



# BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

March 07, 2023 at 10:00 AM

Commissioners Meeting Room - 401 Main Street, Suite 309, Walsenburg, CO 81089

Office: 719-738-3000 ex 200 | Fax: 719-738-3996

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**9:00 AM - Meeting with Employers Council**

**10:00 AM - PUBLIC MEETING**

**Join via Zoom:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82550511219> | **Meeting ID:** 825-5051-1219

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. AGENDA APPROVAL**

**3. ACTION ITEMS**

**a.** Carey Kaestner New Hire

**b.** Chantal Ramirez New Hire

**c.** Employers Council Timekeeping Audit

**d.** Museum of Friends Congressionally Directed Spending Letter of Support

**e.** Congressionally Directed Spending Requests

**4. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

**6. UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**a.** 10:05 A.M. - Workshop on Park Development at Thorne Ranch

**b.** 1 P.M. - Southern Colorado Economic Development District Broadband Meeting

HUERFANO COUNTY

<b>GREEN SHEET/STATUS CHANGE</b>		EFFECTIVE DATE
		3/13/2023
NAME: <b>Carey Kaestner</b>	PAYROLL :	3/31/2023

CHANGE OF ADDRESS/PHONE	STREET	<b>10101 County Road 599</b>
	CITY, STATE, ZIP	<b>Walsenburg CO 81089</b>
	TELEPHONE	

CHANGE	FROM (DOES NOT APPLY TO NEW EMPLOYEE)	TO
JOB TITLE		<b>AP Tech I Call Center</b>
DEPARTMENT		<b>Dept of Human Services</b>
HOURS		
ANNUAL SALARY		<b>\$33,000.00</b>
SEMI-MONTHLY SALARY		
HOURLY SALARY		
OTHER SALARY		

**REASON FOR CHANGE**

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|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>NEWHIRE</b> | RESIGNATION                  | LENGTH OF SERVICE INCREASE    |
| REHIRED        | RETIREMENT                   | REEVALUATION OF CURRENT JOB   |
| PROMOTION      | LAYOFF                       | INTRODUCTORY PERIOD COMPLETED |
| DEMOTION       | ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE PAID    | OTHER                         |
| TRANSFER       | ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE UN-PAID |                               |

COMMENTS, IF NECESSARY

**Motion to hire Carey Kaestner as an AP Tech I for the Call Center at HCDHS**

I, Sheila Hudson-Macchietto, Director certify that the above presented information has been requested by the Department Head and or Elected Official directly responsible for the employee named within. I certify that I have received all proper documentaion and that I have entered the information on the Green Sheet to reflect the change as requested.

Sheila Hudson-Macchietto 03/01/2023

John Galusha-Board Chairman

Arica Andreatta, Vice Chairman

Karl Sporleder, Commissioner

Date

Date to Finance Office:

HUERFANO COUNTY

<b>GREEN SHEET/STATUS CHANGE</b>		EFFECTIVE DATE
		<b>3/13/2023</b>
NAME: <b>Chantal Ramirez</b>	PAYROLL :	<b>3/31/2023</b>

<b>CHANGE OF ADDRESS/PHONE</b>	STREET	<b>52 Stacy Drive</b>
	CITY, STATE, ZIP	<b>Walsenburg CO 81089</b>
	TELEPHONE	

CHANGE	FROM (DOES NOT APPLY TO NEW EMPLOYEE)	TO
JOB TITLE		<b>EF Case Manager I</b>
DEPARTMENT		<b>Dept of Human Services</b>
HOURS		
ANNUAL SALARY		<b>\$36,000.00</b>
SEMI-MONTHLY SALARY		
HOURLY SALARY		
OTHER SALARY		

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**Motion to hire Chantal Ramirez as an Employment First Case Manager I at HCDHS**

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Karl Sporleder, Commissioner

Date

Date to Finance Office:

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1799 Pennsylvania Street  
Denver, CO 80203  
303.839.5177  
EmployersCouncil.org

Item 3c.

February 28, 2023

Carl Young, cyoung@huerfano.us

Huerfano County  
401 Main St. Ste 310  
Walsenburg, CO 81089

Dear Carl:

We are pleased that Huerfano County (hereinafter the "Company") is interested in engaging Employers Council to perform the services outlined below. This letter sets forth the details of our engagement.

### **Scope of Service**

Employers Council will provide services 20 hours of Payroll Audit support to review 2022/2023 payroll information as well as review the Sheriff's Department and their time related to the 7(k) exemption.

If a consultant assigned to work on this engagement ends employment with Employers Council before completion of the engagement, Employers Council will substitute another consultant to complete the engagement. Company agrees to work with the substitute consultant assigned by Employers Council to complete the engagement.

During this engagement, Company will not contract with or employ an assigned consultant to perform services outlined in this engagement through consultant's own business or otherwise outside of Employers Council.

If Company offers employment to an Employers Council consultant during this engagement and for six (6) months after the end of the engagement, Company agrees to pay Employers Council a lump sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00).

### **Employers Council Billing**

As we have previously discussed, the work performed on this project is an additional service that is not included in your membership with Employers Council. As such, it is considered a pay-as-you-go service for a one-time project fee of Two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars and no cents (\$2,300.00).

Invoices are issued monthly for services performed, due within 30 days. All invoicing in this matter will be through Employers Council Services (ECS), a wholly owned subsidiary of Employers Council.

The billing amounts above are quoted at Employers Council’s current Member Rate for services and assume Company will continue its membership through completion of the engagement. If Company terminates its membership before completion of the engagement, Employers Council and Company may elect to continue the engagement. If Employers Council and Company elect to continue the engagement, further services will be charged to Company at Employer Council’s current Non-Member Rate.

*Billing Process*

This project terminates upon expiration of twenty (20) hours or six (6) months after project start date.

Please note that if an in-person consulting/facilitation is agreed to, Company commits to providing an environment that follows current Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines and applicable local, state, and federal orders, regulations, or laws on healthy business operations and work environment. Also, if these guidelines, orders, regulations, or laws change, in-person may not be an option at which time the consulting/facilitation will either be offered virtually or postponed without penalty until we are able to hold in-person.

If you agree with the foregoing, please sign and date this letter and return the signed copy to me via email. Upon receipt of the signed letter of engagement, Employers Council will commence its work as reflected in the Scope of Services for this engagement.

Again, we are delighted to have the opportunity to collaborate with you. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

EMPLOYERS COUNCIL, INC.

 Date 2/28/2023

By: Brianna Carter, Manager of Payroll & ASO Services

Acknowledged & Agreed:

Huerfano County

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
By: Carl Young, Huerfano County Administrator



John Galusha, Chairman  
Arica Andreatta, Commissioner  
Karl Sporleder, Commissioner

Item 3d.



## Board of County Commissioners

Senator Michael Bennet  
261 Russell Senate Building  
Washington, DC 20510

March 7, 2023

RE: Museum of Friends Congressionally Directed Spending Request

Dear Senator Bennet,

It is our pleasure to submit this letter of support for the Museum of Friends Roof & Dick Building rehabilitation project grant for the FY24 Congressionally Directed Spending. The Museum's current rehabilitation project seeks to preserve the deteriorating sandstone, remove streaks that are currently visible, as well as making improvements on the coping, sills and building base will further enhance, improve and preserve the building for future generations to enjoy.

The Museum of Friends is an important attraction for Huerfano County's growing tourism, retail, and hospitality industry. Assuring the integrity of the Roof and Dick building ensures that the Museum of Friends' innovative exhibitions will continue to provide new and innovative cultural, educational, and historical opportunities for the community.

With the Congressionally Directed Spending grant the Museum of Friends will be able to proceed with the next phase of the Roof & Dick rehabilitation project. These funds will ensure the Museum's commitment to provide education, history and entertainment for our community with social impact investing and economic development at the highest level.

We encourage you and your colleagues to consider this application favorably.

Sincerely,

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Rep Joe Neguse  
2400 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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**HUERFANO COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
GRANT APPROVAL MEMORANDUM**

**Date:** March 7, 2023  
**To:** Huerfano County Board of County Commissioners  
**From:** Carl Young, County Administrator  
**Re:** Grant Program Name and Project Name  
**Attachments:** Hickenlooper CDS Request Guidelines

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**Summary:** Congressionally Directed Spending is a mechanism by which members of Congress can request funding for specific projects in their home state that have been submitted for consideration by local government entities and nonprofits. Funding for projects, if approved, passed by Congress, and signed into law, would be distributed during Federal Fiscal Year 2024 (October 2023 - September 2024). As the deadline for these requests is Friday March 10 I request your consideration and approval to submit CDS requests for the following projects: (1) the Emergency Operations and Dispatch Center Renovations project; (2) a Regional Jail Feasibility Study; and (3) the Gardner Sewer Rehabilitation Project. I would also request your approval to support any broadband project or fire mitigation project that includes Huerfano County as well as any project to improve a County or public facility within Huerfano County or expand a service in Huerfano County.

**Requested Motion/Action:**

Motion to approve the submission of CDS requests for the following: (1) the Emergency Operations and Dispatch Center Renovations project; (2) a Regional Jail Feasibility Study; and (3) the Gardner Sewer Rehabilitation Project as well as provide letters of support with the Chair to sign to CDS requests that benefit Huerfano County residents.

**Grant Program:** Congressionally Directed Spending is a mechanism by which members of Congress can request funding for specific projects in their home state that have been submitted for consideration by local government entities and nonprofits. Funding for projects, if approved, passed by Congress, and signed into law, would be distributed during Federal Fiscal Year 2024 (October 2023 - September 2024). Submitting organizations must be either not-for-profit entities or government organizations. Projects must fit within an account of one of the Appropriations Committee subcommittees accepting requests. Requests with the best chance of success should be:

1. **Shovel-ready:** Projects should be ready to begin as soon as funding has been received. Given the uncertainty surrounding passage timing of an FY24 appropriations package, projects should be able to begin at any date.
2. **Clear and reasonably budgeted:** Itemized budgets must be as detailed as possible, and should indicate whether portions of the project could be completed independently of other portions if the project cannot be fully funded.
3. **Self-sustaining:** CDS projects should be able to be either completed or put on a sustainable path with one round of funding. While we will consider all projects, CDS projects should only depend on receiving money in FY24, and should have an ongoing impact on the community even after the funding has been used.

4. Beneficial to the wider community: Each project will be assessed based on its demonstrated level of positive impact for the community, with an emphasis on serving longstanding unmet needs.

**Alignment with County Objectives:**

These requests align with County objectives around infrastructure improvements, improving quality of life for Huerfano County Residents.

**Financial Considerations:**

If awarded we will be issued a contract document, which could take the form of a purchase order or a collaborative agreement, to begin work. Some of these grants may require matching funds and staff will ensure that such set asides are included in the 2024 County Budget.

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Signature of the Chair

Approved

Denied

## FY24 Congressionally Directed Spending

Senator Hickenlooper is accepting Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) requests for Colorado projects in Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24). Part of the broader appropriations process, CDS is a mechanism by which members of Congress can request funding for specific projects in their home state that have been submitted for consideration by local government entities and nonprofits. Funding for projects, if approved, passed by Congress, and signed into law, would be distributed during FY24 (October 2023 - September 2024).

### BASICS

**Deadline:** Our office will accept requests for Congressionally Directed Spending until 11:59 PM mountain time on **MARCH 10, 2023**. Requests must be submitted through the form on our website, which can be found [HERE](#). **We will not consider requests received outside of the form.**

**Accounts:** A list of the subcommittees that we anticipate will accept CDS requests can be viewed at the end of this document. The list contains minimal changes from the FY23 CDS process.

Supporting Documentation:

- **Itemized Budget:** The itemized budget you provide should be detailed as possible, and should account for all of the money you are requesting.
- **Letter of Support:** All projects must be submitted with at least **one** and **no more than two** letters of support. Letters should come from either a state or local government or a community leader representing local support for your request. Letters of support beyond two will not be considered.

### ELIGIBILITY

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### FAQ

***Can I submit projects to more than one member of Congress?***

Yes! You can submit the project to every member of the congressional delegation who represents the location where the project will be implemented AND is accepting requests. If you submit the same project to multiple members of Congress, we ask that your application be identical and that you note the other members to whom you have submitted your project in your application.

***To which account should I submit my project?***

An “account” is a funding bucket from which federal funds are disbursed. To be eligible for funding your project must align with an account that is accepting CDS requests. A list of eligible accounts is available at the end of this document. When applying, please select the account that best fits the focus of your project. If your project does not fit within an account, even if it aligns with all of the other criteria above, it is unfortunately ineligible. If you are confused as to which account your project may fit within, please don’t hesitate to reach out.

***Can I have a meeting to discuss questions specific to my proposal?***

Yes; our office is happy to meet with organizations to answer questions specific to project proposals. If you anticipate needing to discuss your project, please reach out as soon as possible as we will not be able to extend our submission deadline.

***Can I amend my submission after the deadline?***

You should not plan on being able to make changes to your submission after the submission deadline. However, if minor mistakes are made, please let us know as soon as possible and we can work with you to try to correct them. Major changes may not be accepted depending on how close we are to the subcommittee’s submission deadline. Once projects are submitted to the Appropriations Committee there will be no further opportunity to change them.

***If your office submits my request to the Appropriations Committee, am I guaranteed funding?***

No; our office submitting a project is only the first step in the process. After we submit our requests to the Senate Appropriations Committee, committee staff will review our requests and decide what to include in the final package.

***If my project is included in the FY24 appropriations bill, when should I expect to receive the funding?***

Funding will only be disbursed after Congress passes the FY24 appropriations bill. Upon passage, the funding agency will reach out to the project’s point of contact and provide a follow-up application. This application will need to be approved by the agency before funds are distributed.

***Can funds be reimbursed retroactively?***

No, CDS funding cannot be used retroactively. For that reason, projects should not be dependent on receiving the funds by a certain date.

***Where should I submit water infrastructure projects?***

Water infrastructure (both drinking water and wastewater) related projects should be submitted to the **Interior** subcommittee, **NOT** the Energy & Water subcommittee.

## **AGENCIES & ACCOUNTS ACCEPTING FY24 CDS REQUESTS**

### **Agriculture**

- Agricultural Research Service, Building and Facilities (ARS B&F)
- Animal Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) (S&E)
- Natural Resources Conservation Service, Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations (WFPO)
- Rural Development, Community Facilities grants
- Rural Development, Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program (DLT) grants

### **Commerce, Justice, Science**

- Department of Commerce; National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST); Scientific and Technical Research Services (STRS); External Projects
- Department of Commerce; NIST; Construction of Research Facilities; Extramural Construction
- Department of Commerce; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA); Operations, Research, and Facilities (ORF); Special Projects
- Department of Justice; Office on Justice Programs; State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance; Byrne Discretionary
- Department of Justice; Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS); COPS Law Enforcement Technology and Equipment
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Safety, Security, and Mission Support

### **Energy & Water**

- Corps of Engineers: Investigations
- Corps of Engineers: Construction
- Corps of Engineers: Operations & Maintenance
- Corps of Engineers: Mississippi Rivers & Tributaries: Investigations
- Corps of Engineers: Mississippi Rivers & Tributaries: Construction
- Corps of Engineers: Mississippi Rivers & Tributaries: Operation & Maintenance
- Bureau of Reclamation: Water and Related Resources
- Department of Energy: Energy Projects
  - Renewable and Clean Energy projects
  - Electricity and Energy Resiliency projects
  - Cybersecurity and Energy Security projects
  - Nuclear Energy Projects
  - Fossil Energy or Carbon Management Projects

### **Financial Services**

- Small Business Administration, Administrative Provision
- National Archives and Records Administration, National Historical Publications and Records Commission
- National Archives and Records Administration, Repair and Restoration
- General Services Administration, Federal Buildings Fund, Construction and Acquisition
- General Services Administration, Federal Buildings Fund, Repairs and Alterations

- Office of National Drug Control Policy, Administrative Provision - Prevention grants

### **Homeland Security**

- Federal Emergency Management Agency Pre-Disaster Mitigation Projects
- Federal Emergency Management Agency Emergency Operations Center Grant Program

### **Interior**

- EPA, State and Tribal Assistance Grants, Clean Water SRF, Clean Water
- EPA, State and Tribal Assistance Grants, Drinking Water SRF, Drinking Water
- IHS, Sanitation Facilities Construction, Sanitation Facilities Construction
- NPS, Historic Preservation Fund Projects
- USFS, State and Private Forestry, Forest Resource Information and Analysis
- Projects on Agency Lists
  - LWCF: Great American Outdoors Act, Land and Water Conservation Fund
    - BLM, Land Acquisition
    - FWS, Land Acquisition
    - NPS, Land Acquisition
    - USFS, Land Acquisition
    - USFS, Forest Legacy
  - LRF: Great American Outdoors Act, Legacy Restoration Fund
    - BLM, Legacy Restoration Fund
    - FWS, Legacy Restoration Fund
    - NPS, Legacy Restoration Fund
    - BIE, Legacy Restoration Fund
    - USFS, Legacy Restoration Fund
  - LMCON: Land Management Agencies, Construction
    - BLM, Construction
    - FWS, Construction Projects, Line Item Construction
    - NPS, Construction, Line Item Construction and Maintenance
    - USFS, Capital Improvement and Maintenance, Facilities, Road and Trails
- Land Management Agencies, Local Projects and Research
  - BLM, Management of Land and Resources, Habitat Management Priorities
  - NPS, National Recreation and Preservation, Statutory and Contractual Aid
  - FWS, Resource Management, Stewardship Priorities
  - USGS, Surveys Investigations and Research, Special Initiatives
- BIA, Operation of Indian Programs, Special Initiatives
- EPA, Science and Technology, Research: National Priorities
- EPA, State and Tribal Assistance Grants, STAG Infrastructure Grants

### **Labor, HHS, Education**

- Department of Labor—Employment and Training Administration—Training and Employment Services
- Department of Health and Human Services—Health Resources and Services Administration—Program Management
- Department of Health and Human Services—Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration—Health Surveillance and Program Support

- Department of Health and Human Services—Administration for Children and Families—Children and Families Services Programs
- Department of Health and Human Services—Administration for Community Living—Aging and Disability Services Programs
- Department of Education—Innovation and Improvement—Fund for the Improvement of Education
- Department of Education—Higher Education—Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education

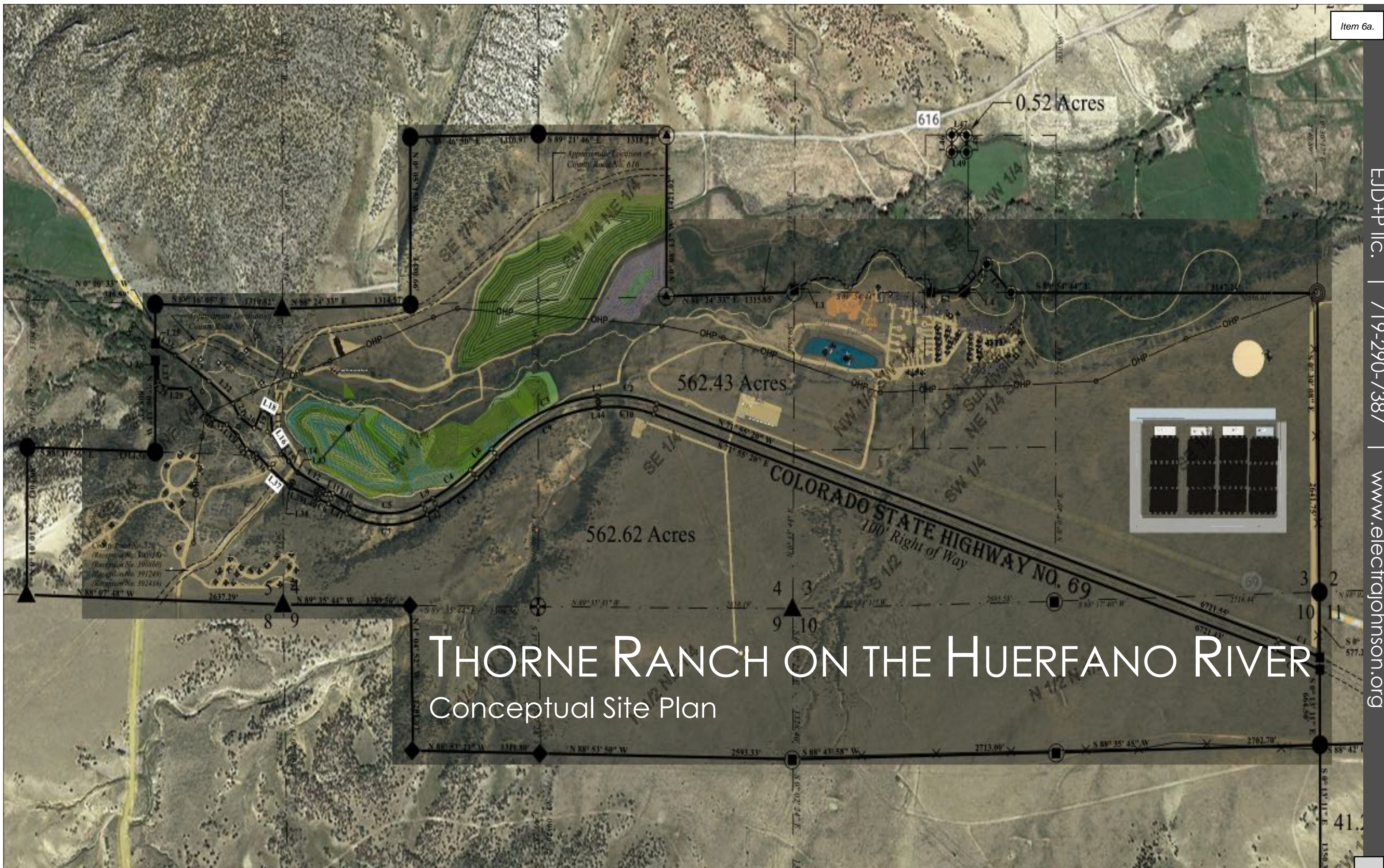
#### **MilCon-VA**

- Military Construction, Army
- Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps
- Military Construction, Air Force
- Military Construction, Defense-Wide
- Military Construction, Army National Guard
- Military Construction, Air National Guard
- Military Construction, Army Reserve
- Military Construction, Navy Reserve
- Military Construction, Air Force Reserve

#### **Transportation-HUD**

- Transportation Planning, Research, and Development (TPR&D) for transportation research projects eligible under title 23 or title 49, United States Code (not for project-specific planning that is eligible for funding under HIP, TIG, or CRISI);
- Grants-in-Aid for Airports (Airport Improvement Program or AIP) for airport projects eligible under chapter 471 of title 49, United States Code;
- Facilities and Equipment (F&E) for terminal air traffic control facility replacement projects eligible under part A of subtitle VII of title 49, United States Code
- Highway Infrastructure Programs (HIP) for highway projects eligible under title 23, United States Code
- Transit Infrastructure Grants (TIG) for transit projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code
- Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvement Program (CRISI) grants for rail projects eligible under section 22907 of title 49, United States Code
- Community Development Fund for Economic Development Initiatives (EDI) for activities eligible under section 5305 of chapter 69 of title 42, United States Code, as well as for affordable housing construction.





# THORNE RANCH ON THE HUERFANO RIVER

## Conceptual Site Plan

EJD+P LLC | 719-290-7387 | www.electrajohnson.org

### Thorne Ranch on the Huerfano River

#### Site Development Concept:

Huerfano County Commissioners purchased the Historic Thorne Ranch on the Taos Trail at the base of Badito cone on the Huerfano River with the intent of providing a regional recreation area for not only Huerfano County but others looking for dark night skies and a connection to the land and history of the west. The site contains 2 ruins; an ancient adobe that once was a trading post on the Taos Trail and a whale bone like spine of a stables that held the steeds of explorers and locals alike. These tell the tale of the independent west, where ancient geology is often under the scrutiny of college classes who come to study the ancient sea beds and creatures that were the first inhabitants of this area. On the ridgetop, a walking archery range will follow the steps of native ancestors who used these ridges for hunting. In the river bottom a covered pavilion will become a hub for weddings, farmers markets, flea markets, parties, music festivals, artist symposiums and summer camps for children.

This historic ranch will be transformed and become a pilot project for food islands in the desert southwest; a regenerative farm with livestock and plantings that will restore a healthy, vibrant ecosystem and become a refuge and habitat for birds and other wildlife. These pathways will provide miles of trails for walking, birdwatching, biking and horseback riding in an area devoid of such access to public lands. Thorne Ranch on the Huerfano River, will become a pilot for best soil, land and water management practices, by improving organic matter in the soil, increasing local flora and fauna, improving and sustaining water quality and increasing local food production, access and availability. The challenge is a rehydration of the land through best practices, including, anerobic bio digestion for compost, waste that will rehydrate the land in addition to installing erosion control measures and livestock management practices that will introduce organic matter into the soils. Thorne Ranch on the Huerfano River will be a place that future generations come to learn about best practices for land management and how to effectively work on building capacity and resilience for local populations by creating a system of local food production and security. One of the fields will be deeded to the Gardner Community School for agricultural production and they are considering regenerative farming and lavender fields.

The amenities that support the local community through recreation fill a void in recreation, access to the outdoors and hospitality. Thorne Ranch on the Huerfano River will provide a variety of options from car camping, to RV camping to a tiny home village that could partner with local college architecture programs to design, develop and build unusual cabins and dwelling spaces from geodesic domes that have a historical precedence in the 1960's communes of Huerfano County, to yurts, log cabins and adobe structures. This regional project celebrates the history comprehensively for Huerfano County. The amenities fill a void for all demographics; from local skeet shooting ranges, a rifle range, to a amphitheater for music and an event venue, to dirt bike tracks and ultimate frisbee courses as well as miles of biking, hiking, and horse back trails along the riparian corridor.

As a pilot project for regional decentralized infrastructure that is resilient and forward thinking, energy to run the project can be crated from microhydro, geothermal, solar array, anerobic digestion and wind and be completely sustainable for many generations to come. Also as a pilot project for local foods, mushroom growing warehouses will be built into hillsides, and greenhouses that endure in harsh spring weather, and early freezes will make the area more food resilient, local aquaponics will be the systems used for water quality and fish and food production. The local holding ponds will be restored for water sports and fishing as local amenities. There will be a general store and restaurant celebrating the whole Food Chain where all the local foods are prepared and celebrated, with a full RV servicing station. This will provide a much-needed recreation area and sustainable infrastructure pilot program where intensive use creates solutions to current and future issues.



### OUTDOOR RECREATION

<b>ACTIVE OUTDOOR RECREATION</b>
BIKE AND WALKING TRAILS SOUTH OF HWY 69
BIKE/ HORSE/ DOG WALKING/ RUNNING TRAILS AND WILD RIPARIAN HABITAT /MULTIUSE PATH THROUGH RIPARIAN HABITAT OBSERVATORY
AX THROWING VENUE
FARM TO TABLE EVENTS
RIVER WALK/WALKING PATHS / BIKE PATHS AND BIRD WATCHING
WALKING NATURE 3D TARGET ARCHERY RANGE
NATURAL PLAYGROUNDS
PRACTICE ARCHERY RANGE
HORSE TRAIL RIDES AND CORALS
AMPITHEATER IN NATURAL BOWL AT BASE OF BADITO CONE
SKEET SHOOTING RANGE
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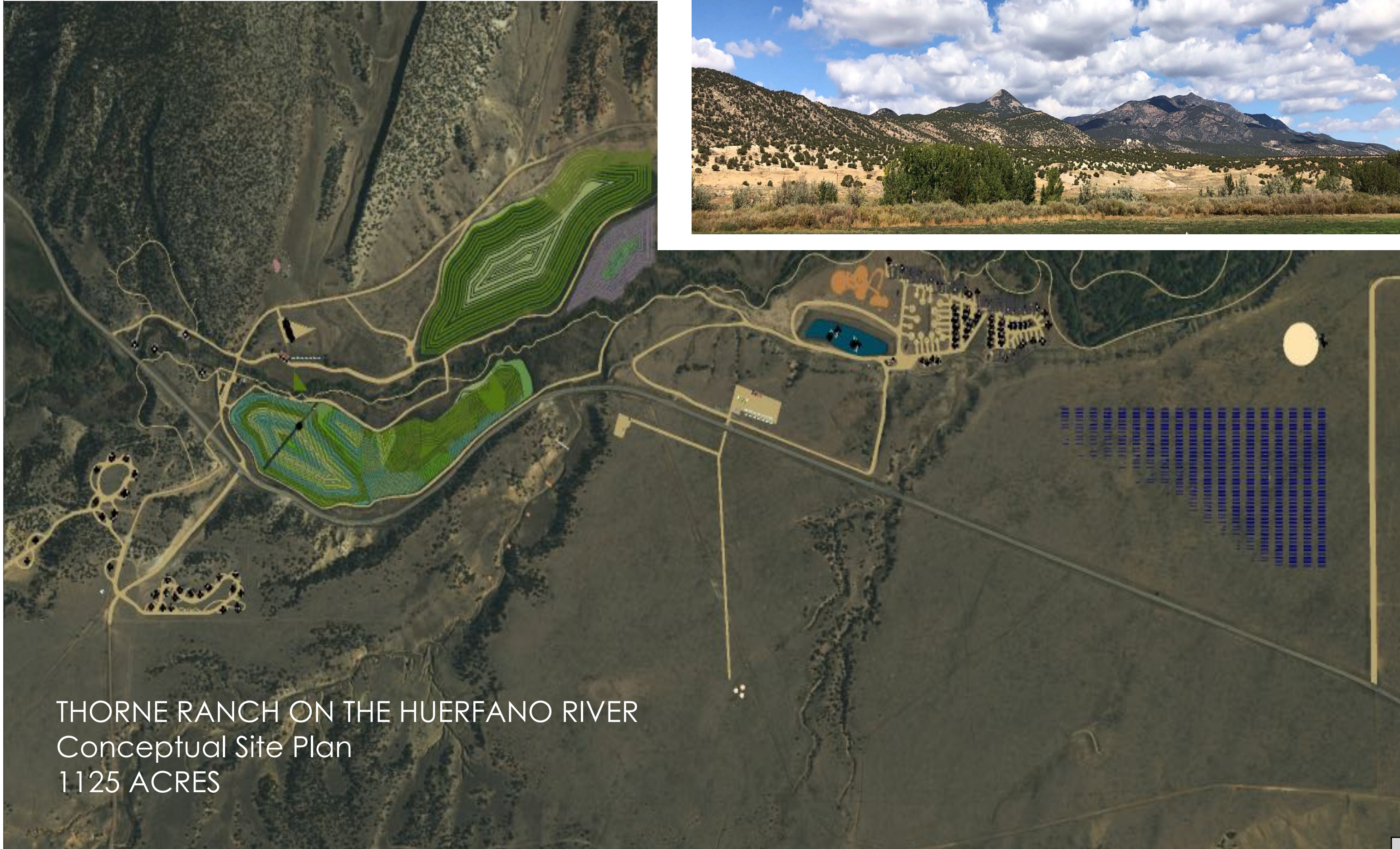
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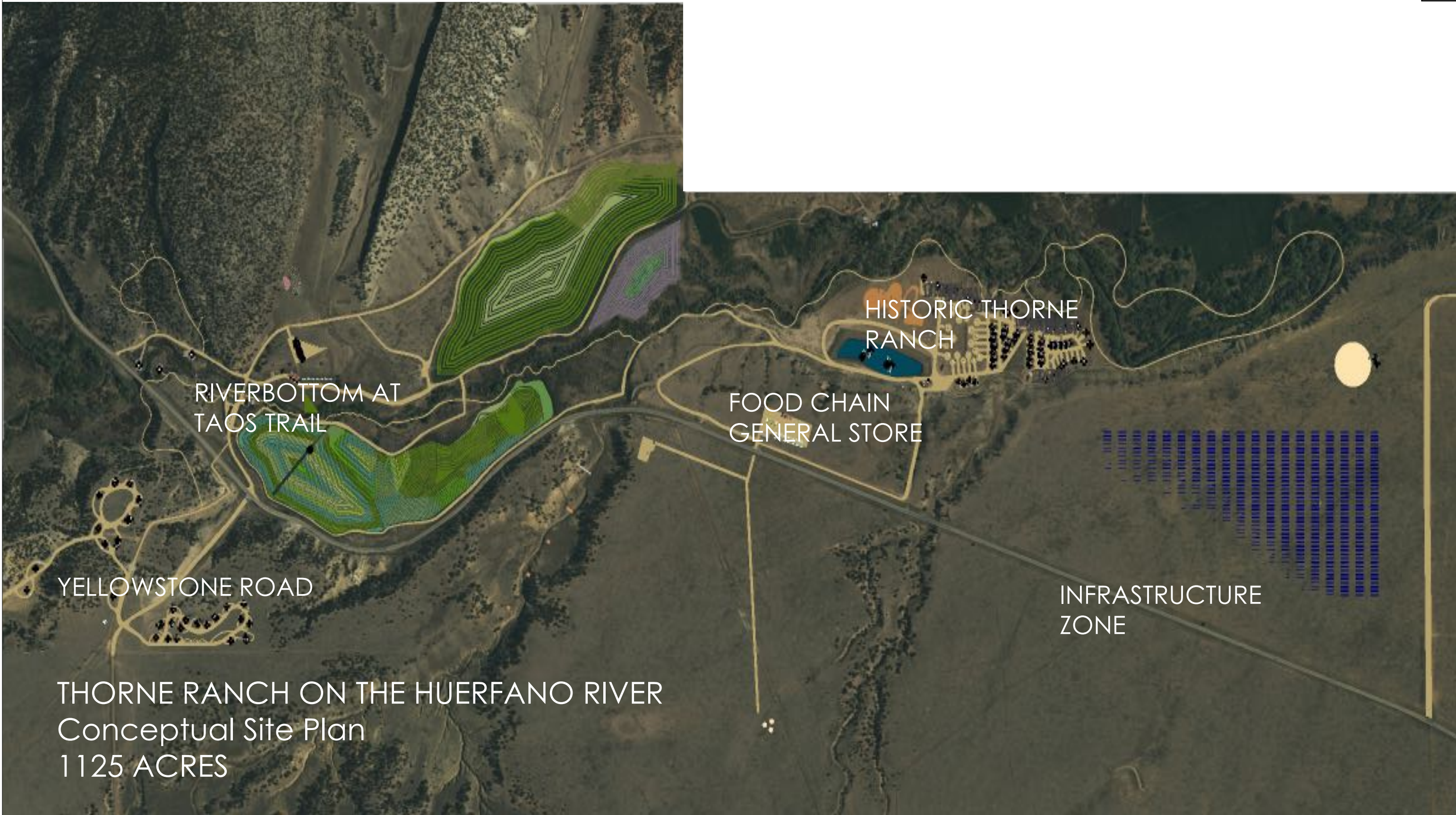
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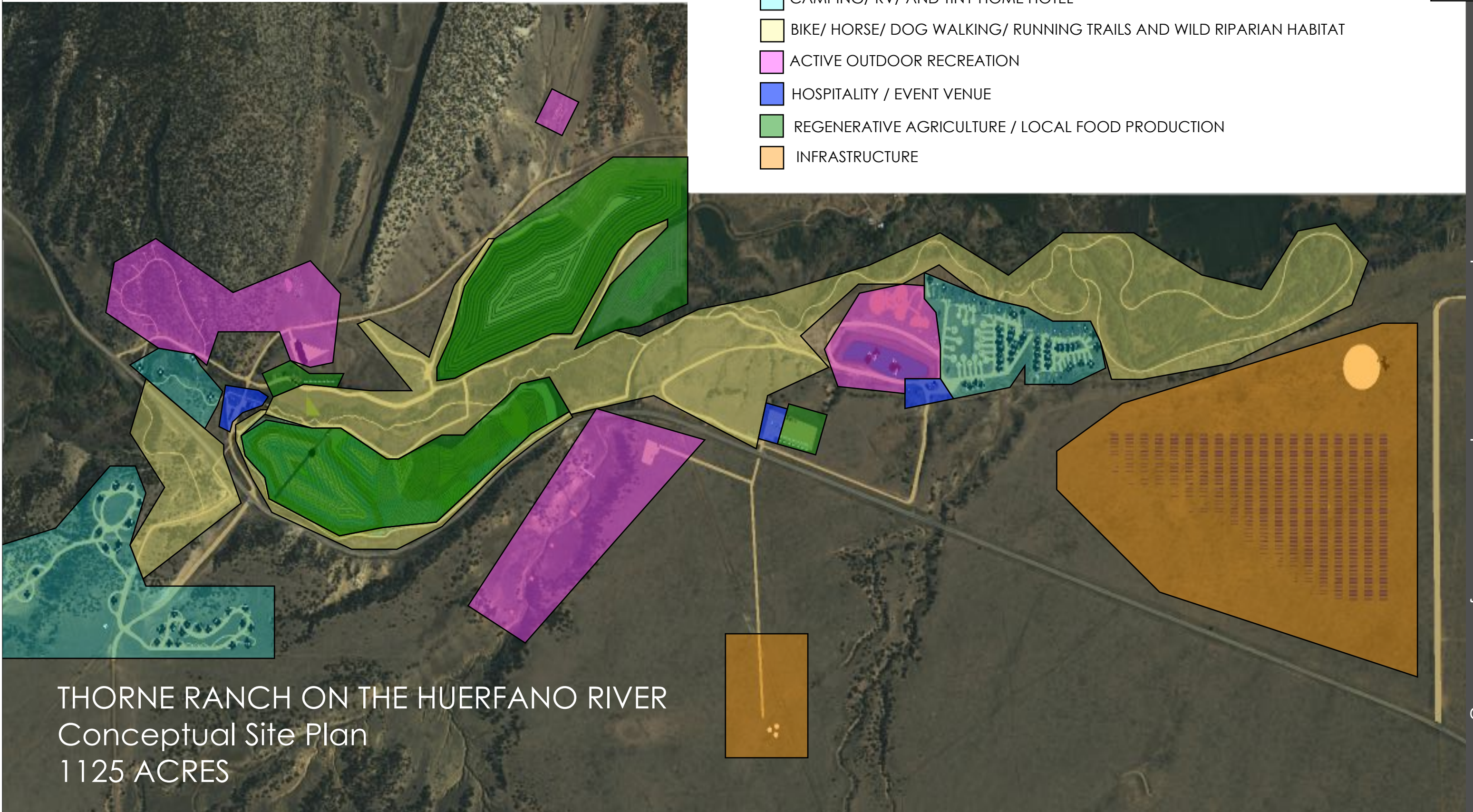
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# RIVERBOTTOM & YELLOWSTONE Conceptual Site Plan



Area Amenity	USE	Number	Site Amenities	Opinion of probable cost	Area Required
<b>SOUTH OF HWY 69- YELLOWSTONE DISPERSED CAMPING TRAILS AND OBSERVATORY</b>					
Check in station/West Side Dispersed RV/ Camping	West Side Dispersed RV/ Camping WITH 2 Vault Toilets	35 Pullthrough RV / Camping SPACES	Firepit with Grate/ seating bench ( could be Chairs or bench or logs	\$20,000	65 ACRES
Bike and walking trails South of Hwy 69	Bike, Walking, Horse trails	2 miles south of Hwy 69		\$12,000	2 miles
Observatory			Small dome community observatory	\$50,000 - \$100,000.	
<b>EVENT VENUE ON RIVERBOTTOM</b>					
Signs for hwy 69 Signs for Riverbottom event Venue	2 -6 Signs			\$15,000	3.5 Acres
Covered shelter beside barn ruin	Farmers market/ Flea market/ Events including weddings/ parties/ music / family gatherings / artist residencies/ artist symposiums/ outdoor movies during the summer/ festivals / Historic signage for education/ Gathering location for classes and camps	2 Covered Pavilions 20' x 90' (1800 sq. ft.)	Parking	\$16,000	
2 Vault toilets				\$20,000	
Stabilized barn ruin				\$20,000	
Stabilized Adobe ruin				\$20,000	
Event Barn		36 x 50 pole barn - 1800- 2000 SF	lighting / stage	\$40,000	
Playground				\$20,000	
Ax throwing venue				\$10,000	
Farm to Table Events				\$5,000	
<b>RIVER WALK PROGRAMMING</b>					
River walk/Walking paths / Bike paths and bird watching	Walking paths / Bike paths and bird watching	drained gravel road base trail- wide enough to ride a 4 wheeler on	benches/ workout stations/ bird towers/	\$60,000	10 Miles of trails
5 Glamping Geodesic domes		5 geodesic dome ARbnb's	BBQ grill, seating, Skyviewing dome, parking,	\$50,000	
Walking nature archery range with targets	trail to native american ruins and archery target	20-30 3D Targets at ASA known and unknown distances out to a maximum of 45 yards.		\$20,000	
Natural Playground	hills/ logs/ slide/ large rocks/ climbing			\$20,000	
Archery Range	Archery Practice	lanes for 10,20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100 yards	Berm, Parking, shooting shelters, targets	\$50,000	
Mushroom barns	Mushroom or cricket or mealworm production	Buried Quonset hut underground and dark- these could be used for		\$50,000 per bldg.	
Livestock and Regenerative Agriculture barns	Pole barn			\$40,000	
Horse trail rides and corals				\$30,000	
Regenerative agriculture fields				\$50,000	
Ampitheater in natural bowl at base of Badito Cone	bandshell and log seats for movies and music and events	Place ampitheater in natural depression along ridge		\$100,000	
Skeet shooting range					
Aquaponics greenhouses	Aquaponics water treatment with greenhouses for food production - space for 200 greenhouses but start with just a few and build up to a full scale production			\$50,000- \$100,000 per greenhouse	
Gardner School Regenerative agriculture fields- lavender fields					



BIKE/ HIKING AND RUNNING TRAILS

OBSERVATORY

CHECK IN

VAULT TOILETS

SOUTH OF HWY 69  
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# NORTH OF HWY 69

## RIVERBOTTOM

- AMPITHEATER |
- PRACTICE ARCHERY RANGE | REGENERATIVE FARMING PILOT FARM | HISTORIC FARM |
- GEO CAMPING | EVENT VENUE | COVERED SHELTER | FARM TO TABLE | RIPARIAN HABITAT AND MULTIUSE TRAIL | MUSHROOM BARN AND GREENHOUSES FOR PRODUCTION



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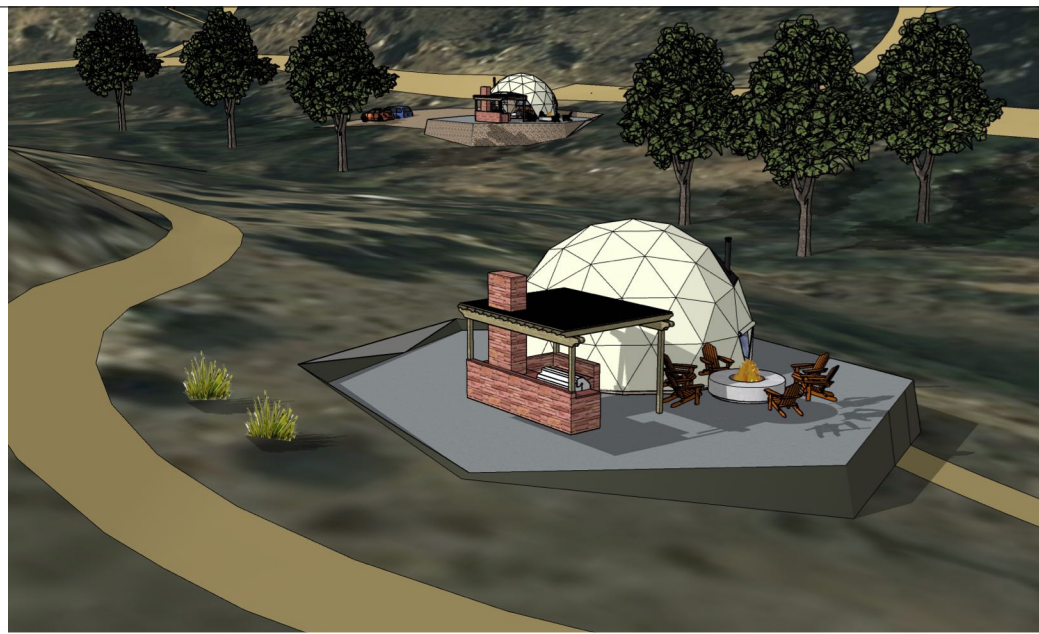
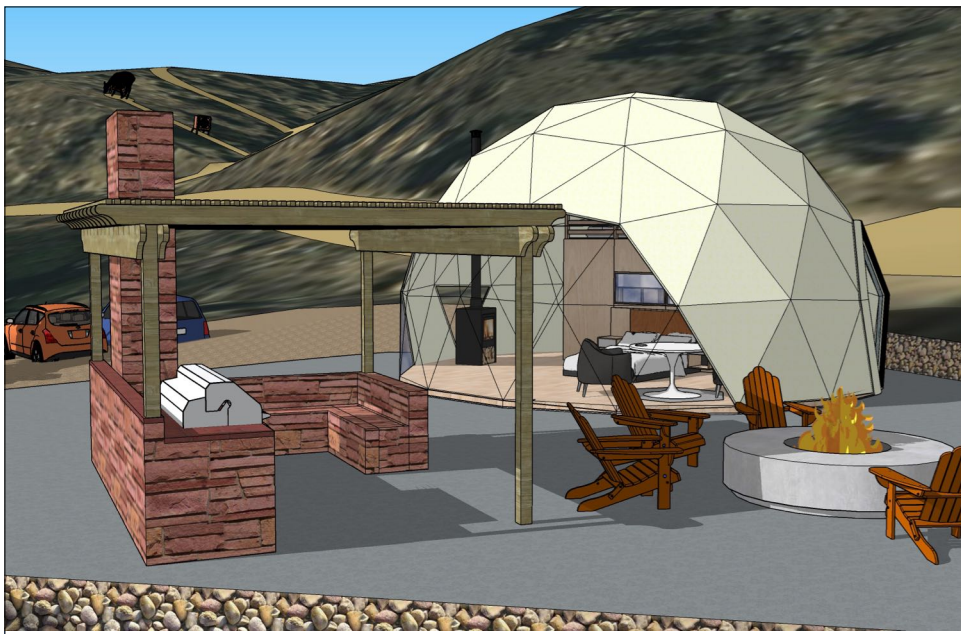


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EVENT VENUE | PAVILLIONS  
WALKING TRAIL | GLAMPING ALONG



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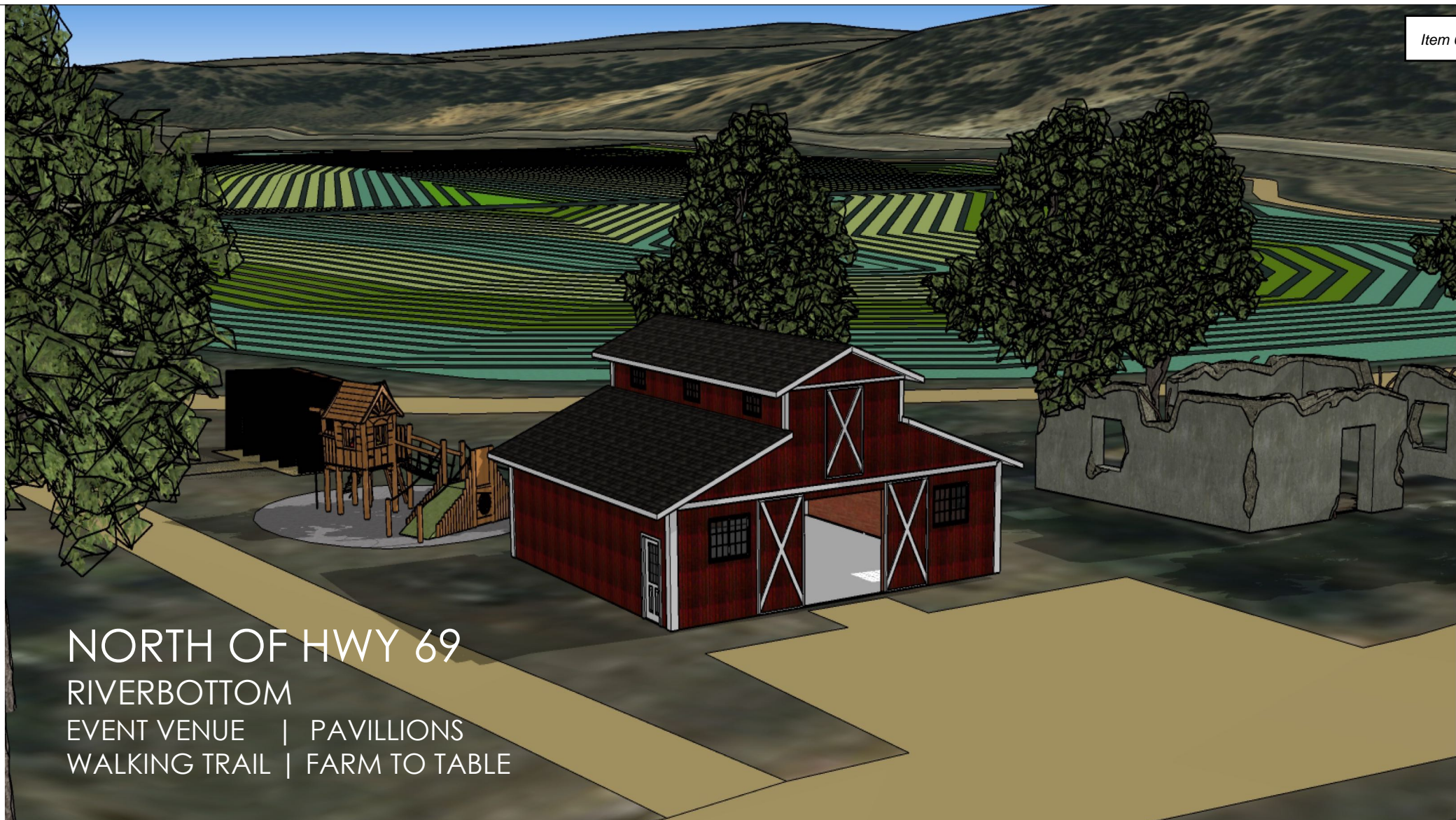
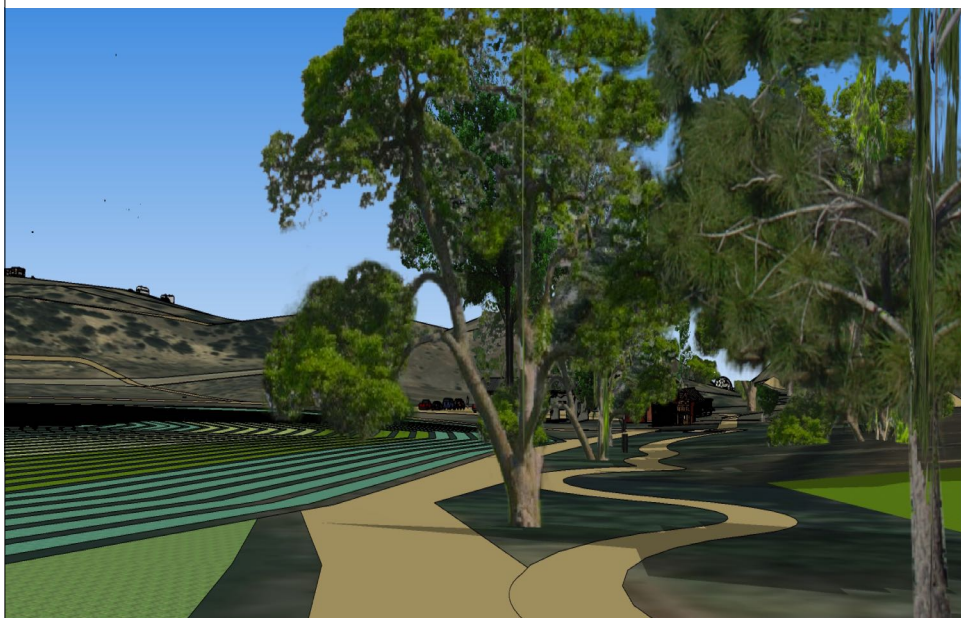
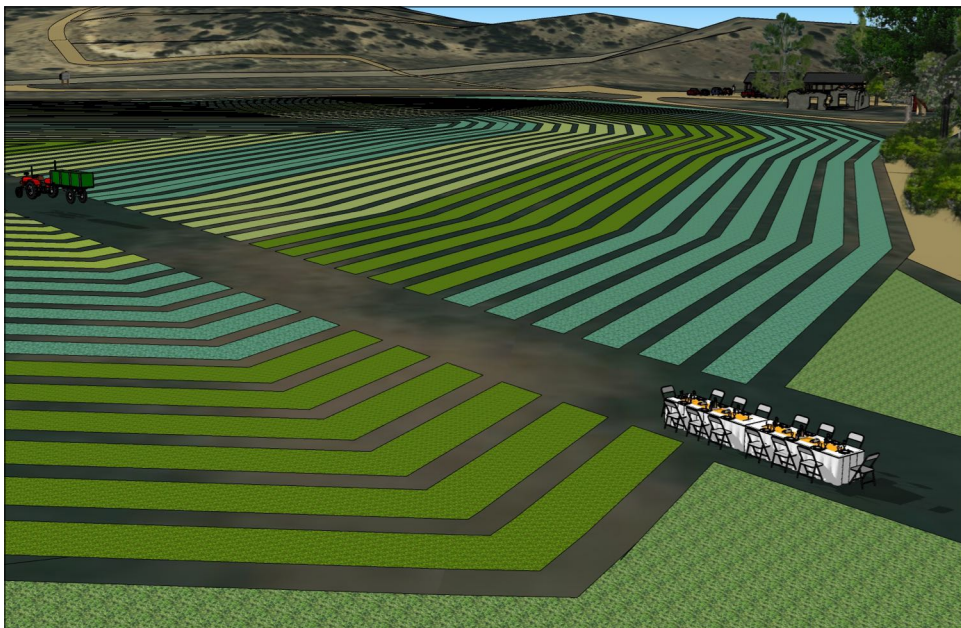
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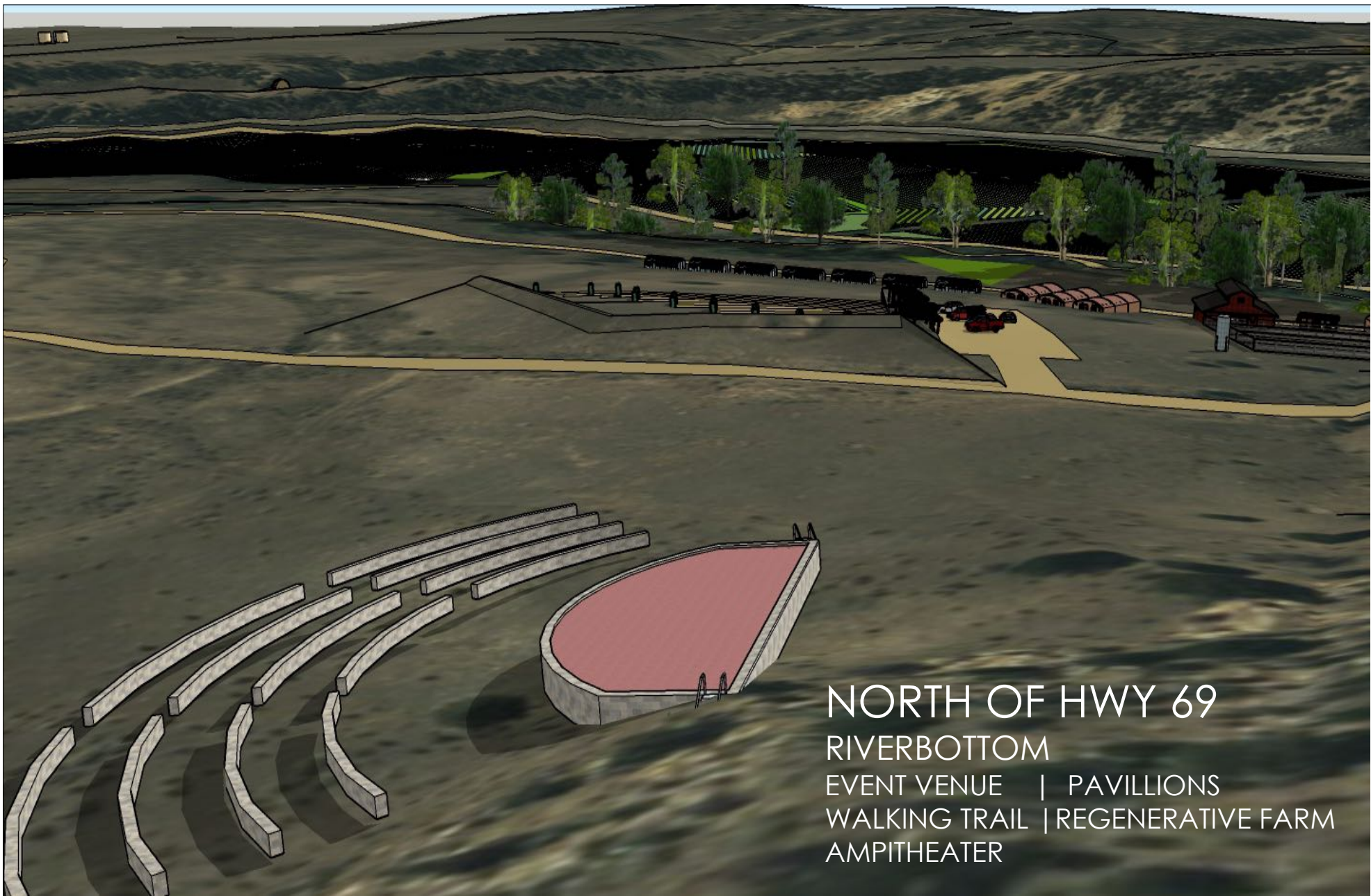


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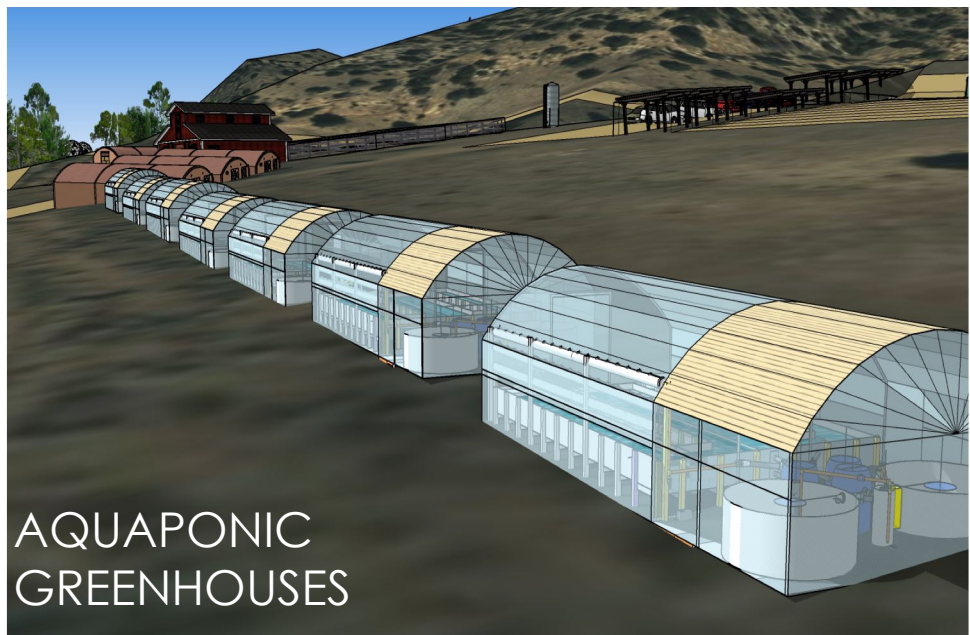
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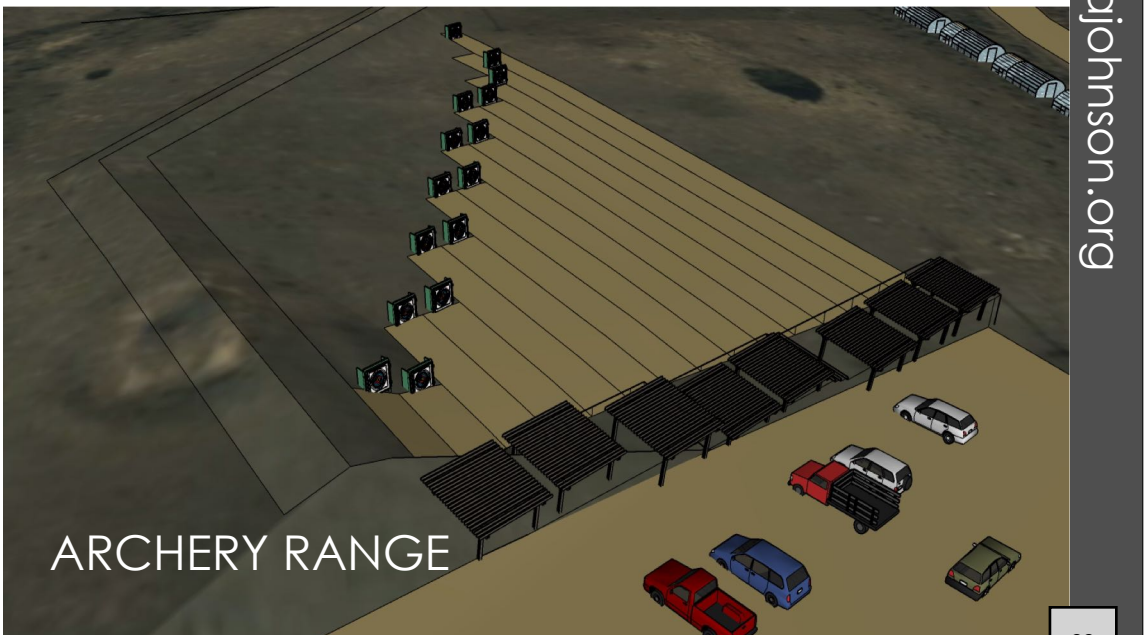
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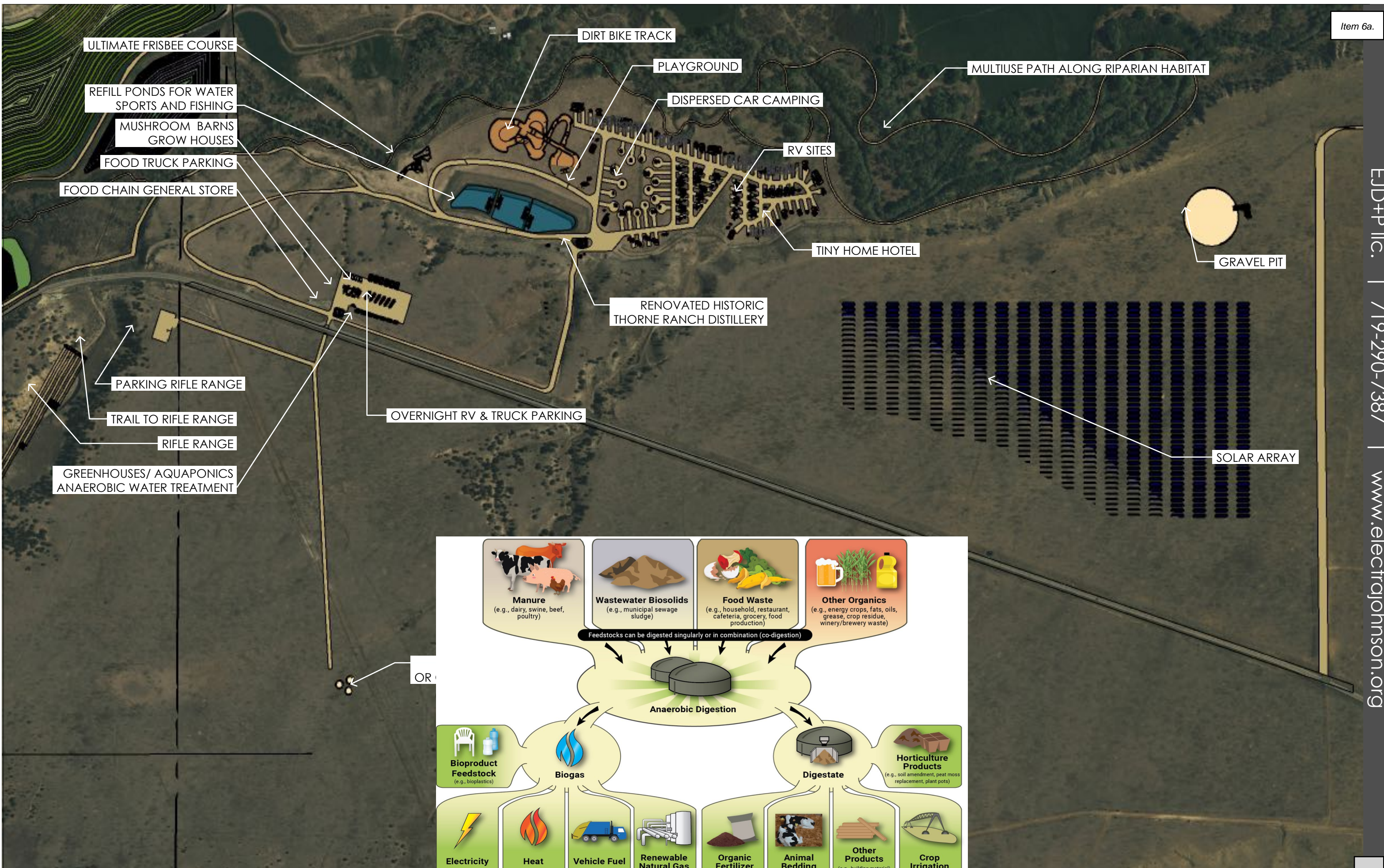
MUSHROOM BARNs  
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 HORSE AND  
 LIVESTOCK BARN



AQUAPONIC  
 GREENHOUSES



ARCHERY RANGE





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<b>PROGRAMMING SOUTH OF HWY 69 ON PLAINS AREA ABOVE RIPARIAN AREA</b>					
Rifle Range	Rifle range	4 lanes for 100 yards/2 lanes 200 Yrds/ 2 INES 300 Yrds/ 2 lanes 400 yards	Parking/ Shade shelter/ 3 sided enclosure with storage	\$200,000	
Anerobic digester composter	anaerobic digester or composting facility for household waste/ agriculture waste and biogas production		regional conmposter or digester- this could be expanded into a waste transfer station or county waste recycler	1.5 million	
Solar Field array / geothermal field below Gravel Pit	energy/ electricity/ grid gravel for the county- existing			1.5 million	
General Store and food truck pad and rest stop	General store - food chain general store and restaurant- fish from aerobic green house tanks and all local food maybe even local beer or distillery as well as parking for overnight rv/ truck and horse hotel		parking/ rv station/ restaurant/ local foods	500,000	
RV pump station and clean out	rv service station for water, and sewage clean out/ sewage could go into anaerobic digester			50,000	
mushroom barns	multiple dark mushroom barns for mushrooms/ mealworms and cricket production				
aquaponics	aquaponics clean water treatment system				
greenhouses on the rim	greenhouses above aquaponics greenhouses for local food production like growhous in denver - vertical gardens that produce food year round				
Restored farmhouse distillery	restore farmhouse as either an open structure open only 3 seasons or as a full restoration for s distillery tasting room and welcome house / clubhouse for the rv park and day guests				
fill ponds for fishing and watersports	fix liner on pond and ri[p rap so that fish have habitats- line with gravel above riprap to turn into a pond for fishing/ water sports / SUP/ small row or paddle boats				
Dock	dock for fishing and paddle boats				
Ultimate Frisbee course	sheltered from the wind a ultimate frisbee course along the river				
Dirt bike Course	dirt bike track and course for non motorized bikes for all skills and ages				
Playground	natural playground				
Covered picnic Shelters	covered picnic shelters in various "neighborhoods" of rv park	4			
Vault Toilets	vault toilets in various "neighborhoods" of rv park	10			
Showers and Bathhouses	Showers and bathhouses in various "neighborhoods" of rv park	5			
Camping	car camping and tent camping	18-20 dispersed car camping or tent camping sites			
RV Pull through camping	rv pull through and pull in parking and camping	22 pull through spaces 9 back in spaces			
Tiny house eclectic cabin vacation rentals	partner with state Architecture programs to design tiny house decatholon village for airbnb guests and give colleges that you partner with priority for camping during building	43 spaces for tiny cabin homes			
multiuser path through riparian habitat	bird watching and benches and bat towers to cut down on mosquitos- trail/ path for bikes, walking, running, horse back riding				



SHOOTING SHELTERS

BERMS FOR 400 YARD  
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BERMS FOR 200 YARD  
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BERMS FOR 100 YARD  
4 LANES

PARKING FOR RIFLE RANGE

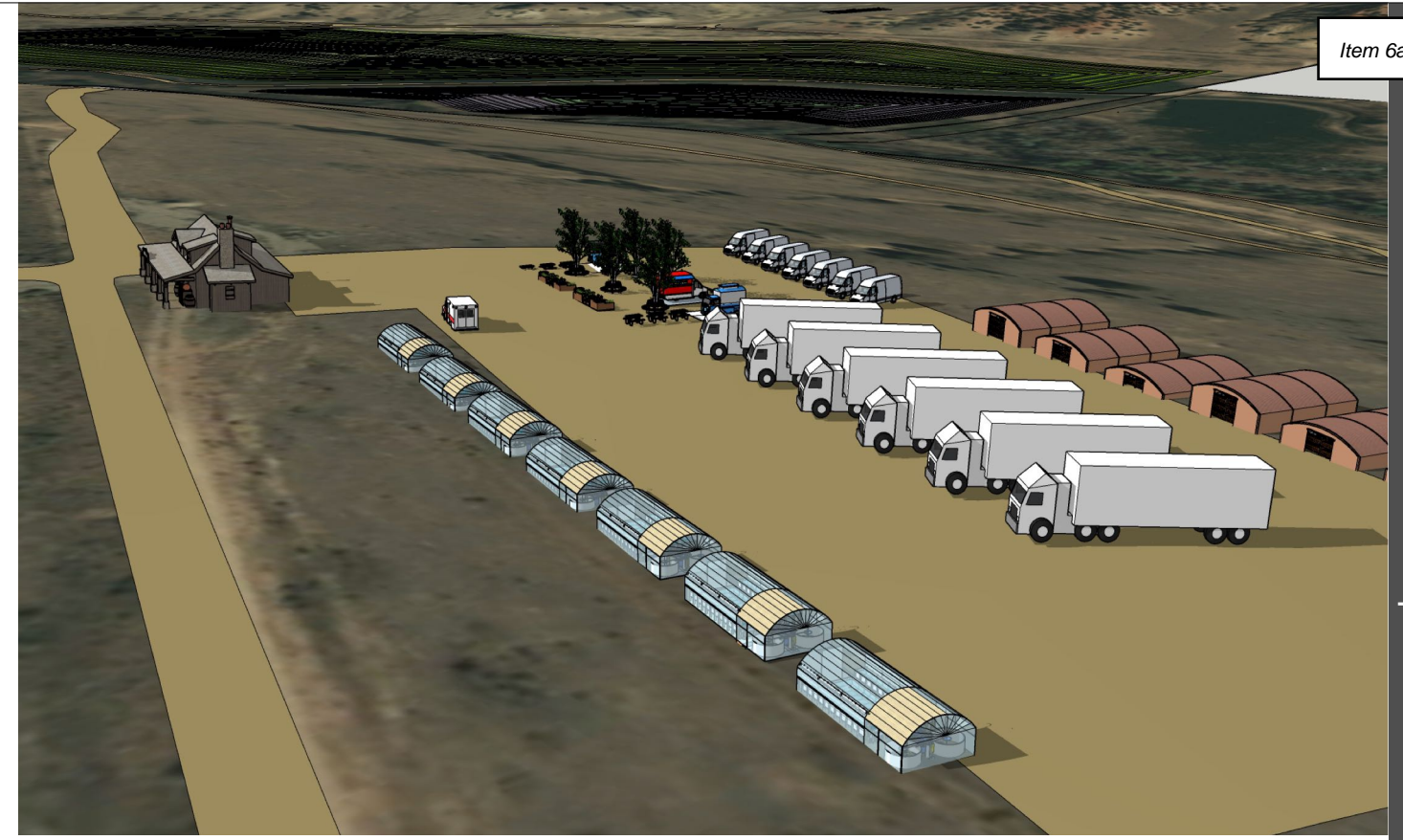
TRAIL TO RIFLE RANGE

# SOUTH OF HWY 69 RIFLE RANGE

# FOOD CHAIN GENERAL STORE

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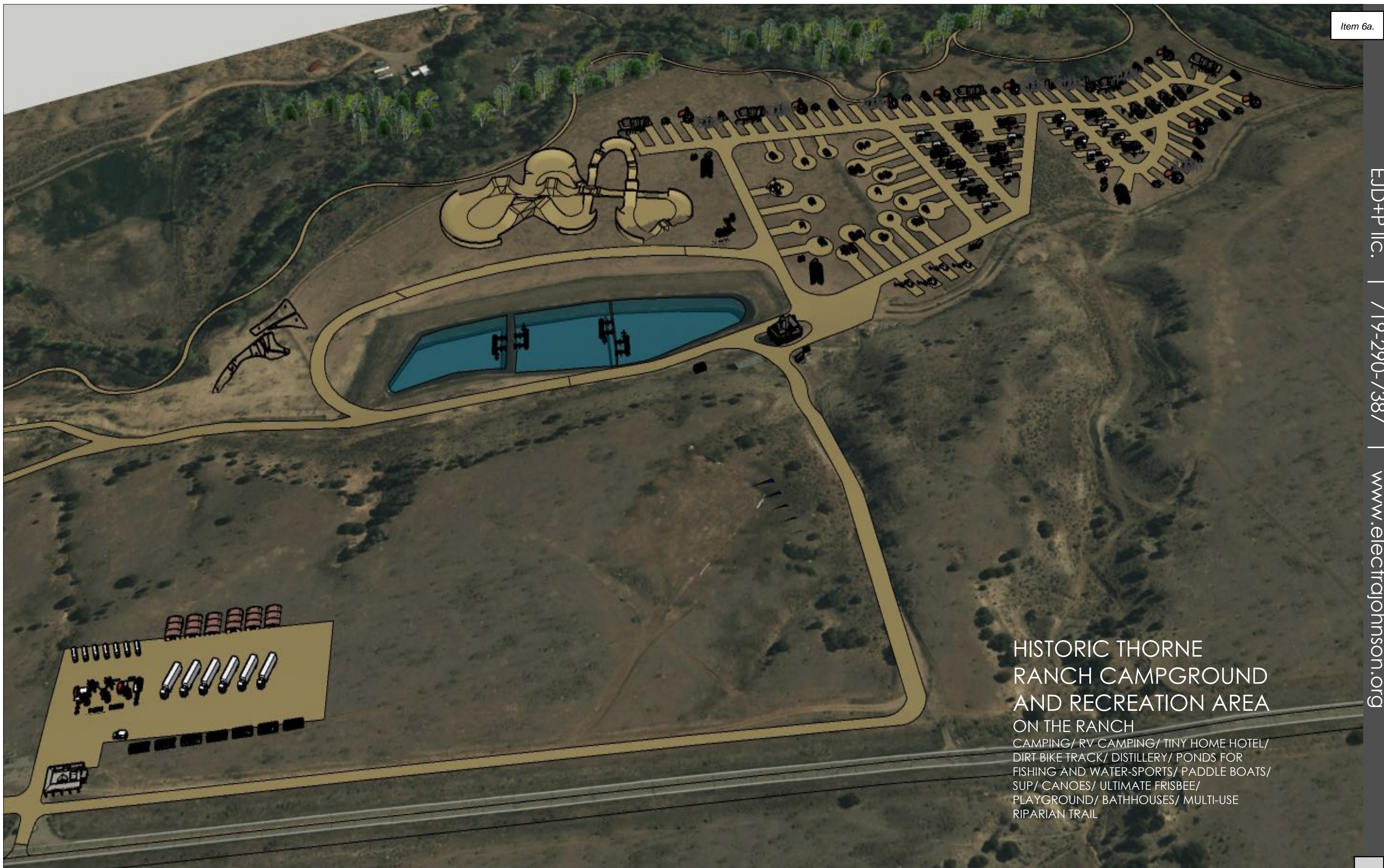
GENERAL STORE AND RESTAURANT | REST  
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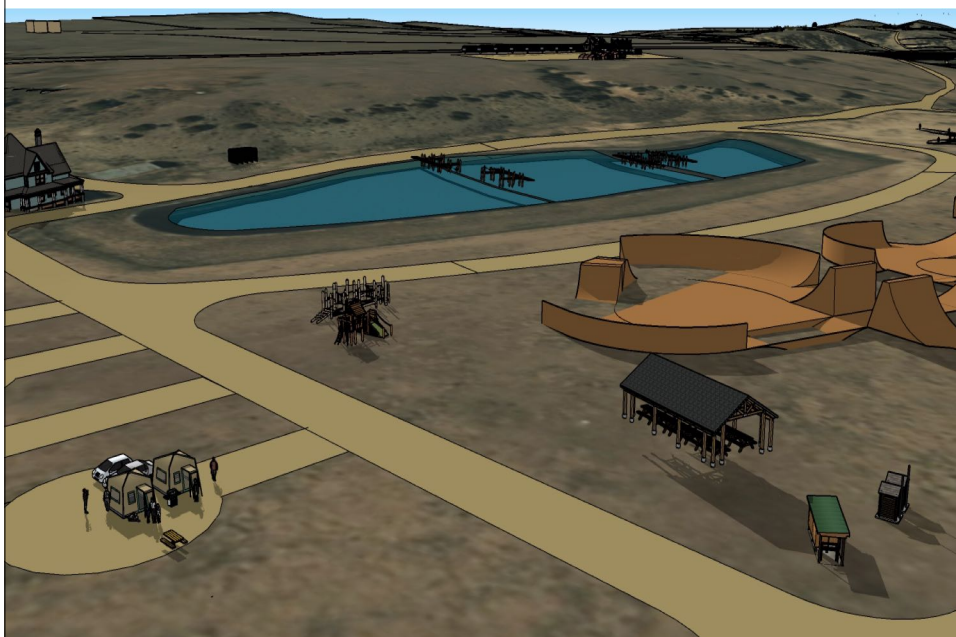




# HISTORIC THORNE RANCH CAMPGROUND AND RECREATION AREA ON THE RANCH

CAMPING/ RV CAMPING/ TINY HOME HOTEL/ DIRT BIKE TRACK/ DISTILLERY/ PONDS FOR FISHING AND WATER-SPORTS/ PADDLE BOATS/ SUP/ CANOES/ ULTIMATE FRISBEE/ PLAYGROUND/ BATHHOUSES/ MULTI-USE RIPARIAN TRAIL

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Foundation/Grant Name	Organization Purpose	Types of Support	Grant Link	Deadline
Gates Family Foundation	Education/ Natural Resources/ Community Development/ Informed Communities	Capital Grants - typically for building purchases, construction, expansion, renovation, and/or land acquisition.	<a href="https://gatesfamilyfoundation.org/types-of-support/overview/">https://gatesfamilyfoundation.org/types-of-support/overview/</a> <a href="https://gatesfamilyfoundation.org/colorado-common-capital-grant-application-please-send-completed-grant-applications-by-email-to-grants@gatesfamilyfoundation.org">Colorado Common Capital Grant Application Please send completed grant applications by email to grants@gatesfamilyfoundation.org</a>	March 15 (for a decision at our mid-June board meeting) September 1 (for a decision at our mid-December board meeting)
El Pomar Family Foundation	Arts and culture/ education/ civic and community/ health/ human services	Capital/ General operating/ support grants to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations and government entities that serve Colorado across a broad spectrum of focus areas, including: arts and culture; civic and community; education; health and human services. These grants are for general operating support, programs and capital projects.	<a href="https://www.elpomar.org/grant-making/search-grants/">https://www.elpomar.org/grant-making/search-grants/</a>	Grant applications are reviewed by the Trustees, who typically meet four-six times a year, and applications are accepted on a rolling basis. El Pomar does not have grant deadlines. Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings: March 16, 2023 May 18, 2023 August 25, 2023
Ford Foundation	Advancing justice starts with supporting the individuals and institutions working tirelessly to address the underlying drivers of inequality. We fund a range of organizations around the world that align with		<a href="https://www.fordfoundation.org/work/learning/">https://www.fordfoundation.org/work/learning/</a>	
Mellon Foundation		Mellon makes project support grants and, depending on the type of institution, general operating support grants. Grant amounts and durations vary by program and type of grant. We also consider a limited number of Officer's Grants of \$150,000 or less.		The deadline for potential applicants to register is April 20, 2022, and the deadline for submission of concepts is May 16, 2022.
WK Kellogg Foundation	Children are at the heart of everything we do at the Kellogg Foundation. Our goal is lasting, transformational change for children. As a grantmaker, we recognize that children live in families and	Therefore, our three areas of focused work – Thriving Children, Working Families and Equitable Communities – are dynamic and always interconnected.	<a href="https://www.wkkf.org/grants">https://www.wkkf.org/grants</a>	
The Rockefeller Foundation		Health, Clean energy, food, economic equity, innovation	<a href="https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/governance-reports/">https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/governance-reports/</a>	
Bettcher Foundation	Community Connections: Supporting connections that create a sum greater than their parts is vital to the health of communities in our state. As such, we invest in initiatives or infrastructure projects that are bringing people together or deepening the connections between individuals and/or organizations.  We have three annual funding cycles in which we accept Community Connections inquiries through a Grant Inquiry Form. Colorado-based nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply. After a competitive review, inquiries that most align with the Community Connections focus area may be invited to submit a full proposal. Grants awarded in this category are typically in the range of \$20,000 – \$75,000.  In practice, our Community Connections grants often support the construction of buildings with multi-use community space, the co-location of numerous nonprofit or multisector partners, or one-time strategic investments that help take a proven initiative or program to the next level.	Rural Catalyst Grants. Foundation's Rural Leadership Collaborative meetings. This is done through the distribution of capacity-building grants, which will range from \$1,000-\$10,000, to support the following types of projects:  Strategic planning – Identifying elements of a blueprint that helps your organization accomplish its goals. Convening – Bringing together people, ideas, and resources to move forward an issue, topic, or opportunity. Short-term staffing or contractors – Employees or expertise recruited for short-term employment contracts to meet limited, one-time support needs. One-time operating costs – Expenses related to the operation of the organization or program that are not recurring, such as tap fees, application fees, public outreach, or education material expenses. Eligible Issue Areas  Additional issue areas will be announced in 2023. Current eligible areas include affordable rural housing, childcare, hiring and retaining a rural workforce, leadership pipeline and diversification, and mental health.	<a href="https://boettcherfoundation.org/grants-overview/">https://boettcherfoundation.org/grants-overview/</a>	Grant Inquiry Form Submission: May 15 – June 15 : July 13 Notification of Funding: September 25 Cycle 3 – August 1 – September 1 Community Connections Inquiry Form Rural Catalyst Grant Inquiry Form Invitation for Proposal or Declination: September 29 Notification of Funding: November 17
A.V. Hunter Trust		A current priority for the Trust is to help small organizations in rural or under-served communities. If your annual operating budget is in excess of \$1 million, your organization is unlikely to be considered for first-time funding at this time.	(303) 399-5450, or email <a href="mailto:news@avhuntertrust.org">news@avhuntertrust.org</a> <a href="https://www.avhuntertrust.org/grant-application-report">https://www.avhuntertrust.org/grant-application-report</a>	
Anschutz Family Foundation	Self-Sufficiency / Families / Literacy  Food / Shelter / Homeless  Youth Development / Outdoor Programs  Early Childhood Development Community & Capacity Building  Crisis Intervention  Senior Programs  People with Disabilities	The Anschutz Family Foundation supports rural and urban Colorado nonprofit organizations that assist people to help themselves while nurturing and preserving their self-respect.  We encourage endeavors that strengthen families and communities and advance individuals to become productive & responsible citizens.  We have a special interest in self-sufficiency, community development and programs aimed at the economically disadvantaged, children & youth, seniors and people with disabilities.	<a href="https://anschutzfamilyfoundation.org/search-our-past-grants/">https://anschutzfamilyfoundation.org/search-our-past-grants/</a>	NEXT GRANT DEADLINE:  BEGIN ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS: MID-MAY, 2023  APPLICATION DEADLINE (5 P.M.): JULY 1, 2023
<a href="https://caringforcolorado.org">https://caringforcolorado.org</a>	CFC's grantmaking program is rooted in our purpose of achieving equity, health and well-being for Colorado's children and families. These principles guide our decisions. Our guiding principles are: We center the health and well-being of all children, youth and their families, and we prioritize resources and attention to children living in families with low incomes, children and youth of color, and children and youth who experience systemic injustice. We center the voice and perspective of children, youth, families and caregivers and support efforts that seek, integrate, and respond to their insights and solutions. <del>We center organizations that are rooted in and trusted by the children, youth and communities they</del>	Please find additional information about what is and is not funded under each Focus Area or in the PDFs below: Healthy Beginnings Healthy Youth Strong and Resilient Families Public Policy Advocacy (Fall 2023 funding opportunity under development)	<a href="https://caringforcolorado.org/grants/packard-fund-for-pueblo-grants/">https://caringforcolorado.org/grants/packard-fund-for-pueblo-grants/</a>	NEXT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY COMMUNITY IMPACT CYCLE SUMMER 2023
<a href="#">Coors Foundation</a>	The Foundation supports organizations that promote self-sufficiency, leadership and independence. It also requires that nonprofits be well-managed and effective in their efforts. Requests are considered for general operating grants, program support and capital needs. Areas of funding			
<a href="#">Inasmuch Foundation</a>	Inasmuch Foundation strengthens individuals and families by increasing access to social services and basic human needs for under resourced communities. Grants support Colorado Springs based 501(c)(3) organizations and government entities to: Assist on projects focus on system change that are collaborative/multi-agency Combat adult and youth homelessness utilizing the housing first model Empower children and families to achieve long-term stability and well-being Promote mental health and physical wellness <del>Underwrite the cost of food, clothing, and housing</del>	Please contact: Tyler Tokarczyk Senior Program Officer 405-606-8658 <a href="mailto:Tyler.tokarczyk@inasmuchfoundation.org">Tyler.tokarczyk@inasmuchfoundation.org</a>	<a href="https://www.inasmuchfoundation.org/requests">https://www.inasmuchfoundation.org/requests</a> <a href="https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=inasmuch">https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=inasmuch</a>	OUR SPRING GRANT CYCLE WILL OPEN THE FIRST WEEK OF JANUARY 2023.
<a href="#">Intel Foundation</a>	In collaborations with schools and nonprofit public and private organizations, we contribute thought leadership and funds to deploy innovative programs that support underserved populations.	The Foundation does not accept unsolicited proposals, but organizations may e-mail us with information about their programs. Non-profits and educational organizations may sign up to be considered for our matching programs (note: eligibility requirements apply).	<a href="http://www.intel.com/intel/foundation/index.htm?id=about_intel+foundation">http://www.intel.com/intel/foundation/index.htm?id=about_intel+foundation</a> <a href="https://causes.benevity.org/causes/claim-cause-search">https://causes.benevity.org/causes/claim-cause-search</a>	The Intel Foundation supports a variety of eligible non-governmental, non-profit and academic organizations. Eligibility requirements vary by funding opportunity.

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<p><a href="#">Janus Foundation</a></p>	<p>While we recognize there are many diverse nonprofit organizations providing invaluable services to the community, the Janus Foundation has elected to focus on the three following giving areas: at-risk youth through education; community service and volunteerism; cultural institutions in the Denver-metro area. If you are interested in applying for a grant from the Janus Foundation, please download the Grant Guidelines &amp; Application Process do...  <a href="http://ww4.janus.com/Janus/Retail/StaticPage?jsp=Janushome/JanusFoundation.jsp">http://ww4.janus.com/Janus/Retail/StaticPage?jsp=Janushome/JanusFoundation.jsp</a> We are proud to support of Innovation for Learning's TutorMate Program, which enables volunteers to remotely tutor first graders in core reading skills on a weekly basis. Further, the program expanded internationally, into the UK in 2018 as a result of the strategic support of the Janus Henderson Foundation. Grounded in the belief that learning to read is a basic right with the power to transform lives, Innovations for Learning's (IFL) programmes and services fuse technology, corporate volunteerism and intensive support to enable meaningful human interaction.</p> <p>As Dan Weisberg, National Director of the TutorMate Program, explains, "We also have almost 6000 registered tutors representing 200 tutoring corporations, law firms, accounting firms, and various community organizations who are currently tutoring with TutorMate. Janus Henderson has been one</p>	<p>Awards of \$10,000 and Below/ Awards over \$10,000 Hunger Free Colorado</p> <p>Hunger Free Colorado was awarded \$50,000 to connect people to food resources and drive policy, systems and social change to end hunger in Colorado. Funding from the Janus Henderson Foundation is providing vital support for Hunger Free Colorado's Farm to Food Pantry Initiative, which is designed to increase the flow of nutritious, Colorado-grown food into food pantries to support healthy food access for community members while strengthening local food systems. In response to the pandemic-induced hunger crisis, the state of Colorado is providing significantly increased state funding for the Food Pantry Assistance Grant. The six regional food coordinators that are part of the Farm to Food Pantry Initiative provide critical linkages to help food pantries use these state funds to purchase from local farmers and ranchers, including through relationship-building, joint purchasing agreements and transportation logistics. As a result of the Charity Challenge Funding, the regional coordinators are facilitating millions of dollars in transactions to make healthy locally produced foods more accessible to struggling community members, while also promoting environmental sustainability. Innovations for Learning</p>	<p><a href="https://www.janushenderson.com/careers/foundation/">https://www.janushenderson.com/careers/foundation/</a></p>	
<p><a href="#">Anschutz Family Foundation</a></p>	<p>Support rural and urban Colorado nonprofit organizations. Strengthen families and communities and develop productive &amp; responsible citizens. Special interest in self-sufficiency, community development, economically disadvantaged, children &amp; youth, seniors, and people with disabilities.</p>		<p>Annual grant- The Foundation has a special interest in self-sufficiency, community development and programs aimed at the economically disadvantaged, the young, the elderly and the disabled. The Foundation is also dedicated to funding efforts in rural Colorado. Past examples here (Due Mid-May)</p>	
<p>Colorado Parks and Wildlife Grants -Partners in the Outdoors Grant Program Regional Partnerships Initiative</p>	<p>To be eligible to apply for a grant, a partner organization must: be a non-profit organization or a government entity and provide a grant report detailing the use of funds at the closure of the grant cycle.</p> <p>Projects should be collaborative in nature and address the priority areas identified in our Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP):</p> <p>Sustainable Access and Opportunity - all Coloradans and visitors benefit from outdoor recreation and conservation.  Stewardship - Coloradans and visitors enjoy and care for natural and cultural resources and commit to stewarding them for future generations  Land, Water and Wildlife Conservation: Private and public lands and waters are conserved to support sustainable outdoor recreation, the environment and wildlife habitat.  Funding the Future - Coloradans and visitors contribute to diverse funding sources that are dedicated to support outdoor recreation and conservation.  Matching funds (in-kind and/or cash match that are from sources other than CPW) are not required but strongly recommended in order to increase the impact of the Partners in the Outdoors grant funds.</p> <p>*If your organization has been awarded a grant for the past 3 consecutive years you are not eligible to apply this year.*</p> <p>See the previous grant recipients from 2014-2022. We did not conduct the Partners in the Outdoors Grant program for the year 2020.</p>	<p>Colorado Outdoor Regional Partnership Funding Program</p> <p>Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) and Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) are collaborating to fund new and existing coalitions to join a statewide initiative working to ensure that Colorado's land, water, and wildlife thrive while also providing for equitable and quality outdoor recreation experiences. Sustainable Access and Opportunity - all Coloradans and visitors benefit from outdoor recreation and conservation. Stewardship - Coloradans and visitors enjoy and care for natural and cultural resources and commit to stewarding them for future generations  Land, Water and Wildlife Conservation: Private and public lands and waters are conserved to support sustainable outdoor recreation, the environment and wildlife habitat.  Funding the Future - Coloradans and visitors contribute to diverse funding sources that are dedicated to support outdoor recreation and conservation.</p>	<p><a href="https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Partners-Conference-Apply-for-a-Grant.aspx">https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Partners-Conference-Apply-for-a-Grant.aspx</a>  <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSchiv4umcRQ0fe4es9sMWBnNXZusvkK60G8ZaPJYHkGc9I2IA/viewform">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSchiv4umcRQ0fe4es9sMWBnNXZusvkK60G8ZaPJYHkGc9I2IA/viewform</a></p>	<p>Spring 2023 Grant Cycle Open</p> <p>Interested applicants are encouraged to review grant guidelines and then contact Jody Kennedy, Regional Partnership Program Manager, to discuss details.</p> <p>Letters of Interest are due to Jody.kennedy@state.co.us by Friday, April 7th, 2023, or sooner. Applicants who meet the grant requirements will receive a link for an online application. Applications are due April 28th, 2023.</p> <p>Key Dates:</p> <p>February 28, 2023: Application Period Opens  March 13, 12-1 PM: Informational Webinar Q &amp; A Session.  Registration (required) link  April 7, 2023: Letter of Interest Deadline  April 28 at 5:00 PM: Application Deadline  May 1 - May 31, 2023: Review by CPW Staff and CO-OP Scoring Committee  May or early June, 2023: Applicant presentations to the CO-OP Scoring Committee  June, 2023: Awards &amp; Partnerships Announced Spring 2023 Grant Cycle</p> <p>Funding will continue to be available to support new and existing coalitions that meet criteria under a State-level vision and advance the development of local and regional planning elements to inform a statewide conservation and recreation plan. The next grant period</p>
<p>Colorado Parks and Wildlife Grants -Outdoor Equity Grant Cycle</p>	<p>House Bill 21-1318 is the product of an incredible community effort to create a grant program for outdoor organizations focused on creating opportunities for youth and their families from communities who have been historically excluded, so that they have equitable opportunities to get involved in recreational activities and experiencing Colorado's open spaces, state parks, public lands and other outdoor areas. The bill funds the grant program through a redistribution of lottery money that is earmarked for the general fund. Find funding details in the text of HB21-1318.</p> <p>Program focus should aim to address one or more of the following issues: the racial inequities young Coloradans face in accessing the outdoors, improving environmental justice, accessibility to the outdoors for Colorado youth from historically excluded communities including black, Indigenous, and youth of color, LGBTQIA2S+ youth, youth with disabilities, immigrant and refugee youth, and low-income youth; providing environmental, experiential, outdoor, or stewardship and conservation education.</p> <p>Programs or projects should strive to be culturally responsive. They should raise awareness of and or seek to address the root cause of the disparities Colorado youth experience while trying to</p>	<p>The Colorado Outdoor Equity Grant Board share a vision to change the system that has excluded black, Indigenous, and youth of color, LGBTQIA2S+ youth, youth with disabilities, immigrant and refugee youth, and low-income youth from equitable access to outdoor recreation, nature-based education, and career development.</p> <p>This inaugural Board is committed to bringing about transformative change in Colorado.</p> <p>Nature access is a fundamental human right, but it is denied to far too many young people. Our hope is to fund and support diverse organizations that provide outdoor education and recreation experiences to underserved youth and families. We are committed to providing funding to organizations that have been unable to apply for this type of assistance due to organizational barriers. The funding opportunities are intended to assist organizations in developing, continuing or accelerating their work.</p> <p>The Outdoor Equity Grant is a first step toward working collaboratively to improve access, representation, meaningful participation, and quality experiences for Colorado's youth and families in the outdoors. This step is just the beginning, and we will live up to our values showing up authentically for our communities now and in the future.</p>	<p><a href="#">If you have any questions about the 2023 grant cycle, please contact Outdoor Equity Grant Program Manager, Andrea Kurth, at <a href="mailto:andrea.kurth@state.co.us">andrea.kurth@state.co.us</a>.</a>  <a href="https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Outdoor-Equity-Fund.aspx">https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Outdoor-Equity-Fund.aspx</a></p>	<p>The next Outdoor Equity Grant Cycle will open in August 2023. Organizations interested in applying for the 2023 Outdoor Equity Grant should review the grant guide for instructions on how to apply. Grant Opens - August 1, 2023  Q&amp;A Session - August 10, 2023  Grant Deadline - September 15, 2023, at 5 pm  Applicants Notified of Grant Decision - December 15, 2023  Grants Disbursed - March 31, 2024</p>
<p><a href="#">Colorado Parks and Wildlife Grants - Shooting Range Grants</a></p>	<p>Colorado Parks and Wildlife's Shooting Range Development Grant Program provides matching grants to towns, counties, sportspeople and outdoor recreation organizations, shooting clubs, economic development agencies and others for projects to establish, improve or expand shooting ranges, including archery, across the state.</p> <p>The Shooting Range Development Grant Program (SRDG) allocates up to \$600,000 annually in matching funds through a competitive grant process. To date, the SRDG Program has awarded funding to more than fifty projects throughout Colorado - on the Eastern Plains, along the Front Range and on the Western Slope.</p>	<p>Potential applicants are strongly encouraged to contact their local Colorado Parks and Wildlife office, or the grant program coordinator Travis Long, <a href="mailto:travis.long@state.co.us">travis.long@state.co.us</a>, as soon as possible to discuss your project.</p> <p>Grant Cycle Information</p> <p>Guidelines  Range Grant App (doc) - right click &amp; choose "Save Target As..." to save file to your computer  Model contract -- if applicable  Program Timeline  Application Calendar  Frequently Asked Questions  Grant Program Flyer</p>	<p><a href="https://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/ShootingRangeGrants.aspx">https://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/ShootingRangeGrants.aspx</a></p>	<p>The 2023 Shooting Range Development Grant application is now open. Please submit Range Grant Development applications by February 1st, 2023.</p>

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Colorado Parks and Wildlife Grants - Habitat Partnership Program (HPP)	The Habitat Partnership Program (HPP), funded by revenue from the sale of big game licenses, works through local committees to develop partnerships among landowners, land managers, sportspersons, the public and Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) to reduce conflicts caused by deer, elk, pronghorn and moose to agriculture. HPP also assists CPW to meet game management		<a href="https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/HabitatPartnershipProgram.aspx">https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/HabitatPartnershipProgram.aspx</a>	Item 6a.
Colorado Parks and Wildlife Grants - Non Motorized Trails Grants	The Colorado State Recreational Trails Grant Program funds projects to continue to improve outdoor recreation opportunities, including trail construction, maintenance, planning, and support while protecting wildlife, habitat, and cultural resources.  Colorado Parks and Wildlife Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Colorado Lottery Recreational Trails Program (RTP)	We are offering four categories for this year's Non-Motorized Trail grant cycle to address the increased need to repair and improve existing trails in Colorado:  Construction - New trail or trailhead construction, including the installation or creation of new facilities where none currently exists. Maintenance - Maintenance, re-route or reconstruction of existing trails and trailheads - Improvement of current trailhead facilities. Planning - trail layout, design, engineering, feasibility studies, inventory, use studies, analysis of existing and proposed trails and master plans. Support - Building and enhancement of volunteer organizations, increasing volunteer capacity, and implementing trail training and education.	<a href="https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/TrailsGrantsNM.aspx">https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/TrailsGrantsNM.aspx</a> <b>Funding Request Limit: Applicants can request up to \$250,000 for Construction/Maintenance projects; \$45,000 for Planning/Support. There is no minimum.</b>	2023 Grant Timeline  August 3 - October 4, 2022: Grant applications available September 6, 2022: Basic project scope and map emailed to Area Wildlife Manager/Trails Program October - December 2022: CPW staff and subcommittee preliminary reviews January 3-5, 2023 - Applicant presentations to subcommittees February 3, 2023 - State Trails Committee reviews recommendations from subcommittees March 2023: CPW Commission final funding decision April - June 2023: Contracts and purchase orders are prepared and distributed to awarded applicants
Colorado Parks and Wildlife Grants -Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Program	Colorado's Off-highway Vehicle Program CPW's OHV Program is statutorily created in sections 33-14.5-101 through 33-14.5-113, Colorado Revised Statutes. The program is funded through the sale of OHV registrations and use permits. It is estimated that more than 170,000 OHVs were registered or permitted for use in Colorado during the 2014-2015 season. The price of either an annual OHV registration or a use-permit is \$25.25. Funds are used to support the statewide OHV Program, the OHV Registration Program and OHV Trail Grant Program, including OHV law enforcement.  The OHV Program provides registration and use permit services for all Colorado and out of state residents who wish to access designated OHV trails on Colorado's public lands. Per state statute, all OHV registration and use permit receipts are devoted to the promotion and support of OHV recreation in Colorado. The OHV Program site provides law and regulation information, links to organizations and clubs, and safety information. Check out the "Where to Ride" page for links to OHV trails across Colorado.  There are many laws and regulations that pertain to the use of OHV's in the state of Colorado that help to promote the safety of the user and the public. To find more information regarding required equipment for OHV use, visit the laws and regulations page.	Benefits of the OHV Registration Program The Colorado OHV Registration Program user fees fund trail maintenance, construction, trailheads, parking areas, support facilities, trail signs, maps, and education. It enables law enforcement personnel to identify and return stolen vehicles, encourages safe and responsible OHV use, and promotes respect for public lands. Many different groups benefit from OHV registration, including  OHV owners and operators;  Towns and counties that want to attract OHV recreationalist to enhance local economies.  The general public; educated OHV enthusiasts are more conscientious and better stewards of the land and many OHV trail projects address and resolve environmental issues such as stream crossing and erosion problems.  Registration funds also enable local, state and federal land managers to better manage our natural resources. Annually, this direct benefit to enthusiasts funds over \$4 million in trail opportunities and improvements. OHV funding allows federal land management agencies to devote a greater amount of their own trail resources to needed non-motorized trail maintenance. Programmatic (competitive) OHV Project Grants  OHV programmatic or competitive project grants address the full spectrum of OHV recreation support needs in Colorado. Eligible grant funded activities include:  Construction, reconstruction or maintenance of OHV routes or multi-use trails that allow for motorized use  Crossing structures, bridges, railings, ramps, and fencing  Bank stabilization and retaining structures  OHV trail corridor re-vegetation and erosion control	Local, county, and state governments, federal agencies, special recreation districts, and non-profit organizations are eligible to apply. Projects related to recreational use of Off-Highway Vehicles (OHVs) on lands open to the public. OHVs include: trail motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles and four-wheel drive vehicles. For the 2024 OHV grant cycle, priority will be given to maintenance projects. There is a great need to address resource impacts due to increased visitation in Colorado, with repairs and improvements to existing trails.	2023-24 Grant Applications  The application window is now CLOSED. Information and instructions on to how apply for the 2024-2025 grant cycle will be posted in October 2023. 2023-2024 Grant Timeline  December 2, 2022: Applications due by 5:00 p.m. January 12-13, 2023: OHV subcommittee meeting - application review January 31, 2023: Deadline for written public comment March 8-10, 2023: OHV grant applicant presentations April 7, 2023: State Trails Committee reviews recommendations from subcommittees June 22-23, 2023: Commission final funding decision Fall 2023 through Spring 2024: Project funds available for disbursement
Colorado Parks and Wildlife Grants - Wetland Wildlife Conservation Program	The Wetland Wildlife Conservation Program is a voluntary, incentive-based program to protect wetlands and wetland-dependent wildlife on public and private land.  Since its inception in 1997, the Colorado Wetlands Program has preserved, restored, enhanced or created almost 220,000 acres of wetlands and adjacent habitat and more than 200 miles of streams. The partnership is responsible for almost \$40 million in total funding devoted to wetland and riparian preservation in Colorado.	Funding for all phases of wetland and riparian creation, restoration and enhancement Funding for conservation easements and fee-title purchase through the Wildlife Habitat Program Wildlife and aquatic resource inventories Education and outreach Project monitoring and evaluation Wetlands are simply lands affected by water, resulting in unique plants and soils. They may be classic cattail areas with a few feet of standing water, areas with very shallow water, or temporary habitats such as playa depressions on the eastern plains that only occasionally have standing water. Riparian areas next to streams that are subject to frequent flooding are also considered wetlands. Since the beginning of major settlement activities, Colorado has lost half of its wetlands. By virtue of their position in the landscape, wetlands perform several functions valuable to wildlife and society, including:  Feeding, resting and rearing habitat Movement corridors Groundwater recharge Flood flow alteration Stream bank stabilization Sediment and nutrient removal Additional values include open space, education, and economic benefits, such as those from hunting, fishing, and bird watching.	<a href="https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Wetlands.aspx">https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Wetlands.aspx</a>	New Funding Available for 2023 - APPLY NOW!  Competitive grant funding opportunities for wetland/riparian restoration, enhancement and creation are available! The application deadline is Monday, February 6th, 2023.  Wetlands Funding Request for Applications (RFA) (docx) Supplemental Documents  Wetlands Priority Map (pdf) Wetlands Grant Template (pdf) - grant awards > \$250,000 Purchase Order Terms & Conditions (pdf) - grant awards < \$250,000 Tip: Right click on docx files and choose "Save link or target as" Available Funding  Up to approximately \$1.121 million. Funding sources are Great Outdoors Colorado and Colorado waterfowl stamps.
<a href="https://cdola.colorado.gov/funding-programs/rural-economic-development-initiative">Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA)- <a href="https://cdola.colorado.gov/funding-programs/rural-economic-development-initiative">https://cdola.colorado.gov/funding-programs/rural-economic-development-initiative</a></a>	Strengthening Colorado's local communities and building capacity by providing strategic training, research, technical assistance, and funding to localities.		<a href="#">Community Development Block Grant (2/17/23); Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Grant (4/1/23); Strong Communities Grant (Coming Soon)</a>	

Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA)- REDI Rural Economic Development Initiative (REDI)	<p>Help rural communities comprehensively diversify their local economy and create a more resilient Colorado. ● Economic resilience - downtowns. This could include studies, plans, design, and programs. Given its size, REDI cannot fund infrastructure or capacity as it relates to housing, childcare, and transit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Supports entrepreneurial ecosystems- Entrepreneurial ecosystems provide trainings, networking opportunities, and infrastructure to support local entrepreneurs.</li> <li>○ Accelerator and incubator programs or projects, which support entrepreneurs and startups</li> <li>○ Infrastructure which supports entrepreneurs such as coworking spaces, maker-spaces, workshop space, innovation centers, communal kitchens, etc.</li> <li>● Capacity building - Under special and limited circumstances, REDI may consider funding localeconomic development capacity positions. Capacity building grants can be funded for up to June 30th, 2025, and applicants must commit to a match of 50/50 or higher for both years. Additionally, in order for any capacity grant to be considered, the following must be</li> </ul>	<p>The most successful applications to this program are those from counties with less than 50,000 people, and from communities with fewer than 25,000 people. Projects that will be funded include plans, construction, programs, and capacity building. All applications must create and retain jobs, either direct or indirect. Projects should fall into one or more of the following categories:</p> <p>Job creation and retention - Both through direct and indirect means. Capacity building - Under special circumstances, DOLA will consider funding local economic development capacity. Staff must be tied to a specific outcome, project, and timeline, which contributes to goals of job creation, business attraction/retention, and economic resilience. Economic resilience - Economic resilience is the ability of a community's economy and systems that support the economy to withstand disruption and thrive in the face of change. Supports entrepreneurial ecosystems - Entrepreneurial ecosystems provide trainings, networking opportunities, and infrastructure to support local entrepreneurs. All projects should be identified as a priority for the community within a comprehensive and holistic approach.</p>	<a href="https://cdola.colorado.gov/funding-programs/rural-economic-development-initiative">https://cdola.colorado.gov/funding-programs/rural-economic-development-initiative</a>	<p>The 2023-2024 REDI grant cycle opens February 16, 2023 and closes March 16, 2023. <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/126oeS1R6xEvpGYcZ_5oah_nVJAg/view">https://drive.google.com/file/d/126oeS1R6xEvpGYcZ_5oah_nVJAg/view</a> Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● \$780,000 in funds available for this cycle.</li> <li>● Applications should not exceed \$150,000.</li> <li>● Funds must be spent by June 30th, 2025.</li> <li>● Awards will be made by May 2023 and funds available by July 2023.</li> </ul>
Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA)- Microgrids for Community Resilience (MCR) Grant Program	<p>Funding Timeline: The following reflects only HB22-1013 funding that is appropriated for Year 1 (awards made in CY 2023). Any unused funding will roll over into Year 2.</p> <p>\$399,000 is appropriated for this cycle. Applications should not exceed the maximum award of \$36,000. At least 25% local match is required In kind contributions are not eligible as match for planning grants Project funding must be spent and closed out ahead of the HB22-1013 program's expiration by June 30, 2026. DOLA will provide an award or denial letter in May 2023. For questions, contact Program Manager Julia Masters at <a href="mailto:julia.masters@state.co.us">julia.masters@state.co.us</a>. The following resources provide all necessary information to submit a MCR Planning Grant Application by the March 31, 2023 deadline:</p> <p>MCR Planning Grant NOFA and Application Guidelines MCR Planning Application Narrative Template Climate/Social Risk &amp; Vulnerability Mapping Tool Guidance</p>	<p>The Microgrids for Community Resilience (MCR) Grant Program, as created by House Bill 22-1013, provides grants to support rural electric cooperatives and municipal utilities in establishing microgrid resources for rural communities. The microgrids funded through this opportunity will support community-level resilience to reduce impacts during electric grid disruptions.</p>		<p>Planning Application Opens: Feb 6, 2023 at 12:00 AM MT Planning Submission Deadline: March 31, 2023 at 4:30 PM MT</p>
<a href="#">Colorado OEDIT- Colorado Creates Grants</a>	<p>Colorado is the right choice for your business and your life. Colorado is the right choice for your business and your life.</p>		<p><a href="#">EDO Action Grant (2/15/23); Colorado Creates Grant(Spring 23); Location Neutral Employment Marketing Grant(rolling); Small Business Accelerated Growth (Spring 23)</a></p>	
<a href="#">Colorado OEDIT- Colorado Community Revitalization Grant</a>				
<a href="#">Colorado OEDIT- Arts in Society Grant</a>				
<a href="#">Colorado OEDIT- Colorado Community Revitalization Grant</a>	<p>For: Organizations looking to revitalize buildings or start new construction</p>			
<a href="#">Colorado Tourism Office</a>	<p>Colorado is the ideal summer destination with unparalleled hiking, camping, mountain biking, paddleboarding, scenic byways, seasonal festivals, a rich cultural heritage and so much more. Plan your Colorado vacation now and find out if you're Colo-Ready!</p>		<p><a href="#">Meeting and Events Incentive Direct Support (1/12/23); Meetings and Events Incentive Cash Rebate (Rolling); Tourism Management Grant (reopens January); Tourism Marketing Matching Grant (Summer 2023)</a></p>	
<a href="#">GOCO</a>	<p>Our independent board awards competitive grants to local governments and land trusts and makes investments through Colorado Parks and Wildlife. GOCO's fiscal year runs from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. This is an at-a-glance view of important dates related to our grant opportunities in that window.</p> <p>TRIENNIAL GRANTS (RUNNING 3 TIMES PER YEAR) LAND ACQUISITION, COMMUNITY IMPACT, PLANNING &amp; CAPACITY, STEWARDSHIP IMPACT, AND CENTENNIAL OPPORTUNITIES</p>		<p><a href="#">Land Acquisition; Community Impact; Planning and Capacity; Restore CO; Stewardship Impact; Generation Wild; Centennial Program; CPW Innovation Fund (all 3/20/23)</a></p>	<p>GOCO's fiscal year runs from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. This is an at-a-glance view of important dates related to our grant opportunities in that window.</p> <p>TRIENNIAL GRANTS (RUNNING 3 TIMES PER YEAR) LAND ACQUISITION, COMMUNITY IMPACT, PLANNING &amp; CAPACITY, STEWARDSHIP IMPACT, AND CENTENNIAL OPPORTUNITIES Concepts accepted up to: Applications invited: Application due dates: Grants awarded: ANNUAL GRANTS (RUNNING ONCE PER YEAR) CONSERVATION SERVICE CORPS FIRST CYCLE August 4, 2022 August 17, 2022 September 15, 2022 December 9, 2022 SECOND CYCLE November 3, 2022 November 18, 2022 January 5, 2023 March 2023 FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM THIRD CYCLE February 2, 2023 February 15, 2023 March 20, 2023 June 2023 RFP available: July 8, 2022 Applications due to CYCA: August 29, 2022 Grants awarded: December 2022 Application available by request: August 10, 2022 Applications due: October 6, 2022 Grants awarded: December 9, 2022</p>
<a href="#">Colorado Outdoor Recreation Office (OREC)</a>	<p>Provides a central point of contact, advocacy, and resources at the state level for the diverse constituents, businesses, and communities that rely on the continued health of the outdoor recreation economy. Grant recipients will be subject to federal and state reporting requirements, as outlined in the final grant agreements, and will be subject to annual site visits from OREC staff through the duration of the grant.</p> <p>Due to EDA restrictions, this funding is not available for individuals, private businesses, or other federal agencies. In addition, projects occurring on federal lands or new construction projects may be ineligible.</p>	<p>The Colorado Outdoor Recreation Industry Office (OREC) is pleased to announce the opening of the Colorado State Outdoor Recreation Grant program on June 1, 2022. These funds are made available through the Economic Development Administration (EDA) as a part of the American Rescue Plan Act.</p> <p>OREC will be accepting applications for roughly \$4 million in competitive funding for projects related to economic development and recovery in the outdoor recreation sector. Eligible entities include government bodies, nonprofits, colleges/universities, economic development organizations, and Indian Tribes.</p> <p>Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis with quarterly review deadlines of March 31st, June 30th, September 30th, and December 31st of each year through 2025 or until all funding is allocated.</p>	<p><a href="#">Outdoor Recreation Grant (3/31/23); Outdoor Industry Business Development (unsure)</a></p>	<p>As of February 28, 2023, roughly \$910,000 in funding is remaining, and the March 31, 2023 deadline is expected to be the final deadline. Interested entities are encouraged to submit an application before this date.</p>

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<p>CDOT- TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM TAP</p>	<p><a href="#">Transportation Alternative Program (TAP)</a>  <a href="#">TAP is a competitive grant program. Projects eligible for TAP funding include the design and construction of pedestrian and bicycle facilities, environmental mitigation of transportation activities, scenic activities, and the preservation of historic transportation facilities.</a></p>	<p>Who is eligible to apply?  Local governments: any unit of local government below a State government agency, except for MPOs. Examples include city, town, or county agencies.  Regional transportation authorities  Transit agencies: any agency responsible for public transportation that is eligible for funds under the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).  Natural resource or public land agencies: any Federal, Tribal, State, or local agency responsible for natural resources or public land administration. Examples include state or local park or forest agencies; state or local fish and game or wildlife agencies; Department of the Interior Land Management Agencies; U.S. Forest Service.  School districts, local education agencies, or schools. These may include any public or nonprofit private school.  Tribal governments  Nonprofit organizations (Non profit organizations must apply through a local government agency or quasi governmental agency for contracting purposes)  Metropolitan Planning Organizations: that represent an area with a population of 200,000 or under.  Any other local or regional governmental entity with responsibility for oversight of transportation or recreational trails that the State determines to be eligible, consistent with the goals of subsection (c) of section 213 of title 23 or at the request of another eligible entity.  CDOT may partner with an eligible entity project sponsor to carry out a project at the request of another eligible entity.  How will projects be evaluated?  TAP projects are selected via a competitive scoring process found in the TAP guidelines.</p> <p>How TAP funds can be combined with the Multimodal Options Fund (MMOF)  The main project type that is eligible for both TAP and MMOF is the design, planning, and construction of pedestrian or bike facilities. MMOF has different match requirements based on jurisdiction. TAP funds may be used to satisfy the match requirements of MMOF and vice versa. MMOF is a competitive grant program awarded by Transportation Planning Regions (TPRs). Contact your TPR Chair for information on TPR meetings in your region and for future MMOF project selections.</p>	<p>What types of projects are eligible for TAP funding?  TAP provides funding for programs and projects defined as transportation alternatives, including on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility, community improvement activities, and environmental mitigation; recreational trail program projects; and projects for planning, designing, or constructing boulevards and other roadways largely in the right-of-way of former Interstate System routes or other divided highways.</p>	<p>The next call for projects will cover fiscal years 2024 through 2026. The official notice announcing the call for projects is now open. Draft applications are due March 24, 2023. The TAP application guidelines can be found here. The TAP form fillable pdf application can be found here.</p>
<p>CDOT FEDERAL GRANTS</p>	<p><a href="#">Federal Grant Opportunities</a>  Competitive federal grant programs, like RAISE/BUILD, INFRA, and CRISI, provide substantial funding opportunities for major projects in all transportation sectors, including roads and bridges, rail, freight, public transit, airports, waterways, etc. Federal grants are open to a variety of eligible entities and grant awards are determined by the USDOT. The details of existing grant programs can change year-to-year, and new programs are frequently released through new legislation, like the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law signed in November 2021. Sign up for the Open Federal Grants e-mailing list to stay informed on Federal Grant Opportunities.</p>			
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<p>History Colorado</p>	<p>State Historical Fund</p>			
<p>USDA</p>				
<p><a href="#">History Colorado - State Historical Fund</a></p>	<p>Non-competitive: archaeology, emergency, historic assessment, micro, planning, survey plan  Competitive: Mini + General</p>	<p>Mini \$10-\$50k, General \$50-\$250k</p>	<p><a href="https://www.historycolorado.org/our-grant-types">https://www.historycolorado.org/our-grant-types</a></p>	<p>April and October</p>

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