RESILIENT ST. VRAIN PROJECT

Planning, Design and Construction to Reduce Future Flood Risk

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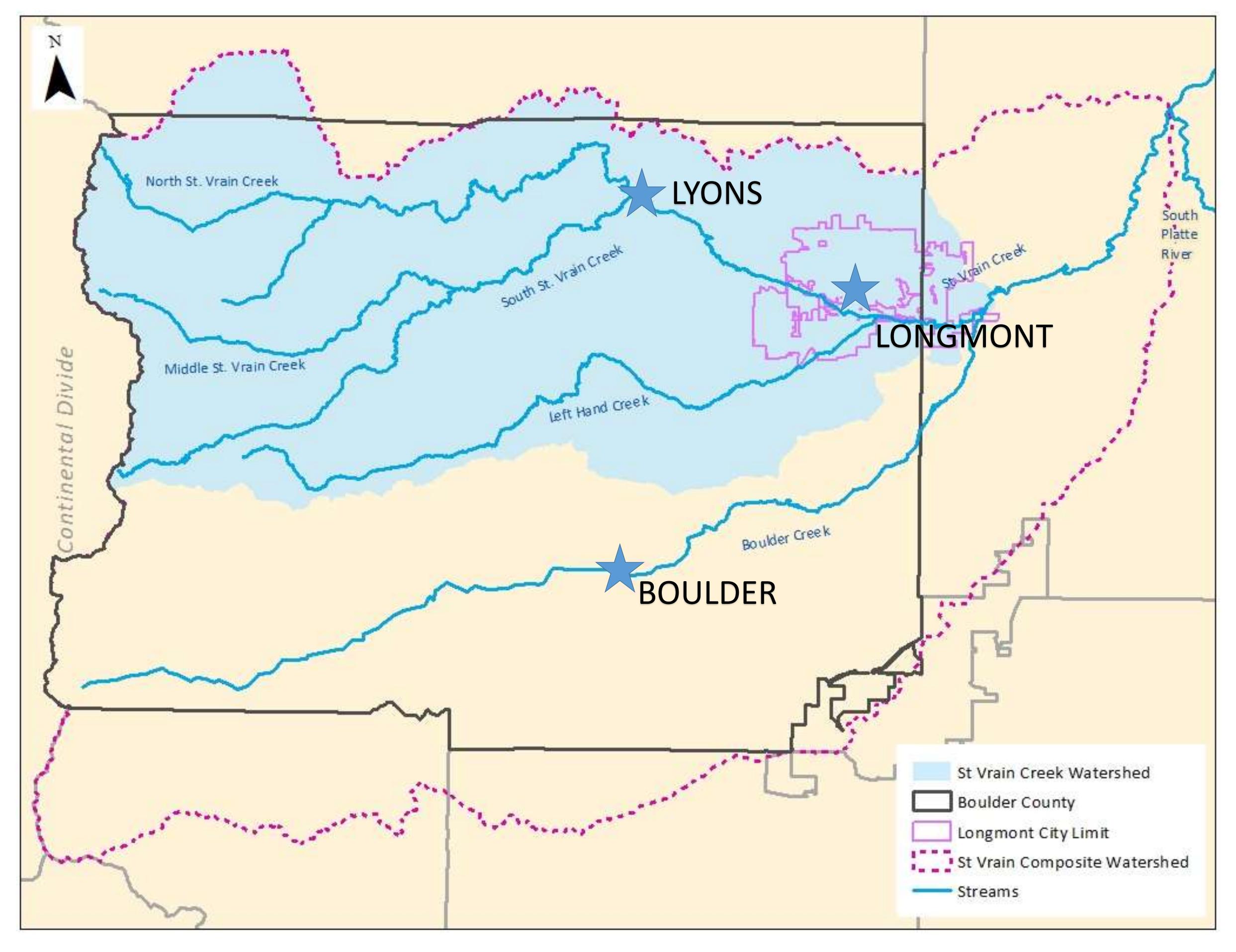


September 2013 Flood

- Impacted all of northeastern Colorado along the South Platte River Basin
- +9 inches of rain in 24 hours
- +17 inches of rain in 10 days
- Annual Exceedance Probability = 1/1000 (0.1%)
- ~14 inches = Average Annual Raifall



St. Vrain Creek Watershed









By the Numbers

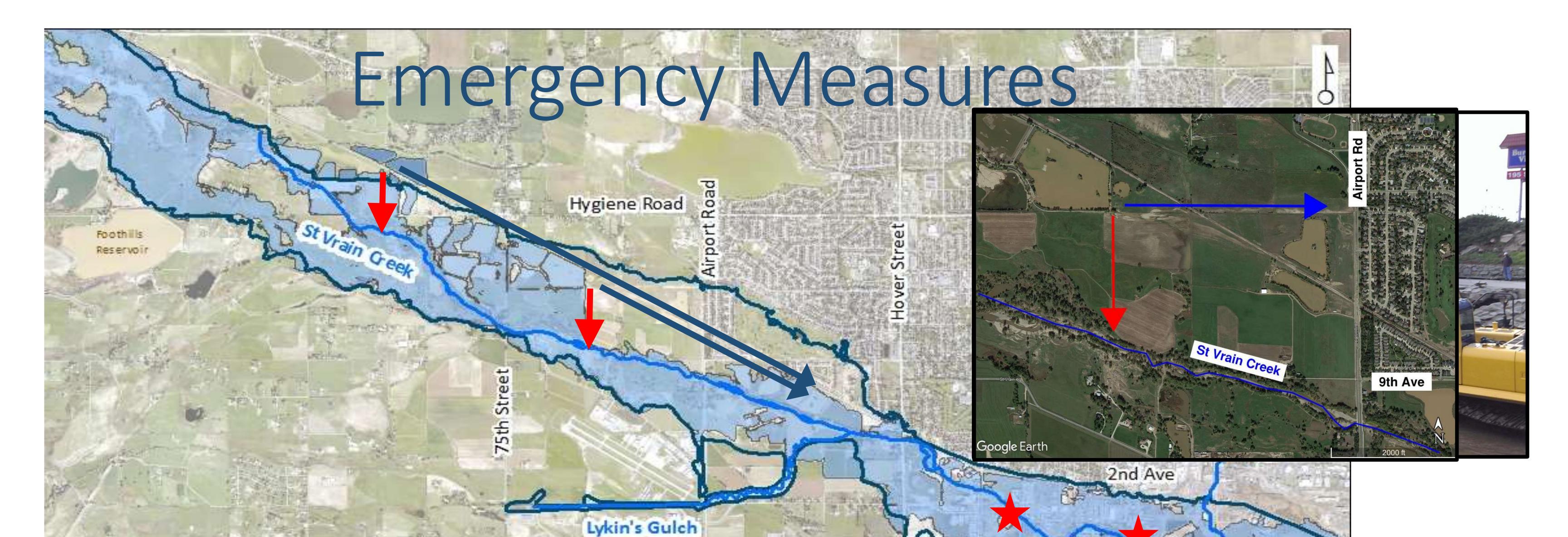
Federal Disaster 4145

- 18 counties
- •120 miles of State Highways damaged
- 76,000 homes and 750 businesses damaged
- •\$4 Billion in total damages
- •10 confirmed fatalities

Longmont

- •\$100 Million in flood related damages
- •\$55 Million in FEMA Public Assistance
- City WWTP shut down for 3 days
- City water system never shut down
- 0 reported casualties





Nelson Rd

- Hygiene Road Cut
- Sediment and Debris Removal
- Rebuild Channel Banks
- Heron Lake Relief Channel



Resilient St. Vrain Project

Master Plan

- 8 river miles of St Vrain Creek
- 10 years to complete

Project Goals

- Protect people, property and infrastructure
- Reduce future flood risk and safely convey 100-year flood flows
 - Remove 818 acres and 526 structures from the floodplain
- Restore St. Vrain Greenway trail
- Maintain or improve natural environment
 - Incorporate natural channel design
- Recognize previous planning efforts



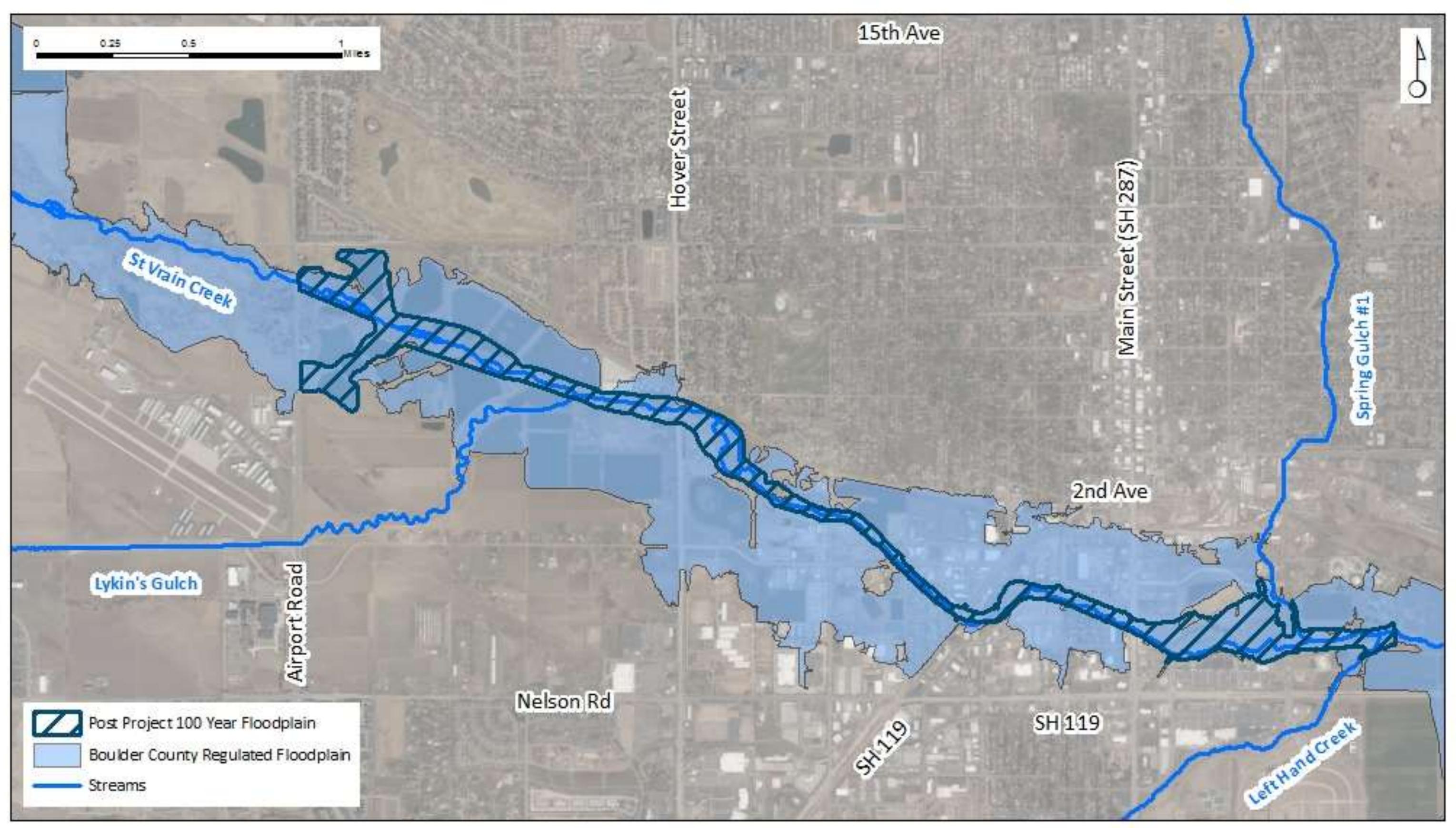


RSVP Master Plan





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Natural Channel Design — EXISTING TREES
TO BE PRESERVED EXISTING GREENWAY CREEK WIDTH PROPOSED TREES PROPOSED GROUND **SECTION 4** PROPOSED S PRATT PKWY to MAIN ST -EXISTING TREES TO BE PRESERVED GROUND EXISTING CREEK WIDTH TIERED -**RETAINING WALL** RETAINING WALL PROPOSED TREE HORIZ:1"=20'-0" PROPOSED LOW FLOW CHANNEL VERT: 1"=10'-0" PROPOSED Vertical scale SECTION 2 GROUND exagerated 2:1 **BOSTON AVE** PROPOSED WIDENED CREEK CHANNEL to RAILROAD BRIDGE GREENWAY TRAIL TO BE PRESERVED GROUND -EXISTING CREEK WIDTH RESILIENT ST. VRAIN! SCALE HORIZ:1"=20'-0" PROPOSED TREE - IZAAK WALTON RESTORE & REVITALIZE POND PROPOSED-SECTION 1 GROUND PROPOSED exagerated 2:1 IZAAK WALTON POND LOW FLOW CHANNEL to BOSTON AVE PROPOSED WIDENED CREEK CHANNEL GREENWAY TRAIL

Your Dollars in Action

Hydrologic Evaluation

100-year Peak Discharge (cfs)

St. Vrain Creek	Existing Regulatory Discharge	Current Revised Discharge	Estimated Peak Discharge
Hwy 36 (Lyons, CO)	8,880	12,100	23,000
Airport Road	9,580	13,200	14,000
Hwy 287 (Main St.)	10,580	15,200	14,500
below Left Hand Creek	14,850	17,400	18,500
above Boulder Creek	16,440	17,500	
South Platte River	16,520	23,400	23,500

±30% - 40% increase in 100-year storm

2013 Flood 100-year to 500-year event



Permitting

- NEPA EA— FONSI
 - Section 7 Biological Assessment
 - Section 106 Cultural Resources
 - Section 401 Certification
- Avian Protection Plan (CPW)
- Colorado SB 40 Certification (CPW)
- USACE 404 Permits
- Floodplain Permitting





Project Costs

Design & Permitting	\$ 15.0M
Sandstone Ranch Reach	\$ 8.5M
City Reach 1	\$ 12.5M
City Reach 2A	\$ 7.5M
City Reach 2B	\$ 8.0M
BNSF RR Bridge	\$ 4.5M
Izaak Walton Reach	\$ 20.0M
City Reach 3	\$ 60.0M
RSVP TOTAL	\$136.0M
Sunset Street Bridge	\$ 3.4M
Main Street Bridge	\$ 6.0M
South Pratt Parkway Bridge	\$ 6.5M





Funding Partners







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Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management

Department of Public Safety

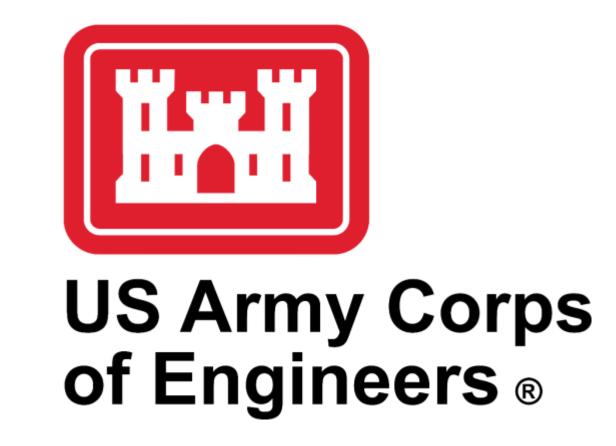




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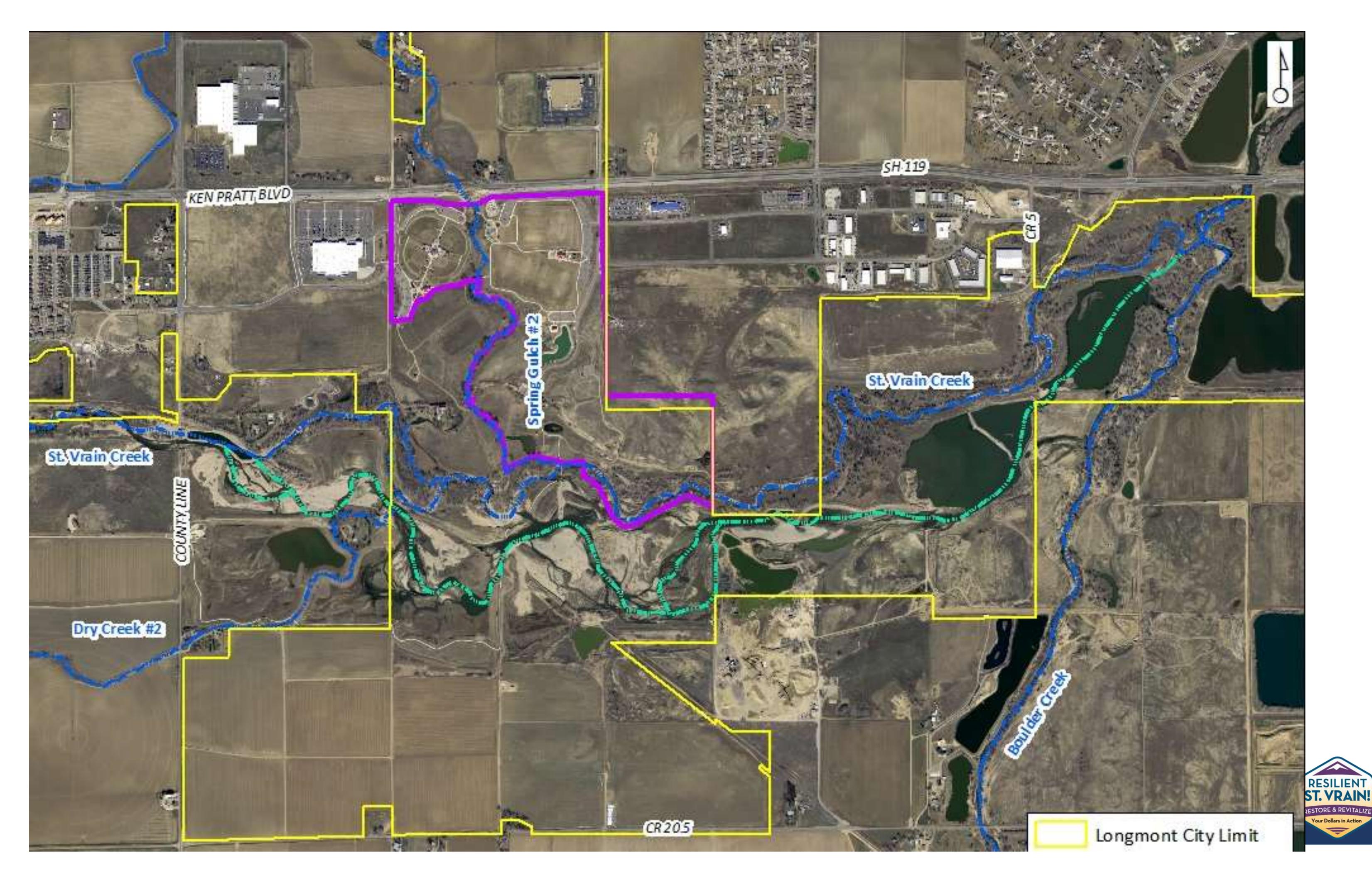








Sandstone Ranch Reach



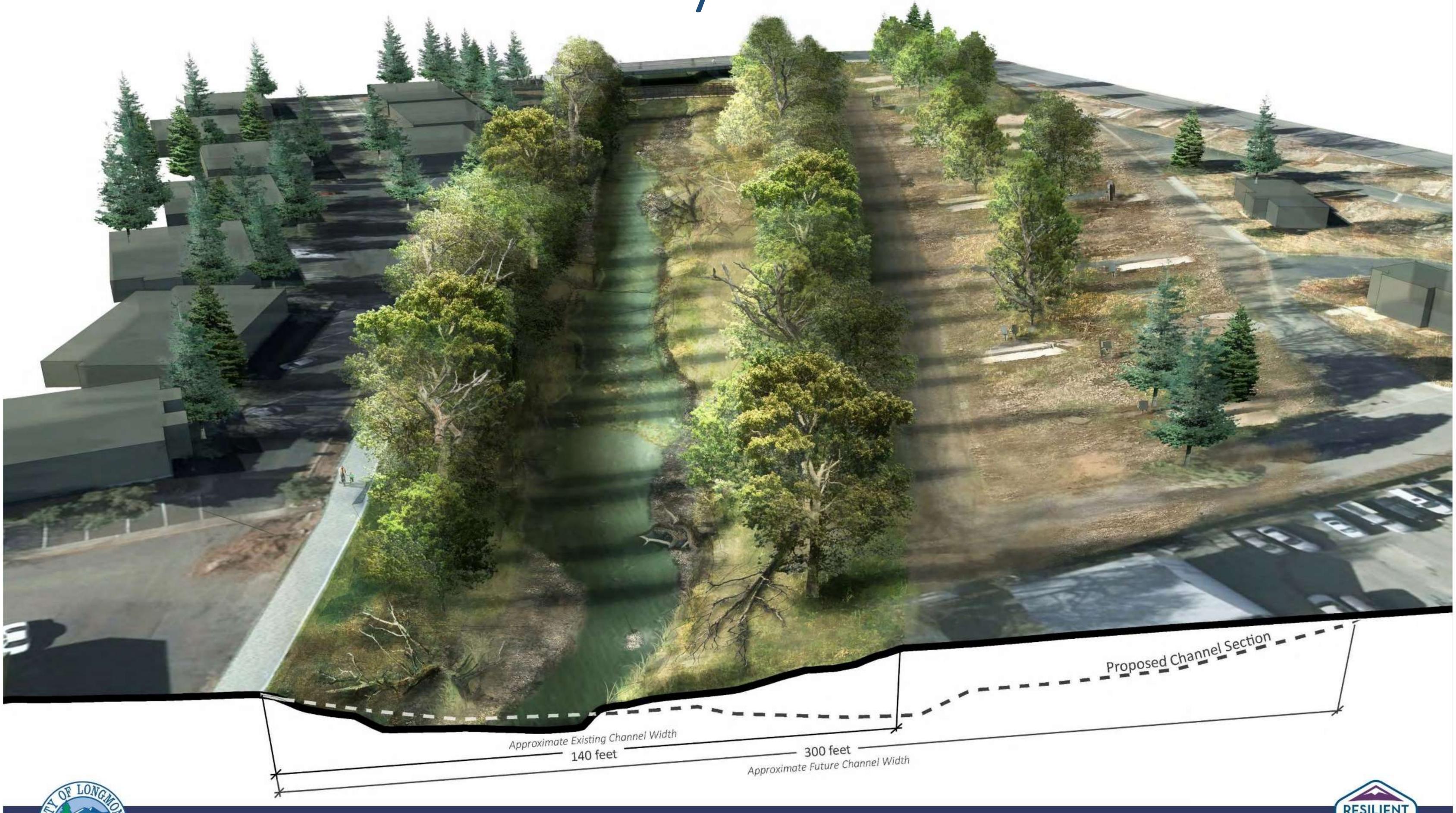
RSVP City Reach 1





Dickens Farm Nature Area

RSVP City Reach 2A



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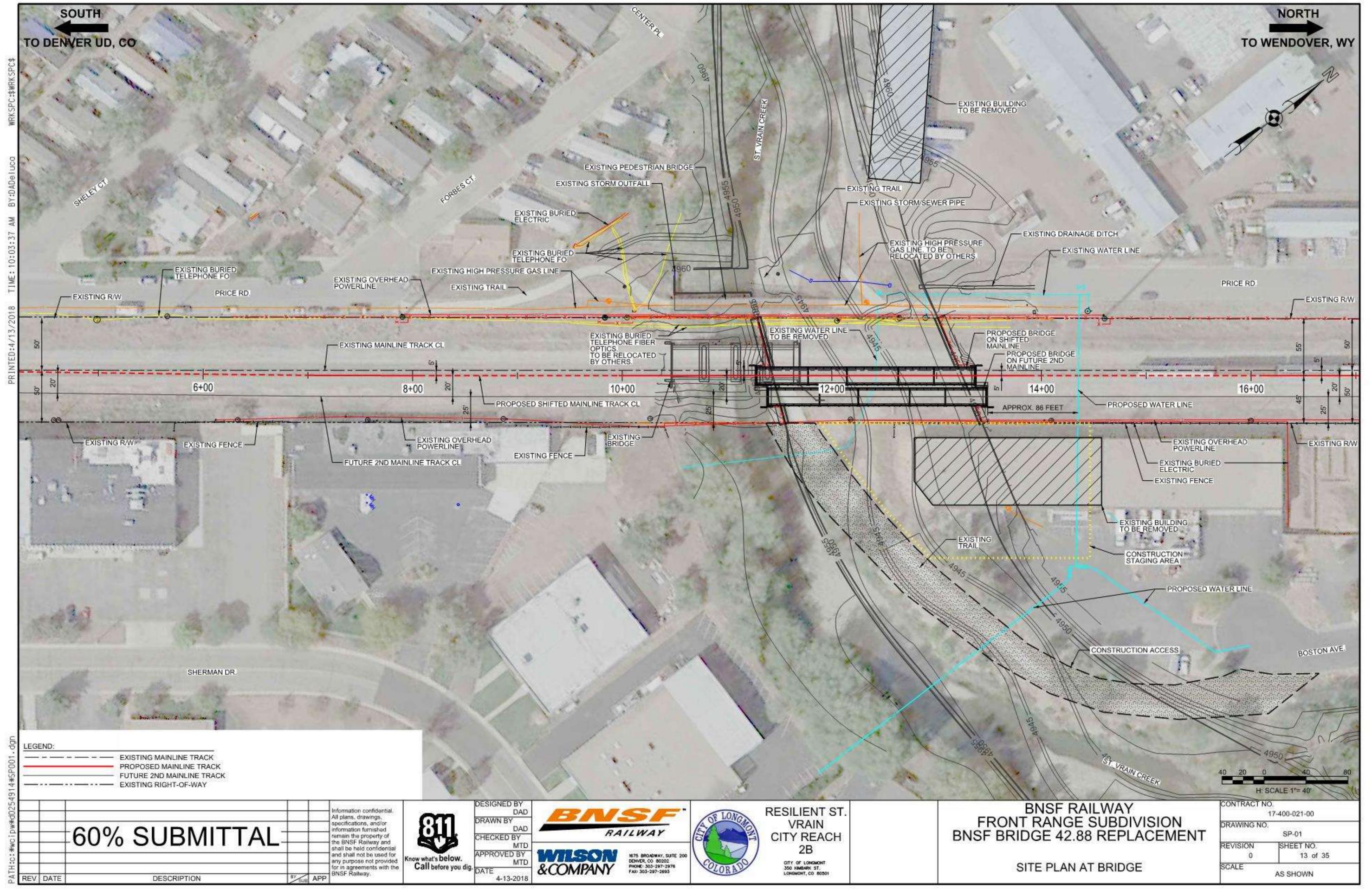




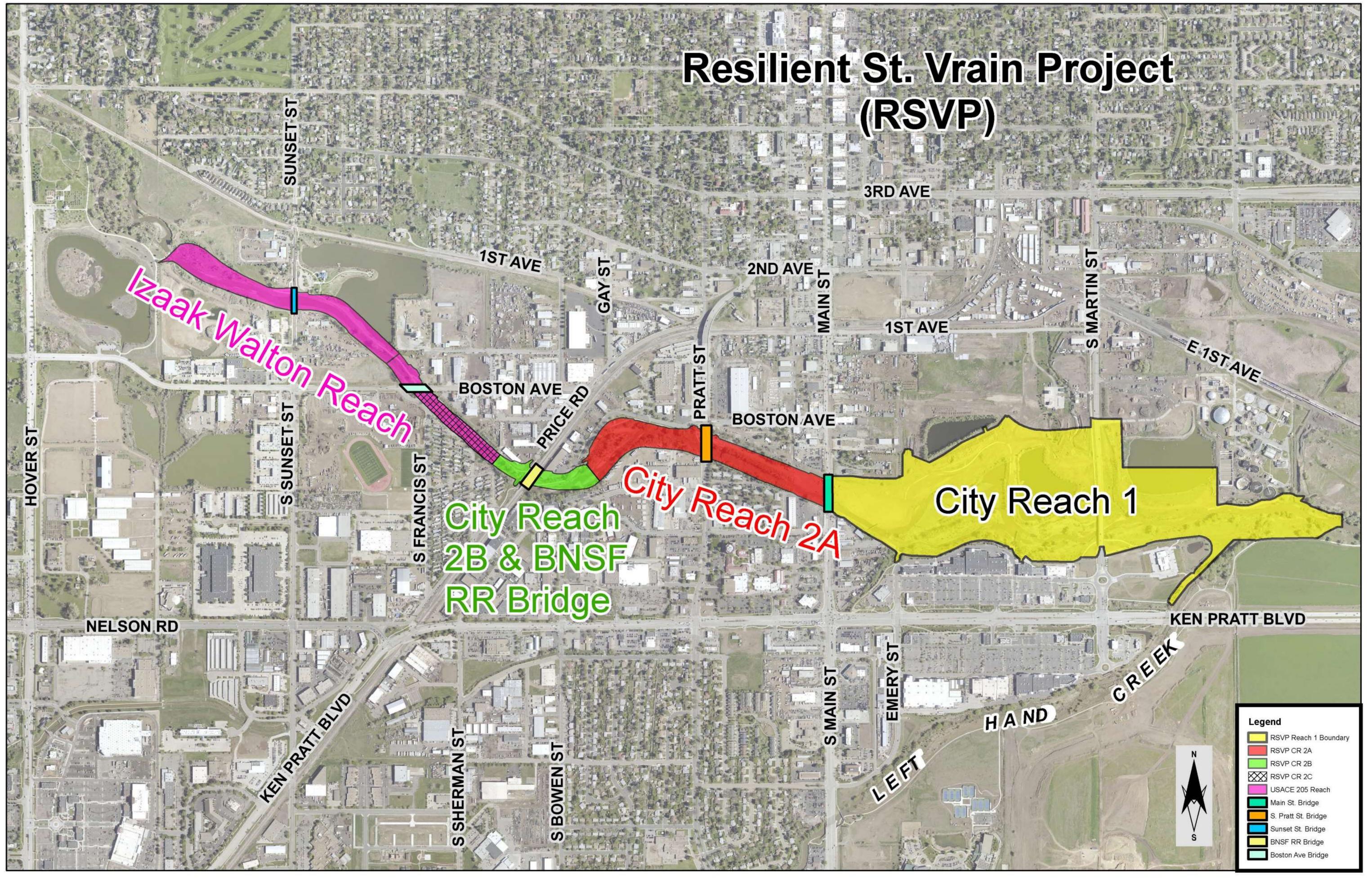
RSVP City Reach 2A & 2B



BNSF Railroad Bridge









Lessons Learned

- Collaboration
 - Public Meetings
 - Funding Partners
 - Creek Coalitions and Ditch Companies
- Permitting
 - Federal Nexus between funding partners
 (e.g. FEMA/USACE/HUD/FHWA)
- Look Beyond
 - Know your watershed and upstream risks
 - Neighboring Jurisdictions



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QUESTIONS?

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