



To: Open Space Advisory Committee
From: Emily Guffin, Trails & Access Program Manager
Through: Tom Hoby, Director
Subject: 2024 Trails Partnership Program Funding, Resolution #23-12
Date: November 2, 2023

At the November 2, 2023 Advisory Committee Regular Session meeting, staff will present an overview of the 2024 Trails Partnership Program applications and proposed funding amounts in preparation for an Advisory Committee recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners. To assist with this discussion and decision, staff has prepared the following:

A presentation containing:

- An overview of the purpose of the Trails Partnership Program and eligibility requirements.
- A summary of the applications received.
- A spreadsheet of staff recommendations for level of funding.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the Advisory Committee adopt Resolution #23-12, approving the 2024 Trails Partnership Program Funding as shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1: 2024 Trails Partnership Program Funding

Applicant	Project Name	Jeffco Open Space Match	Applicant Funding	Project total
Wheat Ridge	Peaks to Plains Feasibility Study	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$90,000.00
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Foothills Park & Recreation District	Wayfinding	\$100,000.00	\$100,154.00	\$200,154.00
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TOTAL		\$3,599,926.93	\$3,983,920.98	\$7,583,847.91



**2024 TRAILS PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM FUNDING
STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**



JEFFERSON
COUNTY COLORADO
Open Space

JEFFCO TRAILS PLAN

Conservation Greenprint Goal #8 Easy and Equitable Access

- Access
- Connectivity
- Safety



TRAILS PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

All Partners within the county are encouraged to apply

Regional Projects, up to 50% match

Local Projects, up to 25% match



2021-2025

\$15M Five Year Funding Allocation

Trails Partnership Program Cycles	Funds Awarded	Funds Available
2021	\$2,717,629.56	\$3,000,000.00
2022	\$2,672,183.25	\$3,000,000.00
2023	\$1,738,100.00	\$3,000,000.00
2024		\$3,000,000.00
2025		\$3,000,000.00
Total Awarded	\$7,127,912.81	\$15,000,000.00
Funds Remaining (2024, 2025)		\$7,872,087.19

2021-2025

\$15M Allocated



2021 - \$2.72M allocated



2022 - \$2.67M allocated



2023 - \$1.74M allocated



2024 - \$3.6M recommended allocation



2021-2025

\$15M Allocated



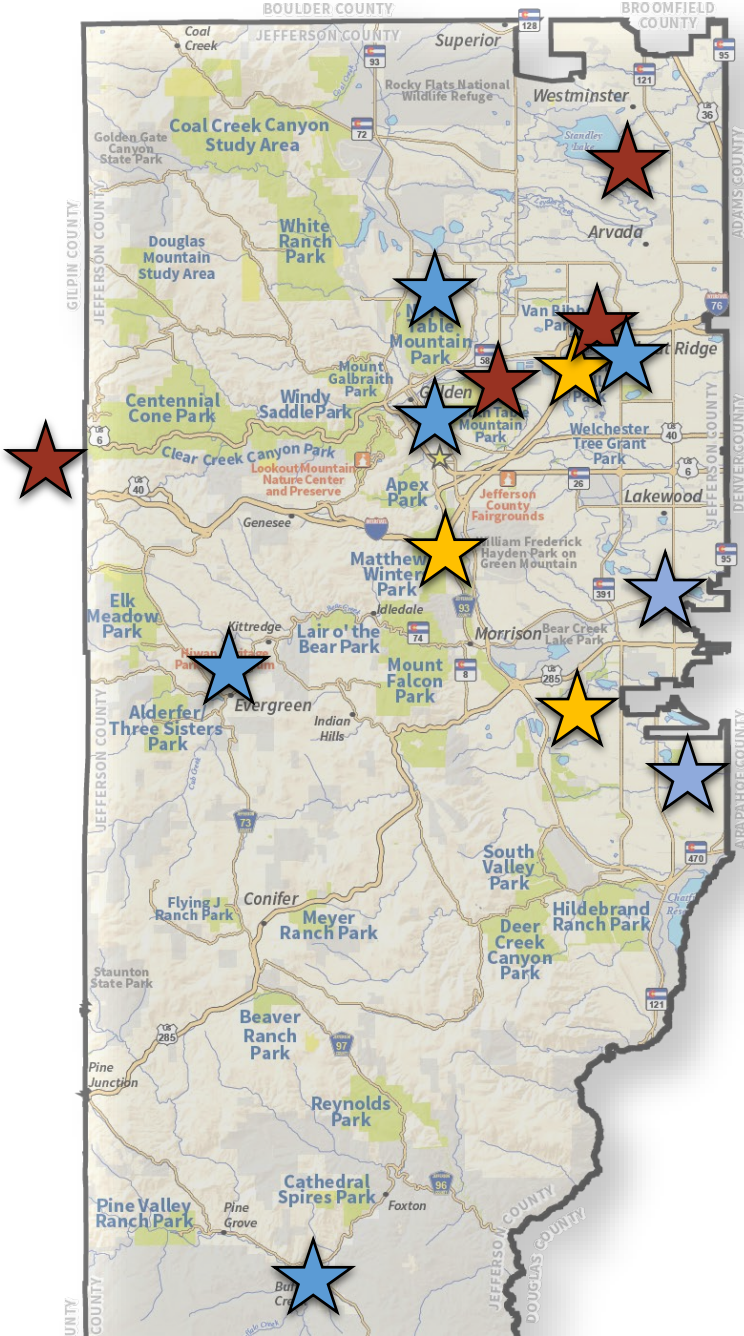
Project completed (7)



Project under construction (3)



Project in design phase (4)

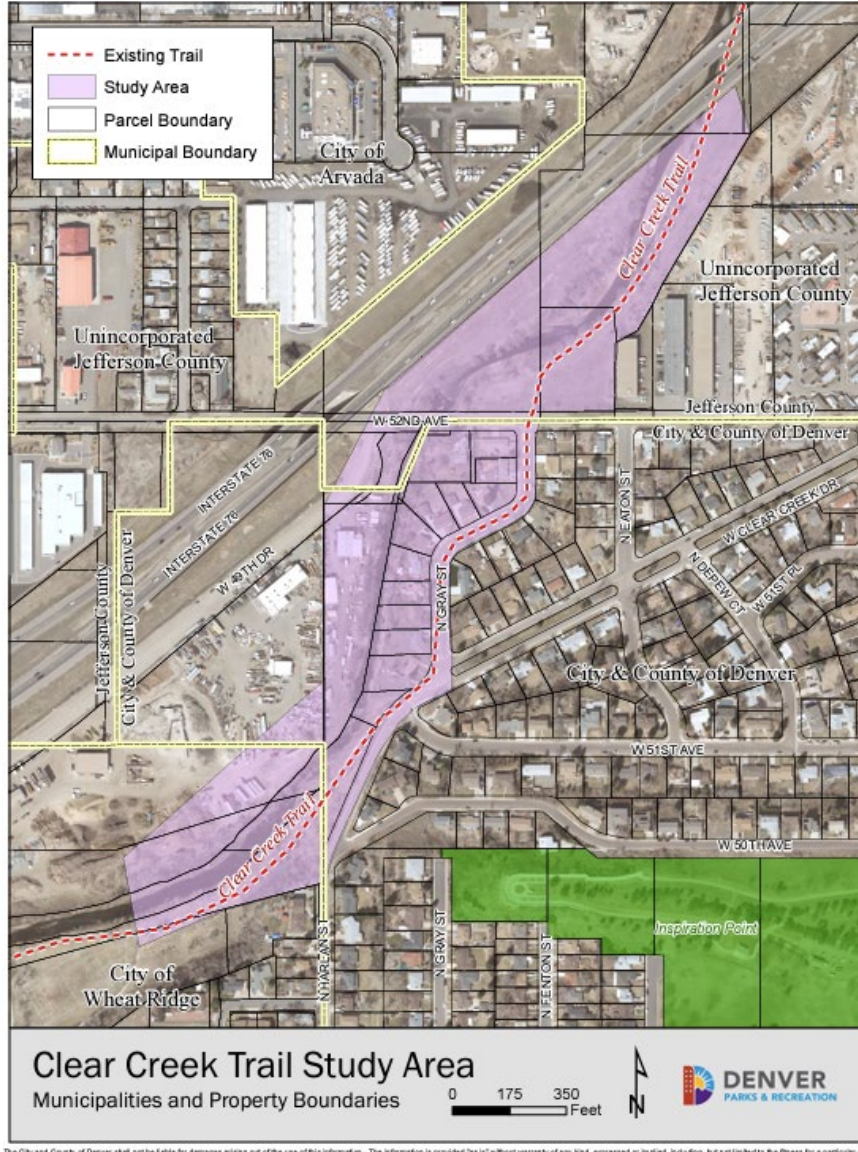


PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR FULL FUNDING

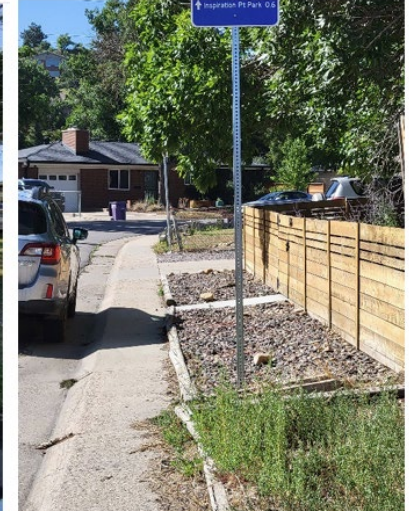
- City of Wheat Ridge – Peaks to Plains Feasibility Study
 - City of Wheat Ridge – Clear Creek Trail Priority Improvements
 - City of Wheat Ridge – Hayward Park Trail Replacement
 - Pleasant View Metro District – Westblade Park Trail Connection
 - Ken Caryl Metro District – South Valley Trail Replacement
 - Foothills Park & Recreation District – Wayfinding & Signage
 - City of Arvada – Colorado Front Range Trail
 - Deer Creek Metro District – C470 Trail Connection
 - Apex Park & Recreation District – Apex Center Connection
 - Jeffco Transportation & Engineering – Enhanced Crossing at Easley & Fairmount Trail
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- A photograph of a paved trail winding through a park. In the foreground, a person in a green shirt and black shorts is running away from the camera. In the background, several other people are walking or jogging on the trail. The trees are mostly bare, suggesting a cooler season. The sky is overcast.

CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE

Peaks to Plains Feasibility Study



City of Wheat Ridge	\$5,000.00	6%
City & County of Denver	\$30,000.00	33%
Mile High Flood District	\$10,000.00	11%
JCOS	\$45,000.00	50%
TOTAL	\$90,000.00	100%



CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE

Clear Creek Trail Priority Improvements



#1 Clear Creek Crossing trail connection, erosion mitigation

Kipling Crossing study

Erosion mitigation (multiple locations)

City of Wheat Ridge	\$252,650.00	50%
JCOS	\$252,650.00	50%
TOTAL	\$505,300.00	100%

CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE

Hayward Park Trail Replacement

City of Wheat Ridge	\$96,207.00	75%
JCOS	\$32,069.00	25%
TOTAL	\$128,276.00	100%



KEN CARYL METRO DISTRICT

South Valley Trail Replacement

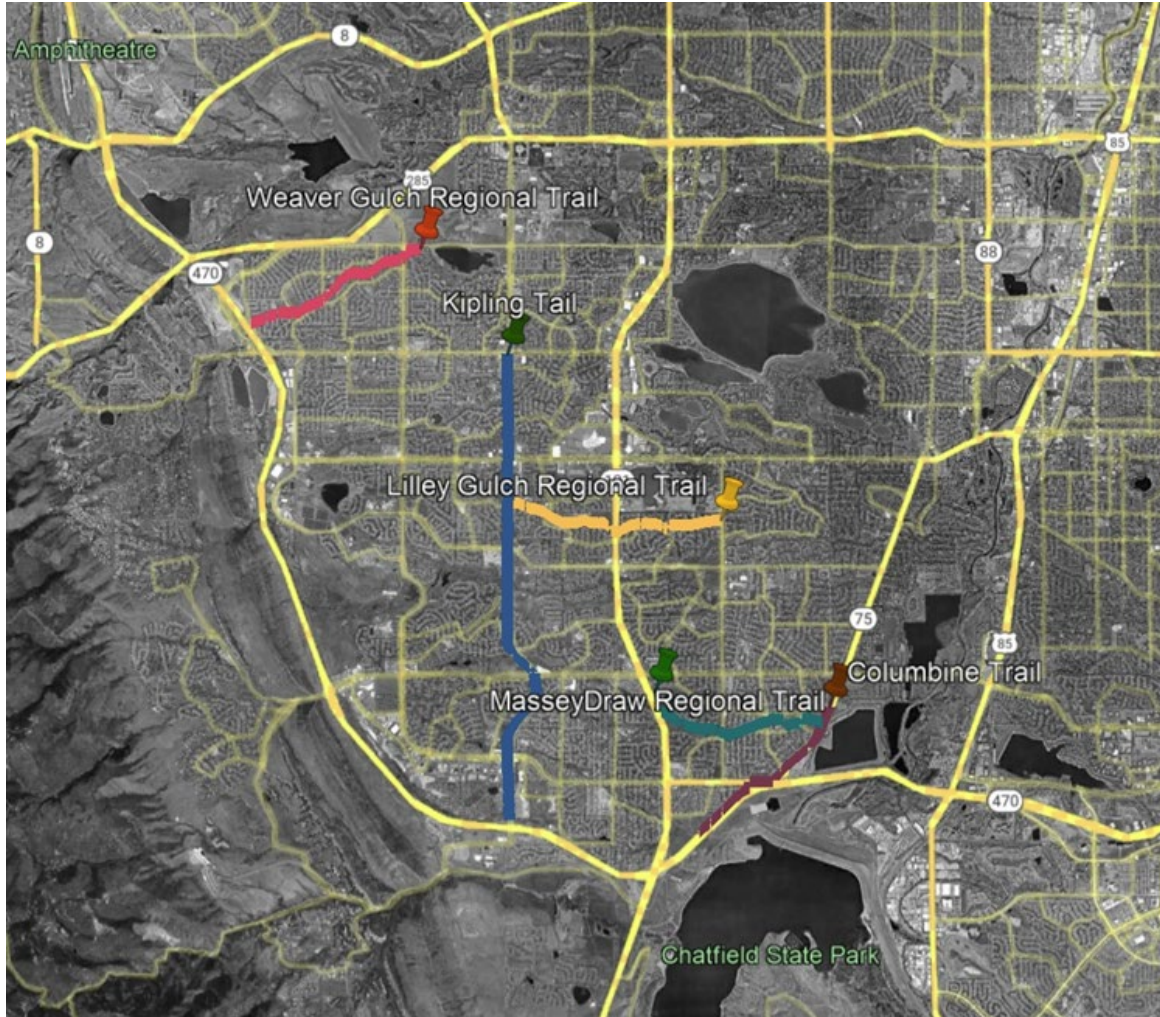


Ken Caryl Metro District	\$333,206.00	50%
JCOS	\$333,206.00	50%
TOTAL	\$666,412.00	100%

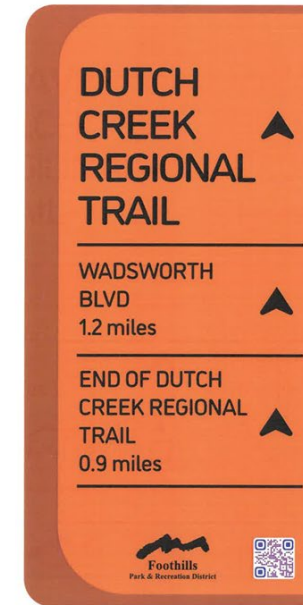


FOOTHILLS PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

Regional Trail Wayfinding & Signage

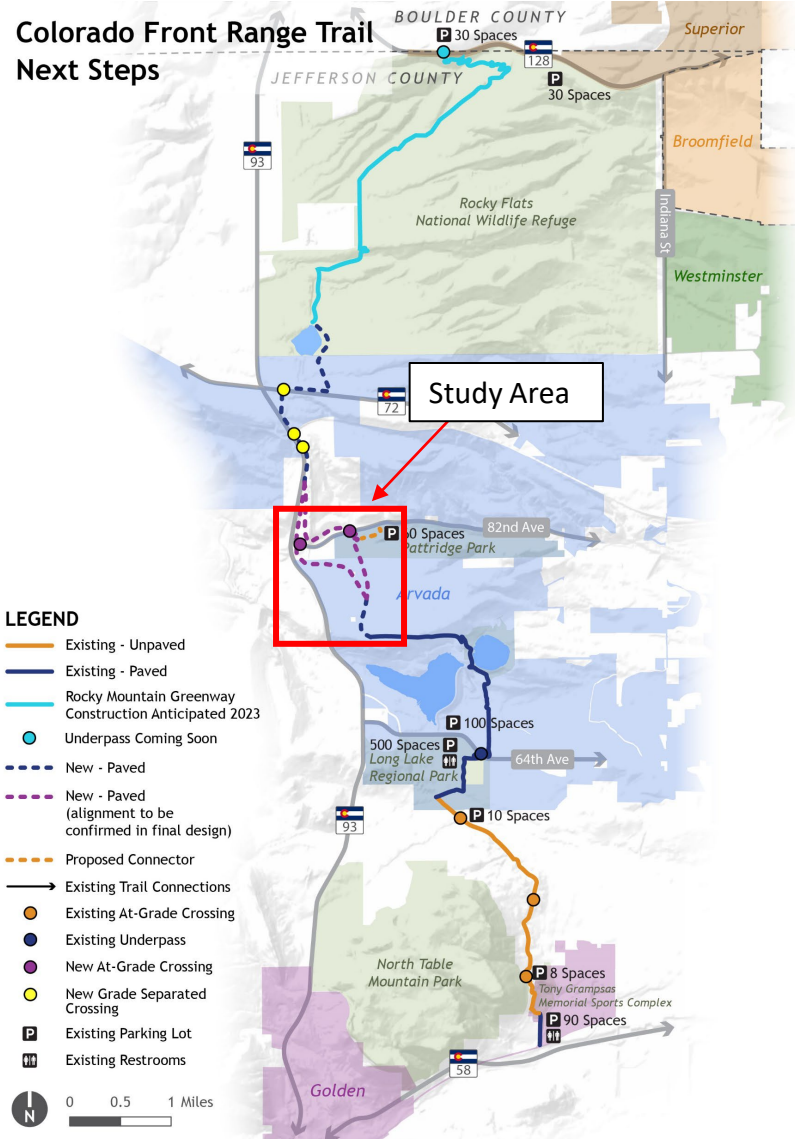


Foothills Park & Recreation District	\$100,154.00	50%
JCOS	\$100,000.00	50%
TOTAL	\$200,154.00	100%

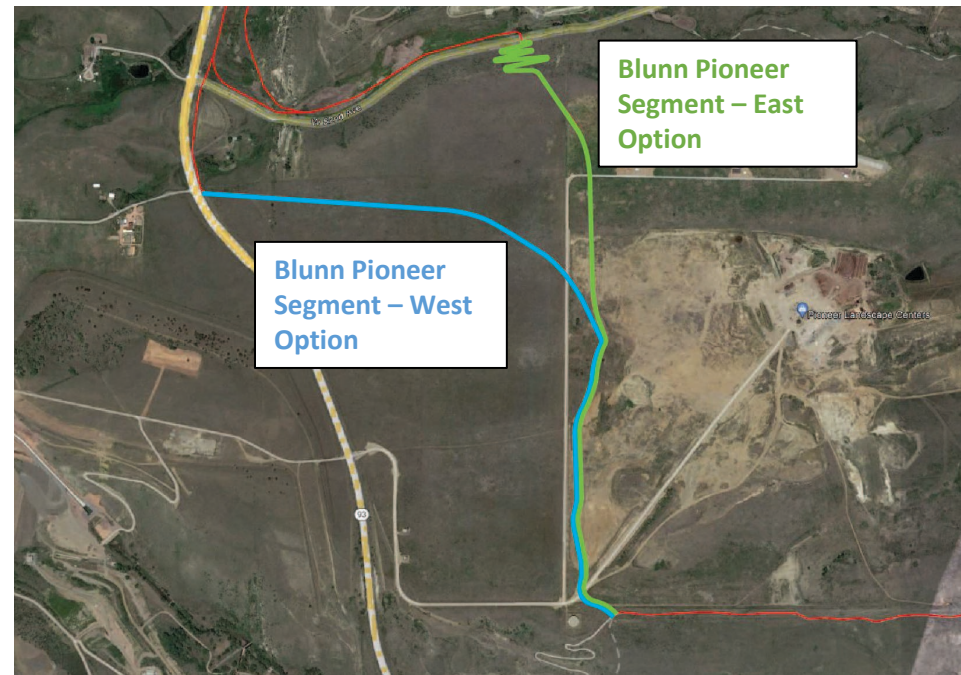


CITY OF ARVADA

Colorado Front Range Trail

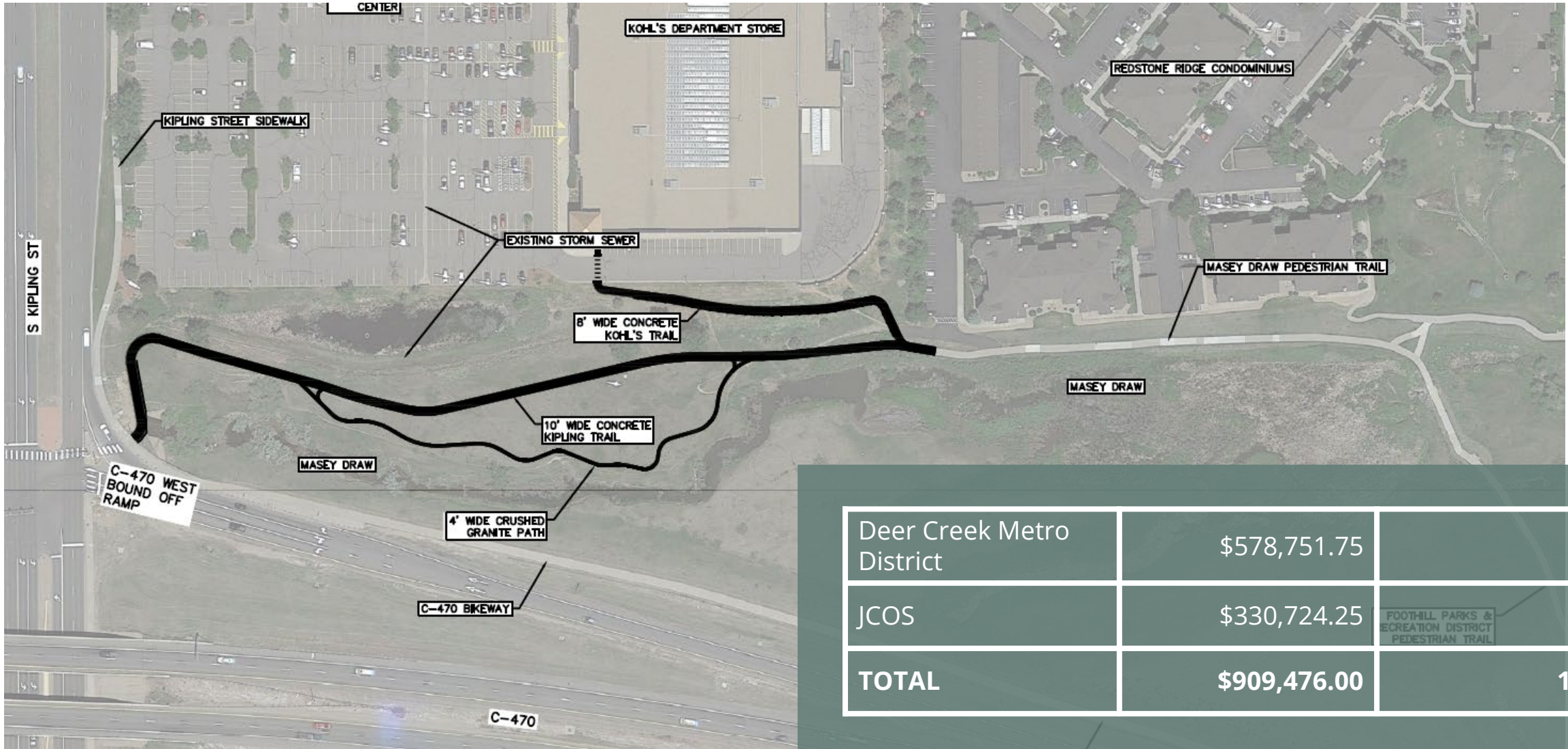


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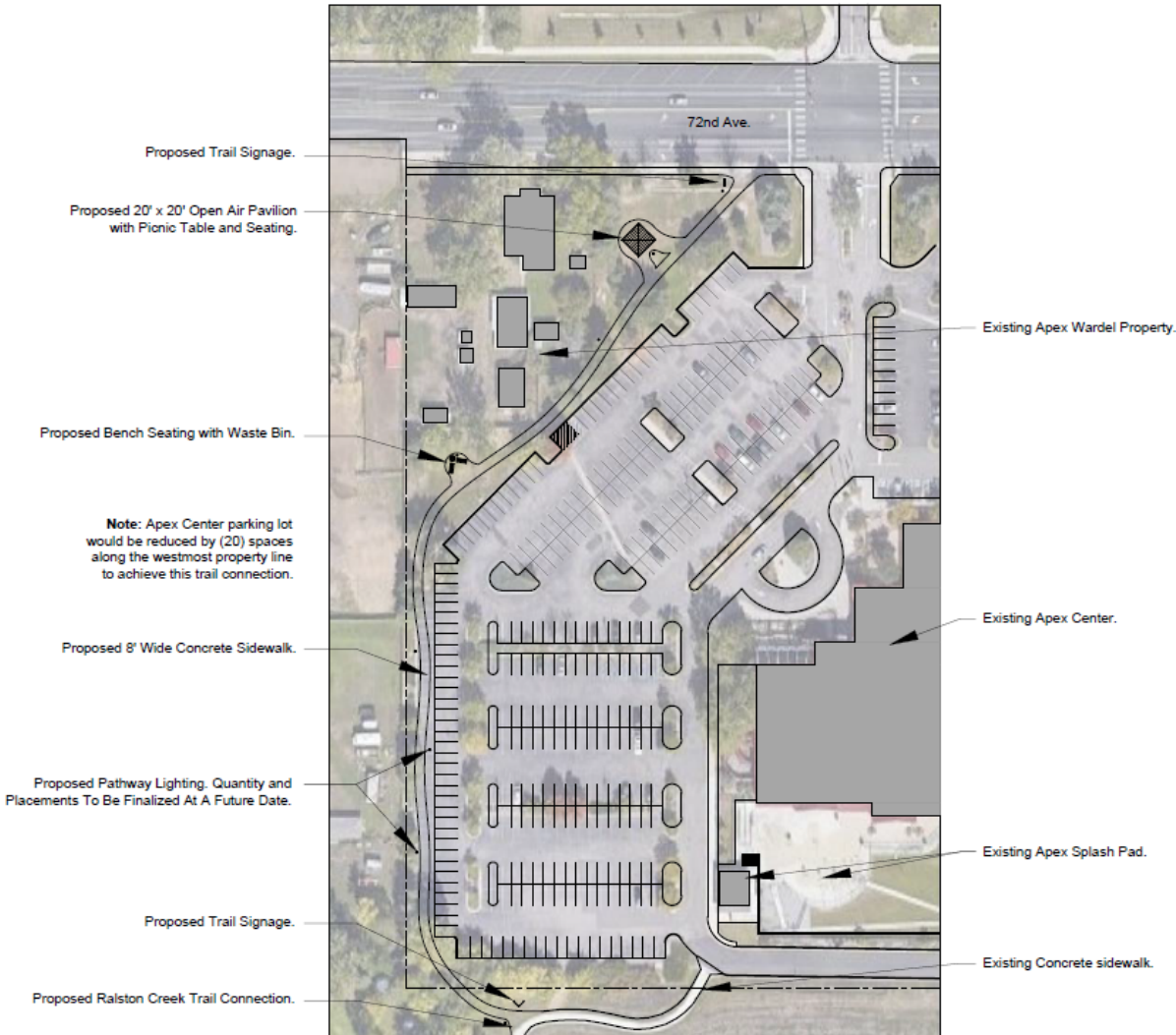
C470 Trail Connection



Deer Creek Metro District	\$578,751.75	64%
JCOS	\$330,724.25	FOOTHILL PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT PEDESTRIAN TRAIL 36%
TOTAL	\$909,476.00	100%

APEX PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT

Apex Center Trail Connection



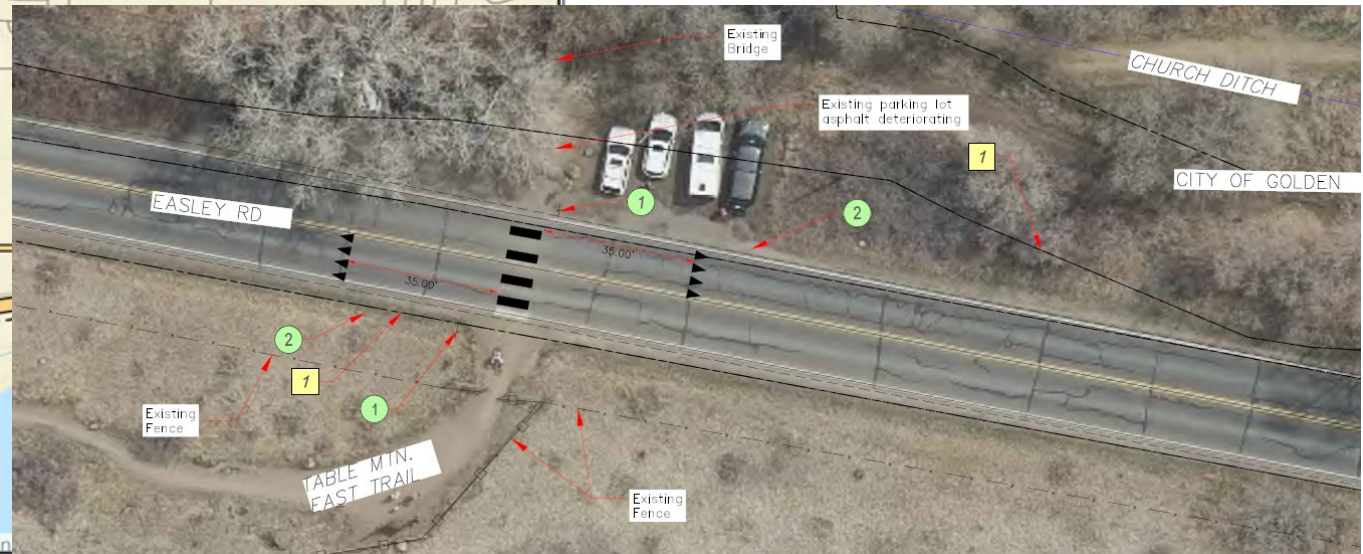
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JEFFCO TRANSPORTATION & ENGINEERING

Enhanced Crossing at Easley Road & Fairmount Trail



T&E	\$16,950.00	50%
JCOS	\$16,950.00	50%
TOTAL	\$33,900.00	100%



PROJECTS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING

- **Apex Park & Recreation District – Lauri Dannemiller Park Connection**
 - More work needed to finalize canal crossing agreements
- **Claymore Properties, LLC – Welch Ditch Trail Connection**
 - Trails Partnership Program not best mechanism for pursuing this project
- **Evergreen Park & Recreation District – Evergreen Key Connections**
 - More work needed to finalize agreements with private property owners



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NEXT STEPS

- Board of County Commissioners Briefing – December 19, 2023
- Board of County Commissioners Hearing – January 2024
- Distribution of Funds at 50% and 100% project completion – upon request



A scenic landscape featuring a dirt road on the right side, leading through a field of green and yellow grasses and small shrubs. In the background, there are several layers of mountains, with the closest ones being dark and silhouetted against a bright blue sky filled with scattered white clouds. The overall scene is bright and clear.

Questions

_____ moved that the following Resolution be adopted:

**BEFORE THE JEFFERSON COUNTY
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
OF THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON
STATE OF COLORADO
Resolution #23-12**

RE: 2024 Trails Partnership Program Funding

WHEREAS, The Jefferson County Open Space Advisory Committee ("Advisory Committee"), as duly constituted and authorized by the voters of Jefferson County, was appointed to make recommendations to the Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners regarding the use and allocation of Open Space funds; and

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee heard presentations and staff recommendations for the 2024 Trails Partnership Program Funding at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 2, 2023; and

WHEREAS, at this meeting the Advisory Committee reviewed the presentation and proposed funding amounts and made the following recommendations:

2024 Trails Partnership Program Funding:

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Advisory Committee recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve the above referenced 2024 Trails Partnership Program Funding.

_____ seconded the adoption of the foregoing Resolution. The roll having been called, the vote was as follows:

	Vote	Absent		Vote	Absent
Kathleen Staks, Chair			Janet Shangraw		
Karin Rueff			Mandy Jeffcoat		
Cindy Baroway			Chris O'Keefe		
Mike Dungan			Jeremy Hakes		
Amy Heidema			Danielle DeMauro		

The Resolution was adopted by _____ vote of the members in attendance of the Jefferson County Open Space Advisory Committee of the County of Jefferson, State of Colorado.

DATED: November 2, 2023

I, Jeremy Hakes, Secretary of the Jefferson County Open Space Advisory Committee of Jefferson County Colorado, certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a scheduled meeting of the Jefferson County Open Space Advisory Committee held on November 2, 2023.

By: _____
Jeremy Hakes, Secretary
Jefferson County Open Space Advisory Committee
Jefferson County, Colorado