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**MOAB CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 9, 2026
REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 P.M.**

City Council Chambers
217 East Center Street
Moab, Utah 84532

1. Regular City Council Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

1.1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

2. Public Comments (Limited to Three Minutes Per Person)

3. Department Update

3.1. Police Department Update

4. Consent Agenda

4.1. Approval of Minutes

May 26, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Documents:

min-cc-2026-05-26 draft.pdf

4.2. Approval of Bills Against the City of Moab in the Amount of \$404,129.33

Documents:

05-27-26 council consent.pdf

06-03-26 council consent.pdf

5. General Business

5.1. Public Hearing for Resolution 10-2026: A Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year

2026-2026 Budget

5.2. Discussion of FY 25/26 Year End Budget and Consideration of the Potential for a Budget Amendment for FY 25/26 (Resolution 10-2026)

Documents:

[fy 25.26 budget amendment staff report.pdf](#)

5.3. Consideration of Contract Award to River Restoration in the Amount of \$198,407 for Lion's Park River Access Feasibility Study

Documents:

*[26-6_lionsparkriverfeasibility-agenda summary.docx.pdf](#)
[1-riverrestoration org llc_26-05 lions riverrestoration.pdf](#)
[lions park-rfp final_20260420.pdf](#)*

5.4. Presentation on Consideration of Red Rock Development Easement located at approximately 2705 S Golf Course East Bench Road, Moab UT 84532

Documents:

[red rock development easement presentation_staff report cc 060926.pdf](#)

5.5. Consideration of Resolution 11-2026: A Resolution of the Governing Body of the City of Moab Declaring Certain Property Owned by the City as Surplus

Documents:

*[agenda summary - resolution 11-2026.pdf](#)
[surplus property resolution 11-2026.pdf](#)*

5.6. Consideration of Ordinance 2026-12: An Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Ordinance No. 2020-15 and Amending Section 10.04.090 of the Moab Municipal Code Regarding the Establishment of Speed Limits for Street-Legal Vehicles, Including Street-Legal All-Terrain Vehicles

Documents:

*[city council agenda summary speed ordinance june 2026.pdf](#)
[moab ordinance 2026-12 repealing ord 2020-15 re speed limits final.pdf](#)*

5.7. Consideration of Adoption of Speed Limit Changes Within the City of Moab

Documents:

*[city council agenda summary speed limit changes june 9 2026.pdf](#)
[moab city speed limits discussion.pdf](#)*

6. City Manager Updates

7. Mayor and Council Reports

8. Executive (Closed) Session

8.1. Strategy Session to Discuss Reasonably Imminent and/or Pending Litigation

9. Adjournment

Special Accommodations:

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MOAB CITY COUNCIL MINUTES--DRAFT
REGULAR MEETING
May 26, 2026

Regular Meeting Attendance and Call to Order:

Moab City Council held its Regular Meeting on the above date in Council Chambers. Archived audio is at www.utah.gov/pmn and video is at www.youtube.com/watch?v=l1NJgH55wh4. Mayor Joette Langianese called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilmembers Jason Taylor, Tawny Knutson-Boyd, Kaitlin Myers, Colin Topper and Miles Loftin attended. Also in attendance were Recorder Sommar Johnson, Parks, Recreation and Trails Director Patrick Trim, Arts & Special Events Director Kelley McInerney, Utility Services Director Obe Tejada, Police Chief Lex Bell, Assistant Police Chief James Blanton, Jr., Aquatic Manager Ryan Moran, Lifeguards Soren Indegard and Blake Coleman, Attorney Nathan Bracken and 13 members of the public. Councilmember Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation:

Parks, Recreation and Arts Director Trim introduced a recognition of life saving efforts at the Moab Recreation and Aquatic Center. He described a deep-water rescue at the pool and praised the response of lifeguards and mentioned training that led up to the successful outcome of the rescue. The Mayor presented plaques to the lifeguards. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Director Andy Smith stated he was impressed by the response. He also presented awards to the lifeguards.

Department Update:

Arts & Special Events Director McInerney presented summer arts center programming opportunities, highlighting a traveling Smithsonian exhibit called Voices & Votes: Democracy in America.

Consent Agenda—Approved

Councilmember Taylor moved to approve the consent agenda, as follows: ratification of a thank you letter to Senator Curtis for an appropriations request, approval of minutes for the May 12, 2026, Regular Meeting and approval of bills against the City of Moab in the amount of \$276,674.10. Councilmember Knutson-Boyd seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0 with Councilmembers Taylor, Knutson-Boyd, Topper, Myers and Loftin voting aye.

General Business:

Interlocal Agreement Between the City and Grand Water and Sewer Service Agency:

Presentation and Discussion: Utility Services Director Tejada introduced **Resolution 09-2026**: a resolution adopting an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between the City of Moab and Grand Water and Sewer Service Agency (GWSSA). He explained the ILA involved the “cemetery well,” which has low water quality. Councilmember Loftin said the well was in disrepair and \$40,000 would make it operable. It was explained that the GWSSA lease would cover the investment, is renewable annually and will not impact water services to the City.

Motion and Vote: Councilmember Loftin moved to adopt **Resolution 09-2026**, approving the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Grand Water and Sewer Service Agency and the City of Moab and authorizing the Mayor to sign the Agreement. Councilmember Topper seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0 with Councilmembers Taylor, Knutson-Boyd, Topper, Myers and Loftin voting aye.

Mayor and Council Reports:

Councilmember Myers reported on meetings with the Mayor and the homeless council and announced upcoming events as well as housing authority residential vacancies. She mentioned a community survey about speed limit changes in Moab.

Councilmember Knutson-Boyd stated she met with museum staff, attended the public works staff picnic, and related a family story in appreciation of Memorial Day.

Councilmember Taylor reported he met with the Mayor and the Chamber of Commerce, attended a recent golf tournament, and congratulated the graduating high school class. He mentioned discussions about holiday lights and noted it would be Moab’s 125th anniversary. He acknowledged Memorial Day.

Councilmember Loftin reported on meetings with the Mayor and the housing authority and noted the extent of waitlists for affordable housing in Moab. He mentioned a meeting with GWSSA and noted an upcoming watershed workshop. He thanked veterans in honor of Memorial Day and recounted his experience with the citizens' police academy. He said he had high praise for the police department.

Councilmember Taylor reported he attended the public works day picnic and participated in the bike bus for elementary school children riding to school.

Councilmember Topper mentioned the Red Rock Retreat, and noted that he met with the Mayor, attended the public works picnic, participated in the firebreak walk & talk, and rode with the bike bus. He thanked the police department for assistance with the bike bus.

Mayor Langianese reported that she met with the Department of Energy regarding infrastructure, including trails and County liability. She mentioned the prospect of a July decision regarding Congressional appropriations for a new water tank and the local transit system. She mentioned work being done regarding the golf course master plan and economic analysis. The Mayor said she visited the new restaurant on Main Street, Elsie's, and reported on meetings with Sam Wainer of the Canyonlands Natural History Association, and meetings regarding sewer odors in the Mountainview neighborhood, the Division of Natural Resources, and the defunding of grants to mitigate water outfall in the wetlands.

Adjournment:

Councilmember Loftin moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
Joette Langianese, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Sommar Johnson, City Recorder

MOAB CITY CORPORATION
Disbursement Listing
MACU Checking - 05/21/2026 to 05/27/2026

Payee Name	Reference Number	Payment Date	Payment Amount	Void Date	Void Amount	Source
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	280127	05/27/2026	\$5,532.89			Purchasing
CUSTOMER REFUNDS	280128	05/27/2026	\$75.00			Purchasing
CUSTOMER REFUNDS	280129	05/27/2026	\$80.00			Purchasing
CUSTOMER REFUNDS	280130	05/27/2026	\$150.00			Purchasing
ENBRIDGE GAS	280131	05/27/2026	\$7,006.42			Purchasing
FIRST RESPONDERS FIRST,LLC	280132	05/27/2026	\$775.00			Purchasing
FOUR CORNERS DESIGN CENTER	280133	05/27/2026	\$1,516.05			Purchasing
KIMBALL MIDWEST	280134	05/27/2026	\$192.43			Purchasing
MOAB AUTO PARTS INC.	280135	05/27/2026	\$29.72			Purchasing
MOTIVE TECHNOLOGIES, INC	280136	05/27/2026	\$85.80			Purchasing
MOUNTAINLAND SUPPLY	280137	05/27/2026	\$438.31			Purchasing
PACKARD WHOLESALE	280138	05/27/2026	\$192.91			Purchasing
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER	280139	05/27/2026	\$87.33			Purchasing
ROYCE'S ELECTRONICS SITE MANAG	280140	05/27/2026	\$200.00			Purchasing
STANDARD PLUMBING SUPPLY CO.	280141	05/27/2026	\$92.02			Purchasing
TURNER LUMBER OF MOAB	280142	05/27/2026	\$312.45			Purchasing
U.S. POSTMASTER	280143	05/27/2026	\$483.44			Purchasing
UTAH STATE DIVISION OF FINANCE	280126	05/27/2026	\$30,183.96			Purchasing
VERIZON WIRELESS	280144	05/27/2026	\$2,715.24			Purchasing
WALKER DRUG	280145	05/27/2026	\$82.23			Purchasing
WALKER'S TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	280146	05/27/2026	\$1,271.05			Purchasing
			\$51,502.25		\$0.00	

MOAB CITY CORPORATION
Disbursement Listing
MACU Checking - 05/28/2026 to 06/03/2026

Payee Name	Reference Number	Payment Date	Payment Amount	Void Date	Void Amount	Source
AARON P. WISE ATTORNEY AT LAW	280147	06/03/2026	\$3,000.00			Purchasing
AFFEKTIVE SOFTWARE LLC	280148	06/03/2026	\$329.82			Purchasing
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	280149	06/03/2026	\$9,239.34			Purchasing
BOWEN COLLINS & ASSOCIATES INC.	280150	06/03/2026	\$14,914.50			Purchasing
BUCHSBAUM, IAN	280151	06/03/2026	\$200.00			Purchasing
CHEMTECH-FORD LLC	280152	06/03/2026	\$1,261.00			Purchasing
CITY OF MOAB	280153	06/03/2026	\$13,321.71			Purchasing
CIVIL SCIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE IN	280154	06/03/2026	\$2,079.50			Purchasing
CODE PUBLISHING COMPANY	280155	06/03/2026	\$563.50			Purchasing
COWDELL LAW	280156	06/03/2026	\$3,000.00			Purchasing
CUSTOMER REFUNDS	280157	06/03/2026	\$85.00			Purchasing
DESERT WEST OFFICE SUPPLY	280158	06/03/2026	\$202.54			Purchasing
EMERY TELCOM	280159	06/03/2026	\$2,108.73			Purchasing
EPIC SPORTS	280160	06/03/2026	\$235.76			Purchasing
FERGUSON US HOLDINGS, INC.	280161	06/03/2026	\$1,357.82			Purchasing
FRONTIER	280162	06/03/2026	\$1,962.55			Purchasing
GRAINGER	280163	06/03/2026	\$3,459.78			Purchasing
GRAND COUNTY RUNNING CLUB	280164	06/03/2026	\$2,000.00			Purchasing
GRAND WATER & SEWER AGENCY	280165	06/03/2026	\$157.45			Purchasing
HANK WILLIAMS INC.	280166	06/03/2026	\$67,474.38			Purchasing
HANSEN ALLEN & LUCE INC	280167	06/03/2026	\$11,311.96			Purchasing
HYDROCORP, LLC	280168	06/03/2026	\$1,609.38			Purchasing
IRON MOUNTAIN CRANE AND HOIST I	280169	06/03/2026	\$14,334.30			Purchasing
KENDIG KEAST COLLABORATIVE	280170	06/03/2026	\$2,601.50			Purchasing
KILGORE COMPANIES LLC	280171	06/03/2026	\$474.91			Purchasing
LIMBWALKER TREE CARE, LLC	280172	06/03/2026	\$400.00			Purchasing
MOAB ARTTRAILS	280173	06/03/2026	\$4,000.00			Purchasing
MOAB AUTO PARTS INC.	280174	06/03/2026	\$9.06			Purchasing
MOAB CONTRACTING COLLECTIVE, L	280175	06/03/2026	\$2,330.00			Purchasing
MOAB DOWNTOWNER LLC	280176	06/03/2026	\$54,841.27			Purchasing
MOAB HEAT N COOL LLC	280177	06/03/2026	\$30,062.48			Purchasing
MOAB MAILING CENTER	280178	06/03/2026	\$85.59			Purchasing
MOAB PUBLIC RADIO KZMU	280179	06/03/2026	\$5,500.00			Purchasing
MOUNTAINLAND SUPPLY	280180	06/03/2026	\$7,328.83			Purchasing
NUSO LLC	280181	06/03/2026	\$426.40			Purchasing
O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	280182	06/03/2026	\$43.96			Purchasing
PACKARD WHOLESALE	280183	06/03/2026	\$3,766.78			Purchasing
PITNEY BOWES INC - PURCHASE PO	280184	06/03/2026	\$500.00			Purchasing
PITNEY BOWES INC - RENTAL	280185	06/03/2026	\$968.94			Purchasing
POLYDYNE INC.	280186	06/03/2026	\$4,713.39			Purchasing
PROVELOCITY	280187	06/03/2026	\$16,500.87			Purchasing
REDD MECHANICAL	280188	06/03/2026	\$476.25			Purchasing
REVCO LEASING COMPANY	280189	06/03/2026	\$3,107.47			Purchasing
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER	280190	06/03/2026	\$61.60			Purchasing
ROYCE'S ELECTRONICS SITE MANAG	280191	06/03/2026	\$800.00			Purchasing
SOUTHEASTERN UTAH DISTRICT HE	280192	06/03/2026	\$405.00			Purchasing
STANDARD PLUMBING SUPPLY CO.	280193	06/03/2026	\$353.48			Purchasing
THATCHER COMPANY INC.	280194	06/03/2026	\$3,940.80			Purchasing
THE BANCORP BANK	280195	06/03/2026	\$352.53			Purchasing
THE BENNETT GROUP DC	280196	06/03/2026	\$6,000.00			Purchasing
THE LIFEGUARD STORE	280197	06/03/2026	\$4,166.90			Purchasing
THE MOAB TIMES-INDEPENDENT	280198	06/03/2026	\$504.00			Purchasing
TURNER LUMBER OF MOAB	280199	06/03/2026	\$1,152.07			Purchasing
USABBLUEBOOK	280200	06/03/2026	\$420.27			Purchasing
WALKER DRUG	280201	06/03/2026	\$43.98			Purchasing
WALKER'S TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	280202	06/03/2026	\$1,050.69			Purchasing
WASH-IT EXPRESS	280203	06/03/2026	\$667.84			Purchasing
WEST COAST CODE CONSULTANTS (	280204	06/03/2026	\$18,556.00			Purchasing
WRIGHT EXPRESS FSC	20260603	06/03/2026	\$14,355.20			Purchasing
WYLDER, GRAYCE	280205	06/03/2026	\$7,450.00			Purchasing
			\$352,627.08		\$0.00	



MOAB CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

May 12, 2026

TITLE: Discussion of FY 25/26 Year End Budget and Consideration of the Potential for a Budget Amendment for FY 25/26

DISPOSITION: Discussion and possible action

PRESENTER/S: Michael A. Black, AICP, City Manager

ATTACHMENT/S:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: At this point, staff is not recommending action – discussion only.

PROPOSED MOTION: N/A

SUMMARY:

As an internal policy, staff reviews the budget near the end of each fiscal year to determine whether a budget amendment is needed. Amendments may be necessary when actual or projected costs differ materially from the adopted budget, when additional spending authority is needed, or when organizational or policy changes should be reflected in the budget.

Budget amendments help ensure each fund remains within available resources and that the City Council and public have a transparent understanding of how funds are being used. Amendments are generally reserved for significant changes, such as increased project or material costs, new funding needs, or department and fund reorganizations.

The June 9, 2026 City Council meeting was scheduled in case an end-of-year budget amendment was needed. After reviewing projected year-end activity, staff has determined that a budget amendment is not necessary as of the writing of this report.

Based on current projections, revenues are coming in higher than budgeted and expenditures are trending lower than budgeted. As a result, the City is projecting a positive year-end variance, with remaining funds expected to carry forward into the next fiscal year rather than creating a deficit or requiring additional spending authority.

Instead of presenting a budget amendment, staff will present an end-of-year budget report for all funds, including estimated actuals through June 30, 2026. This report will provide updated financial information, identify notable budget variances, and support continued transparency for the City Council and public.



MOAB CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

May 12, 2026

RELEVANT LAWS, STUDIES & PLANS:

Consideration of Budget Amendments is authorized under **Utah Code § 10-6-128**.

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT:

City Administration

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A



TITLE: Consideration of a Contract for Lions Park River Access Feasibility Study

DISPOSITION: Discussion and possible action

PRESENTER/S: Patrick Trim, Parks, Recreation & Trails Director

ATTACHMENT/S:

1. RFP
2. Proposal

RECOMMENDED MOTION/S: I move to award the contract for the Lions Park Nonmotorized Access Feasibility Study to River Restoration in the amount of \$198,407 and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract in a form approved by the City's attorney.

OTHER OPTIONS: Continue the item with requests for additional information, select a different proposal by the published criteria, or reject the proposal responses.

SUMMARY:

In 2022, Grand County produced the Moab Town Boat Ramp Action Plan with assistance from the National Park Service Rivers, Trails, & Conservation Assistance Program (RTCA). This process involved stakeholders from the City of Moab; Utah Department of Natural Resources; U.S. Bureau of Land Management; and National Park Service, among others. The plan centered on improvements for the motorized boat ramp on the north bank of the Colorado River and suggests a "potential future phase" in Lions Park for nonmotorized activities. In December of 2024, the City received a Utah Outdoor Recreation Initiative grant for \$200,000 with no match to conduct a feasibility study for nonmotorized river access from the south bank at Lions Park.

To begin the feasibility study, City staff issued RFP 26-05: *Request for Proposals for Professional Services Lions Park River Access Feasibility Study for the City of Moab* to select a planning consultant. The study will assess the feasibility of river access improvements at Lions Park for swimming and nonmotorized watercraft, review required environmental regulations, evaluate vegetation and habitat modifications, create a concept design for safe and ADA-accessible river access that connects with existing park and trail infrastructure, and identify costs and next steps for implementation.

The City received eight proposals in responses. A selection committee with representatives from Parks, Recreation & Trails; Administration; and Community Development reviewed and scored them according to the criteria in the RFP:

1. Company Overview, Statement of Qualifications, and Team Description
2. Project Relevant Experience



MOAB CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

June 9, 2026

3. References
4. Project Approach
5. Anticipated Timeline
6. Price

The committee ranked RiverRestoration highest overall and recommends it for award. RiverRestoration demonstrated the strongest relevant experience and timeline in combination with a solid project approach. The contract is for \$198,407, which is within the grant award, and the project is anticipated to be complete in April 2027, which is within the grant deadline.

RELEVANT LAWS, STUDIES & PLANS:

Parks Master Plan, Moab Town Boat Ramp Action Plan

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT:

Parks, Recreation & Trails; Administration

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The project is funded through a Utah Outdoor Recreation Initiative grant in the amount of \$198,407. The City is providing no match and will be reimbursed for costs.

Response to Request for Proposal for

LIONS PARK RIVER ACCESS FEASIBILITY STUDY



DHM LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
DESIGN ECOLOGICAL PLANNING
URBAN DESIGN
LAND PLANNING

SUBMITTED TO
City of Moab
Attn: Alex "Val" Veilleux
Sustainability and
Grant Coordinator
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SUBMITTED BY
River Restoration
Jason Carey, P.E.
Principal River Engineer
970-947-9568
jason.carey@riverrestoration.org

SUBMITTAL DATE
May 12, 2026



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May 12, 2026

City of Moab
Attn: Alex "Val" Veilleux
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**RE: Response to Request for Proposals for Professional Services for Lions Park River Access Feasibility Study
City of Moab | RFP #26-05**

Dear Mr. Veilleux and Members of the Selection Committee,

We are pleased to submit our proposal in response to the City of Moab's Request for Proposals for the Lions Park River Access Feasibility Study. This project represents an important opportunity to thoughtfully expand recreation access to the Colorado River while protecting the ecological integrity and recreational value that define Moab's landscape.

RiverRestoration is prepared to lead this effort, bringing decades of experience in stream restoration, geomorphic assessment, and nature-based design throughout the Colorado River Basin. Our team specializes in developing resilient, process-based solutions that balance recreation, habitat function, and long-term river stability.

To support the full scope of work, RiverRestoration has assembled a multidisciplinary team with expertise in planning, ecology, design, and public engagement. **DHM Design** will play a key supporting role, providing environmental analysis, NEPA support, permitting coordination, and ecological restoration planning, as well as leading the stakeholder and community engagement process. DHM's experience with river access projects and in facilitating public processes in complex, high-use recreation settings will help ensure that project outcomes reflect community values while meeting regulatory requirements.

Our team has a wealth of experience in creating safe and functioning river access along parks throughout Utah, Colorado and the west. Our experience directly applies to the study's core objectives, including evaluating river access feasibility, assessing environmental constraints, navigating permitting requirements, and developing concept alternatives that integrate ADA accessibility, habitat restoration, and river based recreational enhancements.

We understand that Lions Park serves as a critical gateway to Moab and a heavily used recreation hub, requiring solutions that carefully balance safe recreation access with protection of river systems, wildlife habitat, and existing infrastructure. Our team brings direct experience working in similar contexts across the West, including projects that require coordination with federal, state, and local agencies and compliance with NEPA and other regulatory frameworks.

All proposed staff have reviewed the RFP and are prepared to meet its requirements, schedule, and grant constraints. We are committed to delivering a clear, implementable feasibility study that provides the City with actionable recommendations, cost considerations, and a roadmap for future design and construction. This letter acknowledges the Q&A and Addenda issued.

We appreciate the opportunity to support the City of Moab in advancing this important project and look forward to collaborating with City staff, stakeholders, and the community to create a sustainable, accessible, and ecologically responsible river access at Lions Park.

Sincerely,
River Restoration

Jason Carey, P.E.
Principal River Engineer
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01 | OUR TEAM

Company Overview, Statement of Qualifications, Team Description

COMPANY OVERVIEWS

RiverRestoration.org, LLC - Established in 2004, RiverRestoration is a specialty river engineering firm with the mission to make rivers better places. Our firm has 22 years and over 100 constructed projects, that were implemented with similar river recreation goals. We have proven the creative planning, engineering, and technical support required for a successful river project. Our goal is for whole system design that includes restoration, preservation, enhancement, and beneficial use of river and riparian ecosystems. We employ a collaborative approach that balances the functional needs of water users, recreation, and the environment, while creating sustainable solutions. Our applied philosophy is that healthy rivers can exist as an integral part of our human environment. Our projects have proven design through performance in multiple flood and drought events and millions of recreational user days.



DHM Design - As individuals we are impassioned by the natural landscape. As a firm we are its students, and its stewards. We are vigorous users and lovers of the outdoors, committed to both environmental and cultural preservation. Since our founding in Denver in 1975, DHM Design has expanded with studios in Carbondale and Durango. As an employee-owned firm, our roster includes professionals in landscape architecture, natural resource management, land use planning, graphic design, and visualization. We are designers, and we are environmentalists. What we do is both art and science. We seek balance between human patterns and natural systems. Our work restores landscapes and enhances the human experience. These conservation and design principles translate to every project we take on. Deliberately, our interventions sit lightly on the land. Today, we plan and design recreational spaces, National Parks, residential communities, resorts and hospitality, cultural landscapes, civic spaces, tribal lands, legacy ranches, high-end residences and land trusts. We are especially proud that a considerable part of our portfolio has been work for the National Park Service. This connection has instilled in us a deep sensitivity to the necessary balance between protecting nature and revealing how it can be enjoyed. Every one of our projects is a collaborative interaction between the client, an interdisciplinary team of DHM professionals and, when appropriate, expert outside consultants. We value engagement with community and stakeholders; and we are especially resourceful at graphic presentation and the facilitation of dialogue. We have learned that communication and trust lead to sustainable planning and design solutions for cherished landscapes.



STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION

At RiverRestoration, we apply state-of-the-art technology and science as an analytical approach to the assessment, evaluation, and design of river environments. We are practiced and hold licenses for the most advanced hydraulic modeling software including SRH2D, HEC-2D and Flow3D. We work regularly in Civil3D and GIS platforms. We maintain a range of in-house survey equipment and skills suitable for performing swift and shallow water bathymetric mapping. Our arsenal of survey equipment includes S/V Ducky a 21 feet jetboat, S/V SeaArk a 16 feet aluminum shallow-draft survey vessel with 50hp outboard on a jack plate, NRS 13.5-foot oversize tube commercial raft, RTK-GPS Trimble R10 and R12i, GNSS-integrated SeaFloor dual-beam depth sounder, Applanix Wavemaster II INS, PING DPS Multi-beam Echo Sounder, Trimble TotalStation with auto-tracking and direct reflex, laser level, auto level, aerial drone with commercial license, staff gauges, and Hach Marsh McBirney 2D Velocimeter. Our staff is also trained in wading techniques and have recently custom-outfitted kayaks to be compatible with the single-beam sounder.

Our team has a long history of working together on complex river and public lands projects, bringing established relationships, clear communication, and proven coordination across disciplines. RiverRestoration and DHM Design have collaborated on federal, river restoration, bank stabilization, and infrastructure protection efforts where integrated hydraulics, geomorphology, and design are critical. This familiarity allows us to move efficiently from data collection through analysis and design, reducing risk, streamlining decision-making, and ensuring consistent, high-quality delivery within accelerated schedules.

The Team brings:

- River engineering and geomorphic expertise
- Integrated hydraulics and bathymetric survey
- Proven, multifunction recreation solutions
- Decades of experience on the Colorado River and in sensitive landscapes
- A proven team history of strong delivery within tight schedules
- Data-driven analysis and decision-making
- Site-specific, tailored design approach



TEAM DESCRIPTION

● City of Moab

RiverRestoration.org, LLC – Prime Consultant, Project Management, River Engineering, Geomorphic Assessment

Established in 2004, RiverRestoration is a specialty river engineering firm with 140+ projects focused on hydraulic modeling, geomorphology, and channel design. Their work applies a whole-system approach, evaluating erosion within broader channel dynamics to develop site-specific, constructible river recreation enhancements. Our solutions have proven to perform during flood events while maintaining natural function, habitat value, and user safety.

Jason Carey, MS, PE – Principal | River Engineer: Jason brings 28 years of experience in river engineering and will serve as Principal River Engineer. He leads hydraulic analyses, geomorphic assessment, and design of river recreation assets. He has completed 150+ hydraulic studies and 100+ constructed river projects, with expertise in HEC-RAS, SRH2D, and FLOW-3D. His work includes Colorado River surveys and DOI task orders with exceptional CPARS, delivering durable, site-specific channel stabilization solutions.

Alex Heller, PE, CFM, PMP – Project Manager | River Engineer: Alex will guide the river access design with a clear understanding of how people move through and interact with dynamic river systems. She brings a steady, hands-on approach from early site reading through implementation, helping the team shape solutions that hold up over time and reflect both ecological function and public use.

Drew Burman, MS, PE – Lead Designer | River Engineer: Drew brings a clear understanding of how water moves through the site, helping the team shape access points that respond to flow, flooding, and channel change. His insight supports practical, resilient solutions that work with the river rather than against it.

Russell Bair, MS, PE – Bathymetric Survey Lead | Geomorphologist | River Engineer: Russell brings a field-grounded perspective, pairing detailed survey and bathymetric data with hands-on experience in building river access. He helps translate site conditions into clear, workable designs that reflect how the river actually looks and behaves on the ground.

Subcontracted Services

DHM Design – Environmental Analysis, NEPA Support, Permitting, Ecological Restoration, Stakeholder & Public Engagement

DHM Design is an employee-owned landscape architecture and planning firm founded in 1975, with deep experience in river systems, cultural landscapes, and National Park settings. Our team integrates landscape architecture, planning, and natural resource expertise to deliver technically sound, site-responsive solutions that stabilize vulnerable systems while respecting the character, processes, and stewardship goals of the land.

Walker Christensen, PLA – Principal | Landscape Architect: Walker brings 25+ years of experience in landscape architecture, with expertise in stream and wetland restoration, stormwater systems, and sustainable design. He has public lands experience with Moab, the National Park Service, BLM, and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, including work at Zion, Rocky Mountain, Mesa Verde, Bryce Canyon, Petrified Forest, Grand Canyon, and Great Sand Dunes.

Jeremy Allinson – Associate Principal | Senior Natural Resource Planner: Jeremy brings extensive experience in environmental planning, NEPA compliance, aquatic and hydrologic assessment, permitting, and river restoration design, with a strong focus on riparian revegetation and habitat establishment. He has supported projects for municipal and federal agencies, including major restoration efforts including Crystal River and Pagosa Gateway. His expertise includes wetland delineation, Clean Water Act permitting, and development of revegetation strategies that enhance bank stability, ecological function, and long-term system resilience across complex projects in the West.



JASON CAREY, MS, PE

Principal | River Restoration Engineer



Jason has 28 years of river engineering experience and has practiced river engineering on the mainstem and every major tributary of the Upper Colorado River Basin. Over 100 of his river designs have been successfully constructed in the river environment, including recreation projects, restoration projects, and projects to affect morphology, stabilization, habitat and sediment transport. He has served as project manager for over 200 projects. Jason excels at developing a range of reasonable and prudent alternatives and comparative cost benefit analyses for determination of the most practical and preferred alternative of a proposed river project.

EDUCATION

M.S. Civil & Environmental Engineering,
University of Utah, 1998
B.S. Physics, Fort Lewis College, 1994

CERTIFICATIONS

Professional Engineer:
CO (38797)
UT (318641-2202)
CA (C64838)

NOTABLE WORK

Ogden Play Park | Ogden, UT

Jason was the principal engineer and project manager responsible for implementation of the planning, design, engineering, hydrographic survey, permitting, fundraising, and construction review of the comprehensive restoration of the Ogden Play Park whitewater park. He managed all aspects of visioning and completing this project, including boundary survey, hydrographic survey, alternatives development, permitting, channel design, vegetation design, retaining wall design, path design, accessible non-motorized boat ramp design, aquatic habitat design, boat passage design, and fish passage design. Jason showed his ability to manage complex engineering projects that include a large multi-disciplinary staff.



ALEX HELLER, PE, CFM, PMP

Project Manager | River Engineer



Alex is a project manager and river engineer with 10 years of experience in bank stabilization, habitat restoration, flood hazard evaluation, and river access design. Alex enjoys being involved with almost every aspect of the design process, all the way from site assessments to project implementation. She is skilled in producing plan sets and permitting documents and understands the importance of collaborating with clients and stakeholders to ensure that project goals are communicated throughout the project. Alex has a passion for the outdoors and strives to generate realistic designs that balance human, wildlife, and environmental needs.

EDUCATION

B.S Civil Engineering, Colorado State
University, 2015

CERTIFICATIONS

Professional Engineer:
CO (0057104)
UT (14189398-2202)
CFM (US-19-11479)
PMP (3885916)

NOTABLE WORK

Crystal River Restoration and Weaver Ditch Efficiency | Carbondale, CO

Alex assisted with the design, surface grading, and 2D hydraulic modeling for the improved Weaver Ditch boulder grade control diversion structure on the Crystal River with the purpose of improving ditch intake efficiency and providing aquatic organism passage at low flow events. She also evaluated scour potential, flow velocities, and anticipated water levels at the proposed outdoor classroom, angler access steps, and bank layback areas to inform the revegetation design of the Riverfront Park. Alex provided support with grant preparation, floodplain and CWA 401/404 permitting, development of PS&E packages, and construction oversight.





DREW BURMAN, MS, PE

Lead Designer | River Engineer



Drew is a river engineer with 7 years of experience specializing in hydrology and hydraulic engineering. He is expert in watershed hydrology, channel hydraulics, bank stabilization and computational modeling and is passionate about utilizing those skills to improve waterways of all shapes and sizes.

NOTABLE WORK

Pack Creek Engineering Assessment | Moab, UT

Drew is the lead hydraulic modeler on the Pack Creek Engineering Assessment project. The project seeks to identify problematic geomorphic changes from recent wildfires and debris flows that may cause risks to the community and/or infrastructure, as well as areas of insufficient aquatic connectivity and riparian health. His tasks involve evaluating the potential reduced flood risk by comparing pre-vegetation clearing and proposed vegetation clearing areas over 5.3 river miles, analyzing the passability conditions under each creek crossing for human, wildlife, and aquatic life, and developing a creek management report to assist project stakeholders identify and prioritize future projects based on results from the hydraulic modeling and site assessment.

EDUCATION

M.S. Civil & Environmental Engineering,
University of Washington, 2021
B.S. Civil Engineering, Colorado School
of Mines, 2018

CERTIFICATIONS

Professional Engineer:
UT (12876895-2202)
CFM (US-22-12555)



RUSSELL BAIR, MS, PE

Bathymetric Survey Lead | Geomorphologist | River Engineer



Russell is a river engineer with 8 years of experience in design and data collection for in-river projects. He has worked on a variety of river projects including boat ramps, park waterfronts, habitat enhancement, boat passage in all phases of the projects including survey, planning, design, and construction oversight. Russell has experience in federal and private roles which has provided a broad base of technical skill sets and familiarity with a range of approaches to different projects.

NOTABLE WORK

Serge Simmons Bank Access | Ogden, UT

Russell was the engineer responsible for the hydrographic survey, design, permitting, hydraulic modeling, grading, cost and quantities estimations, and construction oversight for the project. The project aimed to stabilize a failing bank along a pedestrian path and city park and add a pedestrian river access point as well as restore aquatic and riparian habitat in the reach.

JW Powell Museum River Bank | Green River, UT

Russell was the engineer responsible for the hydrographic survey, design, permitting, hydraulic modeling, grading, cost and quantities estimations, and construction oversight for the project. The project aimed to provide river access for pedestrians and non-motorized boats at an existing city property, while improving bank stability and minimizing maintenance and project cost. The site consisted of a steep and eroding bank with no obvious existing access location and required a complete re-imagining of the location to meet all of the project goals.

EDUCATION

M.S. Water Resources Engineering,
Oregon State University, 2016
B.S. Biological Engineering,
University of Arkansas, 2014

CERTIFICATIONS

Professional Engineer:
CO (0062683)



WALKER CHRISTENSEN, PLA

Principal | Landscape Architect

DHM
DESIGN

Walker Christensen is a Principal with DHM Design in Durango, Colorado. His valuable professional experience specializes in public parks, hot springs, stream and wetland restoration, stormwater reuse, adaptive reuse and sustainable design. Walker has worked on many projects through Colorado and the West that involve community planning, detailed landscape architectural design, drainageway restoration, sports park, trail and wayfinding designs. He has a special affinity for projects in small towns and the positive impact they have on these rural communities.

EDUCATION

B.S. Landscape Architecture
Colorado State University, 1997

CERTIFICATIONS

Professional Landscape Architect:
CO (345)

NOTABLE WORK

Zion National Park | Springdale, UT

Walker has over a decade of experience at Zion National Park, leading projects focused on access, circulation, and resource protection. Work includes campground redesign with native restoration, trail improvements to reduce congestion, and accessible visitor and trail connections.

Animas River Trail - Various Sections | Durango, CO

Walker worked on planning and design of multiple river access improvements along the Animas River, combining public engagement with site-specific solutions for boat access, circulation, and amenities. Work spans from master planning to implementation, integrating habitat restoration, trail connections, and safe, functional access points across a coordinated river corridor.



JEREMY ALLINSON

Associate Principal | Senior Natural Resource Planner

DHM
DESIGN

Jeremy brings extensive experience in environmental project planning, NEPA compliance, natural resource investigations, aquatic and hydrological assessments, impact analysis, permitting, restoration design, mitigation planning, and construction administration. He has managed a broad range of planning and development projects across the public and private sectors, working throughout the Western United States and Alaska. A Colorado native, Jeremy draws inspiration from time spent outdoors—hunting, fishing, and exploring the landscapes he works to protect. Professionally, he is committed to achieving a balanced approach to land planning and development, ensuring projects move forward responsibly while preserving and enhancing natural resources.

EDUCATION

B. of Science in Land Use -
Environmental Resources,
Metropolitan State University,
Denver, 2009

CERTIFICATIONS

Safeland USA/PEC
Western Association of Fish & Wildlife
Agencies Certified Technical
Service Provider
Army Corps of Engineers and 62-
340 FAC Wetland Delineation
Certification

NOTABLE WORK

Crystal River Restoration | Carbondale, CO

Jeremy led wetland delineation and supported permitting for a 1.5-mile Crystal River restoration, helping guide design to avoid impacts and meet regulatory requirements. Their work integrated ecological data into restoration strategies including bank stabilization, floodplain reconstruction, and native revegetation.

Yampa River Improvements | Steamboat Springs, CO

Jeremy supported restoration of a failing Yampa River bank and park improvements, including stabilized river access, trail realignment, and native riparian planting. The design combined hydraulic modeling with in-channel and bank treatments to improve habitat, reduce erosion, and enhance safe public access.

02 | PROJECT EXPERIENCE + REFERENCES

Three Relevant Projects Completed Within the Last Five Years. References

Crystal River Riverfront Restoration and Weaver Ditch Efficiency | Crystal River, Carbondale, CO

Dates: 2018 - 2024 | Team: RiverRestoration, DHM Design

Reference: Town of Carbondale | Kevin Schorzman, Public Works Director | 970.510.1217 | kschorzman@carbondale.net

AWARD:

2025 COSA Blue Grama Award for Outstanding Achievement in Ecological Restoration

The Crystal River Riverfront Park Restoration and Weaver Ditch Efficiency project is a multi-phase effort to restore ecological function, enhance aquatic habitat, modernize an in-stream diversion structure and headgate, and improve community access along a 1.5-mile stretch of the Crystal River in Carbondale, Colorado. The project reach was identified in the stakeholder-driven 2016 Crystal River Management Plan as functionally impaired based on flow regime, sediment regime, riparian vegetation, debris supply, morphology, stability, physical structure, and biotic structure. RiverRestoration and DHM Design collaborated with multiple project partners on the planning, design, fundraising, and construction to bring together several identified management priorities in a cohesive project that is both beneficial to its target reach and a replicable demonstration of multi-benefit restoration.

As part of the Riverfront Park upgrades, RiverRestoration and DHM Design worked together to remove invasive vegetation and design over 900 feet of streambank laybacks, an outdoor classroom, dedicated angler access points, an elevated boardwalk, improvement of a rustic trail, education and wayfinding signs to the park entrance. RiverRestoration addressed the functional concerns by establishing a low flow thalweg, increasing aquatic habitat structure and in-stream connectivity, improving channel and bank stability, and enhancing riparian buffers. The in-stream diversion was also reconfigured to reduce maintenance activity and improve delivery to the Weaver Ditch, which provides raw water irrigation for the Town of Carbondale's open space, parks, golf courses, and schoolyards. Following its completion in 2024, the park has already demonstrated a clear positive impact on the community and riparian habitat without compromising the rustic, hidden gem atmosphere that park users value so highly.



Ogden Play Park | Weber River, Ogden, UT

Dates: 2018 - 2022 | Team: RiverRestoration

Reference: Ogden City Engineering | Phil Suiter, Ogden City Project Engineer | 801.540.4495 | philsuiter@ogdencity.com

AWARD:

2022 Utah Outdoor Recreation Grand Project of the Year

The Ogden Play Park is a whitewater kayaking, surfing and tubing river park located on the Weber River in Ogden, Utah. RiverRestoration was the designer and visionary for the project, which started as a stabilization of a failing sewer line under the 24th Street Bridge. RiverRestoration designed the stabilization with three grade controls that served the multi-purpose of providing whitewater recreation and fish passage. RiverRestoration also designed an accessible ramp, a fish passage channel, a boulder terraced overlook and stone stairways. During design, the adjacent Swift Building was being demolished and significant environmental pollutants were discovered. RiverRestoration helped design the realignment of the river channel and the bank work to assist with containing the pollutants. Runoff 2023 proved to be a significant event and the whitewater park was a huge success with large friendly waves forming throughout a range of flows.

RiverRestoration played a central role in every phase of this transformative project – from initial hydrographic surveys to final design and construction oversight. Throughout the project, our team successfully navigated a diverse stakeholder landscape with competing priorities. Through extensive collaboration, we developed a solution that earned broad support within the community and funders. RiverRestoration also successfully guided the project through a rigorous permitting process. Using cutting-edge 2D and 3D hydraulic modeling, we demonstrated how the wave features support fish passage and minimize habitat impacts – ensuring ecological integrity while meeting regulatory requirements.

The three wave features provide a whitewater recreational opportunity for locals and visitors, including use by freestyle kayak instructors. Non-boaters have also flocked to the project, picnicking and hanging out, watching kayakers and other river users, swimming or angling in the pools created by the features. The project was funded in part by the Utah Outdoor Recreation grant and was awarded the “Outdoor Recreation Grant Project of the Year” at the 2022 Utah Outdoor Summit.



Upper Pack Creek Post-Wildfire Recovery Stabilization & Pack Creek Engineering Assessment | Pack Creek, Grand County & San Juan County, UT

Dates: 2023 - 2025 (Upper Pack Creek) and 2026 (Pack Creek Engineering Assessment) | Team: RiverRestoration

Reference: Rim to Rim Restoration | Kara Dohrenwend, RRR Project Coordinator | 435.220.0003 | kara@revegetation.org

RiverRestoration has been working closely with Rim to Rim Restoration, a Moab based nonprofit, to restore and stabilize Pack Creek and Upper Pack Creek following the 2021 Pack Creek fire that devastated over 9,000 acres of the Manti-La Sal National Forest. In Upper Pack Creek, the reach has experienced over 20 significant debris flows up to 1,000 cfs that incised the channel vertically and laterally. Not only did this cause erosion and increased sediment load downstream, but the vertical incision had cut into the unconfined aquifer layer, which caused indirect dewatering of the water table. As a result, riparian vegetation struggled to take root in the project reach, further limiting post-wildfire recovery efforts.

Previous efforts to stabilize the creek and protect Pack Creek Road relied on emergency placement of gabion baskets and riprap. While necessary at the time, these measures focused on localized bank hardening and did not address the broader restoration needs of the system. RiverRestoration was subsequently engaged to develop a more sustainable solution—one that would prevent further channel downcutting, retain sediment, raise the water table, and promote revegetation. Our team prioritized critical bank locations where continued erosion posed a direct threat to Pack Creek Road, while also identifying opportunities to implement more cost-effective and geographically appropriate solutions. In one such location, excavation of a side channel proved more economical than traditional riprap placement. The introduction of a side channel increased system sinuosity and, together with embedded rootwads, slowed velocities, captured sediment, and dissipated excess energy—resulting in improved channel stability and grade control.

Currently, RiverRestoration is conducting an Engineering Assessment of the Pack Creek corridor downstream of the Grand-San Juan County line to the confluence with Mill Creek, with the goal of identifying problematic geomorphic changes from the recent wildfires and debris flows that may cause risks to the community and/or infrastructure, as well as areas of insufficient aquatic connectivity and riparian health. The assessment will culminate in a feasibility study and creek management plan to help project partners identify and prioritize locations along Pack Creek for targeted funding, design, and implementation



Helper River Revitalization | Price River, Helper, UT (multiple sites)

Dates: 2013 - 2022 | Team: RiverRestoration

Reference: Helper City | Lenise Peterman, Mayor | 801.712.7622 | mayor@helpercity.net

The Helper River Revitalization Project is a six-phase environmental infrastructure project on the Price River that was initiated in 2013 through the development of a concept study focused on the potential for restoring the river through Helper City, Utah to support community recreation and access. The full project incorporated hydrographic survey of 4 miles of the Price River, delineation of 62 acres for riparian conservation to improve the flood capacity and buffer storm water, creation of 1.6 acres of wetlands, connection of 41 acres of floodplain habitat, removal of 8 fish passage barriers, restoration of 12 acres of aquatic habitat, creation of 12 river access points and the engagement of residences and visitors in river stewardship.

In addition to engineering services, RiverRestoration staff assisted Helper City in the acquisition of funding for this project from a wide variety of sources such as Utah Outdoor Recreation and Utah's Watershed Restoration Initiative. Over the years, the team has collaborated closely with the local Trout Unlimited chapter to ensure that the recreational benefits support the aquatic connectivity and cold water fishery needs of the Price River.



•... Check out this video of the "Price of Water" by Trout Unlimited!



Animas River Trail and Animas River Access | Animas River, Durango, CO

Dates: 2013 - 2023 | Team: DHM Design

Reference: City of Durango | Scott Chism | 970.375.5020 | scott.chism@durangogov.org

DHM has played a lead role in both planning and implementing river access improvements along the Animas River. For the City of Durango River Access project, DHM led an extensive public process including eight meetings and on-site walk-throughs to understand user needs and site constraints across multiple locations. This work resulted in master plans for four priority access sites, each coordinated as part of a larger network so that improvements at one location could relieve pressure or enhance function at others. Services extended beyond planning into design development and construction documents, positioning these concepts for implementation.

At the site scale, DHM's work addressed the practical realities of river access. Designs incorporated boat staging and tie-in areas, organized parking and drop-off zones for vehicles with trailers, and created clear circulation between the Animas River Trail and the water's edge. Supporting amenities such as restrooms, changing areas, seating, and bike racks were integrated to serve a range of users, while features like boulder seatwalls and defined access points helped manage use and improve safety. Vegetation enhancements were also included to strengthen habitat and provide screening, reflecting a balance between access and ecological function.

DHM's long-term involvement along the Animas River Trail corridor includes trail alignments, river access improvements, and supporting infrastructure over time. Efforts have included addressing stormwater issues, designing new pedestrian bridges, and creating river access opportunities tied to multi-surface trail segments. At parks such as Oxbow, Santa Rita, and Cundiff, DHM translated planning into built projects by organizing parking, adding boat ramps and beach access, improving trail connections, and restoring native vegetation.



DHM LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
DESIGN ECOLOGICAL PLANNING
URBAN DESIGN
LAND PLANNING

John Wesley Powell Museum Bank Access Improvement | Green River, UT

Dates: 2020 - 2023 | Team: RiverRestoration



RiverRestoration was commissioned by the City of Green River to support the visioning and development of an enhanced riverfront at the John Wesley Powell River History Museum in Green River, Utah. This historic railroad and mining town, located along the Interstate 70 corridor, has experienced economic fluctuations tied to ecotourism and agriculture. To help revitalize the riverfront and support economic growth, the City sought to create inviting recreational spaces with green areas, trails, and water-based activities. RiverRestoration designed an accessible pathway from the museum to the river's edge that restores ecological function while honoring the community's heritage.

The design features natural boulder bank terracing and seating, an accessible concrete pathway, a non-motorized boat ramp, raft tie-offs, and native vegetation to stabilize what had been a steep, weed-infested bank with crumbling pier platforms. RiverRestoration was involved from project inception—supporting early visioning, conducting hydrographic surveys, developing concepts, and guiding the work through design, permitting, and construction. Completed in 2023, the project now allows visitors to directly engage with the river that runs through the City of Green River.

Outdoor Recreation Grant Experience

RiverRestoration is familiar with seeking funding and fulfilling grant reporting requirements through the Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant. Examples of our successfully implemented projects across Utah, with support from UORG, include the John Wesley Powell Museum Bank Access, Ogden Business Exchange Surf Wave, Ogden Play Park, Helper River Revitalization, West Jordan Big Bend Restoration, and Riverton Bank Access.



John Wesley Powell Museum bank and accessible, non-motorized boat ramp, before, during and after RiverRestoration.

03 | PROJECT APPROACH

Project Understanding, Project Approach



Existing Conditions

PROJECT UNDERSTANDING

Our team understands that the City of Moab is seeking a feasibility study for improved, sustainable, and ADA-accessible Colorado River access from the Lions Park. Lions Park is a highly visible gateway to Moab at the intersection of US-191 and SR-128 and functions as a recreation hub for residents, visitors, trail users, river users, and regional travelers. Existing amenities, including the pedestrian bridge, pavilion, restrooms, water, bouldering area, and shared-use path connections, create a strong foundation for expanded river access, but the riverbank itself remains constrained by vegetation, informal use patterns, bank conditions, ownership considerations, river dynamics, and environmental sensitivity.

The project is an opportunity to transform an underutilized river edge into a more intentional, durable, and ecologically responsible access point for swimming, shoreline recreation, and nonmotorized watercraft. At the same time, improvements must be carefully scaled to the site's physical and regulatory context. The Colorado River corridor presents complex considerations related to hydrology, erosion, riparian vegetation, invasive species, wildlife habitat, cultural resources, flood resilience, and long-term maintenance. Successful concepts will need to concentrate access in appropriate locations, create safe shoreline hydraulics, reduce unmanaged impacts, improve safety and accessibility, and restore disturbed areas with native vegetation.

Our team also understands that this feasibility study is not intended to complete final design or construction permitting. Based on the City's Q&A clarification, there is no current federal nexus requiring a full NEPA process during this phase. Instead, the City needs a planning-level NEPA analysis and a clear environmental review and permitting roadmap to inform future implementation. This study should identify likely regulatory pathways, potential federal nexus triggers, lead agency questions, agency coordination needs, technical data gaps, and next steps for later design and permitting.

The resulting feasibility study will provide the City with a practical decision-making framework: documented existing conditions, opportunities and constraints mapping, stakeholder and community input, concept alternatives, a preferred concept, planning-level cost estimates, phasing recommendations, and an implementation roadmap. Our team's approach will help the City advance a river access vision that improves recreation, supports universal access, protects the Colorado River corridor, and positions the project for future funding, environmental review, permitting, and construction.

APPROACH OVERVIEW

We advocate for a collaborative design process, working hand-in-hand with our clients and their communities to turn ideas into reality. The team excels at achieving project goals while satisfying diverse interests.

The City of Moab has a fantastic opportunity to improve the integration of the Colorado River with Lions Park in a safe and sustainable way. This project offers an exciting opportunity to add much needed non-motorized boat access to the Colorado River and reduce user conflicts at the motorized ramp across the river. As well opportunities for a beach and swimming hole can be evaluated. Our firm brings demonstrated expertise in river-connected park design. We regularly work collaboratively with municipal partners to develop solutions that meet engineering standards, ecological goals, and long-term community needs.

RiverRestoration first invented the accessible, non-motorized boat ramps in the Ogden River Restoration in 2008 and has since implemented them on more than a dozen high profile projects. These ramps regularly serve as platforms for swimming in the river. A proven precedent exists in Green River where RiverRestoration worked with the City to create river access at the John Welsey Powell Museum with a non-motorized boat ramp. Similarly, in Grand Junction, where RiverRestoration partnered with the Grand Junction on Las Colonias Park to activate the Colorado River along the park. The project delivered a half-mile safe swimming channel, pedestrian paths, sandy beach shorelines, and a boat ramp, fully integrated into the City's Master Plan. Las Colonias Park has since been recognized as an award-winning riverfront destination.

We are confident these experiences can help achieve the same caliber of results for the City of Moab.



Ogden River Restoration Gibson ramp | Ogden River UT



Las Colonias Park Slough Restoration + Beach |
Colorado River, Grand Junction, CO

Our approach is to work from the river outwards, addressing the integration of the river first. Previously developed parks offer the unique challenge of planning and designing functional riverscapes within the constraints of the surrounding landscape. RiverRestoration and DHM Design have previous teaming experience working within the constraints of existing parks and infrastructure to activate these spaces. A good example of our successful collaboration on this type of project is the Crystal River Riverfront Park Restoration and Weaver Ditch Efficiency Project in Carbondale, Colorado. This project involved restoring ecological function, enhancing aquatic habitat, modernizing an in-stream diversion structure and headgate, and improving community access along a 1.5-mile stretch of the Crystal River. RiverRestoration and DHM Design's success as a team is built on a shared ability to understand and design shoreline hydraulics across the full predicted range of flows, seamlessly integrating them with design of the riverfront landscape. The team will advance the City of Moab's goal of integrating the Colorado River into Lions Park by: 1) evaluating multiple conceptual design alternatives for feasibility, environmental impact, cost and recreational benefit; 2) determining a preferred design and circulation plan that shows how hydraulic design can allow users to safely access and recreate in the Colorado River; 3) developing a revegetation plan to promote successful long term vegetation control; 4) incorporating ADA-accessible infrastructure and improving the function of the park outside of the river; and 5) authoring a feasibility report documenting our study, concept designs alternatives, cost opinions and findings.

The Team has developed a detailed project approach and schedule that completes the scope of work provided in the RFP. Details of the key tasks are described in the following sections.

1. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

RiverRestoration will manage the project and subcontractors and be the Point of Contact for the City of Moab. RiverRestoration will provide monthly invoicing and regular status updates, keep detailed schedules of important deadlines, and always respond in a timely manner. RRO's long history of success in teaming with DHM allows us to rely on their dedicated expertise in project coordination and communication. DHM will coordinate and communicate meetings with the City and project stakeholders as confirmed by the City. Project stakeholders may include the City Planning Commission, City Council, Utah Forestry Fire and State Lands, local community members, recreation groups and river users. Coordination meetings will be completed virtually or in person when they align with scheduled field survey trips. Our offices' Colorado River basin proximity to Moab allows us to travel to the site to collect data or attend meetings efficiently and as needed. The presentations to the Planning Commission and City Council can be completed in person if the City prefers. The cost of this proposal assumes one trip for field survey and one trip to Moab for the final presentation to the Planning Commission and City Council. Bi-weekly check-in meetings will be set at the project initiation to provide the City regular progress updates.

2. EXISTING CONDITIONS

Our team will begin with a focused site assessment of Lions Park, the Colorado River, surrounding trail and roadway infrastructure, and adjacent lands that may influence river access feasibility. The assessment will document existing recreation patterns, river currents, informal access routes, shoreline conditions, island, vegetation communities, invasive species presence, wildlife habitat considerations, cultural and historic resource constraints, utilities, floodplain conditions, and connections to the existing shared-use path and pedestrian bridge.

Our team understands that much of the existing above water topography will be based on the LiDAR flown in 2025 for Grand County, and we will work closely with the City to obtain digital versions of additional topography or as-builts of Lions Park, if available. The 0.5 meter resolution of the 2025 LiDAR will be appropriate to supplement the hydrographic and bathymetric survey. RRO identified differences between the 2018 and 2025 LiDAR in nearby Pack Creek and Mill Creek due to recent floods. This is not likely to be the case at Lions Park on the Colorado River, but we will use the two datasets to help determine if banks, sand bars, or other features are undergoing any geomorphic changes.

Hydrographic and bathymetric survey will be value added to evaluate hydraulic controls, identify eroding banks, characterize sediment and vegetation, consider the bridge piers, and define the river substrate. Using the data, RiverRestoration can efficiently develop and maintain hydraulic models of the project reach to help inform planning and design by predicting the currents at different flow rates. RiverRestoration staff are highly experienced in conducting hydrographic survey methodologies to concisely capture the data needed to represent how the range of flow moves through a river corridor. We will use our in-house Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) integrated bathymetric survey equipment to capture hydraulic control sections, bankfull indicators, flood indicators, topographic and bathymetric gradient breaks, changes in sediment characteristics, vegetation, and changes in habitat areas along approximately 2,000 feet of the River from just downstream of the Highway 191 bridge to about 1,000 feet upstream of the pedestrian bridge. The hydrographic survey will be used to tie-in and augment the 2025 LiDAR data and any as-built data available. The resulting product from the survey effort will be a complete 3D surface representation of the project reach, which can be used to develop hydraulic conditions of the Colorado River at key locations. A longitudinal profile of both the channel bed and water surface elevation will inform us of the total energy moving through the system, which will allow us to better evaluate the feasibility and safety considerations of the river access ramps and bank features.



Bathymetric Survey of the Colorado River with S/V SeaArk

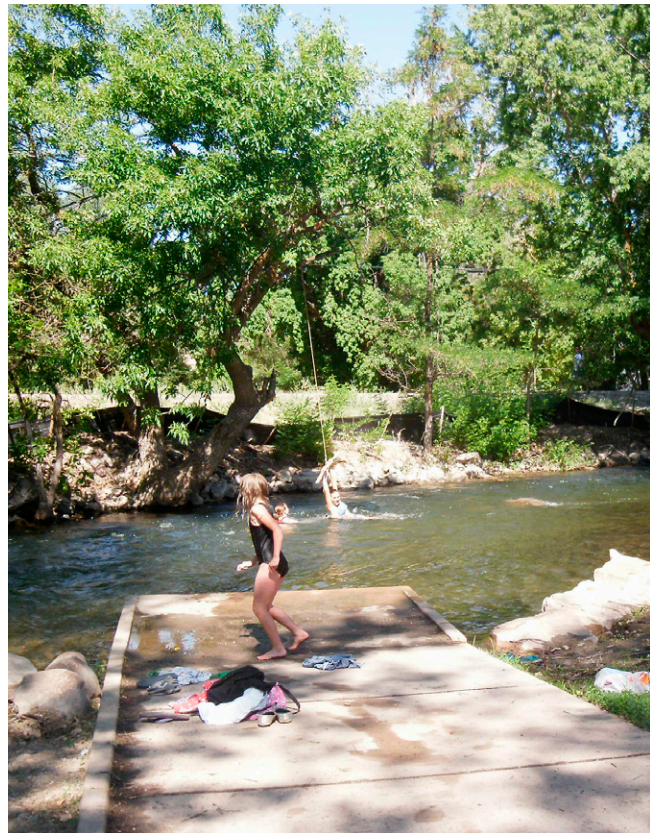
Hydrology on the Colorado River is highly dependent on winter snowfall and dam operation. The USGS gage on the Colorado River at Cisco (09180500) has 109 years of peak flow data. The Cisco gage was used in the effective FIS study and resulted in 10-year and 100-year flows of 59,000 cfs and 86,000 cfs respectively. The effective flow rates will be run in our updated existing conditions model to compare to the effective FEMA Zone A floodplain boundary and verify results. A new statistical analysis will be completed with the additional years of data to develop our existing conditions hydrology for the design hydraulic models.

Existing utility data will be obtained from the City GIS department. The team assumes that these provided utilities will provide feasible design near location of waterlines, storm outfalls, and sewer lines within the project area. Vegetation will be identified and mapped for use of revegetation plans. Subsurface utility engineering may be recommended for future design phases. Similarly, the parcel boundaries will be based on available Grand County GIS information. Professional land surveying is excluded from this scope, but may be recommended for future design phases.

During the site visit, the team will observe how the space is being used by visitors and take note of existing wayfinding and note user circulation via walking, biking and driving. The team will take note at the site as well as in direct context to the site with connections to the shared use bike path along the Colorado River as well as connections to Highway 191. Amenities will be evaluated as they pertain to users like bike racks, restrooms, drinking fountains and so on.

The vegetation assessment will identify native riparian vegetation, invasive plant species such as tamarisk, and areas where selective removal, bank stabilization, revegetation, or habitat enhancement may be appropriate. DHM will evaluate invasive plant removal not as a stand-alone maintenance activity, but as part of an integrated restoration strategy that supports riverbank stability, habitat function, shade, user experience, and long-term stewardship. Opportunities for native revegetation may include cottonwood, willow, native grasses, shrubs, and other species appropriate to Colorado River riparian conditions and anticipated maintenance capacity.

Wildlife habitat considerations will be integrated into the site analysis. DHM will identify potential sensitive habitat areas, seasonal considerations, nesting or migration constraints, riparian corridor functions, and opportunities to reduce impacts through site planning, construction timing, access control, revegetation, and education. The analysis will also consider how river access improvements can concentrate use in durable locations while reducing informal trampling, vegetation loss, and bank degradation elsewhere.



Ogden River Restoration Grant ramp | Ogden River UT

Cultural and historic resource considerations will be incorporated early in the planning process. DHM will identify areas where ground disturbance, trail construction, ramp construction, vegetation removal, or shoreline modifications may require further review or consultation. We will coordinate with the permitting and environmental team to determine the likely level of cultural resource due diligence needed for concept design, future NEPA compliance if triggered, Section 106 consultation if applicable, and guidance for later implementation of cultural resource surveys.

The existing conditions work will result in clear base mapping and an opportunities-and-constraints framework. Mapping will include existing access points, circulation patterns, vegetation and invasive plant areas, potential habitat constraints, floodplain and river corridor considerations, ownership or management boundaries, utilities and infrastructure, and preliminary areas suitable or unsuitable for access improvements. AutoCAD and Civil 3D compatible files will be prepared for new spatial data generated during the project. Existing conditions basemaps and hydraulic results will be published and shared with stakeholders to aid in the alternative assessment.



Las Colonias Park Slough Restoration + Boat Ramp |
Colorado River, Grand Junction, CO

3. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW + PERMITTING CONSIDERATIONS

DHM will lead development of a preliminary environmental review and permitting roadmap that identifies likely approvals, agency coordination needs, technical studies, sequencing, and decision points for future implementation. Because the project may involve work along the Colorado River, shoreline modification, vegetation removal, ADA access improvements, nonmotorized launch facilities, and construction near or below ordinary high water, the roadmap will focus on identifying regulatory triggers early and aligning concept design with future permitting requirements.

Based on the City's Q&A clarification, DHM understands that the City has not yet initiated coordination with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and that no current federal nexus is triggered by this feasibility study. Accordingly, DHM will not assume final permit outcomes or completion of formal environmental approvals during this phase. Instead, we will identify the questions, agency coordination steps, and design information needed to support later permitting.

The permitting roadmap will address potential federal, state, and local requirements, including U.S. Army Corps of Engineers authorization, U.S. Coast Guard coordination if applicable, Utah Division of Water Rights authorization, Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands authorization for work associated with Sovereign Lands, State Historic Preservation Office consultation, Utah Department of Transportation coordination, Grand County requirements, and City of Moab approvals. The roadmap will also identify potential future NEPA triggers, such as federal funding, USACE permitting, federal land interests, or other federal approvals.

We already know that the Colorado River is designated critical habitat for four endangered fish species. RiverRestoration has more than 20 years experience in working with the USFWS and the Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program to make sure that design feasibility demonstrates insignificant impact on this critical habitat. Furthermore, RiverRestoration has over a dozen projects that have included improvements to the critical habitat of these species. Our understanding of the critical habitat, the life cycle of the endangered fishes, and the relationships with the managers of this habitat, are value added to the success of this project.

For each agency or approval, DHM will summarize likely triggers, required documentation, anticipated sequencing, potential risks, and recommended next steps. The resulting permitting roadmap will distinguish between actions appropriate for the feasibility study and those to be completed during later design, environmental review, permitting, and construction phases.

Planning-Level NEPA Analysis

DHM will lead preparation of a planning-level NEPA analysis as part of the feasibility study, consistent with the City's clarification that a full NEPA process, Environmental Assessment, or FONSI is not required at this stage. This analysis will help the City understand likely future environmental review pathways if a federal nexus is triggered in later phases.

The planning-level analysis will identify potential future lead agency considerations, possible federal nexus triggers, likely resource topics, and key data gaps. Resource topics may include wetlands and waters of the United States, riparian vegetation, threatened and endangered species, migratory birds, floodplains, cultural resources, recreation, transportation, visual quality, public safety, and construction impacts.

This work will be integrated with concept development so that environmental considerations inform the alternatives from the outset. DHM will identify avoidance and minimization strategies such as limiting bank disturbance, protecting sensitive habitat, managing construction access, considering seasonal wildlife constraints, controlling erosion and sediment, pairing invasive plant removal with native revegetation, and planning for long-term restoration maintenance.

The planning-level NEPA analysis will not substitute for future agency-approved technical studies or a formal NEPA document. It will provide the City with a clear, defensible environmental planning foundation for later design, permitting, funding, and implementation.

4. STAKEHOLDER + COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Our approach at stakeholder meetings is grounded in active listening and a deep understanding of stakeholder perspectives, enabling us to balance diverse interests while aligning project outcomes with community needs, budget considerations, and long-term operational goals. We utilize innovative and accessible engagement methods that extend beyond traditional public meetings to reach a broader and more diverse audience. With experience across numerous municipalities, we have a proven track record of building public support and ensuring that community input is thoughtfully integrated into decision-making.

For this project scope, our team plans to host two hybrid engagement events; one prior to putting conceptual plans together and one to evaluate conceptual design alternatives. The hybrid method includes both an in-person engagement as well as a digital survey. The in-person engagement might be a booth at an event already happening in Moab, a sole event hosted in an accessible location or another avenue depending on timing and input from the City. The survey will be digital, created by our design team and can be shared via social media, on a website or via email. It will be released at the same time as the in-person meeting and closed a set time thereafter.

The goal of the first public engagement process is to collect information from stakeholders that will help define what the design should respond to prior to concepts being drawn. This presentation is heavy on graphics with use of example imagery. We hope to collect feedback that will shape the programming and priorities of the project and to better understand opportunities and constraints of the site at a user level. By engaging our stakeholders at this phase, we will better understand how the site is currently used, what amenities might be missing and what improvements matter the most.



DHM Leading Community engagement for access planning

The second public engagement meeting will show 2-3 design alternatives in a clear, cohesive and legible way. Stakeholders will be invited to ask questions, write down comments and engage with the consultant team. This second public meeting will be held in person as well as provided in a digital format for remote access (presentation/survey). The design team will document all feedback from stakeholders and community members and use it help evaluate design alternatives and lead the design team to a preferred conceptual plan.

Our strategies are designed to amplify underrepresented voices and foster a collaborative environment where a wide range of ideas can be shared and explored. We also emphasize culturally responsive outreach, including multilingual communication and targeted engagement efforts, to reduce barriers to participation. If feedback from these outreach efforts do not seem to be sufficient, the design team will directly reach out to specific stakeholder groups when necessary. We will work with the City of Moab to ensure that this public engagement process is as accessible as possible and includes as many people as possible who currently or desire to utilize Lions Park.

5. CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT + FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS

Using information gathered from the site assessment, survey, and public outreach efforts, the team will develop conceptual design alternatives to meet the City's goals for up to three alternatives. Each alternative will include river access improvements, swimming opportunities, non-motorized craft circulation and washing, ADA accessibility improvement, site improvements, amenities, vegetation management and restoration. Our team is skilled at developing hydraulic models, plans, profiles, and cross section drawings that clearly communicate design elements.

The hydraulic models will help inform the river access design features of each alternative. 2D hydraulic models will be used to evaluate the safety of proposed hydraulic conditions of each river access concept.



Ogden River Restoration swimming hole | Ogden River UT

6. PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATES + IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

Outside of improving river access, there are various site improvements that will be evaluated. For one, we understand that parking with a trailer can currently be difficult, therefore options to improve trailer parking will be evaluated. We have also discussed with local park users about a lack of water spigots and washing stations. Washing stations can serve two purposes: 1) recreation enhancement; 2) the prevention of the spread of aquatic nuisance species. These site uses will be further explained in conceptual design alternatives, which may range from direct site solutions, to educational and way finding sign solutions. With each alternative, invasive Tamarisk and any other non-native vegetation will be removed while maintaining the willows and other beneficial native vegetation. With vegetation management, accessibility to the river's edge will improve, opening the opportunity for exploring ideas for new accessible viewing platforms and gathering spaces.

Alternative feasibility will be evaluated with a decision matrix where each alternative will be evaluated based on criteria developed with the City such as: conceptual cost, feasibility, environmental impact and recreational benefits, and long-term maintenance needs. Any additional criteria that are deemed necessary will be added during the process. The alternatives ranking will be updated throughout the process and will be finalized after community engagement has been completed. The alternatives will also be evaluated for fundraising potential.



Oxbow Park River Access | Durango, CO

Our concept development supports creating total project costs budgets for the purpose of project planning and seeking grant funding for future phases. The team keeps an updated inventory of current construction costs and contractor bids based on our completed river projects. We take into consideration local construction costs, materials, site access, care of water, and contingency when developing quantity takeoffs and cost opinions for design. We will also evaluate permitting requirements, lifetime, long-term maintenance, funding opportunities, additional design, and construction engineering services costs associated with each conceptual alternative.

The final deliverable for this scope of work will be a solid vision for the Lions Park riverfront. This will be captured in a detailed feasibility report with graphics that present the final conceptual design alternatives, incorporating public feedback and comments from the City. Each alternative will clearly describe recreation circulation restoration benefits, identify potential risks, and compare a total project cost budget. The report will include a recommended alternative, potential phases for this alternative, and potential funding sources for future design and construction. The report will serve as a planning document that the City can use to communicate with the public, develop a scope of work for future phases, seek additional funding opportunities, and continue to develop the project towards implementation.

At the conclusion of this effort, the City will be able to select a preferred alternative. With a selected alternative the next Phase will be to prepare design documentation and apply for the necessary permits. To do this, the design effort will need to be increased to 30% and 60% levels and evaluate project impacts to the floodplain and aquatic resources below the ordinary high water mark. The revegetation design will also be developed to consider a fully detailed planting palette and irrigation plan, and the park amenities will be developed to integrate into the surrounding park and trail system. Once the 60% design and permitting phase is complete, a fundraising strategy phase can be implemented. With funding partners identified, the project can move to final design and implementation phase. RiverRestoration and DHM Design are committed to setting up the project deliverables to support future phases and we are available to assist the City in carrying the project through implementation. The final report will contain more detail on recommended future phases and strategies leading to a successfully implemented project.



Ogden River Restoration accessible ramp to the river shore at Grant Avenue | Ogden River, UT

Our team will identify potential funding sources for future design, permitting, construction, restoration, and long-term stewardship. Potential funding sources may include the Utah Outdoor Recreation Initiative, which supports new outdoor recreation infrastructure projects; the Recreation Restoration Infrastructure Grant, which supports restoration, repair, and replacement of aging or degraded outdoor recreation infrastructure on public lands; the Recreational Trails Program, which supports construction, restoration, and education related to motorized, nonmotorized, and diverse-use trails and trailside facilities; and the Community Parks and Recreation Grant, which supports rehabilitation and construction of community recreation assets.

Additional funding opportunities may include Federal Lands Access Program funding for transportation facilities that provide access to, are adjacent to, or are located within federal lands, particularly high-use recreation destinations; and future state, federal, foundation, or local partnership funding aligned with river access, trail connectivity, habitat restoration, ADA accessibility, and gateway recreation infrastructure. Our team has also secured funding from Utah Water Resources Initiative (WRI), Forestry Fire and State Lands invasive species management grant (FFSL-ISM), Non-Point Source (NPS) and EPA 319 grants for similar projects throughout Utah.

The final funding roadmap will provide the City with clear next steps, anticipated decision points, potential funding matches,

and a practical sequence for moving the preferred concept from feasibility into future design, permitting, funding, and construction. This task directly supports the RFP's request for conceptual-level cost estimates, project phasing, future funding identification, and an implementation strategy for next steps.

DELIVERABLES

Prepare a final feasibility and scoping report summarizing the results of the study that includes:

- Existing conditions and site analysis
- Environmental considerations and permitting requirements
- Stakeholder and public engagement results
- Concept alternatives and preferred concept
- Planning-level cost estimates
- Implementation strategy and next steps

RiverRestoration will provide:

- Draft feasibility report for City review.
- Final feasibility report incorporating City comments.
- Presentation materials summarizing project findings.
- AutoCAD and Civil 3D basemaps.

04 | ANTICIPATED TIMELINE

Timeline for the Scope of Services

The Team has developed the following abbreviated schedule based on project milestones. Assuming that we receive Notice of Award by June 9th and the contract is executed by June 16th, our staff would begin the site assessment as soon as possible to give ourselves adequate time to develop concepts, obtain public feedback, and produce an excellent product before the grant deadline of April 30, 2027. Our team will provide a detailed schedule for review and approval at the start of the project.

The team is fully committed to supporting the City of Moab in achieving the goals of this project. Our Team has the capacity to devote the time, attention, and qualified staff to this project and we are confident in our ability to produce documents and deliverables in a timely and efficient manner. The following table summarizes our standard rates and total fee to complete the scope of work defined in this proposal. If needed, we are willing to coordinate with the City to adjust the scope and fee to add preferences or omissions.

Project Schedule & Deliverable Dates	Date(s)
Notice of Award	June 9, 2026
Contract Execution	June 16, 2026
Site Assessment & Survey	June 19 - July 17, 2026
First Public Engagement	August 2026
Conceptual Design Alternative Development, Preliminary NEPA Evaluation, Cost Estimate Development	July 17, 2026 - December 11, 2027
Provide Design Alternatives to City	December 11, 2027
Final Public Engagement with Conceptual Design Alternatives	January 2027
Conceptual Alternative Evaluation	February 1-5, 2027
Submit Draft Feasibility Report to City (provide 2 weeks to provide feedback)	March 1-12, 2027
Revise Feasibility Report	March 15 - April 9, 2027
Submit Final Report to City	April 12, 2027
Presentation to City	April 15, 2027

05 | PRICE

Pricing for the Scope of Work

Task	Description	Hourly Fee by Task	Expenses by Task	Total Fee w/Expenses
1.0	Project management & coordination	\$31,068	\$1,583	\$32,651
2.0	Existing conditions & site assessment	\$44,207	\$4,880	\$49,087
3.0	Environmental review & permitting considerations	\$14,851	\$0	\$14,851
4.0	Stakeholder & community engagement	\$26,272	\$1,000	\$27,272
5.0	Concept development & feasibility analysis	\$57,609	\$0	\$57,609
6.0	Preliminary cost estimates & implementation strategy	\$16,937	\$0	\$16,937
TOTAL:				\$198,407

Position	Company	Rate
Principal Engineer II	RiverRestoration	\$285.83
Engineer PE IV	RiverRestoration	\$186.35
Engineer PE III	RiverRestoration	\$177.38
Engineer PE II	RiverRestoration	\$169.73
Engineer EIT IV	RiverRestoration	\$163.27

Position	Company	Rate
Principal in Charge	DHM Design	\$210.00
Senior Natural Resource Planner	DHM Design	\$185.00
Landscape Architect/Project Manager	DHM Design	\$150.00
Landscape Designer/Tech	DHM Design	\$110.00



DHM LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
DESIGN ECOLOGICAL PLANNING
URBAN DESIGN
LAND PLANNING





Request for Proposals for Professional Services **Lions Park River Access Feasibility Study** for the City of Moab

RFP # 26-05

The City of Moab seeks proposals from qualified consultants to conduct a feasibility study for improved and sustainable Colorado River access from the south bank at Lions Park. This study will inform future design and implementation phases aimed at enhancing recreational opportunities while preserving the ecological integrity of the Colorado River and surrounding natural resources.

RFP ISSUE DATE	April 20, 2026
DEADLINE FOR QUESTIONS	April 27, 2026 is the deadline for questions. Questions and/or inquiries must be submitted in writing through Bonfire.
QUESTION RESPONSES POSTED	April 29, 2026
RFP WEBSITE	https://utah.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities
PROPOSAL SUBMISSION	May 12, 2026, 2:00 PM MDT is the submission deadline for proposals. Proposals will be accepted via Bonfire (https://utah.bonfirehub.com). Submissions that fail to address the requirements of the RFP will be considered unresponsive.
PLANNED DECISION	June 9, 2026 is the tentative planned date for consideration of the recommendation provided by the selection committee.
RFP OFFICIAL CONTACT	Alex "Val" Veilleux, Sustainability and Grant Coordinator aveilleux@moabcity.gov , (435) 260-2086

Note: This is the City's current schedule. The City reserves the right to modify the schedule. Notice to proceed will be issued shortly after the contract has been awarded.

Moab City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to accept or reject the whole or any part of the proposal; or to waive any informality or technicality in the interest of the City of Moab. For further information, please contact the Moab City Recorder's office at: (435) 259-5121.

LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED



Project Background

The City of Moab is a community of just over 5,000 residents in the City limits but serves a regional area of approximately 10,000. City of Moab and Grand County, Utah are home to Arches and Canyonlands National Parks, Utahrapator State Park, Dead Horse Point State Park, Colorado River, La Sal mountains, and other wild lands with renowned recreation around every red rock cliff, attracting over 3 million visits each year.

The entry to Moab from the north is at the Colorado River and the intersection of US-191 and SR-128 where Lions Park is a gateway to Moab's natural wonders. Lions Park is a heavily utilized recreation hub situated a few short miles from Arches National Park, serving residents and visitors alike. Park amenities include a pedestrian bridge, pavilion, water, bathrooms, bouldering area, and connections to a regional trail system and potential future access to the Colorado River. Utah Department of Transportation owns the majority of the northern Lions park property, which is maintained and operated by the City of Moab. Grand County owns a portion near the pedestrian bridge.

To explore this potential, the City of Moab was awarded a State of Utah, Division of Outdoor Recreation, Utah Outdoor Recreation Initiative (ORI) grant to complete the Lions Park River Access Feasibility Study. Excerpts from the proposal are in Appendix A. ORI aims to be a leading national model for effective, collaborative, and sustainable management of outdoor recreation infrastructure. By leveraging municipal, state, federal, and private resources, ORI seeks to create a lasting legacy of well-preserved public recreation opportunities that provide a variety of recreational experiences that strengthen local communities and foster a deep connection between people and the great outdoors.

This feasibility study aims to explore viable options for improving and sustaining river access, considering existing infrastructure (covered picnic pavilion, trails, etc.) and the area's importance as a recreational and transportation hub. Additionally, it will include the design for nonmotorized boat ramps, washing stations for watercraft and people, removing invasive plants, landscaping, and installing ADA-accessible pathways with pedestrian amenities such as lighting, benches, and wayfinding. Due to the future impact of construction on the river and wildlife, an extensive NEPA process is expected and is included in this study.

Objectives

1. Assess feasibility of river access improvements at Lions Park for multiple uses, including swimming and nonmotorized watercraft.
2. Complete regulatory analyses, including NEPA, to guide future implementation and minimize impacts to the river and wildlife.
3. Evaluate vegetation and habitat modifications necessary, including invasive plant removal and native vegetation restoration.
4. Create a concept design for safe and ADA-accessible river access that connects with existing park and trail infrastructure.
5. Identify costs, phasing, and next steps for implementation.

Schedule

Grant funding for this project has a deadline of April 30, 2027. Extensions to this timeline will require an application to the funding source with justification.



Scope of Work

The City has grant funding for up to \$200,000 for the Lions Park River Access Feasibility Study and implementation aspects outlined in this scope. The Consultant has the opportunity to suggest alternate methods of approach that meet the project goals.

The consultant in their proposal can identify which meetings they intend to be in person, virtual, or have City staff lead. This can be refined after the project award. At least one in-person visit should be included. The consultant should include the cost of all proposed in-person meetings clearly in the budget.

1. Project Management

Coordinate and manage all project activities necessary to complete the scope of services.

- a. Schedule the project
 - i. The consultant shall prepare and update a project work plan with a schedule of tasks and milestones for deliverables.
- b. Coordinate meetings
 - i. Coordinate regularly with the City of Moab project manager and relevant staff.
 - ii. Establish regular project meetings with City staff to review progress and coordinate work.
 - iii. Prepare meeting agendas and summaries documenting decisions and next steps.
 - iv. Present concepts to the Planning Commission and City Council.
- c. Administration
 - i. Submit invoices on a schedule arranged with the City.
 - ii. Maintain documentation of project progress and deliverables.

2. Existing Conditions and Site Analysis

Evaluate the existing conditions at Lion's Park and surrounding areas to identify opportunities and constraints related to river access improvements. The analysis should include:

- a. Site assessment
 - i. Existing access points to the Colorado River
 - ii. Riverbank conditions and shoreline stability
 - iii. Vegetation and invasive plant presence
 - iv. Floodplain conditions and hydrologic considerations
 - v. Pedestrian circulation and connections to the shared-use path
- b. Environmental and physical constraints
 - i. River dynamics and erosion potential
 - ii. Wildlife habitat considerations
 - iii. Cultural or historic resource considerations
 - iv. Existing utilities and infrastructure
- c. Mapping and documentation
 - i. Develop base maps and site documentation.
 - ii. Provide GIS-compatible files for all new spatial data generated during the project

3. Environmental Review and Permitting Considerations

Identify environmental review requirements and permitting pathways for potential river access improvements. The analysis should include:

- a. Develop a preliminary roadmap for environmental review and permitting needed for project implementation, including but not limited to requirements for:
 - i. Federal environmental review requirements (including NEPA)



- ii. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- iii. U.S. Coast Guard
- iv. Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands
- v. State Historic Preservation Office consultation
- vi. Utah Department of Transportation
- vii. Grand County, Utah
- b. Complete NEPA process

4. Stakeholder and Community Engagement

Facilitate engagement with City staff, stakeholders, and community members to evaluate needs and inform the project concepts.

- a. Stakeholder coordination
 - i. Conduct interviews or meetings with relevant agencies and stakeholders.
 - ii. Coordinate with local recreation groups and river users.
- b. Public engagement
 - i. Implementing a public data gathering tool, such as a survey
 - ii. Facilitate at least one community engagement opportunity (public meeting, workshop, or similar format).
- c. Documentation
 - i. Document community input and incorporate feedback into project concepts.
 - ii. Provide written summaries of stakeholder and community engagement activities.

5. Concept Development and Feasibility Analysis

Develop and evaluate conceptual design alternatives for improving river access at Lion's Park.

Concept alternatives should consider:

- a. River access improvements
 - i. Non-motorized boat launch areas or small craft ramps.
 - ii. Beach access areas or shoreline improvements.
- b. ADA accessibility improvements
 - i. ADA-accessible pathways or boardwalk access to the river.
 - ii. Accessible viewing areas or gathering spaces.
- c. Site improvements and amenities
 - i. Wayfinding and educational signage.
 - ii. Pedestrian amenities such as benches and lighting.
 - iii. Watercraft or swimmer washing stations.
- d. Vegetation management and restoration
 - i. Removal of invasive plant species such as tamarisk.
 - ii. Restoration with native vegetation.
- e. Concept feasibility
 - i. Evaluate alternatives on feasibility, environmental impact, cost, and recreation benefits.
 - ii. Identify a preferred concept.

6. Preliminary Cost Estimates and Implementation Strategy

Develop planning-level cost estimates and an implementation roadmap.

- a. Prepare conceptual-level cost estimates for recommended improvements.
- b. Identify potential phases for project implementation.
- c. Identify potential funding sources for future design and construction.



Deliverables

Prepare a final feasibility and scoping report summarizing the results of the study that includes:

- a. Existing conditions and site analysis
- b. Environmental considerations and permitting requirements
- c. Stakeholder and public engagement results
- d. Concept alternatives and preferred concept
- e. Planning-level cost estimates
- f. Implementation strategy and next steps

The consultant shall provide:

1. Draft feasibility report for City review.
2. Final feasibility report incorporating City comments.
3. Presentation materials summarizing project findings.

Request for Clarification

All requests for clarification regarding this RFP must be submitted in writing, according to the dates and person identified on the cover page. **Any questions or comments directed by a respondent to persons outside of the individual listed above are inappropriate and such activity may result in that proposal being deemed non-responsive.**

Method of Evaluation (100 Total Points)

Proposals may be up to 20 pages total. A cover and cover letter may be included outside the page count. The selection committee will review the submitted proposals based on these criteria:

Company Overview, Statement of Qualifications, Team Description **Points: 10**

Provide names, educational background, and experience of each team member, including sub consultants, if applicable. The information should describe the nature of the work and the role of these individuals and/or companies as they relate to this project. Include names and qualifications of outside consultants and associates that may be employed to assist on this project.

Project Relevant Experience **Points: 20**

Describe and provide links to or documentation for a minimum of three (3) current projects or projects completed within the last five years. Include links to the plans or client contact information. Preference will be given to respondents who have developed related plans for the Moab area or similar municipalities.

References **Pass/Fail**

Provide a minimum of three (3) business references, including names, addresses, phone numbers, and a description of the work you performed, with a preference for similar projects. If these references are included in project experience, additional ones are allowed but not required.

Project Approach **Points: 50**

Describe your understanding of the project and an approach for completing the project. Provide task details. The proposal should demonstrate a clear understanding of the requirements and the work to be performed. The consultant may propose services that differ from the Scope of Work if the changes more efficiently or effectively achieve the project's objectives.

Anticipated Timeline **Points: 10**

Include a timeline for the Scope of Services to fit in within grant funding constraints. This may include an extension from the grantor.



Price

Points: 10

Provide the pricing for the Scope of Work including—

1. Fees by task in the Scope of Services
2. Billing rate for all proposed staff
3. Additional expenses associated with the project, including subconsultants and travel.

Optional Interviews

The selection committee reserves the right to select a short list of the highest scoring respondents for interviews. Interviews will be scored with the same method of evaluation. See the Terms & Conditions section for more information on Negotiations with Consultants.

Notice of Award and Appeal Process

The City intends to select a single Consultant. The selected Consultant will be recommended by the selection committee, and the City Council will make a final decision. A notification letter will be sent to all respondents. Any respondent wishing to appeal the selection must do so in writing and within 7 business days of the notice being sent.

General Terms & Conditions

Failure to Read. Failure to read the Request for Proposals for Professional Services and these instructions will be at a Consultant's own risk.

Cost of Developing Qualifications/Proposals. All costs related to the preparation of the Proposals and any related activities are the sole responsibility of the Consultant. Moab assumes no liability for any costs incurred by Consultant(s) throughout the entire selection process, including prior to selection and issuance of a contract.

Negotiations with Consultants. Moab reserves the right to enter into negotiations with the Consultant(s) determined to be reasonably susceptible of being selected for award, or to enter into exclusive discussions with a Consultant whose Proposal is deemed most advantageous, whichever is in Moab's best interest, for the purpose of negotiation. If exclusive negotiations are conducted and an agreement is not reached, Moab reserves the right to enter into negotiations with the next highest ranked Consultant without the need to repeat the formal solicitation process.

Equal Opportunity. Moab will make every effort to ensure that all Consultants are treated fairly and equally throughout the entire advertisement, review, and selection process. The procedures established herein are designed to give all parties reasonable access to the same basic information. Moab's policy, subject to federal, State, and local procurement laws, is to provide reasonable attempts to support each Consultant's business by purchasing goods and services through local consultants and service providers.

Proposal Ownership. All Proposals, including attachments, supplementary materials, addenda, etc., shall become the property of Moab and will not be returned to each Consultant.

Final Authorization. The final award will be subject to the execution of the contract. Moab intends to eventually contract with the Consultant(s) whose Proposal is deemed most advantageous in experience, qualifications, price, and other factors considered in accordance with the weighted decision matrix described above. Moab does not necessarily intend to award a contract solely on the basis of any response made to this request or otherwise pay for any information solicited or obtained during the RFP process. Final authorization of an accepted bid will be provided by the Moab City



Council after they have had an opportunity to review the recommendations. It is expected that the winning bidder will be selected on or before the date listed above.

Rejection of Proposals. Moab reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals received and disqualify incomplete or late proposals. Proposals lacking required information will not be considered. Furthermore, Moab shall have the right to waive any informality or technicality in proposals received when in the best interest of Moab. No Proposal shall be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person, firm or corporation that is in arrears to Moab for any obligation. Consultant(s) may be required to submit satisfactory evidence that they have the necessary financial resources to perform and complete the work outlined in this RFP.

Moab's Best Interest. Moab reserves the right to take any steps deemed necessary to act in Moab's best interest.

Proposal Term. Proposals shall be good for one hundred and twenty (120) days from the Closing Date.

Reservation of Rights. Moab reserves the right to cancel or modify the terms of this RFP and/or the project at any time and for any reason preceding the contract award and reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Proposals submitted pursuant to this request for proposals. The City further reserves its right to incorporate additional steps in the evaluation process in the interests of having a thorough and comprehensive body of information to make a recommendation to the City Council. Moab will provide each Consultant with written notice of any cancellation and/or modification.



Appendix A: Excerpts from Moab's ORI *Lion's Park River Access Feasibility Study Proposal*

Project Description

This project aims to scope out the removal of invasive tamarisk, opening up land for beaches and for native vegetation to be planted. Nonmotorized boat ramps will be designed, along with washing stations for watercraft and persons. An ADA-accessible path, such as a boardwalk, will be designed to access the beaches, river, and the new vegetation. Pedestrian amenities such as lighting, benches, and wayfinding will be designed. Due to the future impact of construction on the river and wildlife, an extensive NEPA process is expected and will be completed with this funding.

Project Schedule

Holding all else constant, this feasibility/design project is expected to take between 1 and 2 years, with NEPA being an unknown quantity.

Potential Future Phase: Lions Park

Several stakeholders and users have noted that Lions Park may be a better location for some river activities, including swimming, "touching the Colorado River," and access for small personal watercraft like kayaks and SUPs. The park has great facilities including restrooms, drinking water, picnic shelters, play structures, and parking.

Anecdotally, some people are already using this area to launch small craft, either upstream of the bridge or somewhere along the bank in the park. Thick vegetation along the bank and the small island

across a channel make it a challenge to access the river directly from the park.

Future changes may include clearing vegetation to allow better access to the water and trails linking parking to the river. There may also be an opportunity for a locking rack for kayaks and SUPs in conjunction with bike racks, so that people could run a shuttle by biking up the SR 126 pathway and road.

City of Moab manages Lions Park and is not ready to make changes currently. The planning team recommends that the City consider changes to the park to accommodate river access in the future.

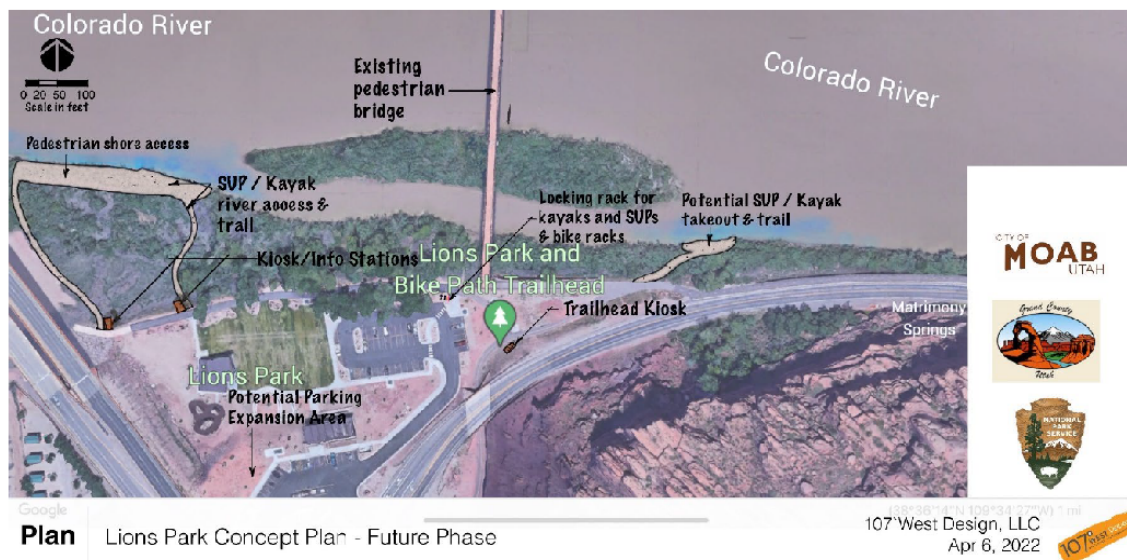


Figure 13: Concept plan showing potential future river access in Lions Park. Credit: D. Martens



MOAB CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

June 9th, 2026

TITLE: Red Rock Development Easement

DISPOSITION: Presentation

PRESENTER/S: Didar Charles, Assistant City Engineer;

Cory Shurtleff, Community Development Director

ATTACHMENT/S: Attachment- Proposed easement alignment areas

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: No recommendation

SUMMARY:

The Red Rock Development consists of a 73-acre property located above the Moab Golf Course. The proposed development includes 24 residential units consisting of a mix of multi-family and single-family housing.

Because the project is located within the City's Drinking Water Protection Zone, the City has been actively involved in the County's review of the development plans, particularly regarding drainage requirements and applicable standards. To manage stormwater runoff, the developer proposes to utilize the site's natural red rock topography combined with a detention basin designed to provide approximately 3.8 acre-foot of storage capacity. According to the developer, the most practical and least environmentally impactful access for the construction and long-term maintenance of the detention basin would require an easement across City-owned property. The developer is therefore requesting that the City Council consider granting the necessary easement.

In addition, the Grand Water & Sewer Service Agency (GWSSA) has requested the dedication of easements and/or rights-of-way needed to extend water service and provide roadway access to serve the proposed development.

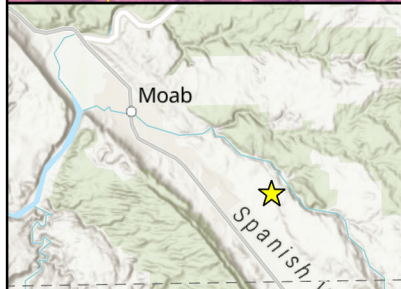
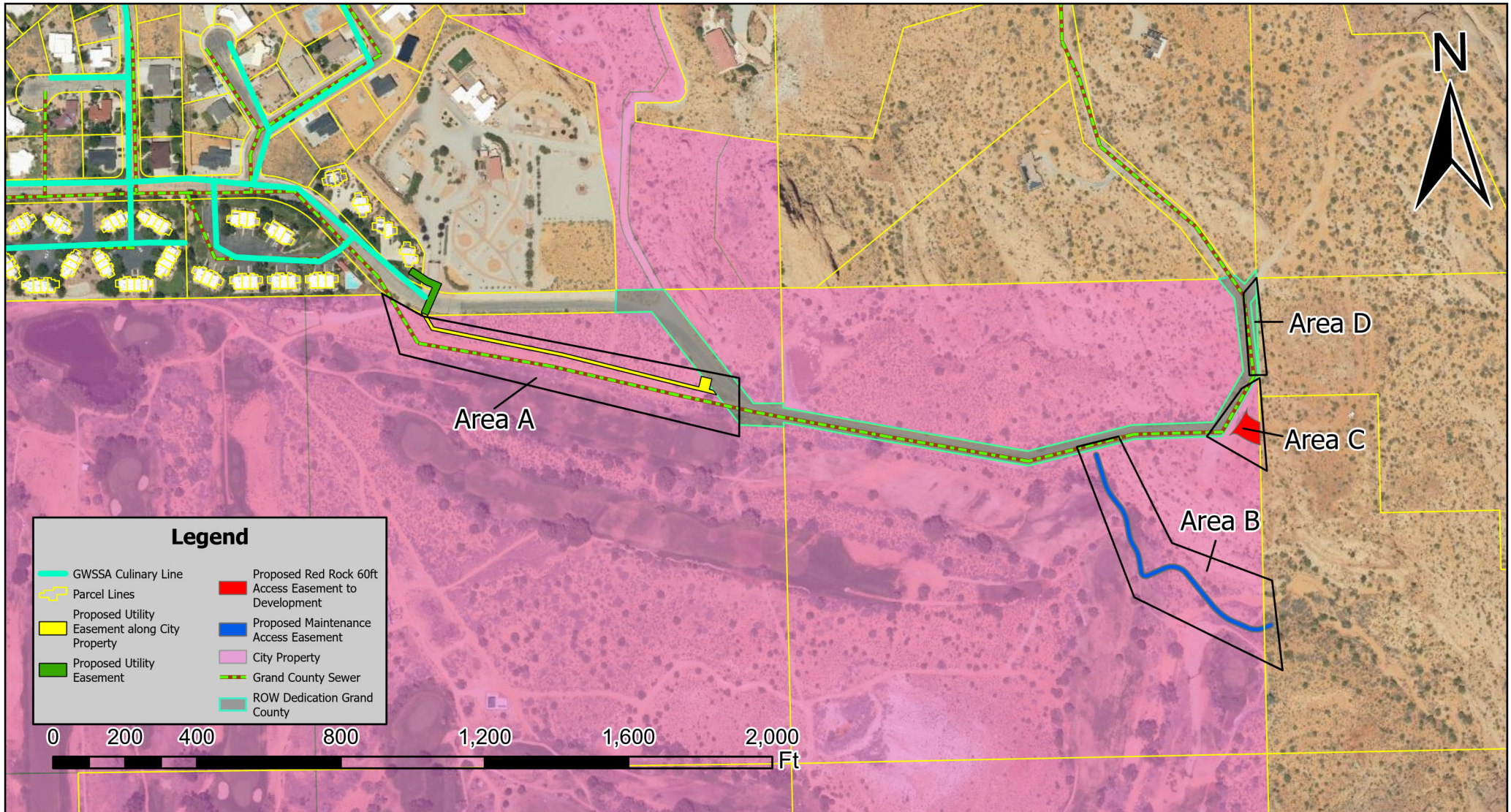
The City Council is being asked to consider the requested easements and rights-of-way associated with the Red Rock Development project.

Proposed Motion: No motion required.

RELEVANT LAWS, STUDIES & PLANS: N/A

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT: Engineering

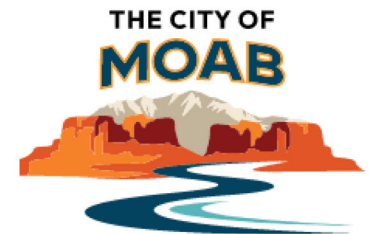
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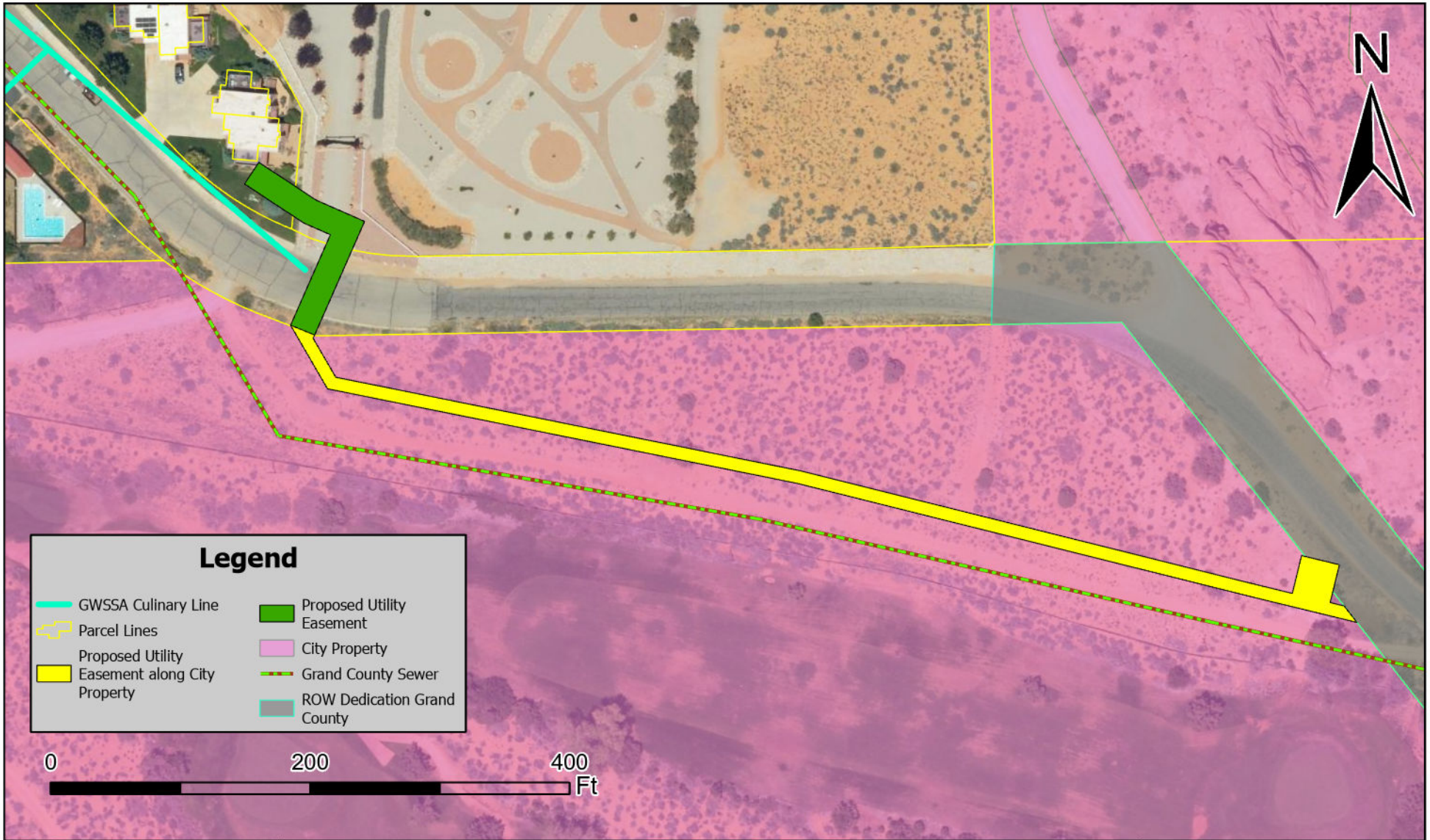


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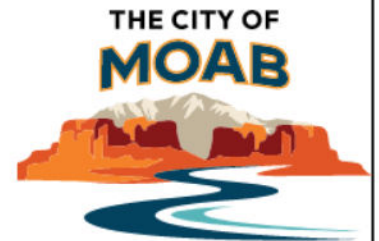


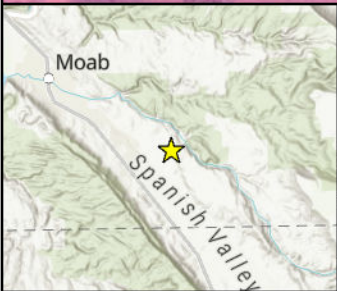
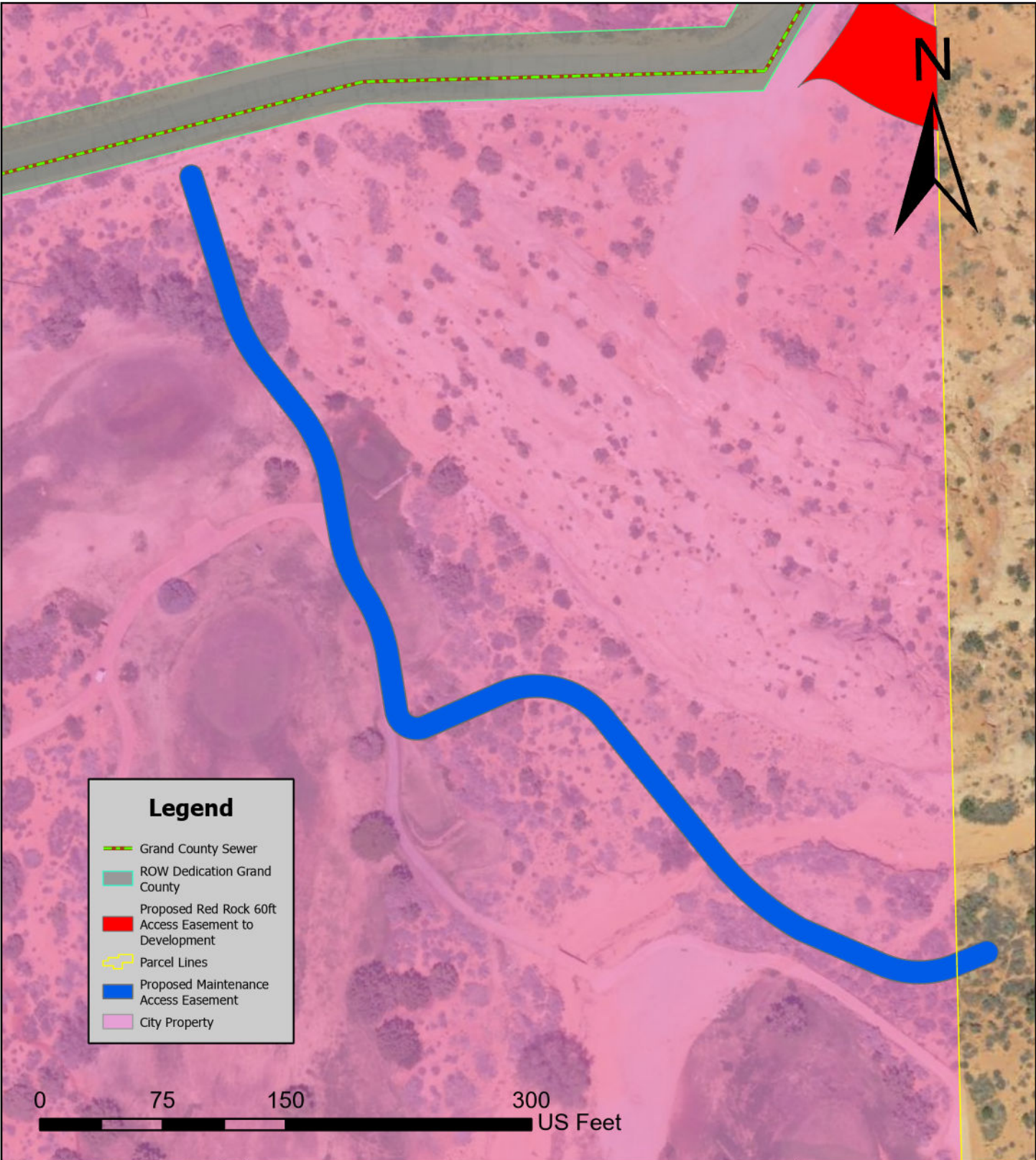


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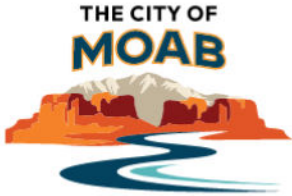


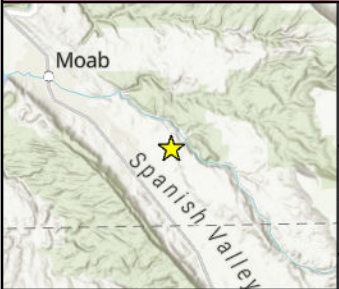
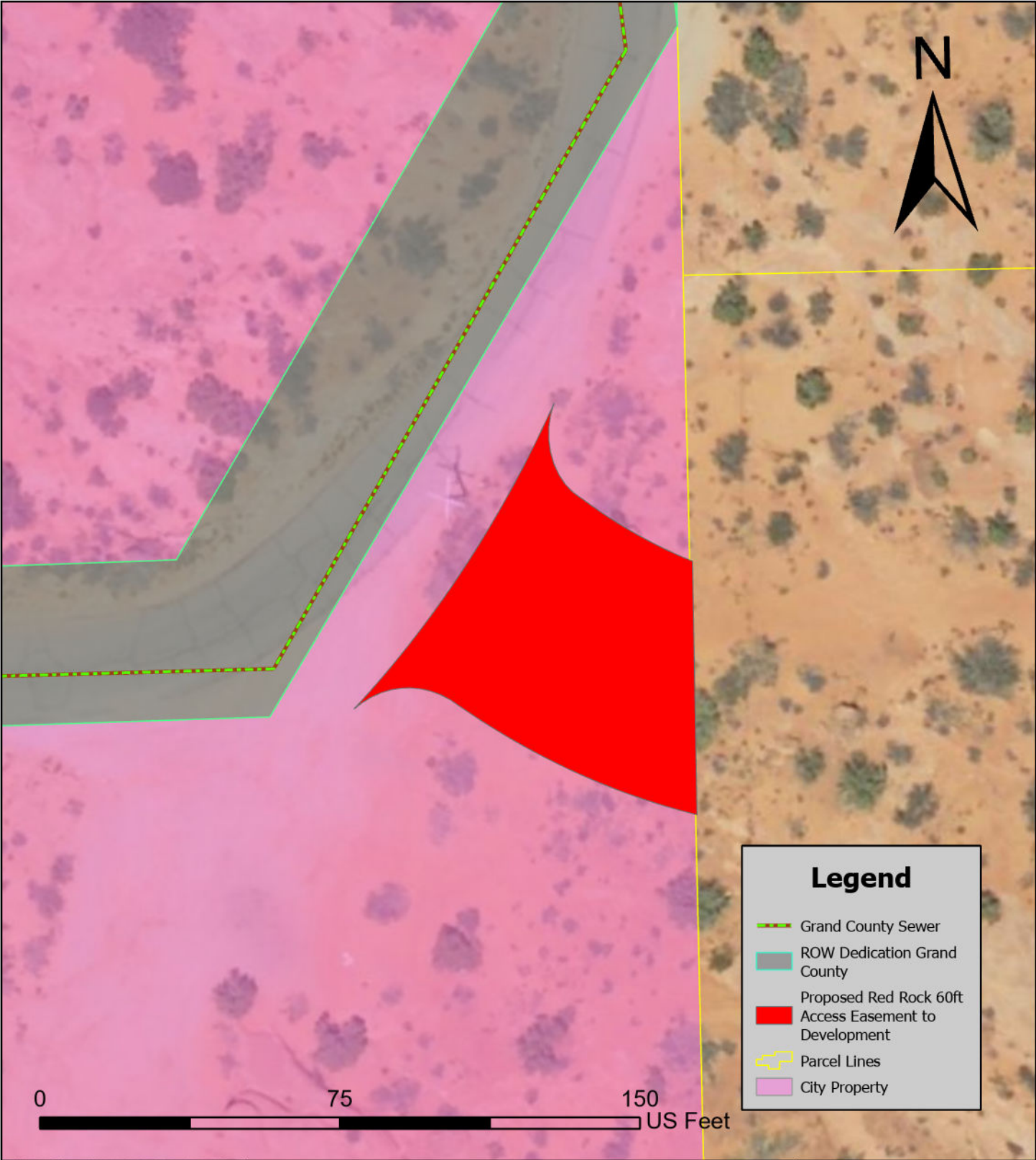


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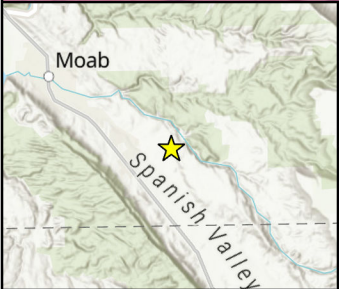
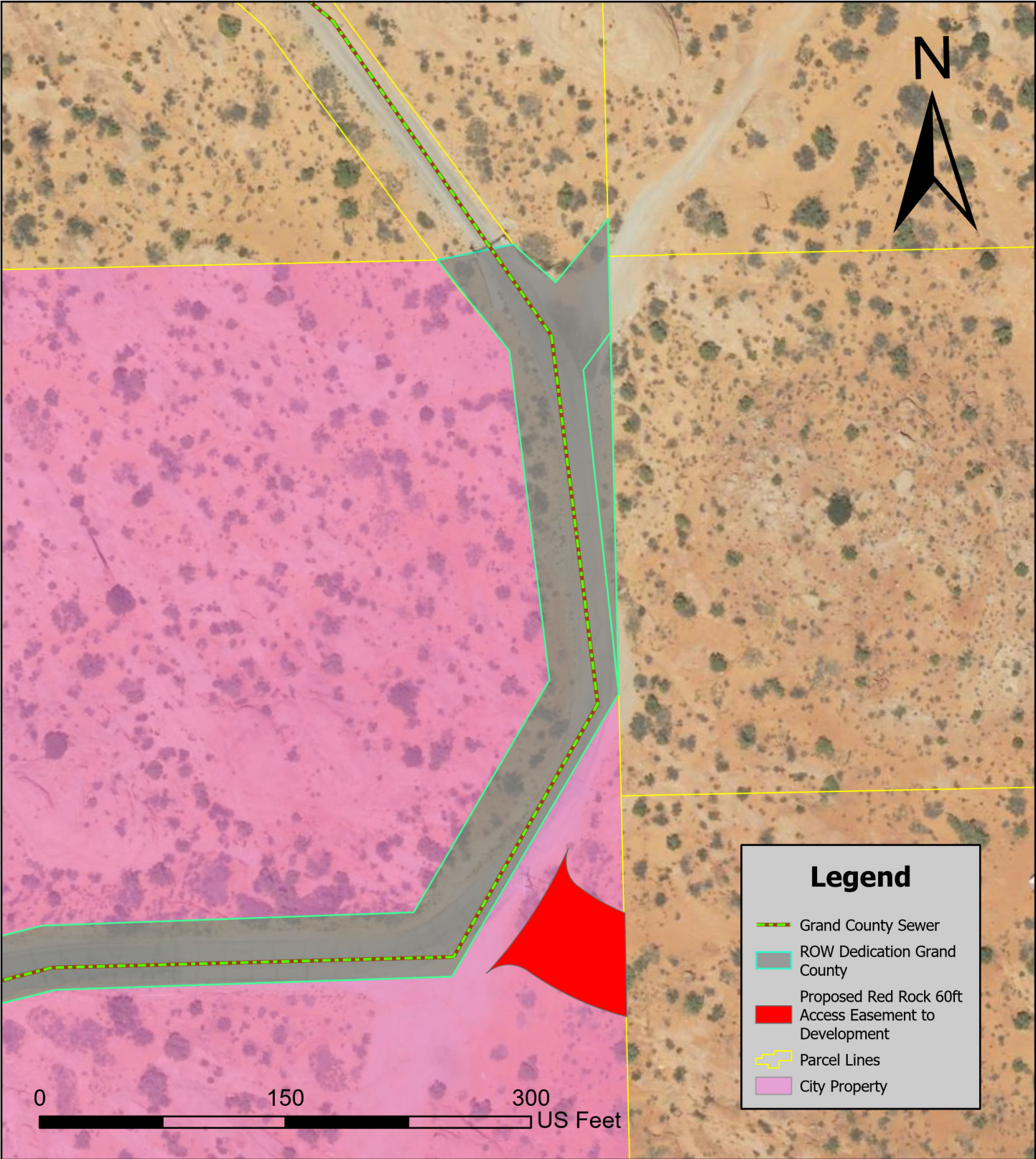


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MOAB CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

December 9, 2025

TITLE: Resolution 11-2026: A Resolution of the Governing Body of the City of Moab Declaring Certain Property Owned by the City of Moab as Surplus

DISPOSITION: Discussion and possible action

PRESENTER/S:

ATTACHMENT/S: Resolution 11-2026

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: I move to adopt Resolution 11-2026 declaring certain property owned by the City of Moab as surplus.

OTHER OPTIONS:

SUMMARY:

Included with the resolution is a list of City property that City departments no longer need. In accordance with Moab Municipal Code Section 2.28.1160, the items must be declared surplus and disposed of at a publicly noticed and advertised sale.

RELEVANT LAWS, STUDIES & PLANS:

Moab Municipal Code 2.28.170

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT:

Recorder

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Proceeds from the sale of surplus vehicles are returned to the vehicle fund. Proceeds from the sale of other surplus property are returned to the general fund.

RESOLUTION 11-2026
A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF MOAB
DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY
OWNED BY THE CITY OF MOAB AS SURPLUS

WHEREAS, Moab City has the right and title to certain property listed below and;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Moab City declares that at the present time, it has no use whatsoever for said property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF MOAB CITY THAT:

1. The property detailed on the attached list is hereby declared as surplus city property.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED in open Council by a majority vote of the Governing Body of Moab City Council, this 9th day of June 2026.

SIGNED:

Joette Langianese, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sommar Johnson, City Recorder

Item	Unit #	VIN#	Model #	Serial #
1/4 tote of miscellaneous scrap brass	N/A	N/A		
Two small dump trailers for the old sewer plant.	N/A	N/A		
diameter cut into 15' to 29' pieces,	N/A	N/A		
Miscellaneous building materials from WRF garage construction: 4 large rolls of insulation, a 20' sheet of aluminium siding, trim parts, 3 boxes of mixed hardware	N/A	N/A		
Pallet of sewer tools: 3 saw style root cutters with attachments, a hole hog drill, and a used 4.5 inch diamond bit	N/A	N/A		
Two clay kilns with shelves	N/A	N/A		
2 large, broken stainless steel repair parts for scrap	N/A	N/A		
Decorative Light Poles x 17	N/A	N/A		
Assorted Lighted Holiday Decorations x 45	N/A			
2020 Chevrolet Express Bus	N/A	1HA6GUBG4LN008984		
2015 Dodge Charger	N/A	2C3CDXAT8FH926030		
2008 Ford Ranger	N/A	1FTYR10E18PA47633		
Yamaha Golf Cart	N/A		YDREX5	
2015 Kawasaki Mule	N/A	JK1AFCM13GB521522	KAF620	
Smithco Sweepstar 60	N/A		76-000-B	61355
Ford Tractor	N/A		F-1700	U-702568
Vicon PS 03	N/A		22119	
Honda GCV 200 Pushmower	N/A		HRX217K6HYAA	MAMA-1492451
Kubota F2680	N/A		F2680E	10765
Kubota HiPro 3 Mower Deck	N/A		RCK72P-F36	12344
Turfco Meter Matic 3	N/A		F12D	8541
Ariens SnowBlower	N/A		921001	13157
TV 500N Pushmower	N/A			
Troy Bilt Snowblower	N/A		31AM63P3711-189206	1K118D10479
Honda Lawnmower	N/A		HRC216K3HXA	MAKA-1241779
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Honda Weedeaters X2	N/A		HHT255	
Viva Watercooler	N/A		8LCH-KK-SC-SSF	141014926134
Whirlpool Watercooler	N/A		8LIECH-SC-SSS-5L-W	1101123539449
Mount Olympus Watercooler	N/A		ESED2KHL1CC	19112831225
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Aquaverse Watercooler	N/A		5H	N180201467
Nexus Watercooler	N/A		GNB210	WG14F18703



MOAB CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

June 9, 2026

TITLE: Consideration of the repeal and replacement of Ordinance No. 2020-15 with Ordinance No. 2026-12 and the repeal and replacement of Section 10.04.090 of the Moab Municipal Code.

DISPOSITION: Discussion and possible action

PRESENTER/S: Chief Lex Bell, Nathan Bracken (online), Michael Black

ATTACHMENT/S: Ordinance No. 2026-12 and Section 10.04.090 of Moab Municipal Code

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Ordinance No. 2026-12 and Municipal Code 10.04.090

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “ I move to adopt Ordinance 2026-12, an ordinance repealing and replacing Ordinance 2020-15 and amending section 10.04-090 of the Moab Municipal Code regarding the establishment of speed limits for street-legal vehicles including street-legal all-terrain vehicles.

OTHER OPTIONS:

SUMMARY:

- Due to changes in Utah Law, a review of this ordinance was conducted.
- A need to regulate speed on all street-legal vehicles, and do so within state statutes, which have changed significantly since Ordinance No. 2020-15 was adopted, dictated the need to repeal and re-write the ordinance and accompanying municipal code, 10.04.090 to come into compliance.
- During review, we also discovered that our ordinance, 2020-15, failed to establish the method by which speed limits are to be determined within the City of Moab, thus also adding to the need to repeal and re-write. (Exhibit A) attached
- Establishing enforceable uniform speed limits is essential to aid in mitigation of noise, heavy tourist traffic, speeding, pedestrian safety, etc.

RELEVANT LAWS, STUDIES & PLANS:

Utah Code §§ 41-6a-102, 41-6a-602(2), (3), and (5), 41-6a-603, 41-6a-1509, 41-22-10.5, and 41-22-2, and Moab Municipal Code Chapter 10, including Section 10.04.090.

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT:

Police Department, City Engineer, Public Works Department

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

MOAB CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE: #2026-12

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE NO. 2020-15 AND
AMENDING SECTION 10.04.090 OF THE MOAB MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SPEED LIMITS FOR STREET-LEGAL VEHICLES,
INCLUDING STREET-LEGAL ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES**

RECITALS

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2020, the Moab City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2020-15, which imposed a fifteen mile per hour speed limit for off-highway vehicles, not including motorcycles, on City roads when appropriate signs giving notice were erected; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2020-15 was adopted to address noise, traffic, safety, public health, welfare, and quality-of-life impacts associated with the operation of certain off-highway vehicles on City streets; and

WHEREAS, Section 10.04.090 of the Moab Municipal Code includes language implementing Ordinance No. 2020-15; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered applicable provisions of State law and local law, including Utah Code §§ 41-6a-102, 41-6a-602(2), (3), and (5), 41-6a-603, 41-6a-1509, 41-22-10.5, and 41-22-2, and Moab Municipal Code Chapter 10, including Section 10.04.090; and

WHEREAS, Utah law authorizes certain street-legal all-terrain vehicles to operate on public streets when such vehicles satisfy applicable requirements under State law; and

WHEREAS, not all off-highway vehicles, golf carts, or other similar vehicles are street-legal vehicles authorized to operate on public streets within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to clarify that only street-legal vehicles, including street-legal all-terrain vehicles authorized under State law, may operate on public streets and highways within the City unless otherwise expressly authorized by applicable law; and

WHEREAS, the City's operational experience in seeking to implement and enforce Ordinance No. 2020-15 has identified practical enforcement challenges and ambiguities in State law that hinder the City's ability to achieve the ordinance's goals; and

WHEREAS, the City continues to recognize that street-legal all-terrain vehicle traffic can contribute to noise and traffic impacts in Moab, including because of roadway connections to surrounding trail systems, traffic volumes, and the geographic characteristics of the Moab Valley; and

WHEREAS, the cumulative impacts of increased street-legal all-terrain vehicle use on certain City streets remain a matter of public concern, including with respect to noise, traffic flow,

pedestrian safety, bicycle traffic, dispersed parking, and the public health, welfare, and safety of City residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to continue regulating vehicle speed and the impacts of vehicle traffic within the City through generally applicable speed limits governing street-legal vehicles, including street-legal all-terrain vehicles, in a manner consistent with applicable State law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that establishing a process for the City Engineer to evaluate City streets and recommend posted speed limits for street-legal vehicles, including street-legal all-terrain vehicles, will better allow the City to address roadway-specific conditions while preserving public safety, reducing noise impacts, and promoting the public health, welfare, and safety; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to repeal and replace Ordinance No. 2020-15 and to repeal and replace Section 10.04.090 of the Moab Municipal Code as set forth in Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Moab City Council as follows:

Section 1. Repeal and Replacement of Ordinance No. 2020-15 and Section 10.04.090. Ordinance No. 2020-15 is hereby repealed and replaced. Section 10.04.090 of the Moab Municipal Code is hereby repealed and replaced in its entirety with the language contained in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Severability. If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that any part of this ordinance is unconstitutional or invalid, then such portion of this ordinance, or specific application of this ordinance, shall be severed from the remainder, which shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 3. Direction to Mayor and Staff. The Mayor and staff are authorized and directed to take such steps as may be needed: (a) for this ordinance to become effective under Utah law, including but not limited to compliance with the posting requirements of Utah Code § 10-3-711; (b) to post copies of this ordinance and any approved map or schedule of affected speed limits to the City's website and to the Utah Public Notice Website, as applicable; (c) to otherwise finalize and post the ordinance, including but not limited to making non-substantive edits to correct any scrivener's, formatting, and numbering errors; and (d) to take such other steps to notify the public of this ordinance that the Mayor or City Manager may deem necessary.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon posting.

[Execution on following page]

ADOPTED AND APPROVED at a duly called meeting of the Moab City Council on this
9th day of June 2026.

MOAB CITY

By: Joette Langianese, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sommar Johnson, Municipal Recorder

City Council Vote as Recorded:

Council Member Loftin	_____
Council Member Knuteson-Boyd	_____
Council Member Myers	_____
Council Member Taylor	_____
Council Member Topper	_____

Date published on the Utah Public Notice Website per Utah Code § 10-3-711:

Effective date of ordinance:

**SUMMARY OF
MOAB CITY
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-12**

On June 9, 2026, the Moab City Council enacted Ordinance No. 2026-12 repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 2020-15 and amending Section 10.04.090 of the Moab Municipal Code regarding the establishment of speed limits for street-legal vehicles, including street-legal all-terrain vehicles.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED at a duly called meeting of the Moab City Council on this 9th day of June 2026.

MOAB CITY

By: Joette Langianese, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sommar Johnson, Municipal Recorder

City Council Vote as Recorded:

Council Member Loftin	_____
Council Member Knuteson-Boyd	_____
Council Member Myers	_____
Council Member Taylor	_____
Council Member Topper	_____

A complete copy of Ordinance No. 2026-12 is available in the office of the Moab City Recorder, located at 217 East Center Street, Moab Utah 84532.

EXHIBIT A

10.04.090 Prima Facie Speed Limit.

A. Definitions. For purposes of this section, “street-legal all-terrain vehicle” means an all-terrain vehicle authorized under Utah law to operate on public streets and highways. “Street-legal vehicle” means a vehicle authorized under State law to operate on public streets and highways.

B. Posted Speed Limits. When appropriate traffic control or regulatory signs giving notice of speed limits are posted, the prima facie maximum speed limits designated upon such signs shall apply to the streets or portions of streets so posted. Unless otherwise expressly provided by applicable State law or City ordinance, posted speed limits within the City apply to street-legal vehicles, including street-legal all-terrain vehicles authorized under State law to operate on public streets.

C. Default Speed Limit. In the absence of any speed limit sign designating a speed limit applicable thereto, the prima facie speed limit shall be twenty miles per hour.

D. Vehicles Authorized on Public Streets. Only street-legal vehicles, including street-legal all-terrain vehicles authorized under State law, may be operated on public streets and highways within the City. Except as otherwise expressly authorized by applicable State law or City ordinance, it is unlawful to operate any off-highway vehicle, golf cart, or other vehicle that is not authorized for operation on public streets or highways within the City.

E. Establishment of Posted Speed Limits. When requested by the City Council or City Manager, the City Engineer shall evaluate one or more City streets or portions of streets and prepare recommended speed limits for street-legal vehicles, including street-legal all-terrain vehicles authorized under State law to operate on public streets. In preparing such recommendations, the City Engineer shall consider applicable legal requirements, traffic engineering and safety considerations, and any other factors the City Engineer determines relevant, including but not limited to:

1. Noise, including noise impacts;
2. Volume of traffic;
3. Heavy use by street-legal all-terrain vehicles;
4. Heavy pedestrian use;
5. Dispersed parking;
6. Bicycle traffic; and
7. Such other considerations the City Engineer believes are necessary to protect the public health, welfare, and safety.

F. Review and Approval of Recommended Speed Limits. The City Engineer shall provide the recommended speed limits developed under Subsection 10.04.090.E to the City Manager to review. After receiving the City Engineer’s recommended speed limits, and making any modifications the City Manager deems necessary, the City Manager shall present the

recommended speed limits to the City Council to review. The City Council may approve, reject, or modify the recommended speed limit the City Manager presents to the City Council at a duly noticed public meeting of the Council.

G. Effective Date of Posted Speed Limits. Any speed limit established under this section shall become effective and final when appropriate traffic control or regulatory signs giving notice of the speed limit are posted.



MOAB CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

June 9, 2026

TITLE: Consideration, discussion and adoption of speed limit changes within the City of Moab.

DISPOSITION: Discussion and possible action

PRESENTER/S: Chief Lex Bell

ATTACHMENT/S: PowerPoint presentation

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Adopt proposed speed limit changes

RECOMMENDED MOTION: "I move to adopt the speed limit changes in priority areas as identified by staff."

OTHER OPTIONS:

SUMMARY:

- Based on adoption of the new Ordinance No. 2026-12 and Moab Municipal Code 10.04.090, there is a need to change and adopt new speed limits in priority areas identified by staff.
- After careful consideration, review and public feedback, the presentation will show the suggested changes to current speed limits in the City of Moab. (PowerPoint) attached

RELEVANT LAWS, STUDIES & PLANS:

Utah Code §§ 41-6a-102, 41-6a-602(2), (3), and (5), 41-6a-603, 41-6a-1509, 41-22-10.5, and 41-22-2, and Moab Municipal Code Chapter 10, including Section 10.04.090.

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT:

Police Department, City Engineer, Public Works Department

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

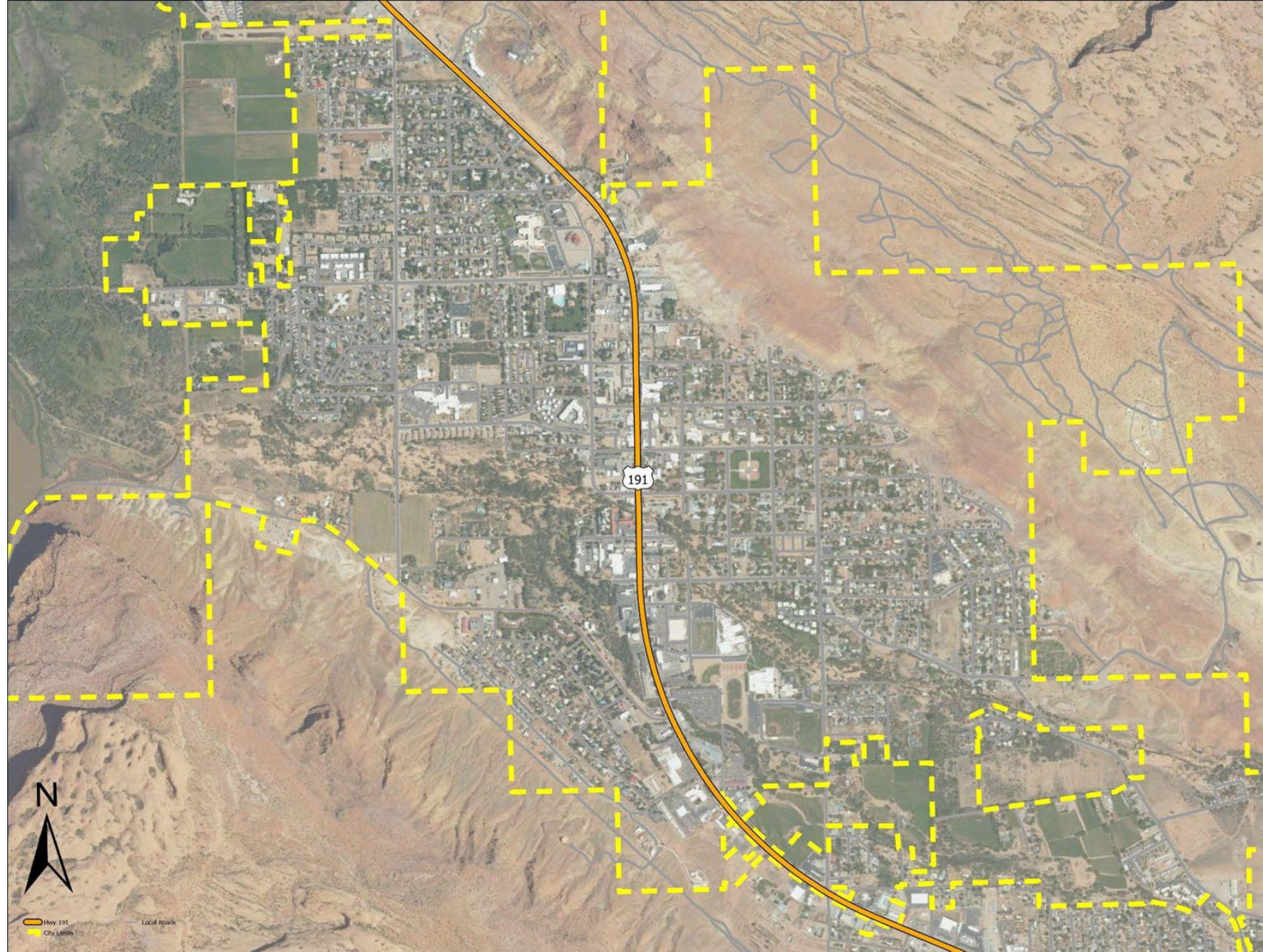
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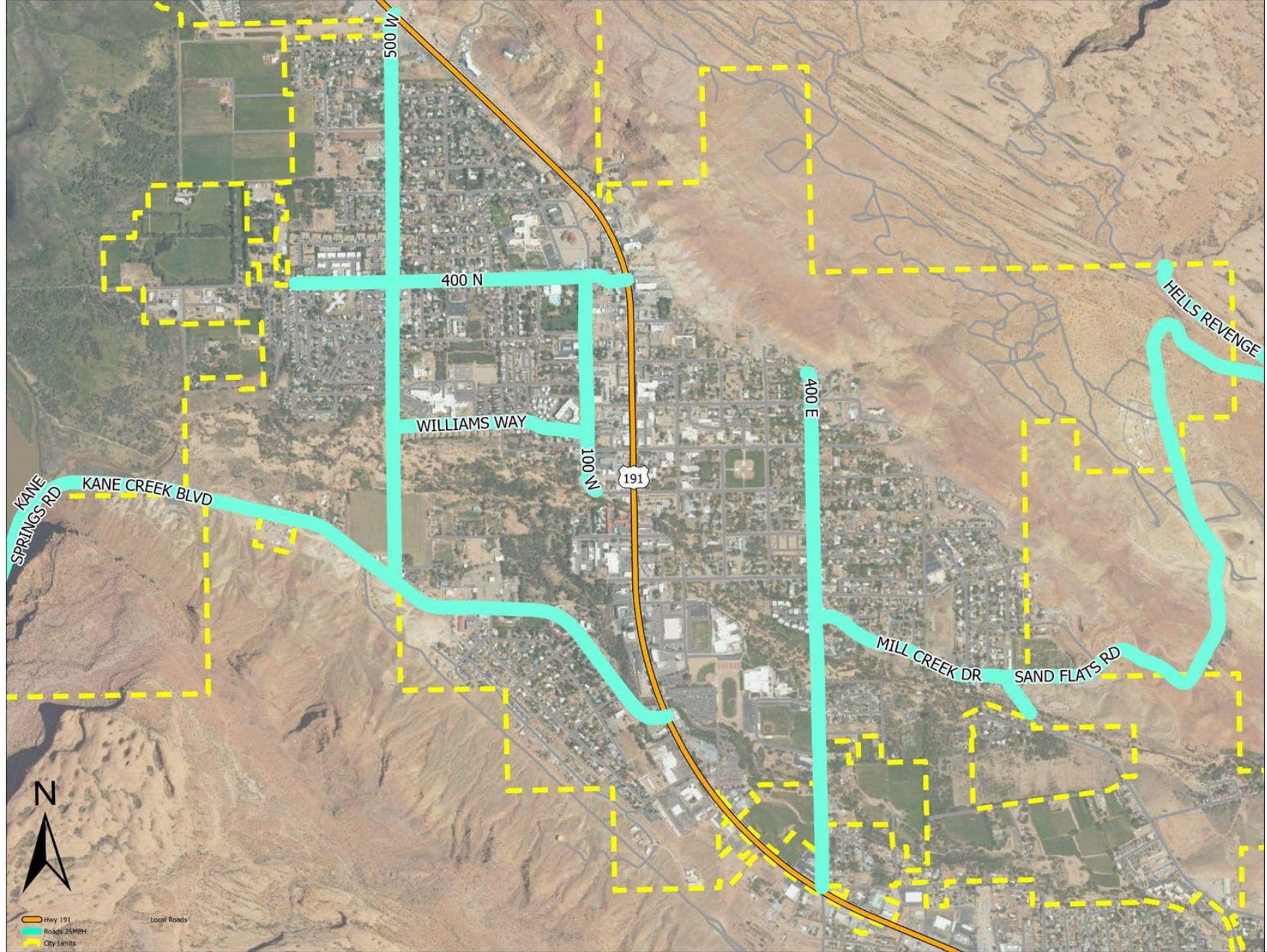
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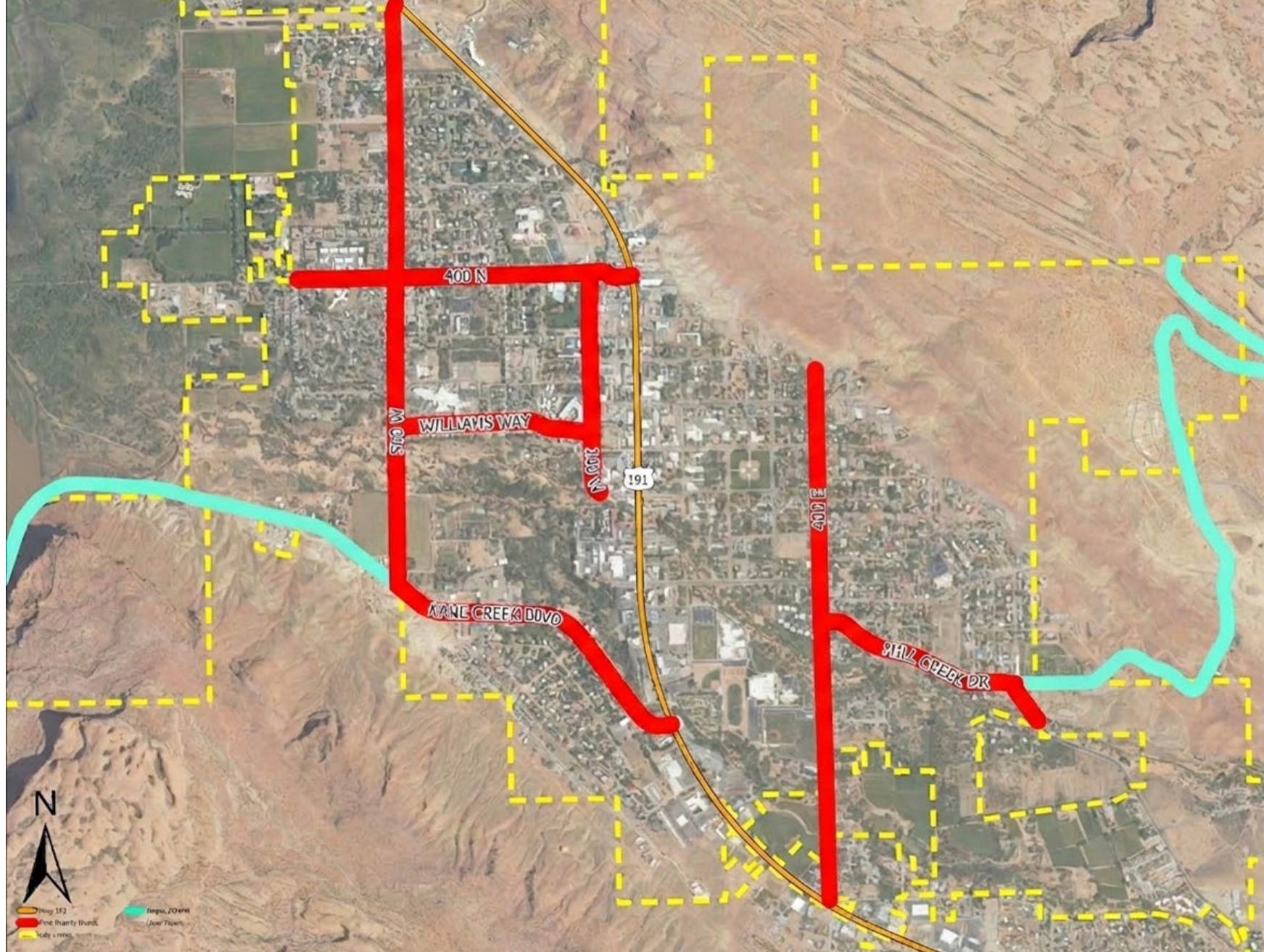
Proposed changes to speed limits

- **Background** - Review of ordinances, case law, legislation, best practices, safety and enforceability.
- **Prima facie speed limit** - Pursuant to Moab Ordinance #2021-14, Moab Municipality Code, 10.04.090, in the absence of any speed sign designating a speed limit applicable thereto, the prima facie speed limit shall be twenty miles per hour.
- **Roads identified as priorities to be addressed** -
 - Mill Creek - 400 E. to Sand Flats 20-mph
 - 500 W. (the entire road) remains 25-mph
 - Kane Creek 20-mph
 - 400 N. 20-mph
 - 100 W. 20-mph
 - Williams Way 20-mph
 - 400 E. (currently undergoing major redesign, evaluate) remains 25-mph
- **Discussion**



Highway 191
City Limits
Local Roads





Questions?