

**City of Carson City
Agenda Report**

Date Submitted: October 11, 2011

Agenda Date Requested: October 20, 2011

Time Requested: 15 Minutes

To: Mayor and Supervisors

From: Parks and Recreation Department - Open Space Division

Subject Title: Action to accept the recommendation of the Open Space Advisory Committee to submit a grant application for the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas for the development of a trail connector between Empire Ranch Trail and Riverview Park. (Juan F. Guzman)

Staff Summary: This action will authorize staff to submit a Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas grant asking for \$250,000 for the design and construction of a connector trail from the Empire Ranch Trail across Kings Canyon Creek (also known as Eagle Valley Creek) into the Hells Bells Ranch Open Space property. The proposed trail will be approximately 220' in length with a 60' bridge across Eagle Valley Creek and a second bridge or culvert across an irrigation ditch. The engineering design for this project has been gifted by Lumos and Associates.

Type of Action Requested: (check one)

☐ Resolution ☐ Ordinance
☒ Formal Action/Motion ☐ Other (Specify)

Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Recommended Board Action: I move to accept the recommendation of the Open Space Advisory Committee to submit a grant application for the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas for the development of a trail connector between Empire Ranch Trail and Riverview Park.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: It is the policy of the Board of Supervisors to review grant applications prior to their submittal. The proposed project consists of the design and construction of a trail connector including a prefabricated bridge approximately 60' in length, and a second bridge or culvert structure to cross an irrigation ditch approximately 20' in length, plus a decomposed granite trail approximately 220' linking to the existing Empire Ranch Trail and the existing trail at the Hells Bells Ranch property which was donated to Carson City by the Vidler Water Company. This existing trail at the Hells Bells property in turn connects to the trails at Riverview Park. This link will connect the Morgan Mill Road River Access Area trailhead on Morgan Mill Road to the north with Silver Saddle Ranch to the south through off-road, multi-use non-motorized trails located at Riverview Park and the Mexican Ditch Trail. This grant is through the Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas category of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act. Staff anticipates requesting \$250,000. A match is not required; however, past experience has shown that our ranking will substantially increase if a match is provided. For that reason, staff will request that a not-to-exceed \$100,000 be approved through this action as a potential match to be used if needed through the Quality of Life - Open Space account. Staff wishes to acknowledge Lumos and Associates for their generous donation of time and materials towards the design of this project.

Applicable Statue, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation:

- Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas
- Chapter 13.06 of the Carson City Municipal Code

Fiscal Impact: Approximately \$250,000

Explanation of Impact: The estimated cost of a 60' prefabricated bridge is \$120,000. The remaining \$130,000 will be used for the construction of a second crossing over an irrigation ditch and a decomposed granite trail. After construction the Parks and Recreation Department will assume routine maintenance.

Funding Source:

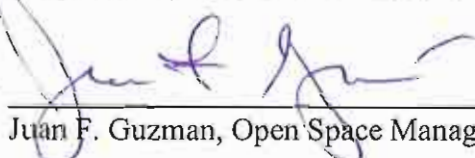
- Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas
- Question 18 accounts

Alternatives: Not to authorize staff to proceed with this grant

Supporting Material:

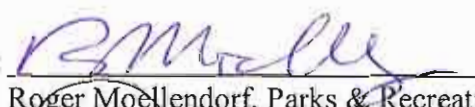
- Map of vicinity - Carson River Trail System
- Map of proposed improvements - Carson River Trail System - Eagle Creek Segment

Prepared By:

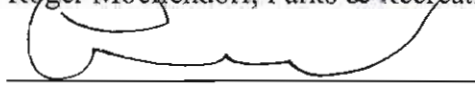

Juan F. Guzman, Open Space Manager

Date: 10/5/11

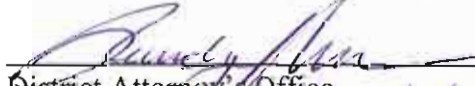
Reviewed By:


Roger Moellendorf, Parks & Recreation Director

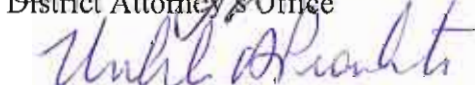
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Lawrence A. Werner, City Manager

Date: 10/11/11


District Attorney's Office

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Finance Department

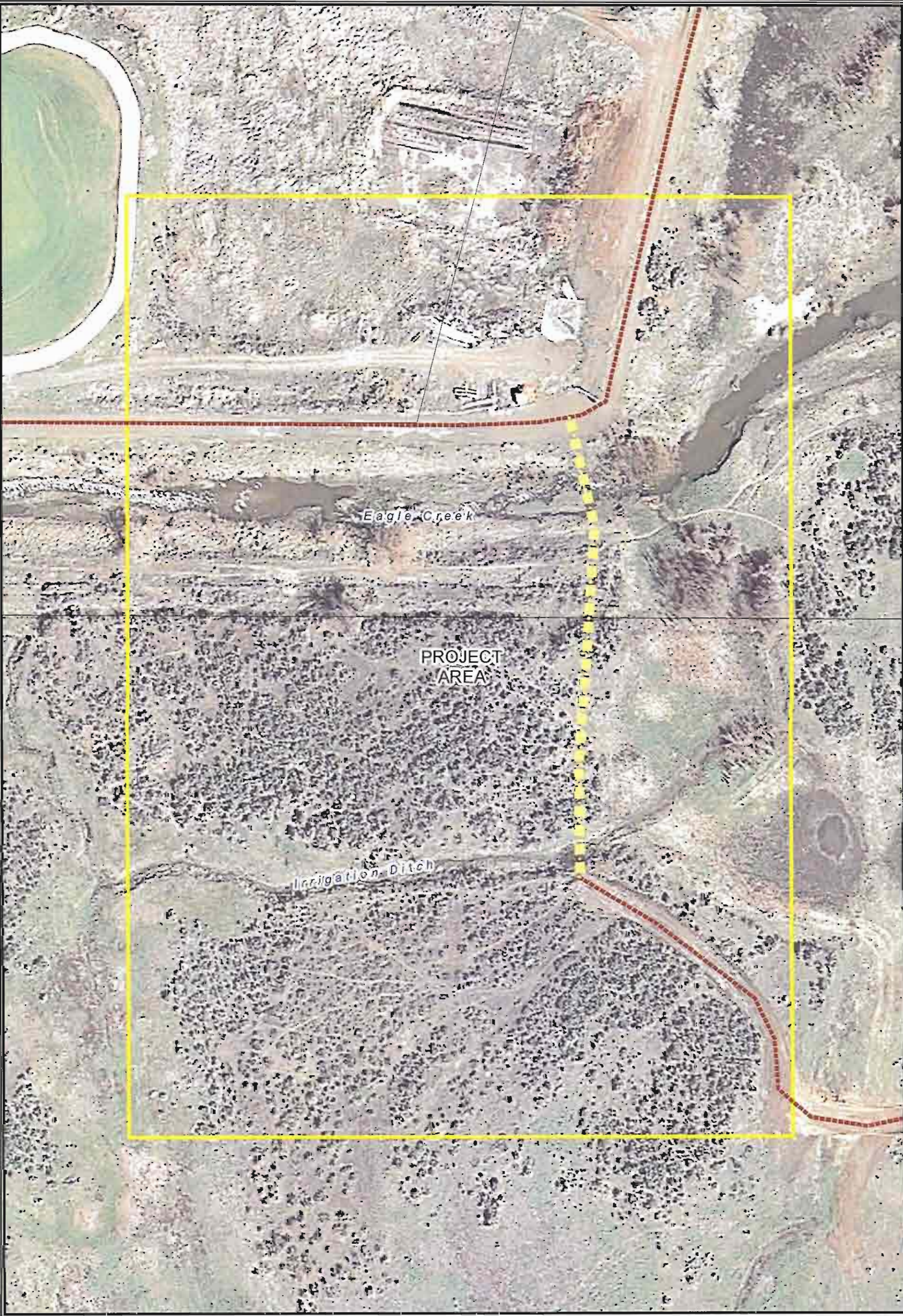
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Board Action Taken:

Motion: _____ 1: _____ Aye/Nay

2: _____

(Vote Recorded By)



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Carson River Trail System - Eagle Creek Segment

1" = 50'

Legend

Trail

Existing Trail

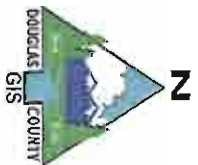
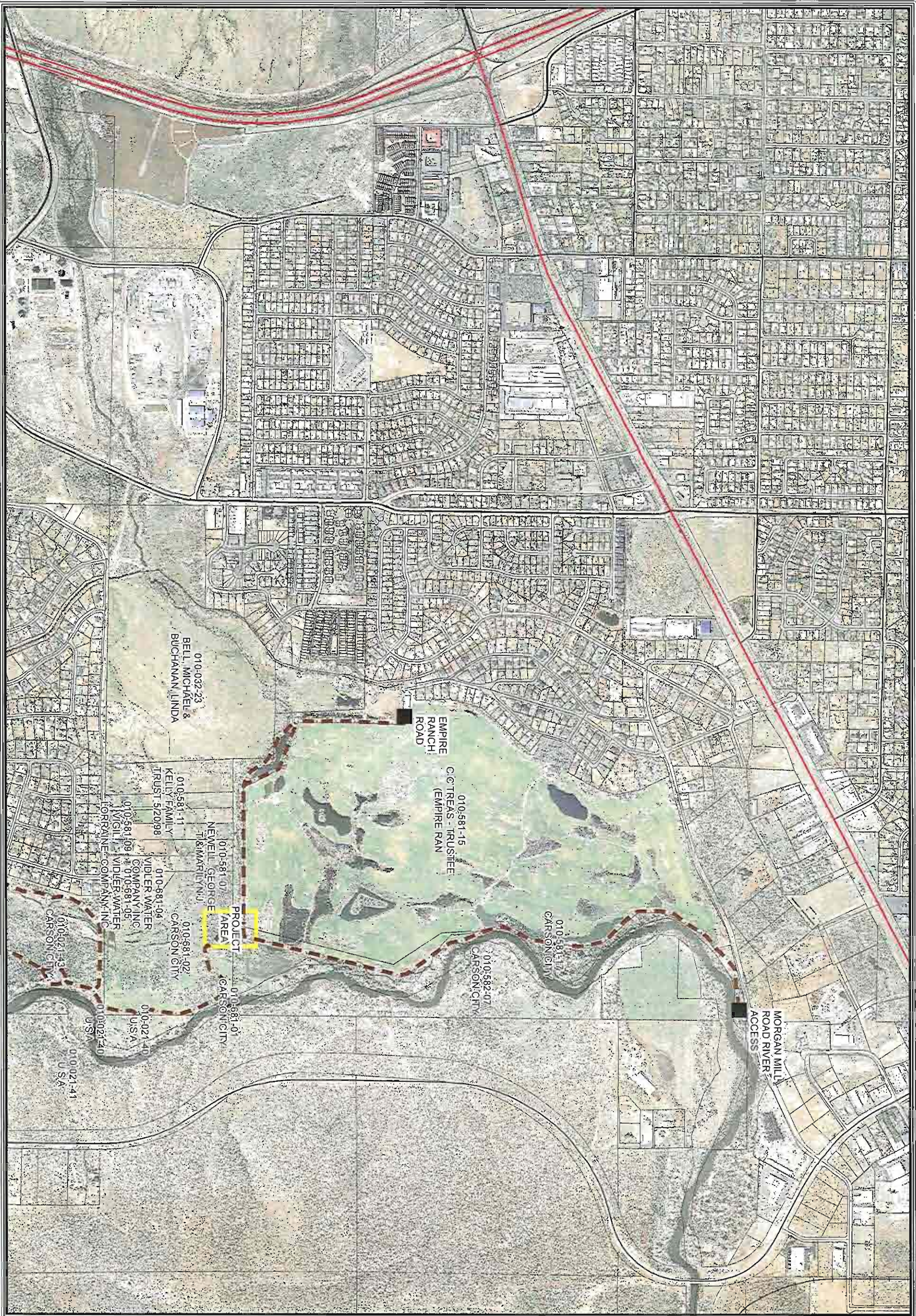
Proposed Trail

Project Area

Parcel Boundary



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1" = 926'

Legend

- Trailhead
- Trail
- Project Area
- Parcel Boundary

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