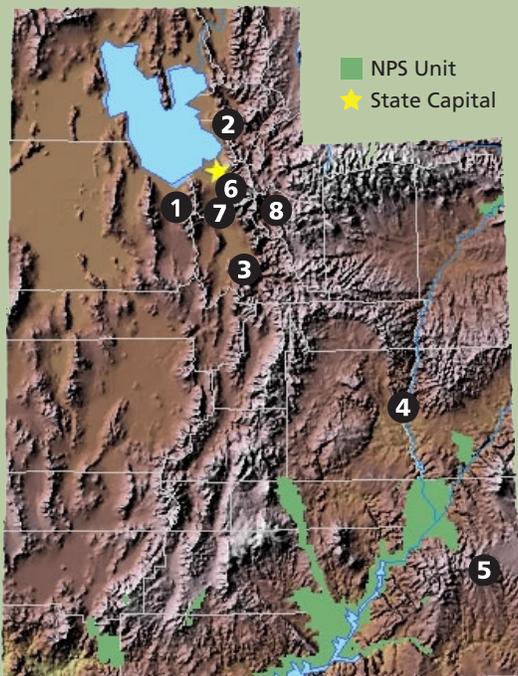




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PROJECTS AND PARTNERS 2015



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Utah Conservation Corps members talk with Rick Frost, the Associate Regional Director for Communications and External Relations, about their work on the Jordan River Restoration Project. Photo: NPS

Recent Successes

Jordan River Trail Section Opened in West Jordan

The National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance program worked closely over the past three years with the City of West Jordan, Jordan River Commission, Salt Lake County, and numerous other local, state, and federal partners to complete planning for a 1.1-mile section in a 45-mile long regional trail and to secure \$2.1 million for trail implementation.

Closing the gap in this regionally significant trail provides opportunities for recreation, transit links, and connection to nature for the over 1 million people living along Utah's urban Wasatch Front. The new section of the Jordan River Trail was opened in May, 2014 and now only three sections of trail and less than 4 miles are left to complete.



Bikers use the newly completed underpass on the Jordan River Parkway Trail, linking them to over 70 miles of separated paved trail along Utah's urban Wasatch Front. Photo: NPS

Current Projects



Colorado Outward Bound working on a trail at the John Wesley Powell Museum. Photo: Epicenter

1. Stansbury Trails

Partners: Stansbury Park Improvement District

NPS Contact: Ken Richley

Location: Stansbury Park

Congressional District: UT - 2

Project Goal

Develop a trail system for the community of Stansbury Park that features regional connections and safe routes to schools. Develop and describe implementation steps.

NPS Role

Develop a plan for trails within Stansbury Park and trails to connect to the neighboring communities of Erda and Lake Point through a collaborative public process.

2. Southeastern Box Elder County Trails

Partners: Box Elder County, Bear River Association of Governments

NPS Contact: Ken Richley

Location: Southeastern Box Elder County

Congressional District: UT - 1

Project Goal

Develop an interconnected network of trails with particular attention given to the regional Bonneville Shoreline trail and the Bamberger trail.

NPS Role

Assist with creation of a concept plan for trails in Southeastern Box Elder County that can be adopted by Box Elder County, Brigham City, Perry City, Willard City, and other interested communities.

3. Hollow Park and Trail System

Partners: Payson City Corporation

NPS Contact: Ken Richley

Location: Payson

Congressional Districts: UT - 3, UT - 4

Project Goal

Develop a park and trail system to link the city of Payson to the adjoining National Forest. Develop conceptual designs for the community to use in the implementation of a trail system and park amenities.

NPS Role

Through a public process, develop a master plan for Hollow Park that balances resource protection with public access.

Current Projects cont.

4. Green River Trail System

Partners: City of Green River
NPS Staff: Marcy DeMillion
Location: Green River
Congressional District: UT - 3

Project Goal

Complete a trail opportunity plan and develop a trail that will connect Green River State Park to the John Wesley Powell Museum in Green River.

NPS Role

Develop a partnership to work on a trail concept for over 5 miles of trails for the city of Green River that connects to the Bureau of Land Management trails and includes one water trail.

5. Memorial Mill Site and Wildlife Park

Partners: The City of Monticello, Four Corner School of Outdoor Education
NPS Staff: Marcy DeMillion
Location: Monticello
Congressional District: UT - 3

Project Goal

Construct an additional mile of trail, enhance the park and wildlife habitat area, and complete interpretive panels on the culture, history, and geology of the area.

NPS Role

Assist the city with public outreach during the revision of the plan for the 280-acre Memorial Mill Site. Provide guidance on directional and interpretive themes for the park and help the city formalize the project partnership.

6. Jordan River – Big Bend Restoration

Partners: City of West Jordan, US Fish and Wildlife Service
NPS Staff: Marcy DeMillion
Location: West Jordan
Congressional District: UT - 2



Jordan River Trail logo and directional sign. Photo: NPS

Project Goal

Restoration completed for a 70-acre parcel located along the Jordan River in the City of West Jordan.

NPS Role

Help the city continue to coordinate with local, state, and federal agencies. Provide technical assistance and review for the restoration design and help the city find grant funding sources for priority restoration phases.

7. Jordan River Parkway Wayfinding and Interpretive Signage

Partners: Jordan River Commission
NPS Staff: Marcy DeMillion
Location: Jordan River, Salt Lake County
Congressional Districts: UT - 2, UT - 4

Project Goal

Create directional and interpretive signs and sign guidelines for three model areas along the Jordan River.

NPS Role

Assist the Jordan River Commission to coordinate with involved stakeholders in the three model areas.

8. Midway Homestead Trail

Partners: Midway City
NPS Staff: Ken Richley
Location: Midway
Congressional District: UT - 3

Project Goal

Develop a 2-mile trail linking downtown Midway with several local resorts and Wasatch Mountain State Park.

NPS Role

Assist the city in developing a partnership, facilitate individual and partner meetings, provide technical expertise about recreation elements to include in a design concept plan, and assist in identifying funding sources for implementation.

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2014 Nationwide Partnership Success

3,278.74 Miles of Trail Developed

2,046.25 Miles of River Conserved

9,411.06 Acres of Open Space and
Parkland Protected

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*“The NPS has a great ability to bring together
diverse stakeholder groups and build partnerships
to make things happen. We never imagined that
we’d see a trail gap move from idea to construction
in just two years!”*

- Laura Hansen, AICP; Executive Director – Jordan River Commission.



Jordan River Restoration. Photo: NPS

ABOUT US

The Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance program is the community assistance arm of the National Park Service. Program staff provide technical assistance to community groups and local, state, and federal government agencies working to protect natural areas and water resources and enhance close-to-home outdoor recreation opportunities. We help communities plan, organize partnerships, and achieve on-the-ground success on projects they initiate.