ -	
TOTAL PROJECT COST					\$ 250,000.00	\$ 2,979,979.00	\$ 3,229,979.00	
25% REQUIRED MATCH						\$ 62,500.00		

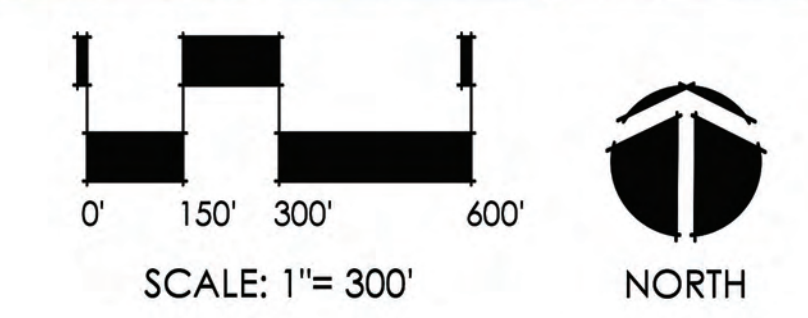
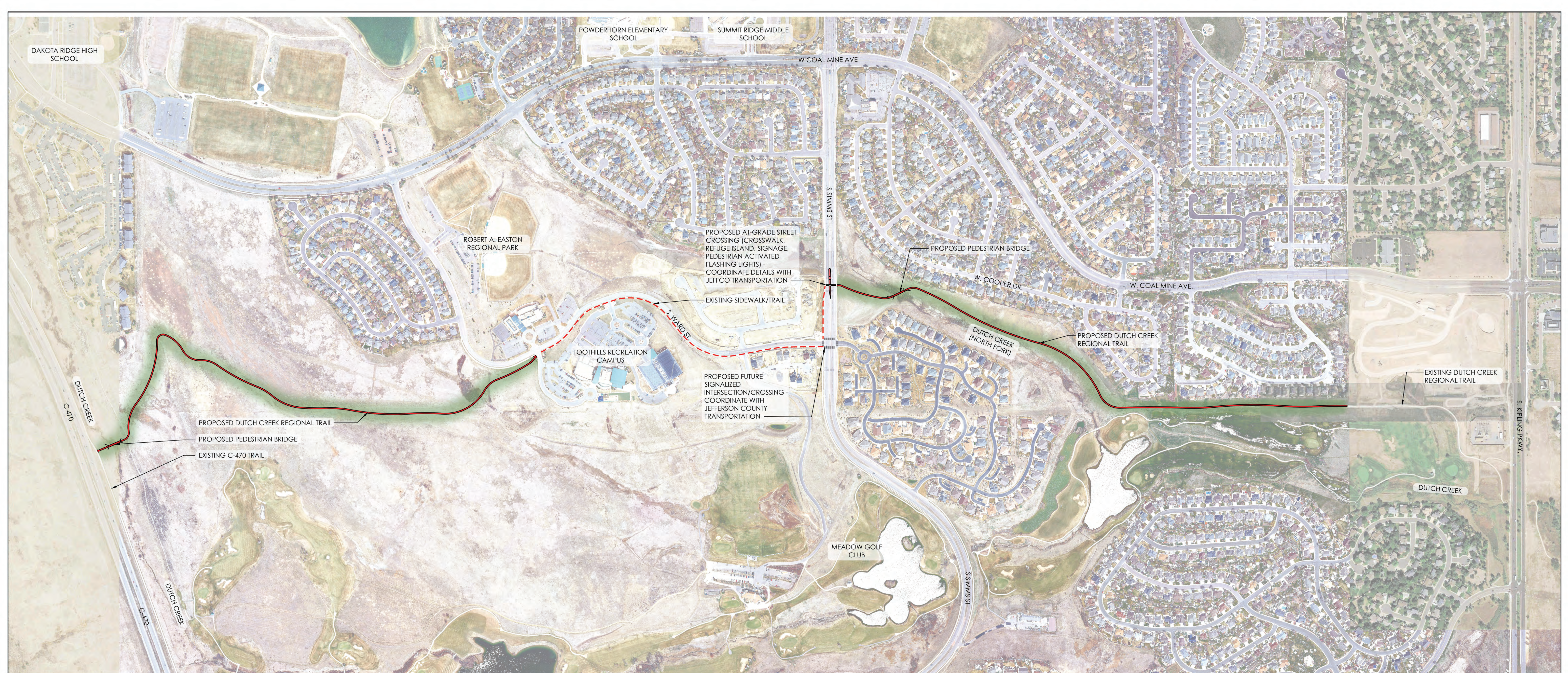
Dutch Creek Regional Trail Vicinity Maps



LEGEND

- Proposed Dutch Creek Regional Trail (Red 'X' symbol)
- Dutch Creek Regional Trail (Yellow wavy line)
- Coal Mine Trail (Orange wavy line)
- C-470 Trail (Green wavy line)
- Centennial Trail (Light Green wavy line)
- Columbine Trail (Purple wavy line)
- High Line Canal Trail (Yellow and black dashed line)
- Kipling Trail (Blue wavy line)
- Mary Carter Greenway Trail (Light Blue wavy line)
- Colorado Front Range Trail (CFRT) (Light Blue wavy line)
- Local trails (various jurisdictions) (Dotted green line)



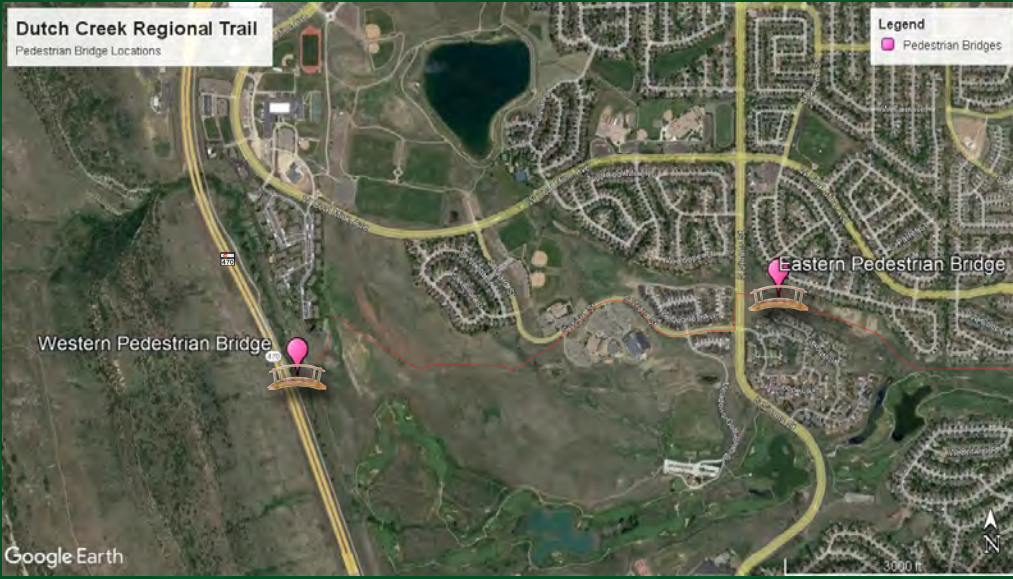


DUTCH CREEK REGIONAL TRAIL - CONCEPTUAL TRAIL ALIGNMENT PLAN

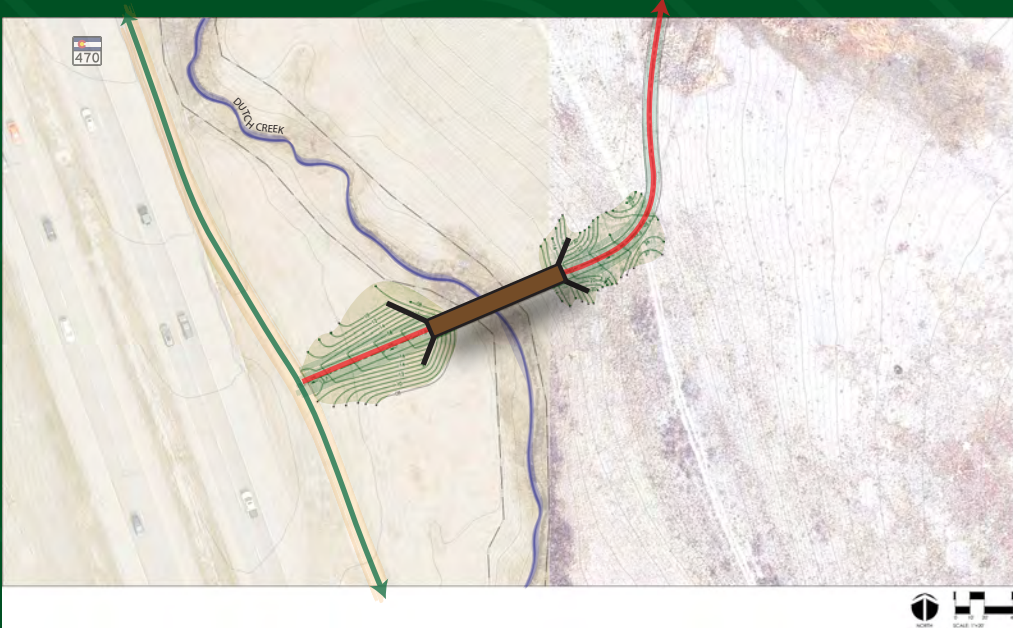
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Dutch Creek Regional Trail



Pedestrian bridges map



Western pedestrian bridge



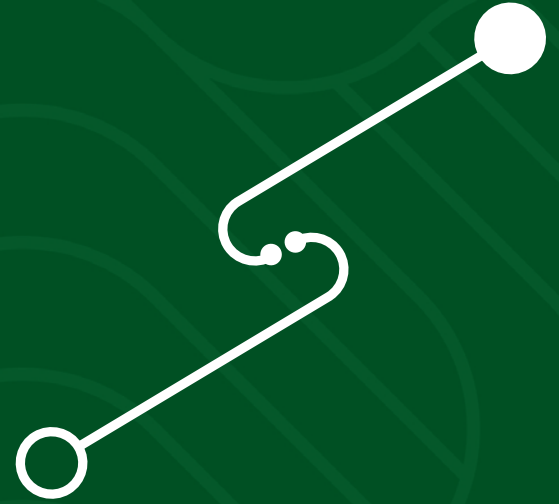
Eastern pedestrian bridge



Dutch Creek Regional Trail



Existing Dutch Creek Regional Trail



Current ending to Dutch Creek Regional Trail west of S. Kipling Pkwy



Site for proposed western trail portion toward C-470



Site for proposed eastern trail portions from S. Simms St.



Foothills
Park & Recreation District



September 23, 2022

Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Non-Motorized Trails Planning and Support Grant Review Committee
State Trails Program
13787 U.S. Highway 85 N.
Littleton, CO 80125

RE: Dutch Creek Regional Trail Connections, Foothills Park and Recreation District

Dear CPW Non-Motorized Trails Grant Review Committee,

Jefferson County Open Space (JCOS) proudly supports Foothills Park and Recreation District's application for a Colorado Parks & Wildlife (CPW) Non-Motorized Trail Construction Grant to construct the final connections along the Dutch Creek Regional Trail. The constructed trail will greatly enhance accessibility for multiple trail user groups to regional trails throughout the area. The first connecting trail will give visitors access to the Dutch Creek greenbelt, the Edge Ice Area, Ridge Recreation Center, Peak Community Wellness Center, Easton Regional Park, and neighborhoods in the Foothills Park and Recreation District. The second connecting trail will tie into the Centennial Trail that runs along C-470 and connects visitors to Chatfield State Park, Green Mountain, Bear Creek Lake Park, the Columbine Trail and the Highline Canal Trail.

Completing the Dutch Creek Regional Trail is a critical component to connecting these destinations within and outside of Foothills Park and Recreation District. A CPW Non-Motorized Trail Construction Grant will help the District accomplish this goal by building the optimal trail alignment across multiple creeks and street crossings. Community outreach has been a key part of the Plan's scope of work to ensure that the many user groups brought together by this endeavor have a chance to provide their input.

Jefferson County Open Space recognizes this trail as an important regional trail connection within the County and has funded 50% of the anticipated projects costs through our Trails Partnership Program. This project is also included in the Jeffco Trails Plan and is an important step in enhancing the multi-modal trail network in and around Foothills Park and Recreation District. Given the urgent need for more safe and accessible trails within Jefferson County, JCOS respectfully urges you to select this application for funding.

Please feel free to contact Rachel Brenna, Trails Program Manager, at 303-271-5991 or rbrenna@jeffco.us if you have questions or need additional information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Hoby".

Tom Hoby, CPRE
Director



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Highway
Administration**

Central Federal Lands Highway Division

12300 West Dakota Avenue
Suite 380A
Lakewood, CO 80228-2583
Office: 720-963-3562
elijah.henley@dot.gov

September 29, 2020

Re: Letter of Support for the Dutch Creek Regional Trail

To Colorado Parks and Wildlife,

The mission of the Federal Lands Highway Division (FLH) is to Improve transportation to and within Federal and Tribal Lands. We work in partnership with Federal Land Management Agencies (FLMAs) to build safe and accessible multimodal access that ensures the many national treasures, within our Federal Lands, can be enjoyed by all.

The US Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) is one of our core partners and the Chatfield Reservoir is one of their facilities. The Dutch Creek Regional Trail is an important transportation asset from a FLH perspective as it provides access to Federal Land and is an important link into a statewide trail system, the Colorado Front Range Trail (CFRT).

In this region, the CFRT provides multi modal transportation running parallel to Colorado State Highway 470 (C 470) as well as through Chatfield State Park. Highway C 470 and the C 470 section of the CFRT provide multimodal travel through the southwest region of the Denver metro area and link into the interstate highway system at via I-25 and I-70.

This proposed project would support FLH's mission to provide safe and accessible multimodal access by providing a more readily available means to access the CFRT and minimize vehicular and pedestrian/bicycle interactions.

I would like to recommend Colorado State Parks considers providing funding to Foothills Park & Recreation District to fund the development of the Dutch Creek Regional Trail for the benefit of the State of Colorado and all its residences and visitors.

Regards,

Transportation Planning Team Lead

September 19, 2022

Sarah McAfee
Parks Volunteer and Operations Coordinator
Foothills Park & Recreation District
3624 S. Kipling Pkwy.
Denver, CO 80235
Subject: Dutch Creek Trail Letter of Support

Dear Sarah,

Bike Jeffco is fully in support of Foothill's Plan to continue the Dutch Creek Regional Trail (DCRT). Our mission is to promote enjoyable and safe cycling in the Jeffco area, and this project is an excellent example of adding low stress bike paths for recreation and transportation.

We have ridden the existing DCRT from Yukon Street to its end point west of Kipling near Meadows Golf Course. It's a beautiful path that needs to be continued! Extending the DCRT path to the C470 bike path will make a vital east/west connection in the area and will be an incredible addition to the existing bike path network. At the crossing of Simms Street, we would recommend that Jeffco install an elevated crosswalk with button activated Rectangular Flashing Beacons.

Good luck to your team in obtaining the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Construction grant.

Best Regards,
Jan Stevenson, Chair
Steve Roe, Secretary
Bike Jeffco
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KEN-CARYL RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

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September 22, 2022

Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Non-Motorized Trail Construction Grant Review Committee
State Trails Program
13787 U.S. Highway 85 N.
Littleton, CO 80125

Dear Grant Review Committee:

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District is pleased to provide this letter of support for the Foothills Parks and Recreation District Dutch Creek Regional Trail Connection project. Ken-Caryl Ranch is a community of approximately 10,000 residents that directly borders the Foothills Parks and Recreation District. The community has two primary areas of development, the Plains, east of C470, and the Valley, west of C470. The District signed an Agreement for Inclusion of Property with the North American Development Group for a sizeable new development of 740 housing units set to bring approximately 2,000 additional residents to the community starting in 2024. The single-family and multi-family components of the development will be directly south of Meadows Golf Course and the western portion of the future Dutch Creek Regional Trail connection.

The completion of the Dutch Creek Regional Trail would greatly enhance the accessibility of the existing and future residents of Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District. Residents currently have access to the existing C470 trail; however, the Dutch Creek Regional Trail Connection would significantly improve access to parks and recreation amenities to the east, including several larger, more specialized public facilities that are not available within Ken-Caryl Ranch (Edge Ice Arena, Ridge Recreation Center, Peak Community & Wellness Center, and Easton Regional Park). The connection will also provide District residents significantly enhanced access to other areas even further outside District boundaries and to the east including the Columbine Trail, the Highline Canal Trail, and other larger regional park and recreation facilities.

The District looks forward to the completion of this trail as it directly benefits current and future residents and their ability to participate in vital outdoor recreation opportunities. Feel free to contact me at 303-979-1876 or via email at traciw@kcranch.org if you have any additional questions. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Traci', is written over a light blue circular stamp.

Traci Wieland, MPA
District Manager

To: Colorado Parks & Wildlife
6060 Broadway
Denver, CO 80216

From: Diane Suchomel
10507-D W Maplewood Dr
Littleton, CO 80127

Re: Support for the extension of the Dutch Creek Regional Trail to the C470 trail

Good Afternoon Colorado Parks & Wildlife,

I've been a resident of Foothills Park & Recreation District for approximately 26 years and have seen many new subdivisions built in this area during that time. With the significant increase in population from the new neighborhoods I've noticed many more people are using the trails and parks in our area. Some days I encounter so many people on the trails that they seem to be too crowded.

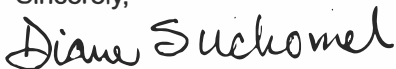
Almost every day I exercise by walking for several hours on the trails and through parks in this area. I routinely use the Dutch Creek trail segments and the C470 trail.. If those trail sections were connected, then I believe the result would be a great improvement to trail accessibility for everyone in our area. In addition, the connection would provide pedestrians and bicycle riders of all ages improved access to the FHPRD facilities on S Ward St.

Currently, there is no intersecting trail along the approximately 2 mile long section of C470 trail that runs between a short distance north of W Ken Caryl Ave and a short distance south of W Bowles Ave. People would have improved access to trails in our area if there was a connection between the C470 trail and a completed Dutch Creek trail.

Over the past years the public bus route service in this area has been drastically reduced. Some of the few remaining bus routes no longer run on Sundays. Consequently, public trail access is even more valuable for residents in our area.

People living in our area greatly appreciate outdoor access in all types of weather and I believe that an extension of the Dutch Creek trail would be beneficial.

Sincerely,



Diane Suchomel

CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE GRANT APPLICATION CHECKLIST



MANDATORY: Dutch Creek Regional Trail Completion Project

Signed letter of resolution from the Governing Body (Board of Directors or Commissioners, City or Town Government, etc.) that states the resources and support committed to the project.

Formal authorization from land manager (federal lands only)

Timeline form has been filled out

Budget uploaded as an unprotected Excel document

Maps/Photos/Graphics uploaded as PDF document(s)

Letters of Support (maximum of five) uploaded. No letters from clubs, groups or individuals who are specifically working on the project. No letters from CPW staff.

Project should be completed within 2.5 years from receiving grant

Required MATCH funding is secured, including CASH match funds. If not secured at time of application, add a note in the comments sections at the bottom of this form.

Scope of work and project location map emailed to CPW Area Manager by September 6, 2022.

Project area is owned by a public land agency or has an easement that designates the area to be open to public outdoor recreation for at least 25 years.

Formal Environmental Assessment (EA) or NEPA (Must be completed prior to applicant presentations in January 2023. Include web link to EA).

Construction projects have been evaluated for required permits. If required, permits have been acquired (404 permit, etc.)

ADDITIONAL PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS:

Youth Corps or youth organization will be used on the project (name of organization)

Volunteers will be utilized on the project (name of organization)

Comments