

Watershed Restoration in an Urban Environment



Fountain Creek Watershed Greenway Fund
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Concrete-lined channel doing its flood mitigation job last month.



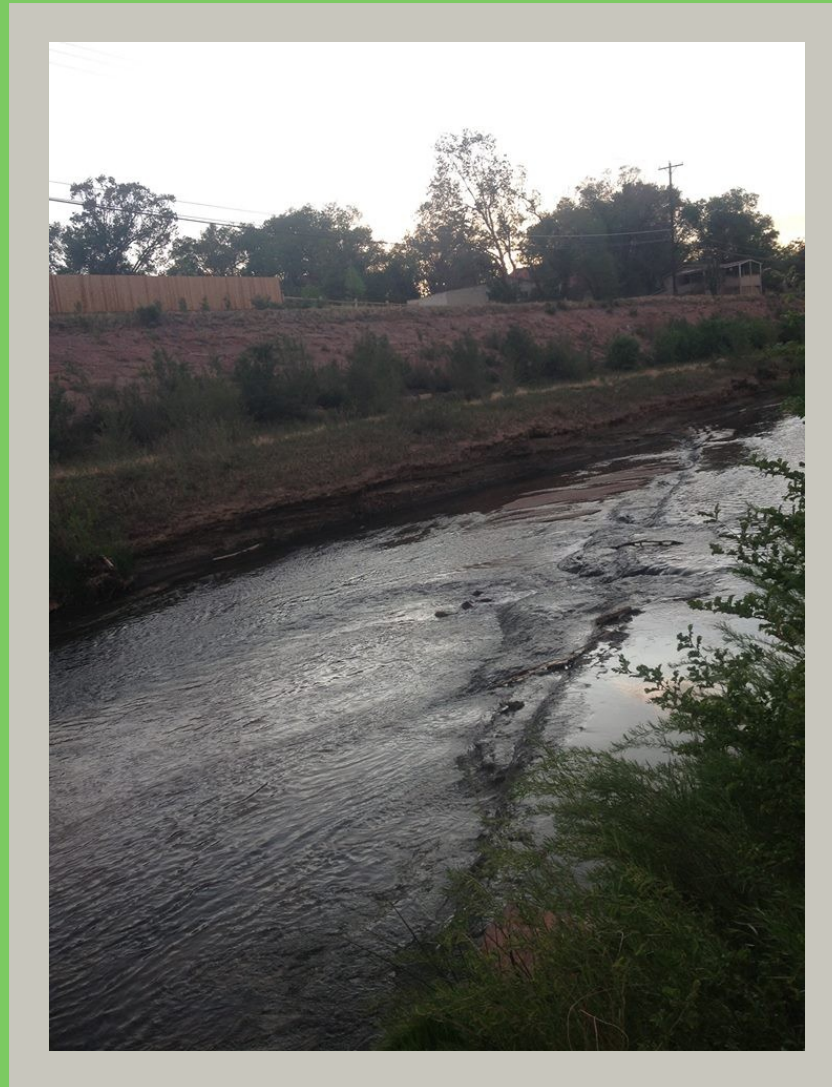
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But the creek itself has been hard to love.



And funding waterways (and stormwater) has met with strong opposition, historically.



Wake-up Call

Funding cuts in local parks




The New Normal: Restoration of Waterways through Urban Communities



We believe that waterways are the lifeblood of any community, and that restoration of and reconnection to this waterway will heal our community.





Working from the heart of the watershed, outward

- Education
- Advocacy
- Restoration Projects

Youth Water Stewardship Program

- Learn It
- Work It
- Share It
- Sustain It



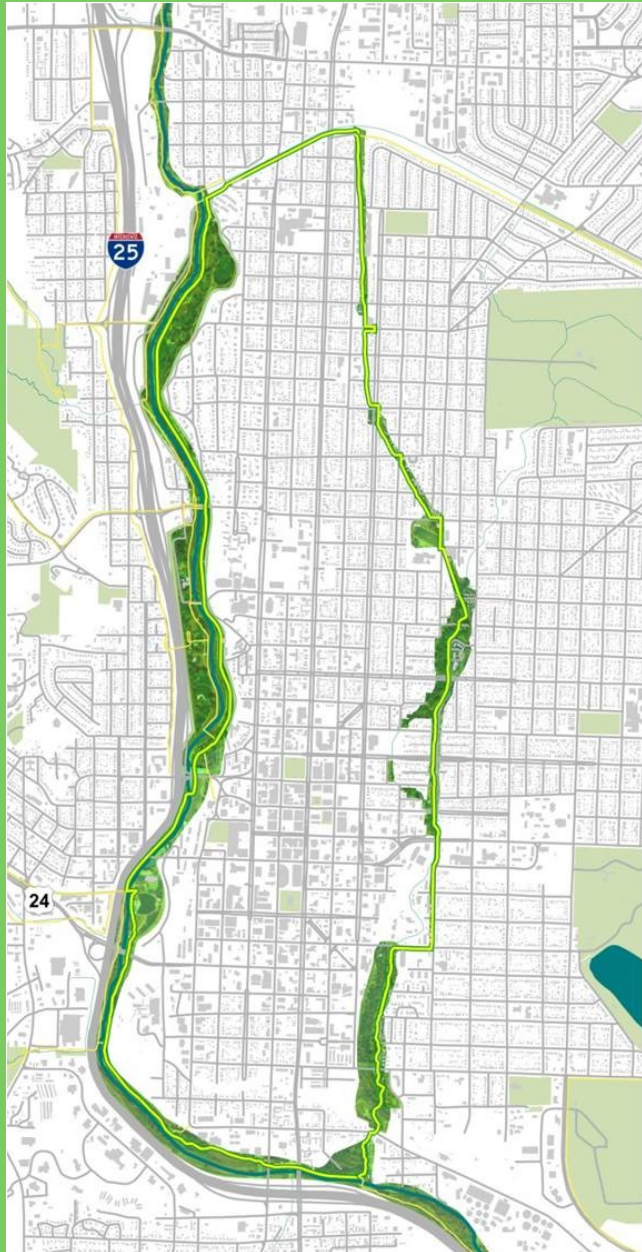
Proposed Improvements



- Leverage existing park and trail assets
- Get folks to the water!
- Create regionally significant new trail connections
- Create new and lasting recreational opportunities

YWSP Public Art Project leads the way to Creekside Park





Legacy Loop

- Not a new idea!
Concept was envisioned by Palmer 100 years ago.
- Improvements will connect two waterways and make a loop encircling downtown Colorado Springs

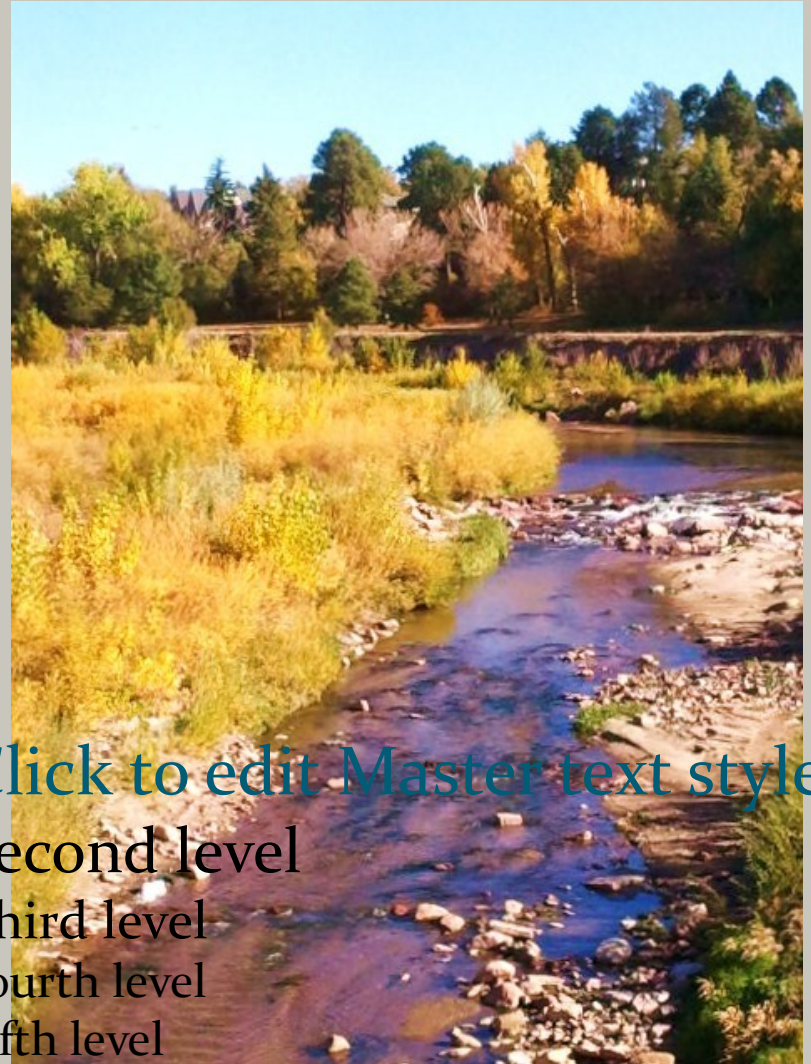


10K Skinny Loop

- Creates underpasses at street crossings that give creek-level access.
- A 10K course which utilizes both sides of the creek and eliminates street crossing & road closures for events.
- Trailhead and event parking access for trail users north of downtown.
- Improved corridor between downtown and the park.

Project Partners

- PPCF
- CUSP
- RMFI
- Catamount Institute
- Trails & Open Space Coalition
- CS Utilities
- CS Parks & Recreation
- Imagination Celebration
- CO Water Institute
- River of Words
- Friends of Monument Valley Park
- Downtown Partnership



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