

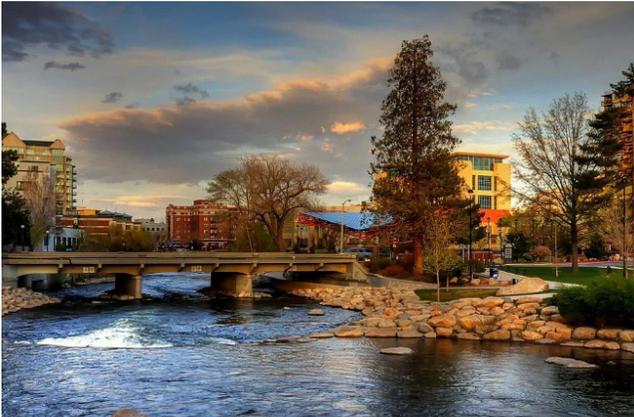
Buena Vista, CO



Salida, CO



Pueblo, CO



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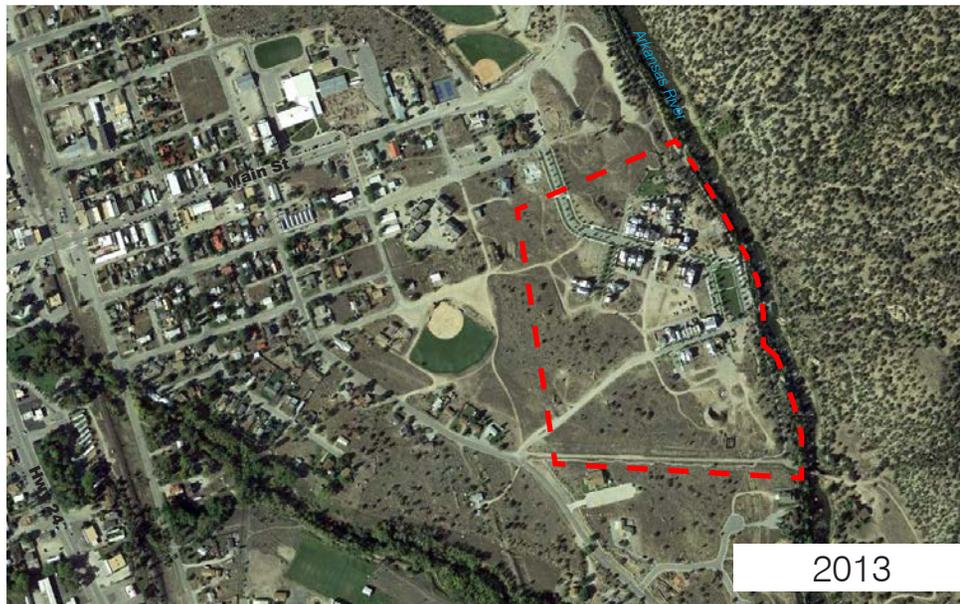


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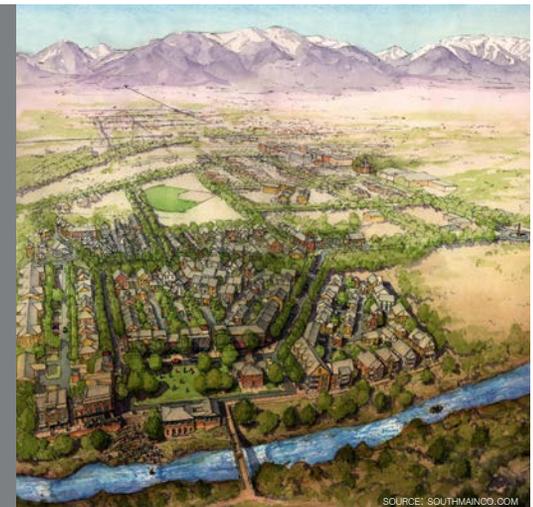
South Main | Buena Vista, Colorado



2006



2013



QUICK FACTS

Pop. of Buena Vista (2010 Census): 2,617

Setting: Southeast End of Main Street

Arkansas River Flows (Mean): 242 - 1,904 CFS

Approx. Cost of Whitewater Park: \$623,842

Total Number of Whitewater Features: 6

Project Area: 41.5-acres

Total Number of Residential Units:

327 - Residential Units
156 - Accessory Dwelling Units
483 - Total Units at Build Out

Total Commercial Space:

No specific limit on the amount of commercial space. The developer estimates that there will be approximately 50,000 - 75,000 square feet of commercial space at build out.

SOUTH MAIN'S STORY

A century ago the Arkansas River was viewed primarily as an industrial resource, and at one time, a garbage dump occupied the site of what is now South Main. Prior to the construction of South Main, the 41.5-acre site was a vacant parcel of land that separated Buena Vista's Main Street from the Arkansas River. Over the years, various developers (none of whom had expressed intentions of providing public access to or along the Arkansas River) had contemplated projects for the riverfront property. Fortunately for the brother and sister team of Jed Selby and Katie Urban (formerly Katie Selby) none of these projects came to fruition. When Jed and Katie discovered that the 41.5-acre parcel was on the market, they quickly took action to acquire the property. The Selby's vision for property was based on their desire to bring all of life's necessities, world class kayaking included, within walking distance of one another. In addition, they wanted to ensure that the Arkansas River was preserved as a public amenity. Jed and Katie drew on the principles of "New Urbanism" to develop their plan for a compact, walkable, mixed-use neighborhood. Jed and Katie donated roughly 2.6-acres of their riverfront property to the Town for a public river park. Today, the Selby's vision for South Main has become a reality. South Main offers a truly unique opportunity for its residents. The resident kayakers of South Main have the opportunity to suit up at home, shoulder their boat, and walk a few minutes to a river park that has six whitewater features. Moreover, the South Main project has truly helped to strengthen the connection between downtown Buena Vista and the Arkansas River.

2003

Jed Selby & Katie Urban purchase 41.5-acre site along Arkansas River.

Public input meetings for the development and river park are held.

2004

Katie Urban applies for GOCO funds, on behalf of the Town, for the first phase of the riverpark.

GOCO awards the Town \$186,975 for the river park.

2005

South Main Development receives approval from the Town.

GOCO funds used to construct three (3) whitewater features and the trail network along the river.

2007

South Main breaks ground on first home.

2008

Katie & Dustin Urban apply for GOCO funds, on behalf of the Town.

GOCO awards the Town \$200,000.

First business opens in South Main.

2009 - 2010

GOCO funds used to construct two (2) additional whitewater features, two (2) rock climbing boulders and other river park improvements.

Eddyline Restaurant & Brewery opens.

2012

New riverside venue "The Beach" opens. Free summer concert series held at "The Beach."

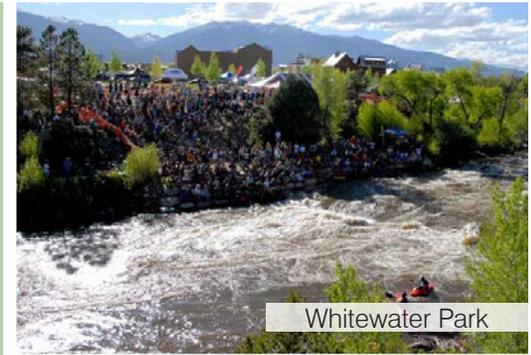
2014

"The Surf Chateau," a 20-room boutique hotel opens.

South Main | Buena Vista, Colorado

KEY ELEMENTS

1. Whitewater Park
2. Riverbank Improvements
3. Crusher fines Trail Network along Arkansas River & connections across river to trails on BLM lands east of Town
4. Improved Public Access to the Arkansas River
5. Unique Public Spaces
 - Boulder Garden
 - Park with outdoor living room
 - "The Beach"
6. South Main Design Incorporates Principles of New Urbanism
 - Compact, Walkable, Mixed-Use Development
 - Diversity in housing types
 - Community gathering spaces
7. Emphasis on Vernacular Architecture
8. Focus on connecting the Town to the Arkansas River



Whitewater Park



Outdoor Living Room



Boulder Garden



Vernacular Architecture



"The Beach"

FUNDING

Colorado Lottery

Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO)

\$186,975 awarded for three (3) whitewater features and crusher fines trail network along river.

\$200,000 awarded for two (2) additional whitewater features, two (2) rock climbing boulders and other riverpark improvements.

Conservation Trust Fund

Parks & Wildlife/Greenway

Town of Buena Vista

Contributed a total of ~\$53,000 and Staff Time

Developer

Donated riverfront land to the Town.

The developer has also contributed ~\$76,000 cash and in-kind donations exceeding \$100,000.

Chaffee County

Contributed a total of \$10,000

Community Organizations

Local kayaking organization raised a total of ~\$35,000

KEY PARTNERS

Jed Selby & Katie Urban

Colorado Lottery

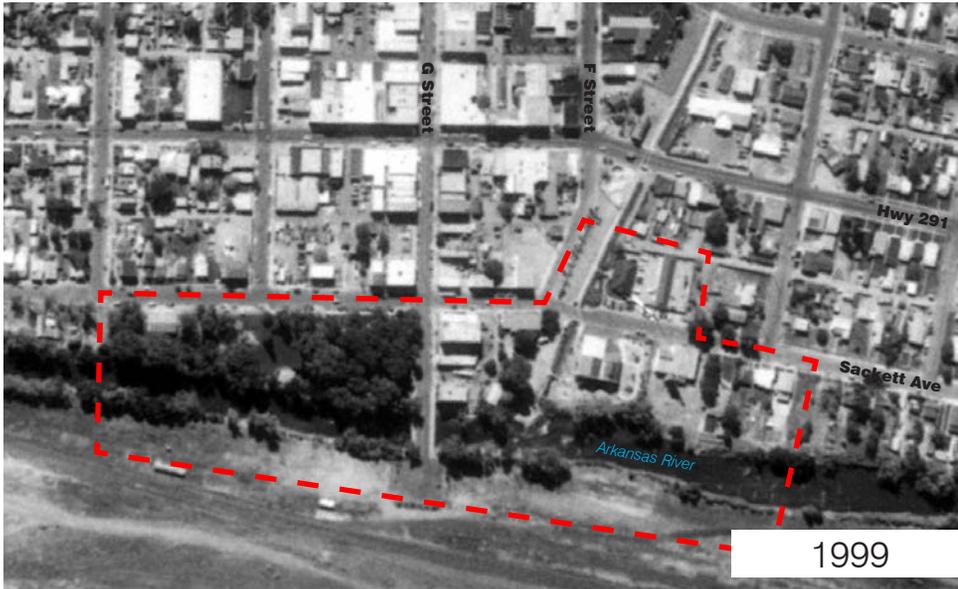
Town of Buena Vista

Chaffee County

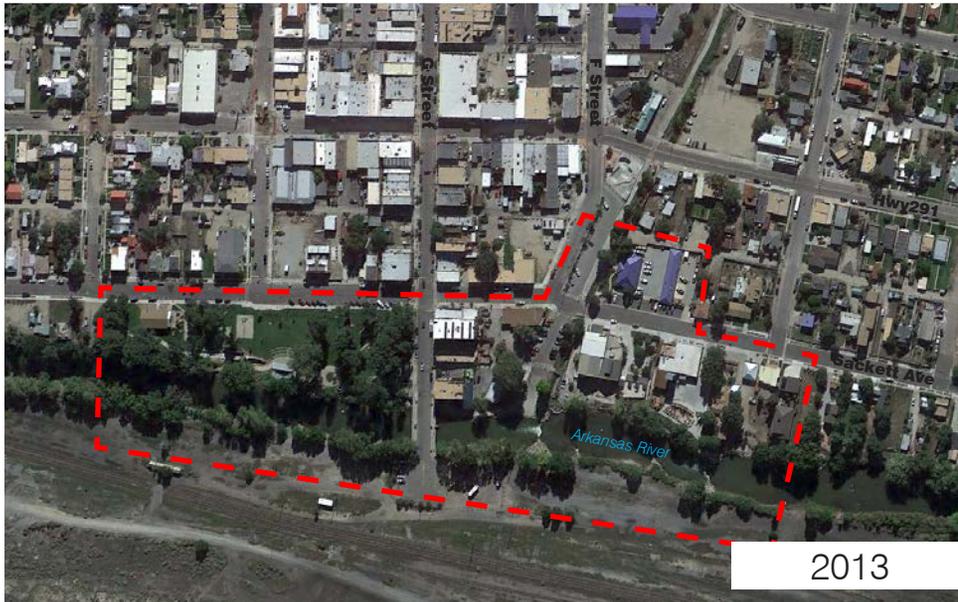
Buena Vista Whitewater Park Committee

Local Businesses

Salida River Park | Salida, Colorado



1999



2013

1999

2000

2003

2005

2007

2010

2011

2012

The Arkansas River Trust, a non-profit organization, is formed with the intent of transforming the Arkansas River corridor through downtown Salida.

Salida Whitewater Park project is initiated.

Construction of first, two (2) whitewater features in Salida Whitewater Park completed.

Major renovation of Riverside Park, including renovation of the Outdoor Amphitheater, is completed.

Expansion and renovations to the SteamPlant Theater & Events Center are completed.

Today, the SteamPlant Theater & Events Center serves as the hub for Salida's "Creative District."

Construction of two (2) additional whitewater features in Salida Whitewater Park completed.

Improvements made to Riverside Park, Riverwalk and downtown boat ramp.

Salida's "Creative District" is officially formed.

Salida's historic downtown selected as one of only two inaugural "Certified Creative Districts" in Colorado by Colorado Creative Industries, or CCI, a division of the State's Office of Economic Development and International Trade.

QUICK FACTS

Pop. of Salida (2010 Census): 5,236

Setting: Downtown Salida

Arkansas River Flows (Mean): 242 - 1,904 CFS

Approx. Cost of Whitewater Park: \$794,000

Total Number of Whitewater Features: 4

SALIDA'S STORY

Salida, Colorado has implemented successful placemaking with their riverfront revitalization. What started out as a kayaker's dream to improve the river experience in his hometown has transformed into an extensive riverfront amenity complete with a whitewater park, pedestrian and bicycle trails, creative bank terracing, a renovated community theater/conference center, outdoor amphitheater, rock climbing wall and restaurants lining the banks of the Arkansas River. Downtown Salida was recently designated as a "Creative District" which has added to the creative placemaking elements along the riverfront with live music often daily playing in area venues, sculptures throughout town and an Art Walk every month. Once a year, Salida holds its FIBark Festival on the riverfront which draws not only international whitewater sport competitors but also regional tourists to watch the showmanship. The riverfront in Salida blends a unique combination of creative and recreational placemaking to make it a desired place to be for people with varying interests.



Salida River Park | Salida, Colorado

KEY ELEMENTS

1. Whitewater Park
2. Paved Riverwalk
3. Riverside Park
 - Outdoor Amphitheater
 - Climbing Wall
4. Boat Ramp & Restrooms
5. Riverbank Improvements
6. Improved Public Access to the Arkansas River
7. SteamPlant Theater & Events Center

1. Riverwalk
2. Salida Whitewater Park
3. Riverside Park
4. SteamPlant Theater & Events Center
5. Colorado Parks & Wildlife Office
6. Salida Skateboard Park



SteamPlant Theater & Events Center



Riverwalk



Riverpark



Riverside Park

FUNDING

Arkansas River Trust

Colorado Lottery

Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO)
\$270,150 awarded for Arkansas River Whitewater Park & Greenway

Conservation Trust Fund
\$28,526 awarded for Riverside Park improvements

Parks & Wildlife/Greenway

City of Salida

Donations from Local Contractors

KEY PARTNERS

Arkansas River Trust
(Non-Profit Organization)

City of Salida

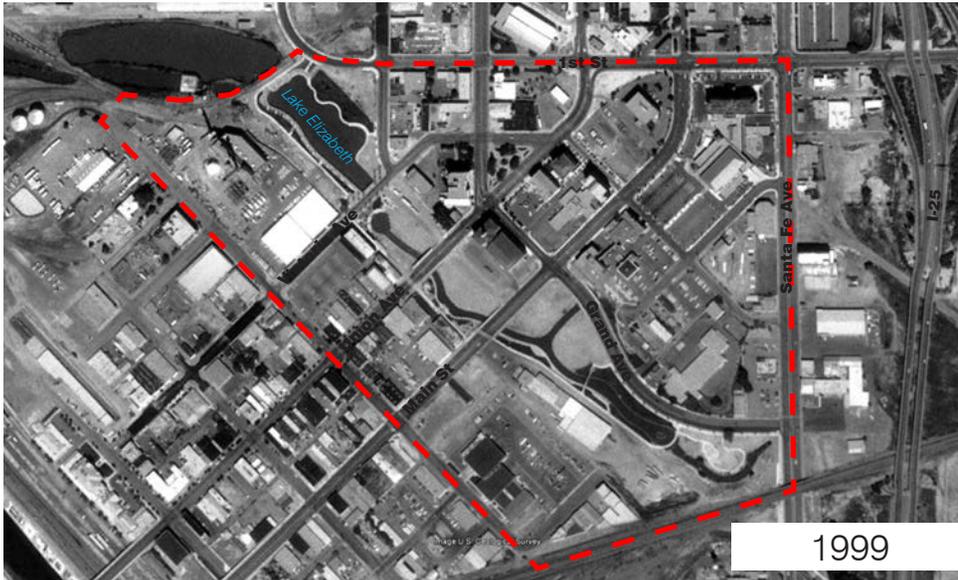
Chaffee County

Colorado Lottery

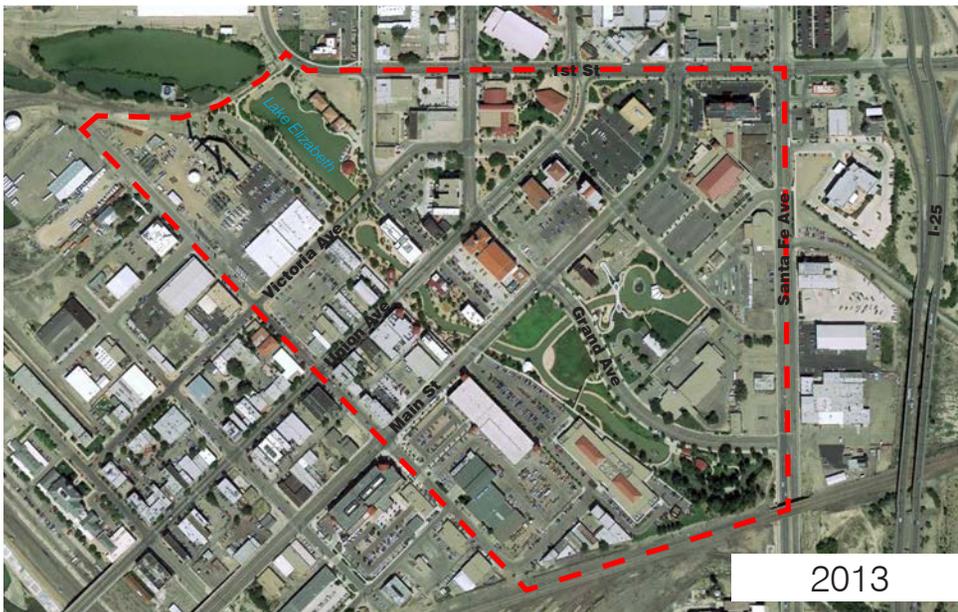
Recreation Engineering & Planning

Historic Arkansas Riverwalk

Pueblo, Colorado



1999



2013

QUICK FACTS

Pop. of Pueblo (2010 Census): 106,595

Setting: Downtown Pueblo

Project Area: 32 acres

Approx. Cost of Riverwalk: \$12,500,000



PUEBLO'S STORY

Prior to the early 1920's, the Arkansas River flowed through the heart of downtown Pueblo. In the summer of 1921, major flooding of the Arkansas River devastated downtown Pueblo and the river was subsequently diverted away from the downtown area. The 1920's to early 1980's saw Pueblo emerge as a steel town and downtown Pueblo evolved into a primarily industrial part of the City. With the steel crash and depression of 1982, Pueblo experienced a major downturn in its economy. Consequently, downtown Pueblo became an area of significant blight. In 1991, the Historic Arkansas River Taskforce was founded. That same year, the Taskforce presented a plan for a downtown Riverwalk to the City. The vision for the plan was to divert a portion of the Arkansas River back to its historic course through downtown Pueblo and to construct a Riverwalk, along this portions of the river, in order to spur economic development and revitalization of downtown Pueblo. The Riverwalk plan that was presented to the City was modeled closely after the famous San Antonio River Walk in San Antonio, TX. In 1995, the citizens of Pueblo voted to approve a \$12.85 million bond issue for the construction of the Riverwalk. Construction of the Riverwalk began in 1996 and the Grand Opening was held in 2000. Today, the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk is a 1.5-mile outdoor Riverwalk located in downtown Pueblo. Amenities along the Riverwalk include Lake Elizabeth, fountains, plazas, several iconic bridges and an outdoor amphitheater. There are a variety of civic buildings, office buildings, condominiums, hotels and restaurants that have located along the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk. According to the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority Annual Report, the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk attracts roughly 450,000 visitors each year. The Historic Arkansas Riverwalk has transformed downtown Pueblo and according to some has become the "heart & soul" of the City. The Riverwalk has been vital in attracting new businesses (ex. international headquarters for the Professional Bullriders Association) to Pueblo's downtown and has helped to stabilize the City's economic base.



2000



2007



2014

1921

Prior to 1921, the Arkansas River flows through the heart of Downtown Pueblo.

In 1921, flooding of the Arkansas River devastates Downtown Pueblo. The Arkansas River is diverted away from Downtown.

1991

Historic Arkansas River Taskforce is created.

Plans for a Downtown Riverwalk are presented to the City. The plans are modeled closely after the famous riverwalk in San Antonio, TX.

1995

Historic Arkansas Riverwalk of Pueblo (HARP) foundation formed.

The citizens of Pueblo pass a bond issue for \$12.85 million for the construction of the Riverwalk.

1996

Groundbreaking of the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk.

The Riverwalk project is to be built out in six phases.

2009 - 2010

Third Phase of the Riverwalk is completed.

Center for American Values opens.

Veterans Bridge completed.

2012

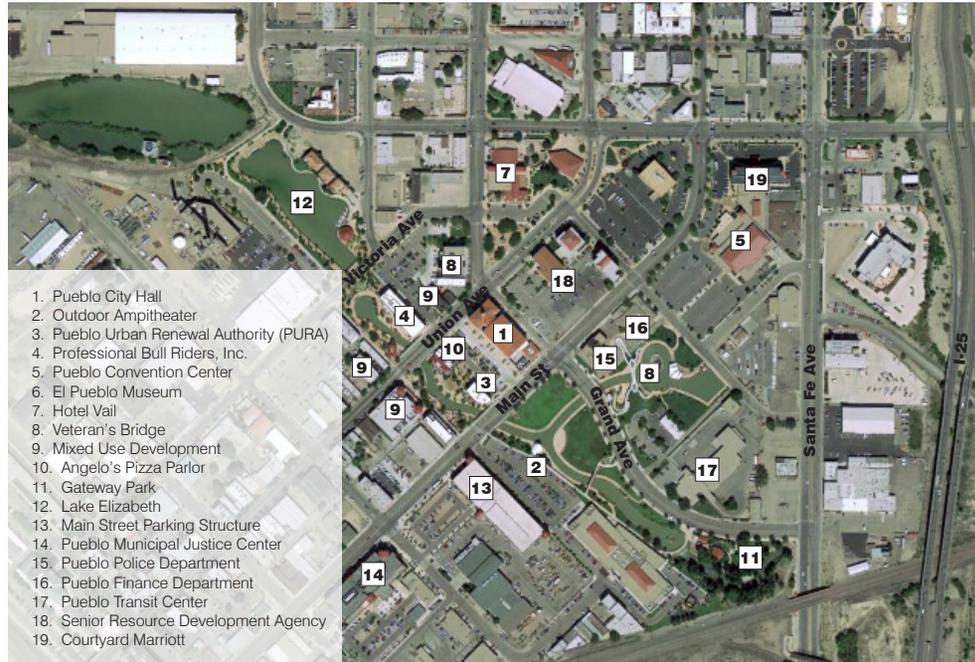
Pueblo selected for the state's first Regional Tourism Act (RTA) grant.

Expansion of the Riverwalk receives approval. Expansion of the Riverwalk includes the addition of an Exhibit Hall to the Pueblo Convention Center.

Historic Arkansas Riverwalk | Pueblo, Colorado

KEY ELEMENTS

- 1.5-mile Outdoor Urban Riverwalk
- Outdoor Ampitheater
- Civic Buildings located adjacent to Riverwalk
 - City Hall
 - Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority (PURA)
 - Pueblo Municipal Justice Center
 - Pueblo Finance Department
 - Pueblo Transit Center
 - Pueblo Police Department
- Convention Center located near Riverwalk
- Public Spaces along Riverwalk
- Emphasis on Placemaking
- Mixed Use Development
- Emphasis on Redevelopment adjacent to the Riverwalk
- Lake Elizabeth



- Pueblo City Hall
- Outdoor Ampitheater
- Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority (PURA)
- Professional Bull Riders, Inc.
- Pueblo Convention Center
- El Pueblo Museum
- Hotel Vail
- Veteran's Bridge
- Mixed Use Development
- Angelo's Pizza Parlor
- Gateway Park
- Lake Elizabeth
- Main Street Parking Structure
- Pueblo Municipal Justice Center
- Pueblo Police Department
- Pueblo Finance Department
- Pueblo Transit Center
- Senior Resource Development Agency
- Courtyard Marriott



Outdoor Ampitheater



Riverwalk



Placemaking



Civic Buildings

FUNDING

City of Pueblo

Citizens voted to approve a \$12.85 million bond issue in 1995.

Historic Arkansas Riverwalk of Pueblo (HARP)

Non-Profit Organization that spearheads fundraising efforts for the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk

Pueblo County

Pueblo Water Conservancy District

Colorado Lottery

Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO)

\$1,000,000 awarded for Historic Arkansas River Legacy

\$575,000 awarded for Historic Arkansas Riverwalk Project

\$100,000 awarded for Lake Elizabeth Urban Park

Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority (PURA)

Regional Tourism Act (RTA) Grant

City of Pueblo awarded RTA Grant to implement the City's tourism plan, which centers around the expansion of the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk. RTA Grant is worth up to \$43 million.

KEY PARTNERS

City of Pueblo

Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority (PURA)

City Center Partnership

Historic Arkansas Riverwalk of Pueblo (HARP)

(Non-Profit Organization)

Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce

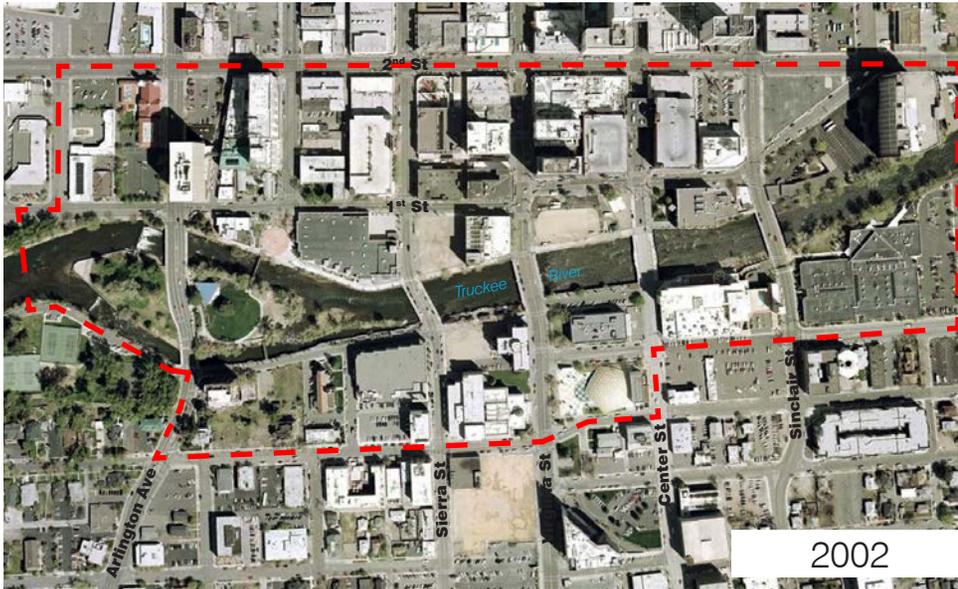
Pueblo Convention Center

Pueblo Economic Development Corporation (PEDCO)

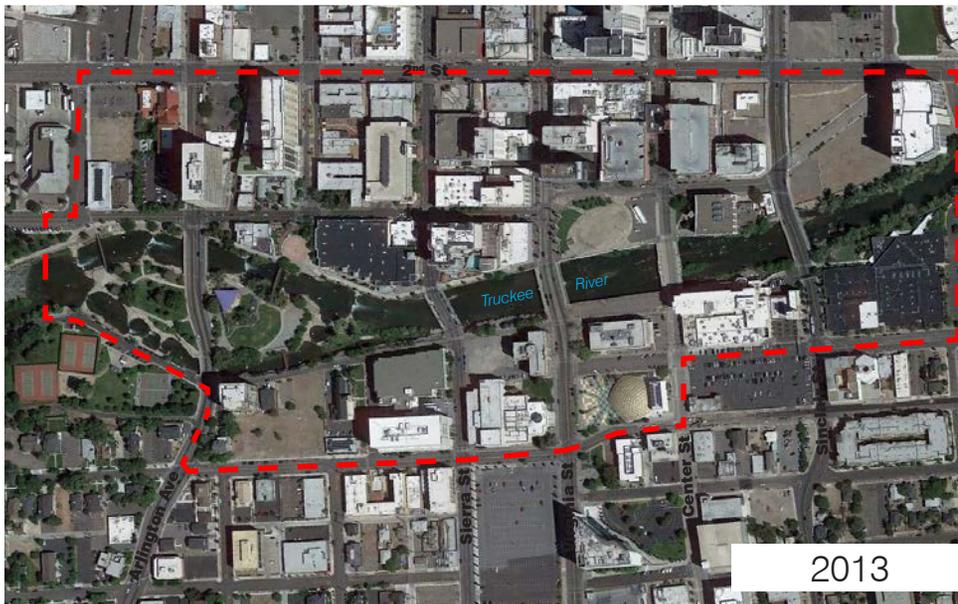
Pueblo Water Conservancy District

Colorado Lottery

Reno Riverwalk District | Reno, Nevada



2002



2013

QUICK FACTS

Pop. of Reno (2010 Census): 225,221

Setting: Downtown Reno

Truckee River Flows (Mean): 265 - 1,456 CFS

Approx. Cost of Whitewater Park: \$1,500,000

Total Number of Whitewater Features: 11



RENO'S STORY

In the late 1800's, the City of Reno was founded next to the first bridge built to cross the Truckee River. As the City grew and became known for its gaming and nightlife, the Truckee River took a back seat to the glitz and glamour of Downtown Reno. For much of the 1900's the river corridor was ignored by the City and the image along the banks of the Truckee River began to deteriorate and suffer. It wasn't until 1991, when the Raymond I. Smith Truckee Riverwalk was built, that the City began to refocus its energy on revitalization of the river corridor and the Downtown areas adjacent to the river. The construction of the Riverwalk served as one of the primary catalyst for the revitalization and redevelopment efforts that have helped to transform Downtown Reno. A variety of redevelopment projects have been completed since the Riverwalk was built. These projects include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Century Riverside 12 Theater (1999)
- West Street Plaza (1999)
- City Hall Plaza (2000)
- Renovation of Riverside Hotel Artist Lofts (2000)
- Truckee River Whitewater Kayak Park (2003)
- Relocation of Reno City Hall (2004)
- Renovation of The Residences at Riverwalk, formerly the Comstock Hotel and Casino (2004)
- Palladio (2007)
- West Street Market (2008)

Today, Reno's Downtown Riverwalk District is commonly defined as the area spanning the Truckee River between Arlington Avenue and Lake Street. The Downtown Riverwalk features dozen of restaurants, pubs, museums, galleries, retail shops, boutiques, salons and lounges.

With the construction of the Riverwalk in the early 1990's a group of residents and business owners established the Riverwalk Merchants Association. The Riverwalk Merchants Association is group of local business owners that strive to preserve the rich culture and heritage of Reno's most historic district. The Riverwalk Merchants Association holds monthly and annual events in the Riverwalk District that help to generate funding for the continued revitalization of Downtown Reno.

1991

Raymond I. Smith Truckee Riverwalk opens.

1997

Local Sierra Arts Foundation partnered with Artspace, a Minneapolis-based developer of historic properties, to convert the original Riverside Hotel into 35 low-income artist lofts.

1999

Nevada Commission on Tourism (NCOT) explore possibility of building whitewater park in downtown Reno. West Street Plaza is completed. First major redevelopment project adjacent to the Riverwalk is completed. The building constructed becomes home to the Century Riverside 12 Theater.

2000

Renovation of Riverside Hotel completed. Riverside Hotel re-opens as the Riverside Artist Lofts, a 35-unit co-op apartment complex.

2002

Truckee Meadows Water Authority Board of Directors agrees to pay \$1.5-million to build the whitewater park. Nevada voters pass a \$232-million statewide ballot measure for improvements projects around the state. \$10-million was allocated for improvements to the Truckee River in Washoe County.

2003

Reno City Hall relocates to new location adjacent to Truckee River (One East 1st Street). Truckee River Whitewater Park completed and opens.

2004

Inagural Reno River Festival held. The Inagural Reno River Festival attracts roughly 14,000 people.

2008

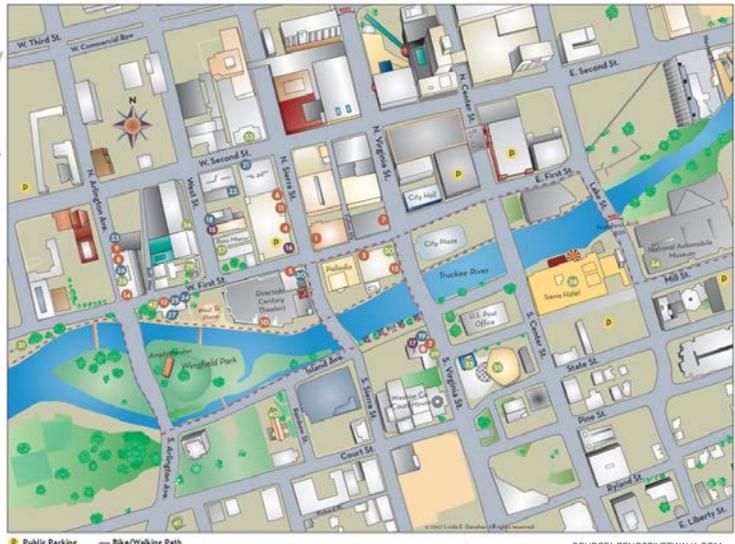
West Street Market, a Reno Redevelopment Agency project, opens. Attendance at the Reno River Festival reaches roughly 40,000.

Reno Riverwalk District | Reno, Nevada

KEY ELEMENTS

1. Raymond I. Smith Truckee Riverwalk
2. Whitewater Park
3. Wingfield Park
 - Outdoor Amphitheater
4. Paved Trail Network along Truckee River
5. Improved Public Access to Truckee River
6. Public Spaces adjacent to Truckee River
 - City Plaza
 - Bicentennial Park
 - Wingfield Park
 - Barbara Bennett Park
7. Riverbank Improvements
8. Emphasis on Redevelopment/Revitalization of properties in and adjacent to the Reno Riverwalk District

- SHOP**
- 100 N. Sierra Antiques
Antique Mall
100 N. Sierra St. • 330-9444
 - Bantu Spirit S
Sculpture, Paintings & Gifts
11 S. Virginia St. Ste. 140
337-7717
 - De Abundant
Home Accessories
44 W. First St. • 332-9336
 - Cavanaugh's S
Upscale Home Furnishings
135 N. Sierra St. Ste. B
333-7764
 - Dharma Books S
Used & Rare
11 N. Sierra St. Ste. 107
Entrance on First St.
786-8667
 - Downtown Marketplace S
Neighborhood Market & Deli
100 N. Virginia St. Ste. 1-A
348-8861
 - Elzyre Jewellers S
Jewelry, Gifts & Gallery
119 N. Virginia St. • 330-8887
 - The Far East Corner S
Boutique Home Decor, Gifts
100 N. Arlington Ave.
Ste. 101 • 332-4423
 - La Terra Verde S
Eco-Friendly Boutique
100 N. Arlington Ave.
Ste. 102 • 287-9181
 - Parasols on the Silverwalk S
Women's Boutique
11 N. Sierra St. Ste. 103
333-0773
 - River Gallery
Fine Art & Custom Framing
334-2298
 - Sasha's Boutique of Reno
Women's Fashion
250 W. First St. • 332-4555
- EAT**
- Spring in Your Step S
Seasonally Sweets
3 N. Virginia St. • 337-0333
 - The World Boardshop S
Skate Apparel, Skateboards/Surf
100 N. Arlington Ave.
Ste. 100 • 855-3053
 - Beaujolais Bistro
Provençal French Cuisine
130 West St. • 332-0227
 - Silver Peak Grill & Taproom
Restaurant and Brewery
135 N. Sierra St. • 284-3300
 - Wild River Grille S
Creative, Casual Cuisine
11 S. Virginia St. • 800-707
- DRINK**
- 5 Star Saloon S
Downtown's Oldest Bar
132 West St. • 330-0878
 - Dreamer's Coffee House
Dining and Entertainment
71 S. Virginia St. • 330-8020
 - Divine Ultra Lounge
Dining and Spirits
95 N. Sierra St. • 330-8088
 - Electronic Express S
Internet Cafe & Lounge
134 W. Second St. • 332-7587
 - Green Room
Theater & Lounge
144 West St. • 334-7224
 - Imperial Bar & Lounge
Gastropub
150 N. Arlington Ave.
334-0399
 - Java Jungle S
Coffee House & Deli
144 W. First St. • 330-4474
 - Jungle Vine S
Fine Wine and Food
148 W. First St. • 339-4474



SOURCE: RENORIVERWALK.COM



Whitewater Park



Wingfield Park



Redevelopment/Revitalization

Public Space



Riverwalk

FUNDING

Statewide Ballot Measure
\$1.5 million allocated for Truckee River Whitewater Park.

Reno Redevelopment Agency
Has contributed land and/or funding to a variety of redevelopment projects in and adjacent to the Riverwalk District.

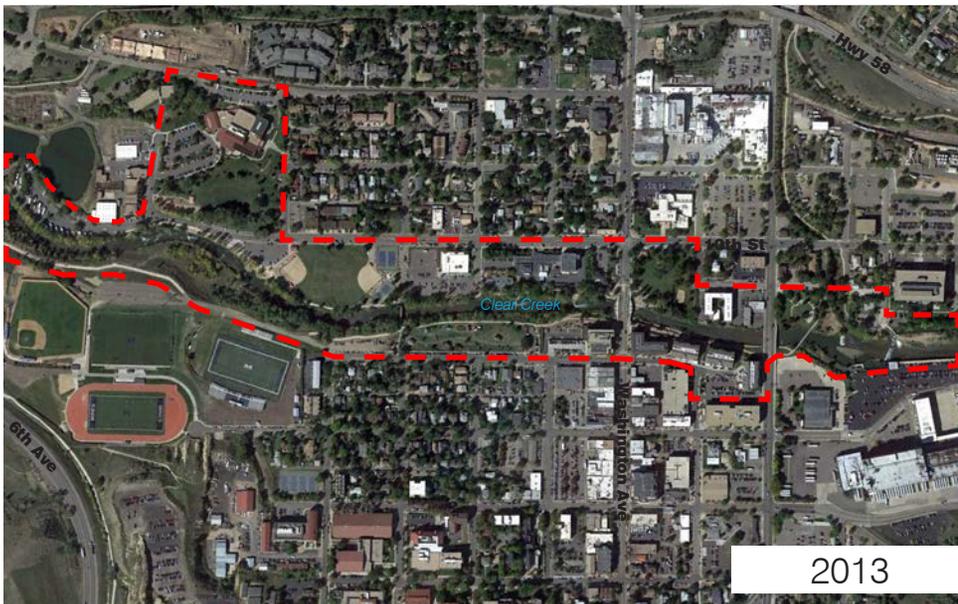
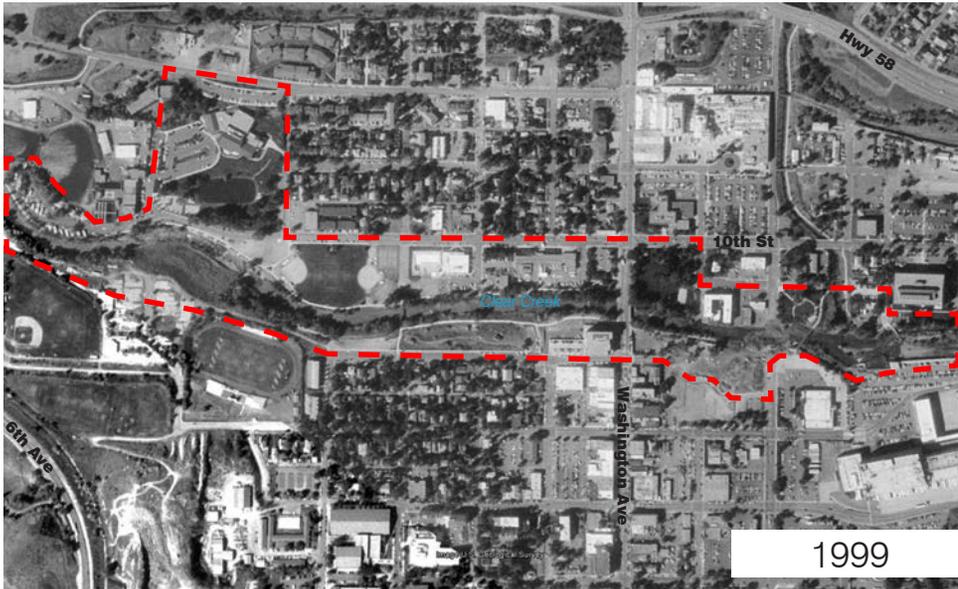
City of Reno
The City has contributed to the redevelopment/revitalization of the Riverwalk District in a variety of ways. One of the notable contributions made by the Reno City Council was a \$500,000 loan that helped to allow for the construction of the Truckee River Whitewater Park to proceed, while the State bond funds were being secured.

Local Businesses
Harrah's Reno Hotel & Casino and The Eldorado each loaned \$500,000 (interest free and unsecured) to allow for the construction of the Truckee River Whitewater Park to proceed, while the State bond funds were being secured.

KEY PARTNERS

- City of Reno
- Reno Redevelopment Agency
- State of Nevada
- Local Businesses
- Recreation Engineering & Planning
- Riverwalk Merchants Association

Clear Creek Whitewater Park | Golden, Colorado



QUICK FACTS

Pop. of Golden (2010 Census): 18,867

Setting: Downtown Golden

Clear Creek Flows (Mean): 43 - 745 CFS

Approx. Cost of Whitewater Park: \$342,000

Total Number of Whitewater Features: 13



GOLDEN'S STORY

The Clear Creek Whitewater Park, located in downtown Golden, was one of the first, engineered, urban whitewater parks in the United States. As one of the first whitewater parks constructed, Golden's park has served as a template for many of the other whitewater parks that have been built around the U.S. In 1998, the first, seven drop structures were built in the Clear Creek Whitewater Park. In 2002, an additional, six drop structures were completed. A study published by Stratus Consulting's in December of 2000, titled, "Preliminary Evaluation of the Beneficial Value of Waters Diverted in the Clear Creek Whitewater Park in the City of Golden," estimated the economic benefits of the Clear Creek Whitewater Park to be somewhere between \$1.36 million and \$2.03 million annually. As a public amenity, the Clear Creek Whitewater Park is free for all to use and therefore generates no direct revenue for the City. The increase in municipal revenue comes from increased visitor numbers and increased visitor spending.

The Clear Creek Whitewater Park has served as more than just a model for whitewater park design. The Clear Creek Whitewater Park and the City of Golden helped shape the modern water rights landscape in the western U.S. Although whitewater parks are a non-consumptive use of water, these parks do require that a certain amount of water flow through them. Farmers, ranchers, developers and other municipalities are among those who have a strong interest in the scarce water resources in the western U.S. Many of these folks view the allowance of water rights for recreational purposes as a major threat to their interests. In 2001, despite opposition from the State, the City of Golden won a decision from the Colorado Supreme Court that guaranteed minimum flows for the Clear Creek Whitewater Park. The Colorado Supreme Court ruling set a precedent as it established, for the first time, that recreation was as beneficial a use as agriculture, industry and development. The Supreme Court's ruling has made the acquisition of non-consumptive water rights, for recreational purposes, a much simpler task and has allowed other communities to obtain guaranteed flows for their own whitewater parks.

Today, the Clear Creek Whitewater Park offers 13 whitewater features, gates for slalom kayak training and competitions, a paved trail network along Clear Creek, a History Park, in addition to a variety of other public amenities. The Whitewater Park has truly become the centerpiece to downtown Golden. In fact, the Clear Creek Whitewater Park has become so popular during the summer months that the City of Golden has had to implement measures, such as the installation of fencing along sections of the riverbank, in order to protect Clear Creek.

1998

Construction of first, seven (7) whitewater features in Clear Creek Whitewater Park completed.

2000

A study published by Stratus Consulting estimates that the Clear Creek Whitewater Park attracts around 40,000 visitors per year and contributes anywhere from \$1.36 million to \$2.03 million to Golden's economy, annually.

2001

A landmark Colorado Supreme Court case affirmed the City of Golden's right to protect recreational peak flows from diversion for agricultural and other purposes.

2002

Construction of six (6) additional whitewater features in Clear Creek Whitewater Park completed.

2006

Construction of 78-unit condominium project along Clear Creek (Millstone at Clear Creek Square) begins.

2007

Construction of 78-unit condominium project along Clear Creek (Millstone at Clear Creek Square) completed.

2011

Clear Creek Corridor Master Plan completed.

2014

Clear Creek Management Plan completed.

The Clear Creek Management Plan is a result of the impacts from the unprecedented number of people who visited Golden and the Clear Creek Park in the summer of 2012.

Clear Creek Whitewater Park | Golden, Colorado

KEY ELEMENTS

1. Whitewater Park
2. Paved Trail Network along Clear Creek
3. Improved Public Access to Clear Creek
4. Riverbank Improvements
5. History Park
6. Public Spaces adjacent to Clear Creek
7. Clear Creek RV Park
8. Emphasis on Redevelopment in Downtown Golden and adjacent to Clear Creek



Final Master Plan:

- 1 **Lion's Park**
 - Large picnic shelter
 - Small picnic areas
 - Restroom
 - Updated playground
 - Connected multi-use green space in Lion's Park
 - Natural fountain/creek diversion
 - Removal of pond
 - 2 **RV Park**
 - RV parking narrowed at pinch point to alleviate trail conflict
 - Potential loss of 2 RV spaces
 - Length requirements on reconfigured spaces
 - 3 **Community Garden**
 - Remains in existing location with modifications for 8th Street connection
 - 4 **Tennis**
 - Two courts
 - 5 **Kayak**
 - Two areas - Eastern area having an inflatable structure
 - Trailer parking relocated east of Water Treatment Plant
 - Kayak parking for east area downtown via new bridge connection
 - Drop-off at the end of Cheyenne Street and at 10th & Maple
 - 6 **Ballfields**
 - Reconfiguration two multi-use fields
 - No permanent outfield fences
 - 7 **Active Use Areas**
 - Options include tennis, skate elements or volleyball
 - 8 **Interpretive Native Gardens**
 - 9 **History Museum relocated to History Park**
 - 10 **Mini-Park / Green Space & Parking Lot on 11th**
 - Distribution of Parking
 - 11 **Civic Buildings**
 - May relocate downtown in long term plan - either accommodated
 - Library parking lot reconfigured to allow for more space at creek
 - 12 **Bridge Connection at Jackson St.**
 - Boardwalk south of the apartments and Golden Mills
 - Bridge connection to Downtown Parking Garages
 - 13 **Bandshell in Parfet Park**
 - 14 **Vanover Park**
 - Contemplative Space in the corridor
- Trails**
- 3 separated trails: narrow soft path, bike lane, pedestrian
 - Connected in tight areas
 - Separated from festival areas (at Lion's Park and Civic Buildings)
 - Improved to meet ADA standards
 - Boardwalk connection from Parfet to Vanover
 - Improved access through Parfet to Vanover
 - Clearly marking bridge corridors to Downtown
- Roadway**
- Green Street and wayfinding improvements on 10th, 11th, 8th, Ford and Arapahoe
 - 10th realigned to north in Lion's Park (with buffering for 9th Street)
 - Secondary connection to 8th
- Parking**
- Improved connection/views from trail to creek
 - No decrease in parking from existing courts
 - Distribution of some parking to "mini-park" and 10th Street
- Creek Edge**
- Improve connection/views from trail to creek
 - Overlooks and seating areas near Washington
 - Event space at creek edge in Lion's Park (separated from trail conflict)
 - Maximum 2 creek access points on South side via soft path
 - Improved seating & viewing areas (both ADA & informal at creek edge)
 - Meas for informal seating & spectating
- * Future Public Works office space "Blue Building" - surrounding areas and parking to be designed during the site planning phase of this building.
- SOURCE: CLEAR CREEK CORRIDOR MASTER PLAN



FUNDING

City of Golden

Golden Urban Renewal Authority (GURA)

Has contributed land and funding to redevelopment projects adjacent to Clear Creek and in downtown Golden.

Colorado Lottery

Great Outdoors Colorado
\$134,100 awarded for Clear Creek Trail

Conservation Trust Fund
\$177,086 awarded for Clear Creek Whitewater Park

Parks & Wildlife/Greenway
\$37,700 awarded for Clear Creek Trail

KEY PARTNERS

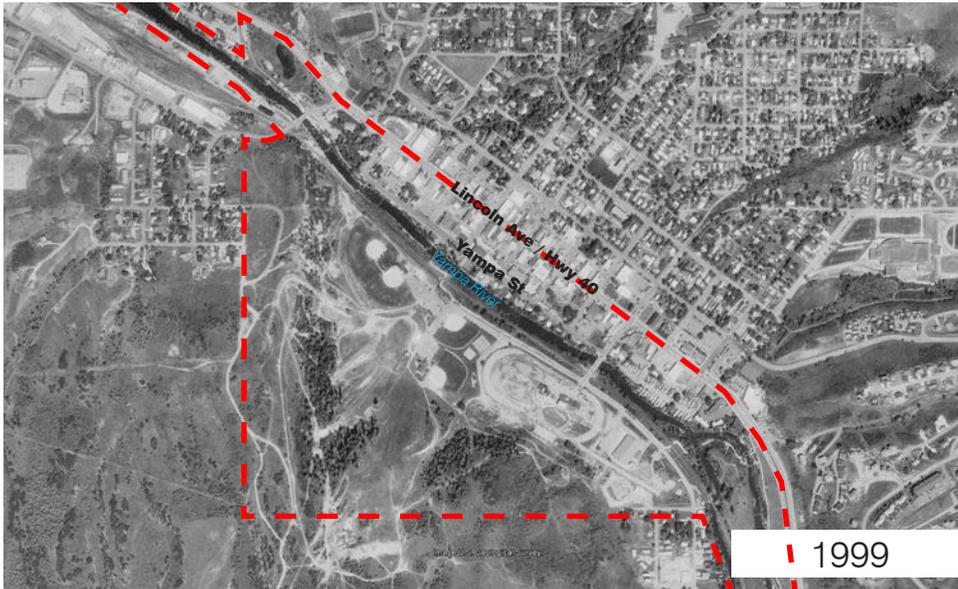
City of Golden

Golden Urban Renewal Authority (GURA)

Colorado Lottery

Recreation Engineering & Planning

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1999



2014

QUICK FACTS

Pop. of Steamboat (2010 Census): 12,088

Setting: Downtown Steamboat

Yampa River Flows (Mean): 101 - 1,770 CFS

Approx. Cost of "D-Hole": \$17,000, in addition to labor & material donations from local contractors

Total Number of Whitewater Features: 2



STEAMBOAT'S STORY

Steamboat Springs' riverfront revitalization focuses on new and improved access, improved aquatic habitat, bank stabilization, and improved recreational opportunities for the community. In 2001 and 2003, the City constructed two drop structures for a whitewater park near the 13th Street Bridge. In 2005, a study prepared by Stratus Consulting Inc, "The Potential Beneficial Values of Waters Diverted in the Yampa River for the Steamboat Springs Boating Park," estimated the total potential benefits of the Steamboat Springs' whitewater park to be over \$7.2 million per year. In 2008, the City adopted the Yampa River Structural Master Plan that focused on making instream improvements, as well making improvements to the riparian areas along the section of the Yampa River that is within the City's boundaries. Since the adoption of the Yampa River Structural Master Plan, the City has completed a river restoration project at Dr. Rich Weiss Park in downtown Steamboat Springs and another restoration project at the Yampa River West Open Space Parcel (aka Fournier) on the west side of town. Additionally, the City will be constructing a river access point at Bear River Park on the west side of town with bank stabilization. The vision for these projects include a combination of channel shaping, bank stabilization/terracing, native plantings, aquatic habitat improvements, boulders, and improved access with steps. A kayak feature may be incorporated by improving two existing river features in downtown by working with the local Friends of the Yampa (FOY) group, which has secured grant funding and has hired an engineer to design and build the structures. Although funding has been the greatest challenge to implement the plan, the City was fortunate to have received a GOCO grant and America's Great Outdoors grant for all three projects.

Recently, the City of Steamboat Springs has been exploring concepts for a promenade along the river side of Yampa Street. The proposed "Yampa River Promenade" would be a city owned, 16 to 24 foot wide, landscaped and well lit promenade. The Promenade would connect a series of public parks, would provide permanent river access and would also serve as a signature location for Steamboat Springs to host festivals and events. To date, the City's lodging tax committee has allocated \$900,000 for the acquisition of properties along the river side portion of Yampa Street and for the construction of the Promenade.

Late 1980's - Early 1990's

Significant portion of the Yampa River Core Trail constructed.

2001

"D-Hole" constructed by Depot Arts Center, just below the 13th Street Bridge.

2003

"C-Hole" constructed just upstream of 13th Street Bridge. Both "C-Hole" and "D-Hole" damaged by high spring runoff. Repairs made to "C-Hole" and "D-Hole" in subsequent years.

2008

Yampa River Structural Master Plan adopted. The Master Plan provides a framework for instream and riparian area improvements that will optimize the recreational benefits of the river while protecting its ecological integrity.

2009

River restoration project at Dr. Rich Weiss Park completed.

2012

River restoration project at Fournier begins. Steamboat Springs host Urban Land Institute (ULI) Technical Advisory Panel to discuss options for Yampa Street improvements.

2013

River restoration project at Fournier completed.

2014

Steamboat Springs Lodging Tax Committee allocates funds for property acquisition along river side portion of Yampa Street and for the construction of "Yampa River Promenade."

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KEY ELEMENTS

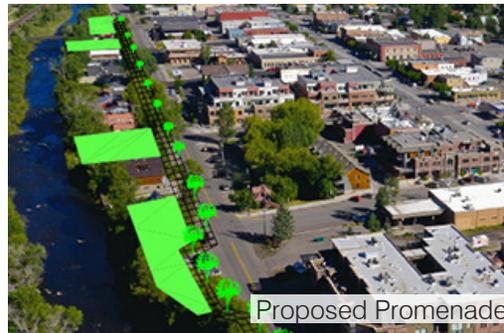
1. Whitewater Park
2. 7-mile paved Core Trail along Yampa River
3. Riverbank Restoration and Stabilization
4. Improvements made to River Channel and Aquatic Habitat
5. Improved Public Access to Yampa River
6. Public Spaces adjacent to Yampa River
7. Proposed Yampa River Promenade



Whitewater Park



Core Trail



Proposed Promenade



Riverbank Restoration/Stabilization



Public Spaces

FUNDING

City of Steamboat Springs

Friends of the Yampa

Americas Great Outdoors
\$150,000 grant awarded for Dr. Rich Weiss Park, Fournier Open Space Parcel and Bear River Park.

Colorado Water Conservation Board
\$100,000 grant.

Local Chapter of Trout Unlimited
(Yampa Valley Flyfishers)

Donated \$5,000 to Dr. Rich Weiss Park

Colorado Lottery

Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO)
\$300,000 awarded for Steamboat Springs River Access Improvements / Yampa River System Initiative.

Steamboat Springs has been awarded a variety of other GOCO grants for Open Space acquisition along the Yampa River and for the Yampa River Core Trail.

Donations from Local Contractors

KEY PARTNERS

City of Steamboat Springs

Friends of the Yampa
(Non-Profit Organization)

Colorado Lottery

Americas Great Outdoors

Colorado Water Conservation Board

Local Chapter of Trout Unlimited
(Yampa Valley Flyfishers)

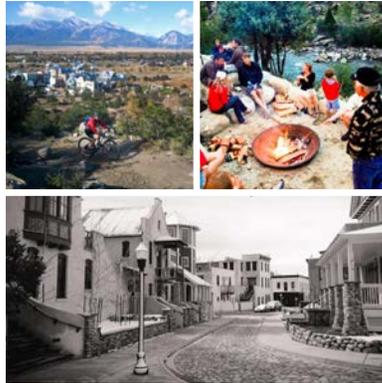
Local Contractors

Recreation Planning & Engineering

Additional Resources

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SALIDA

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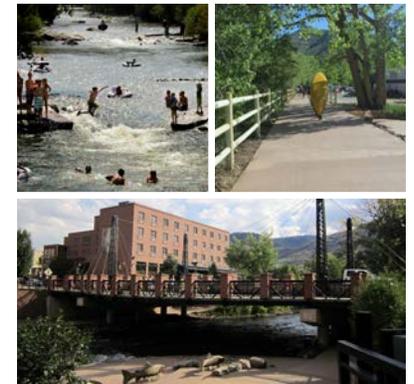
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