



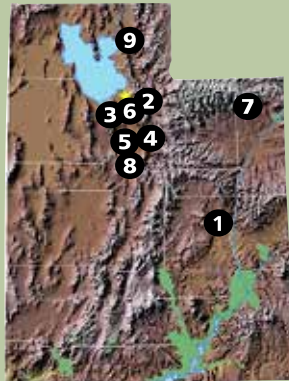
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The Jordan River Parkway Trail connects people to parks, schools, transportation and nature along Salt Lake City's urban Wasatch Front.
Photo: NPS

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Recent Successes

The Jordan River

The City of West Jordan needed a plan for the completion of one of the last four trail gaps in the 45-mile Jordan River Parkway regional trail system. With the help of the National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program, the city developed a private-public partnership with over 17 diverse stakeholders and used a collaborative planning process to complete the West Jordan City Trail Action Plan.

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“The development of a plan and creating working relationships with all our partners was something that the city was unable to achieve on their own. This resulted in actual dollars being generated for the construction of the trail. We appreciate NPS guidance and expertise, because without them it would have taken us several more years to complete the trail.”

- Chuck Tarver, Community Development
Block Grant Director

Current Projects

1. Green River Trail System

Project Partner: City of Green River
NPS Contact: Marcy DeMillion
Location: Green River
Congressional District: UT - 3

Project Goal

Develop a water and land trail located along the Green River that connects Green River State Park, the John Wesley Powell Museum, and trails on Bureau of Land Management lands.

NPS Role

Assist the city in developing a partnership and concept for over five miles of land trails and several miles of water trails.



The NPS is helping Salt Lake City's bike share program build on their initial success and expand along the Wasatch front. Photo: GREENbike

2. Salt Lake City Bike Share Program

Project Partner: GREENbike
NPS Contact: Marcy DeMillion
Location: Salt Lake City
Congressional District: UT - 2

Project Goal

Expand the current Salt Lake City bike share program beyond 12 stations to help both visitors and all urban populations link to transit, businesses, and recreational opportunities. Provide people with active living opportunities and measure use through surveys conducted by GREENbike.

NPS Role

Assist GREENbikes in developing a private-public partnership, completing a bike share concept plan, and a developing a grant funding strategy.

Project Goal

Restore and conserve 70 acres of wildlife habitat along the Jordan River.

NPS Role

Assist the city in developing a private-public partnership, provide technical expertise about recreation elements to include in a design concept plan, and assist in identifying funding sources for implementation.

3. Jordan River - Big Bend Restoration

Project Partner: City of West Jordan
NPS Contact: Marcy DeMillion
Location: Jordan River
Congressional District: UT - 4

4. Midway Homestead Trail

Project Partner: Midway City
NPS Contact: Ken Richley
Location: Midway
Congressional District: UT - 3

Project Goal

Develop a 2-mile trail linking downtown Midway with Wasatch Mountain State Park.

NPS Role

Develop a stakeholder group and solicit public involvement to build consensus on the preferred trail alignment. Facilitate partners applying for implementation funding.



This abandon canal corridor in Sandy City is poised to become a great urban multi-use trail, connecting schools, neighborhoods, parks, and shopping. Photo: NPS

Current Projects cont.

5. Sandy City Canal Corridor Trail

Project Partner: Sandy City
NPS Contact: Ken Richley
Location: North-South trail connecting Quarry Bend Park and Eastridge Park
Congressional District: UT - 3

Project Goal

Develop a 4.86-mile trail along the former irrigation canal, connecting schools, parks, and neighborhoods.

NPS Role

Provide technical assistance with conceptual planning for the trail alignment. Assist with gathering support and feedback from stakeholders and the public.

6. South Salt Lake - Jordan River Trail Rehabilitation

Project Partner: South Salt Lake City
NPS Contact: Ken Richley
Location: Salt Lake County
Congressional District: UT - 4

Project Goal

Rehabilitate 1.2 miles of trail to allow for coexistence with the regular dredging operations carried out by Salt Lake County flood control, and provide a pleasant user experience for local residents.

NPS Role

Develop a stakeholder group and find technical solutions to allow dredging operations to happen without destroying the trail or trail surface. Determine potential connections to other regional and local trails.

7. Uintah County Trail System

Project Partner: Uintah County
NPS Contact: Marcy DeMillion
Location: Uintah County
Congressional District: UT - 1

Project Goal

Develop an estimated 25-mile trail system that will connect Steinaker



Discussing the many options for trails in Uintah County with project partners. Photo: NPS

State Park, city parks, and trails managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

NPS Role

Work with Utah State University, Uintah County, and their partners to discuss trail priorities and assist in developing a county-wide trail concept plan.

8. Utah Lake Nature Center and Research Facility

Project Partner: Utah Lake Commission
NPS Contact: Ken Richley
Location: East side of Utah Lake
Congressional District: UT - 3

Project Goal

Complete an educational and research facility to support the restoration and water quality improvement efforts of the Utah Lake Commission. Trail planning, regional trail connections, and boating opportunities will be explored.

NPS Role

Develop a partnership and conceptual plan for a programmatic facility, nature center, and trails near Utah Lake.

9. Willard City Trails

Project Partner: Willard City
NPS Contact: Ken Richley
Location: Willard City
Congressional District: UT - 1

Project Goal

Develop a trail network through the City of Willard to connect regional, US Forest Service, and Willard Bay State Park trails. Develop concept plans for a park and trail network on city-owned property.

NPS Role

Facilitate the planning process of public and local stakeholders. Develop a trail master plan and concepts for Willard Waterfall Park. Work with the Bear River Association of Governments to develop scenarios for the safe crossing of US 89 (Willard Main Street).

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736 Miles of River Conserved

20,270 Acres of Open Space and Parkland Protected

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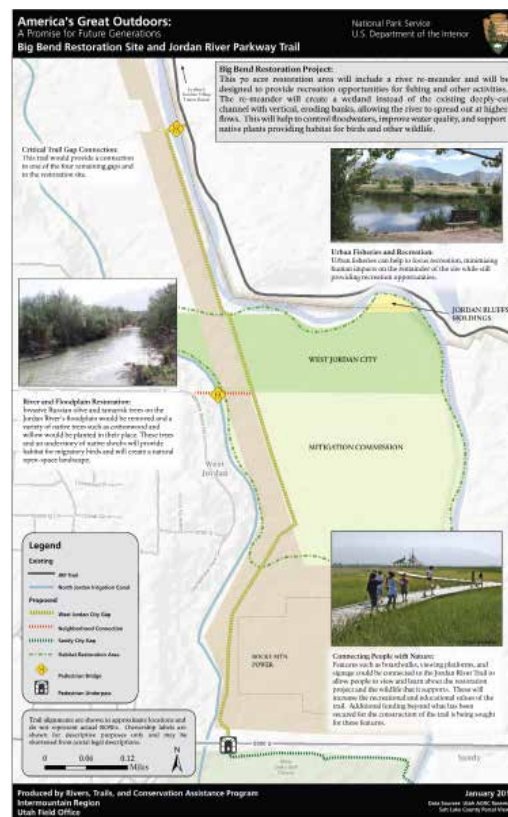
Recent Successes cont.

Completion of this plan allowed the city and their partners to secure over 2.6 million dollars to construct the trail.

Completing the 1.2-mile trail segment in West Jordan is particularly significant because it creates greater opportunities for physical activity, and provides access to urban parks, trails, and transit for over 1 million people along the Wasatch Front. The trail segment is also the last step needed to complete the Jordan River Parkway Trail, and includes links to the completed Denver-Rio Grande and Legacy Trail systems. In total, the segment will create 76 miles of continuous paved trails. Trail construction is scheduled to occur in the spring of 2014 and includes a ribbon cutting event.

Funding Breakdown:

- \$1.1M from the Utah State Legislature for a trail underpass
- \$300K from the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program for the trail connection to regional transit
- \$210K for trail and bridge construction through Utah State Parks grant
- \$30K from LeRay McAllister Critical Land Conservation Fund



West Jordan Restoration fact sheet used to keep stakeholders informed and present the project to a wider audience. Photo: NPS

ABOUT US

The Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance program is the community assistance arm of the National Park Service. Program staff provide technical assistance to community groups and local, state, and federal government agencies working to protect natural areas and water resources and enhance close-to-home outdoor recreation opportunities. We help communities plan, organize partnerships, and achieve on-the-ground success on projects they initiate.