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Action Plan

Jordan River Management

Two Plans to Bring the Vision to Life

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Public Lands
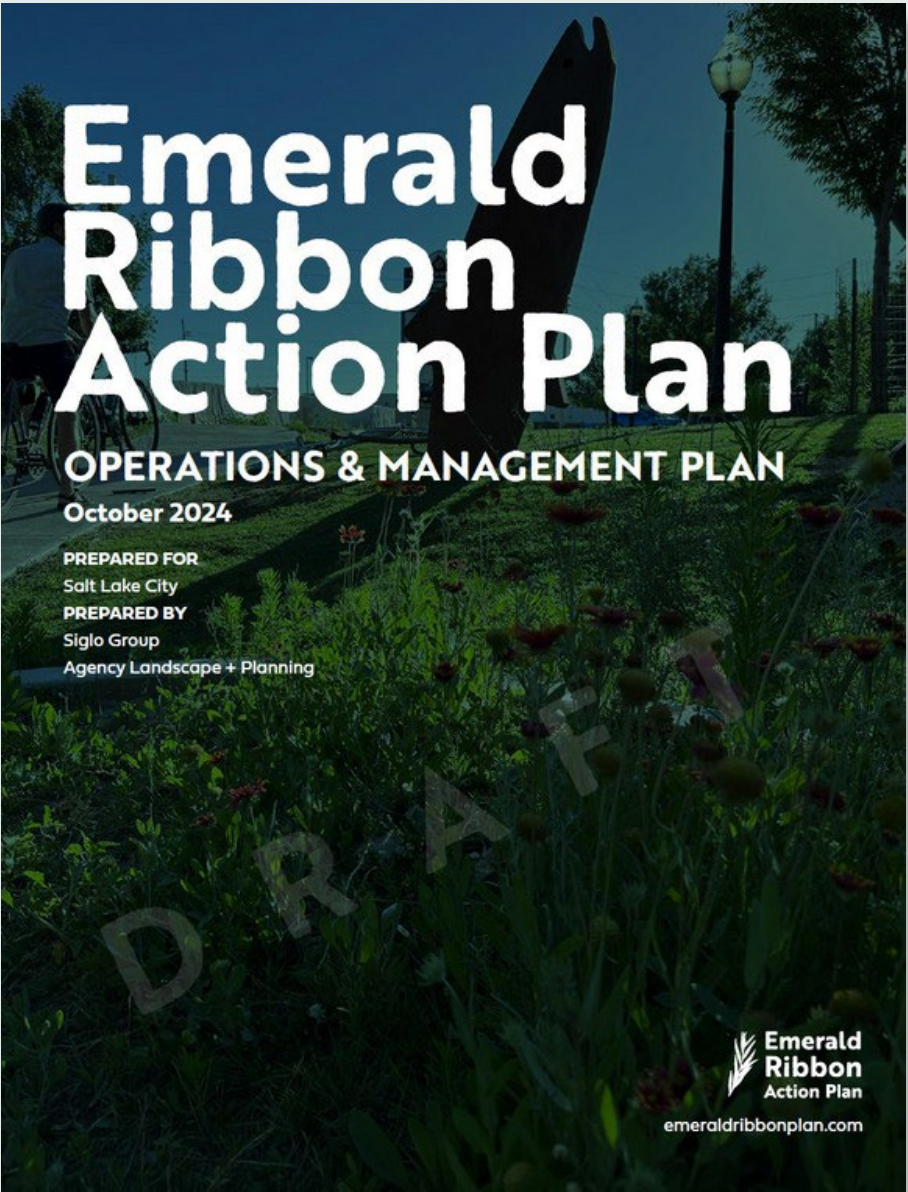
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Guiding Principles

1 Celebrate the rich ecological and cultural diversity of the corridor.

2 Connect the corridor into surrounding streets, trails, and waterways.

3 Cultivate collective care of the corridor.

4 Restore and enhance the river ecosystem as a peaceful refuge.

5 Create a safe and vibrant destination.
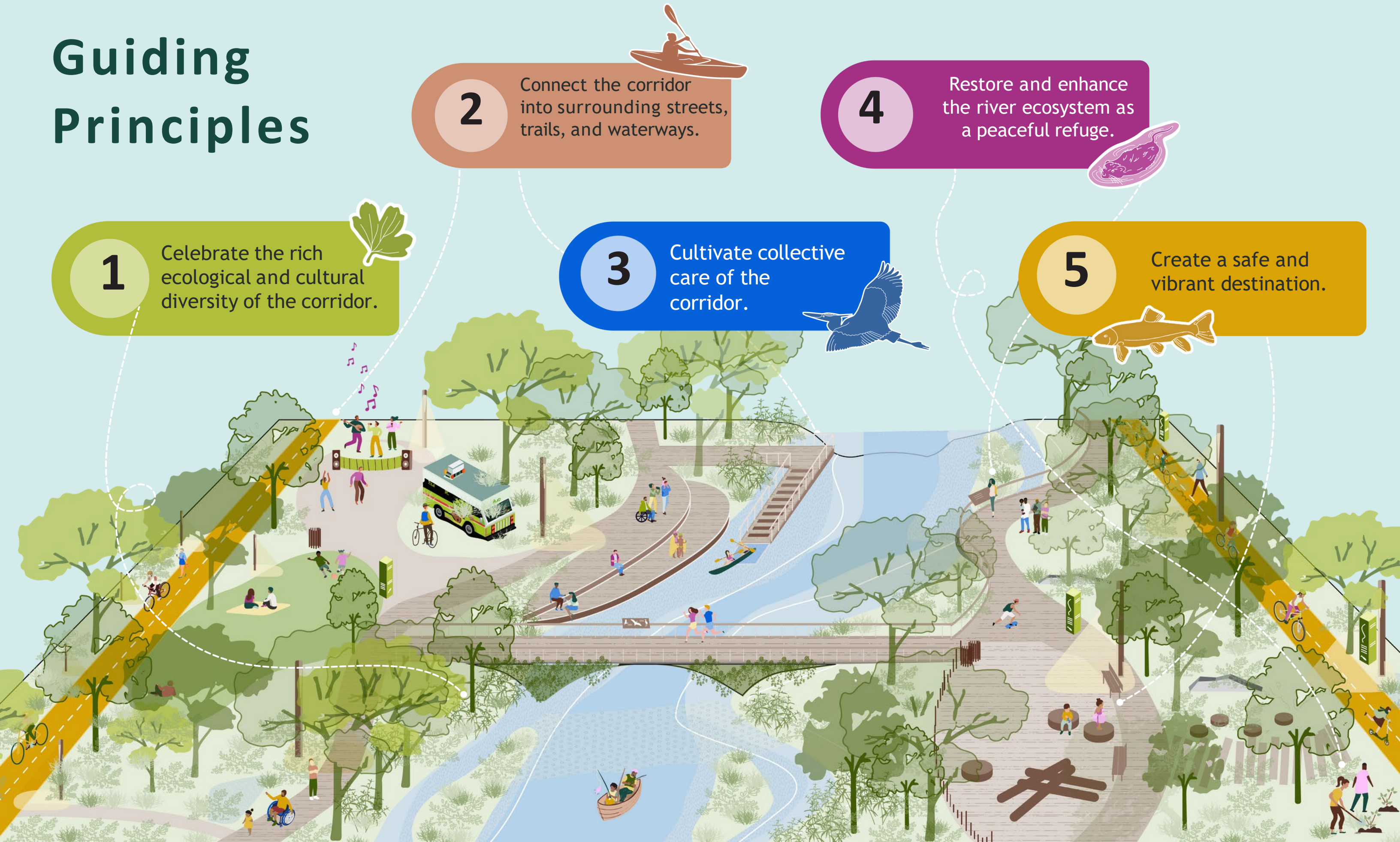
CAPITAL INVESTMENTS

9 Line Trail & Green Loop

Glendale Regional Park

Cornell Lift Station

Riverside Park

Cottonwood Park

North Temple

Fairpark

Folsom Confluence

Alzheimers Park

500S Riparian

9th South River Park

Bend In The River / Modesto Park

Peace Labyrinth

1700 South

Glendale Oxbow
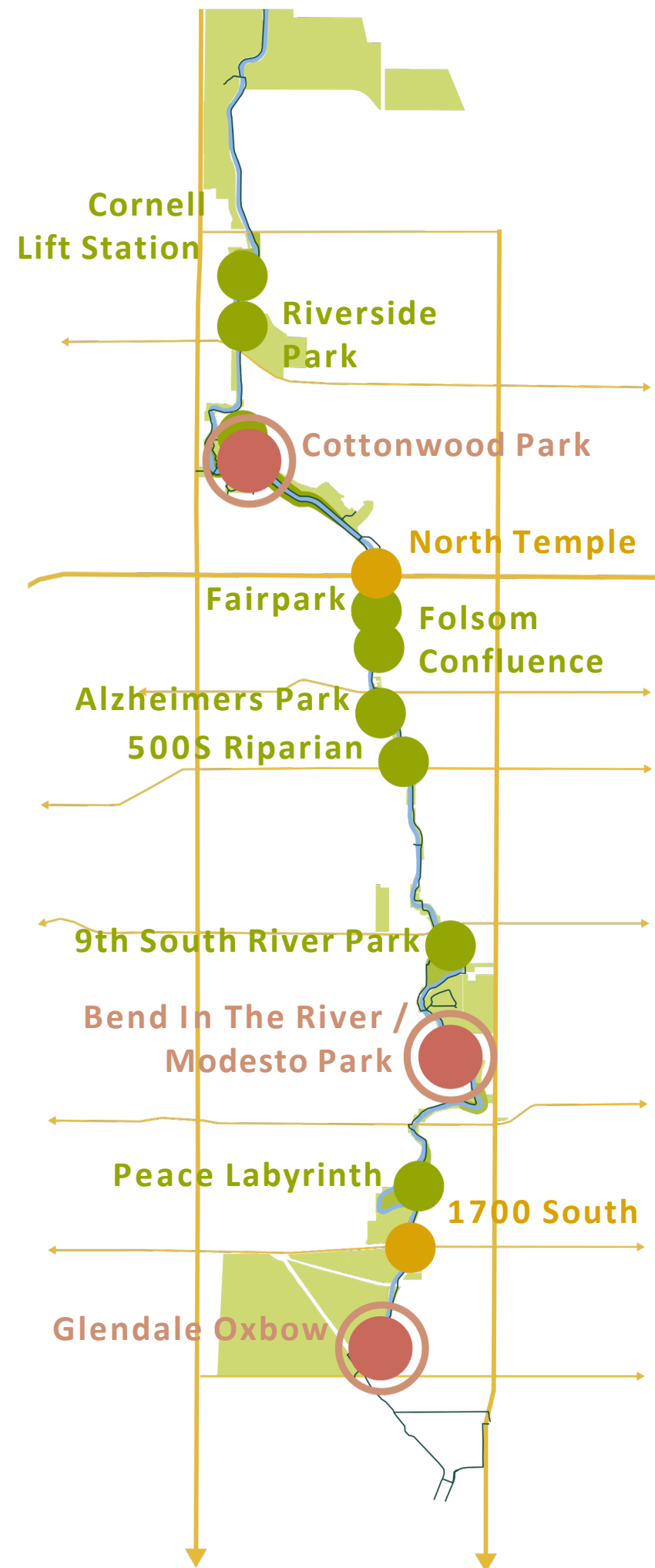
The next 3 years

Phase One Priorities

*Includes Glendale Park

$51.5 M
Total Cost

$36M
Dedicated GO Bond
Funding

$8.5M
Additional CIP
Funding

NOTE: Estimates include soft costs such as design fees, permitting costs, contingencies, and escalation.

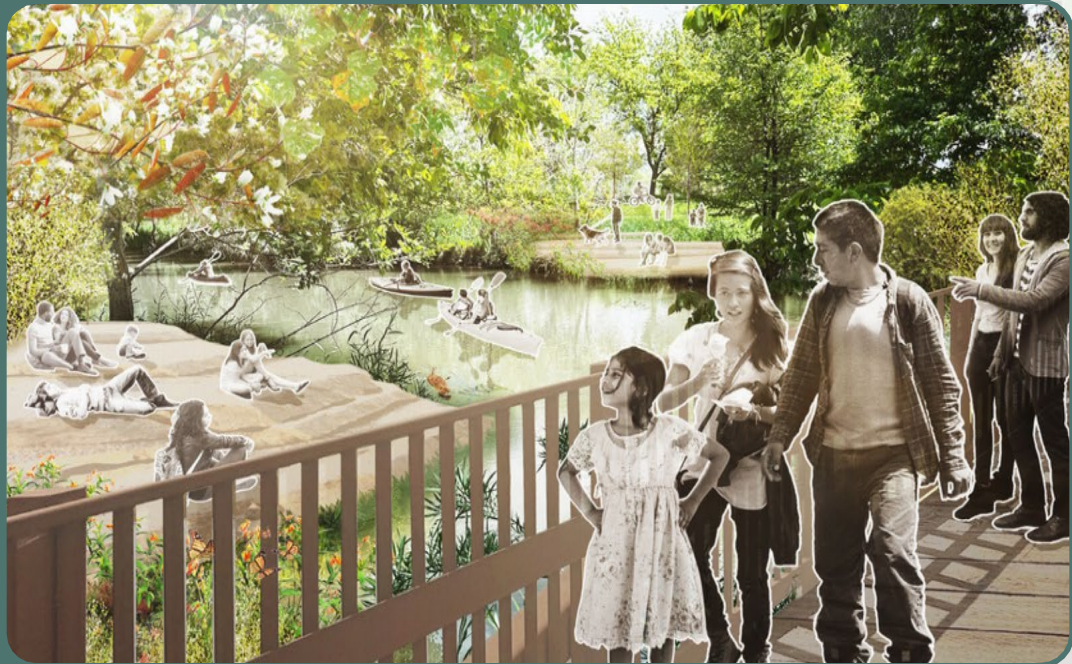# Glendale Park

$14.5M Phase One

Backman Nature Playground

$1M

Cottonwood Park

"Enhanced connections between the community, park and the river"

$4.5M

for Phase One

LEGEND

Roads
Study Area
Waterbodies
Buildings
Pavement Area
Playgrounds
Multiuse Path
Sidewalks and Trails

Amenities

Boat ramp
Scenic Overlooks
Grill
Picnic tables
Signage
Open lawn
Bank stabilization
Benches
Nature play
Public art
Pavillion
Outdoor classroom
Community garden

Jordan River

1700 W

500 N

Redwood Rd

400 N

7-Eleven Convenience Store

Safe crossing

Signage

DOG PARK

Steps down to water

TRAILHEAD

NATURE WALK

Play structure

Terraced seating

MULTI-PURPOSE FIELD

Courts sports

Signature art

Picnic tables

Signature art

COMMUNITY PORCH

COMMUNITY PORCH

N Star Dr

1700 W

Walnut Dr

500 N

Walnut Dr

NATURE WALK

MULTIUSE PATH

Jordan River

Utah Department of Health and Human Services

0   0.01 0.03   0.05   0.08   0.1
Miles

N

Bend in the River & Modesto Park

"A community porch overlooking restored nature"

$4M

For Phase One

LEGEND
- Roads
- Study Area
- Waterbodies
- Buildings
- Pavement Area
- Proposed Amenities
- Playgrounds
- Multiuse Path
- Sidewalks and Trails
- Safe Crossings
- Proposed Trees

Amenities
- Boat ramp
- Scenic Overlooks
- Grill
- Picnic tables
- Signage
- Open lawn
- Bank stabilization
- Benches
- Nature play
- Public art
- Pavillion
- Outdoor classroom

Fremont Ave S

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Fremont Ave S

Boat ramp
Pavillion
Signage
Scenic overlooks
Grill
Picnic tables
COMMUNITY HUB

Scenic overlooks

Jordan River

Open lawn

Benches

Bank stabilization

Jordan River

Wetland restoration

Nature

Scenic overlooks

Outdoor classroom

Signature art
Benches
COMMUNITY PORCH
Grill
Pavillion

Modesto Ave

Illinois Ave

Modesto Ave

Safe crossing

S 1100 W

S 1400 W

S 1085 W

S 1085 W

1000 W

W 900 S

W 900 S

Jordan River

W Lucy Ave

0 0.01 0.03   0.05   0.08   0.1
Miles

N

Glendale Oxbow and Phase II

"A great place to give space back to nature along the river"

$30M

For Phase II

to Glendale Regional Park

Jordan River

Colmar Ave

Jewell Ave

S 1045 W

Proposed Canal Trail

Surplus Canal

Glendale Golf Course

Privately owned

Privately owned/Possible Aquisition

Privately owned

Flood Gates

W 2100 S

N

Sidewalks and Trails
Roads
Study Area
Waterbodies
Buildings
Wetlands
Pavement Area
Riparian Restoration
Upland Restoration

0   75 125   250   375   500
                                    feet

Glendale Oxbow and Phase II

"A great place to give space back to nature along the river"

$30M
For Phase II

Glendale Regional Park Master Plan

Park Features
1. Trail Connection
2. Picnic Lawn
3. All Ages & Abilities Playground
4. Pavilion/Shade Structure
5. Full-Court Basketball
6. Ice & Roller Skating Ribbon
7. Kid's Climbing Feature
8. All Ages Climbing Feature
9. Pavilion
10. Community Plaza / Promenade
11. Parking Lot
12. Hiking & Sledding Hill
13. ADA Accessible, Multi-Use Trail
14. Hilltop Overlook
15. Skateboarding Area
16. Water Feature/Plaza
17. Outdoor Pool
18. Flex Lawn & Performance Space
19. Flex Stage/Plaza
20. Bridge Connection to Jordan River Parkway
21. Dog Park
22. Picnic Areas
23. Riparian Restoration
24. Riverside Boardwalk
25. Riverside Beach & Sand Volleyball
26. Kayak Rental Station
27. Boat Dock
28. Boat Ramp
29. Boat Drop-off
* Pickleball Courts
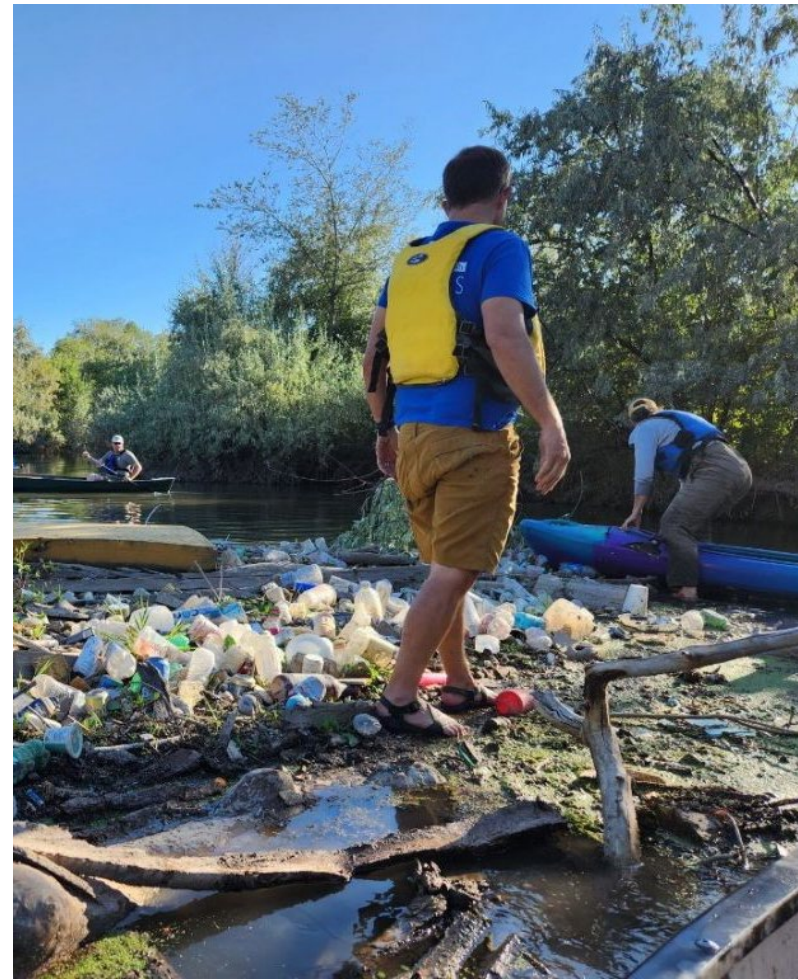
Maintenance & Stewardship

Cornell Wetlands

"A great place to give space back to nature along the river"

- Partnerships: Utah Department of Corrections
- Jordan River CWMA Grant
- University of Utah: Green House Partnership/Volunteers
- SLC Public Utilities: Stormwater Fees
- Stewardship: Utah Conservation Corps
- Volunteer Stewardship Series led by SLC

Jordan River Debris Vegetation Clearing (2022-2026)

Phase 1: $675k
- Grant Funding
- Deferred Maintenance SLC

Phase 2:
Grant Funding: $666k,
- Outdoor Recreation
- State FFSL

- Utah Conservation Corp

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Jordan River Trash

Jordan River Stewardship

2025 Numbers

- 32 Individual sessions along Jordan River
- 2000 Volunteer Hours
- +5000 of Trash
- +40,000 Native Plants

Wasatch Mountain Institute Partnership with SLC School District
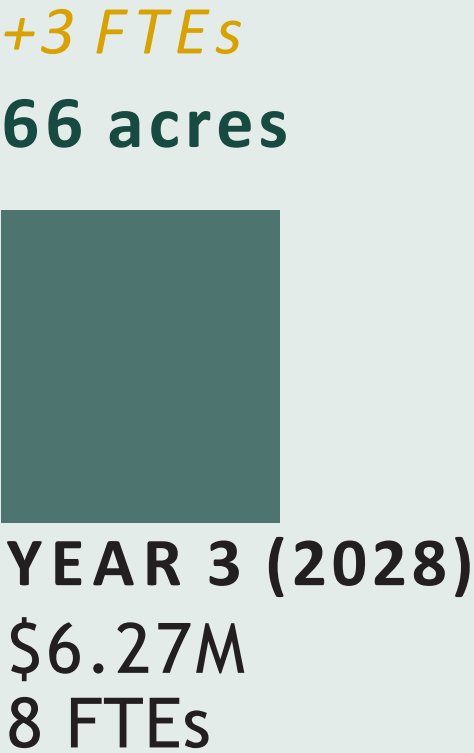- 3 Dedicated Locations for Educational Programming.

Transition to Natural Lands

Target area managed
as natural lands

14% → **30%**
today   goal

+6 FTEs
230-280 acres

+3 FTEs
66 acres

+3 FTEs
8 acres

Staff manage 74.5
acres per FTE
today, 55 acres
more than the 20
acre / FTE
recommendation

YEAR 1 (2025)
$.76M
5 FTEs

YEAR 3 (2028)
$6.27M
8 FTEs

YEAR 10 (2035)
$22.23M
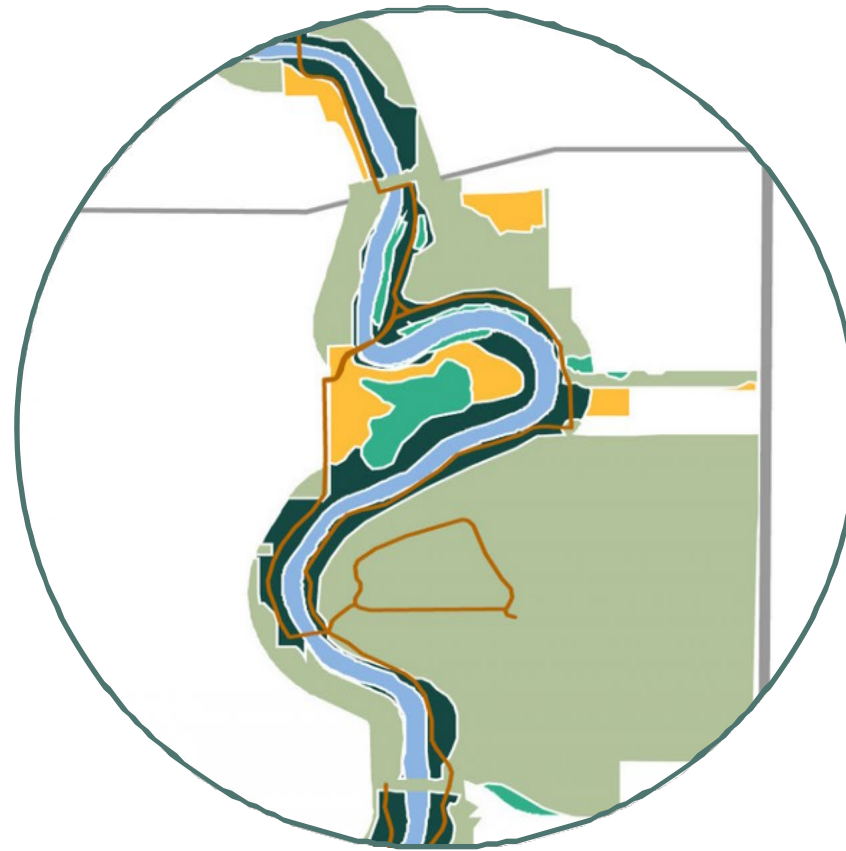15 FTEs

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A Closer Look
Transitioning to Natural Lands

Increases in wetland and riparian area near 900 S River Park

Wetland
Upland
Riparian

2 acres
3 acres
3 acres

Wetland   Upland   Riparian

YEAR 1

15 total acres
15 total acres
36 total acres

Wetland   Upland   Riparian

YEAR 3

50 total acres
52 total acres
132 total acres

Wetland   Upland   Riparian

YEAR 10

Regional Athletic Complex

Redwood Road (Route 68)

Rose Park Golf Course

1000 North

600 North

Riverside Park

S 900 W

Northwest Recreation Center

N Temple
City Creek

200 South

Poplar Grove Blvd

Indiana Ave

Jordan Park

Surplus Canal

California Ave
Three Creeks

1700 South

Glendale Golf Course

Appendix

Legend:
- Park, Golf and RAC
- Natural Lands
- Natural Focus Area

Map labels:
- Redwood Road (Route 68)
- Rose Park Nature Area
- 1000 North
- 700 North
- 600 North
- Cottonwood Park
- 900 W
- N Temple
- Fairpark Urban Core
- 200 South
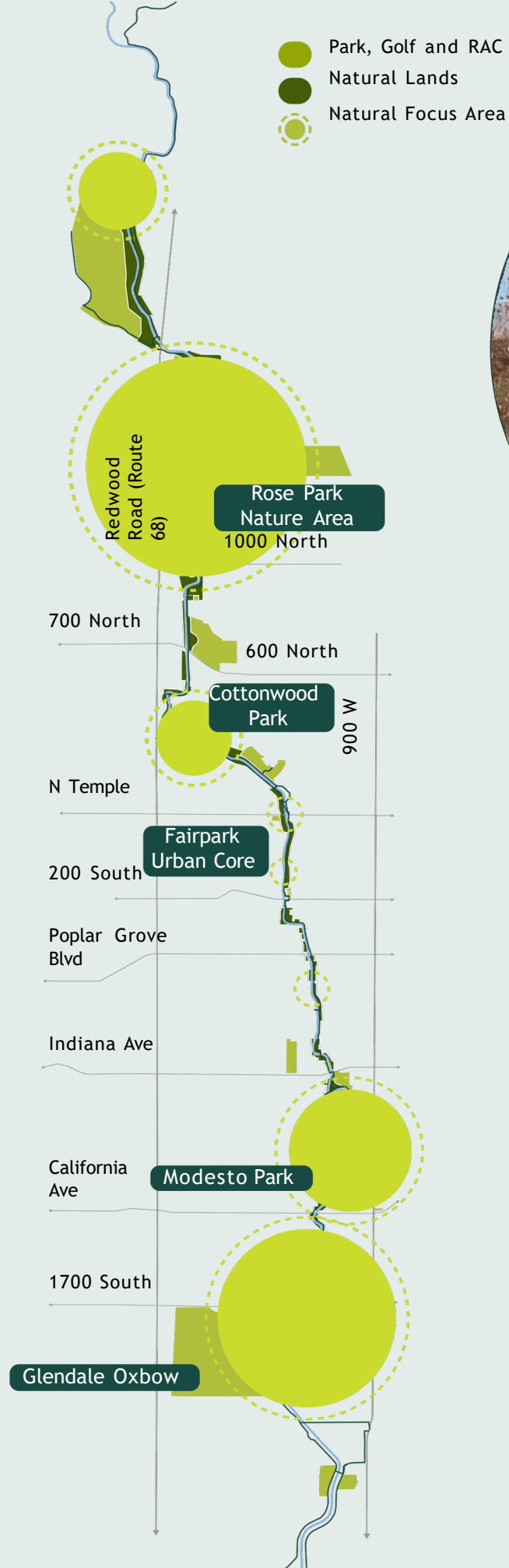- Poplar Grove Blvd
- Indiana Ave
- California Ave
- Modesto Park
- 1700 South
- Glendale Oxbow

Nature

Focuson the restoration of native species, creation of new wetlands and natural habitats, and the design of nature experiences for people.

Key Metric

14% today → **30%** goal

Area managed as natural lands

Sample Nature Goals:

- Enhancing Nature Experiences (1.1)
- Creating Biodiverse Habitat (1.2)
- Making Room for the River (4.1)
- Improving Water Quality (4.2)
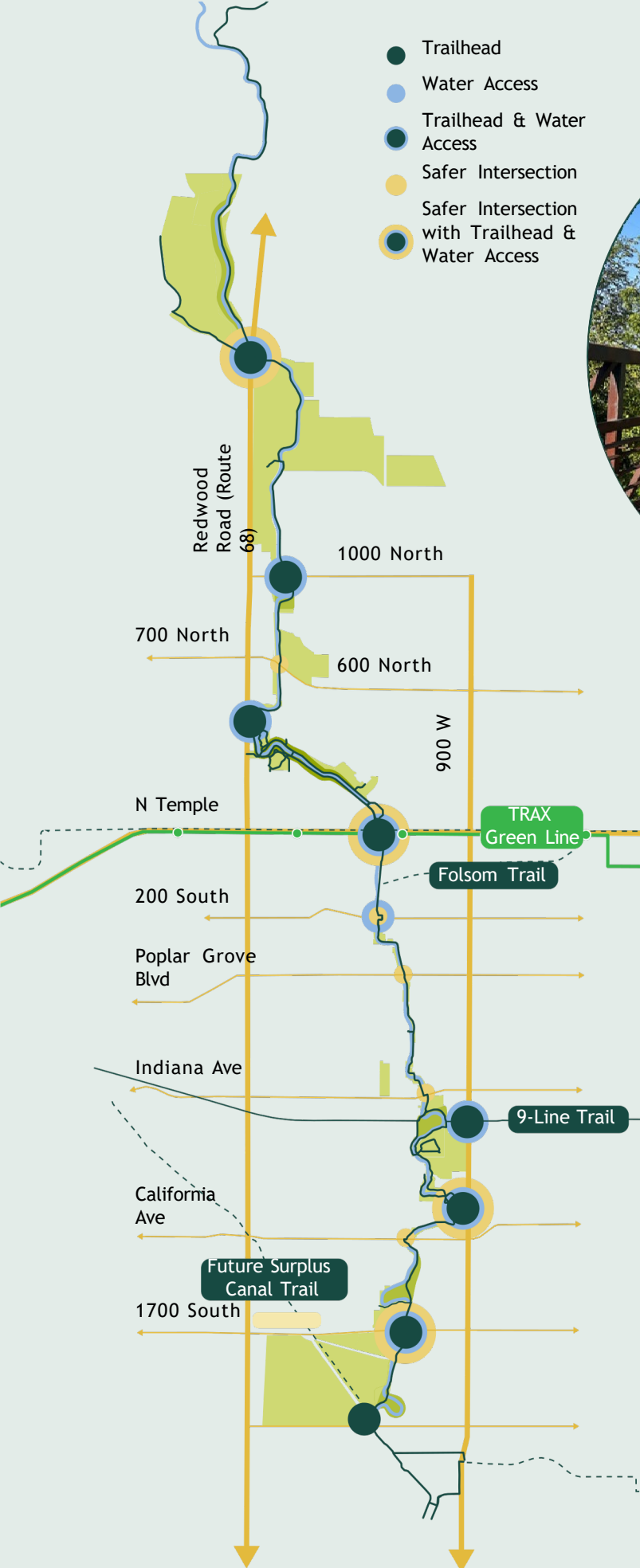- Expanding Natural Lands (4.3)
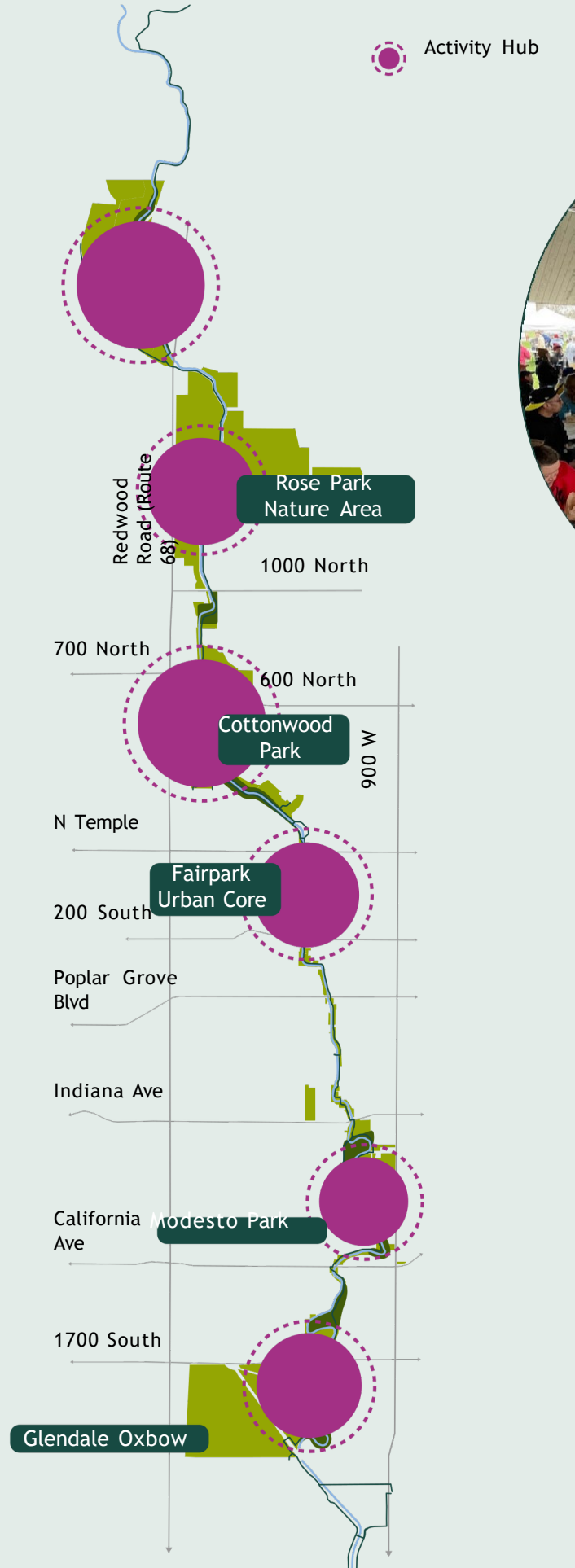
Culture

Increase investment in community resources and invest in new public amenities throughout the corridor.

Sample Culture Goals:

- Expand Public Art Programs (1.3)

- Celebrate & Support the Culture of the West Side (1.4)

- Bring Programming to the River and River's Edge (5.1)

- Support Small Businesses and Commercial Activation (5.2)

- Create Flexible Event and Gathering Spaces (5.5)

Map Legend:
- Trailhead
- Water Access
- Trailhead & Water Access
- Safer Intersection
- Safer Intersection with Trailhead & Water Access

Map labels:
- Redwood Road (Route 68)
- 1000 North
- 700 North
- 600 North
- 900 W
- N Temple
- TRAX Green Line
- Folsom Trail
- 200 South
- Poplar Grove Blvd
- Indiana Ave
- 9-Line Trail
- California Ave
- Future Surplus Canal Trail
- 1700 South

Connectivity

Improve thetrailnetwork on the corridor, optimizing for all user types and better connecting into both neighborhoods and other trails.

Sample Connectivity Goals:

- Create Safer and More Visible Intersections (2.1)

- Improve Neighborhood Connections (2.2)

- Expand Trail Widths and Separate Paths Where Possible (2.3)

- Improve Wayfinding and Signage (2.4)

- Bring Programming to the Water and Waters Edge (5.1)

- Improve Trail-Side Amenities (5.4)