

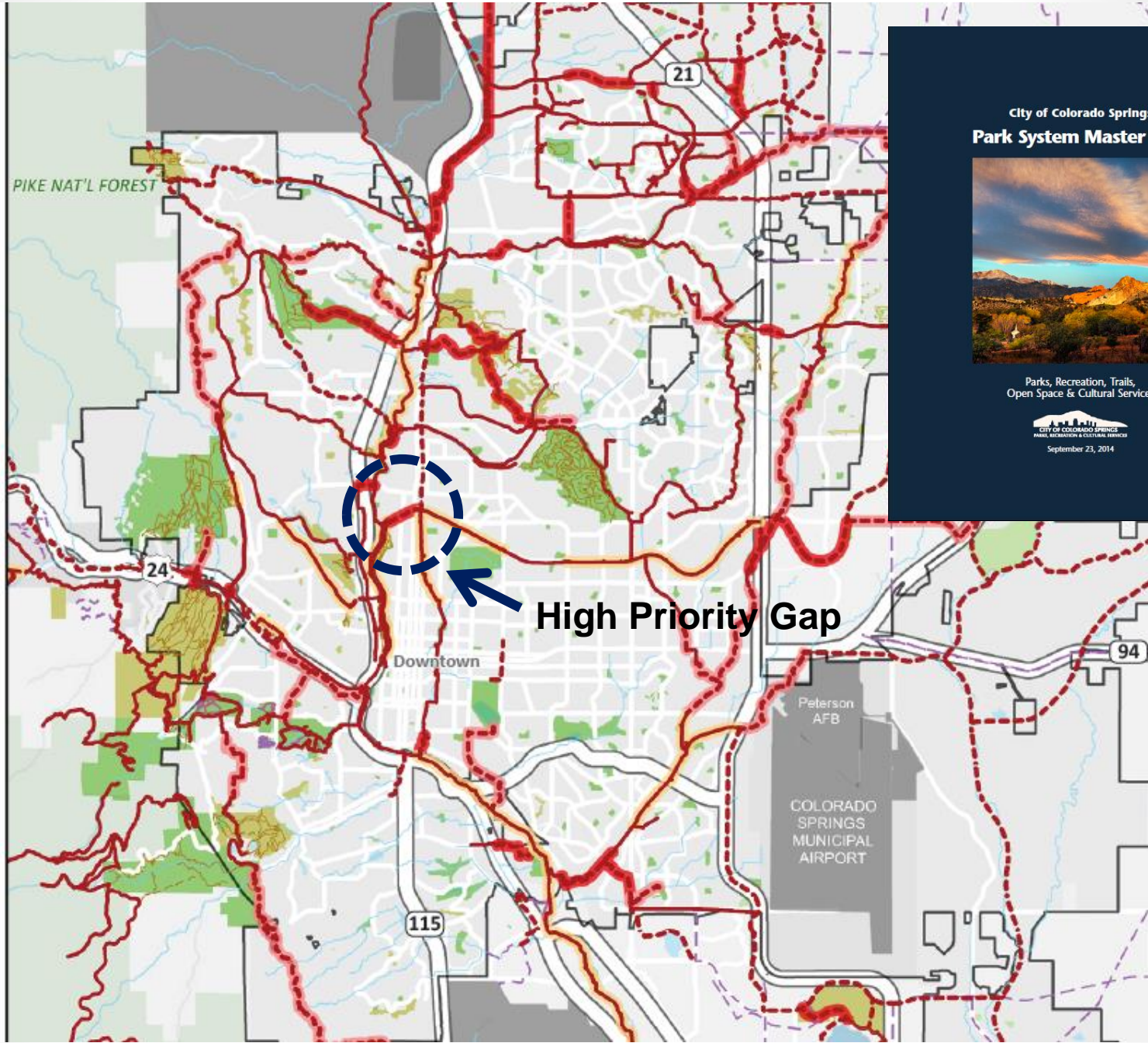
# Rock Island Trail/Legacy Loop

## UPRR Corridor Acquisition

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Colorado Springs City Council – October 12, 2015







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**Park System Master Plan**

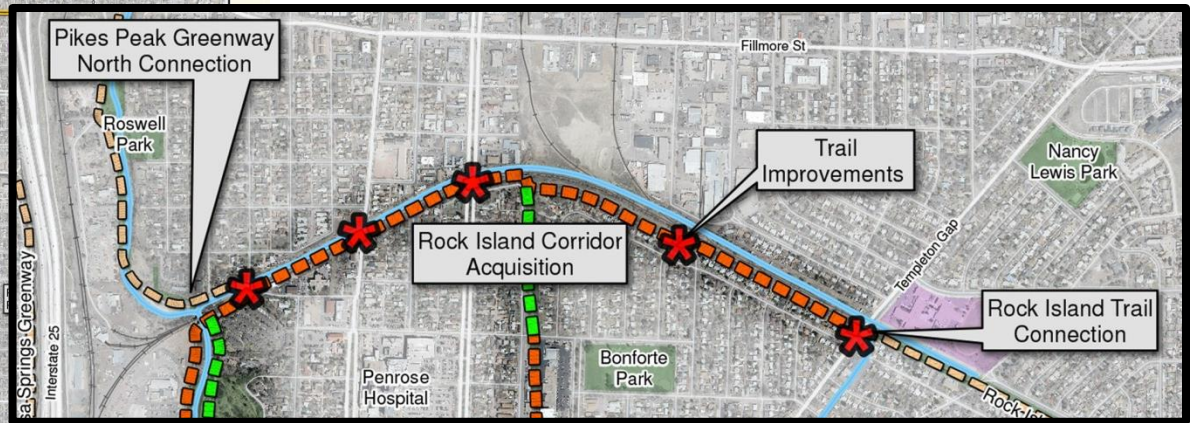
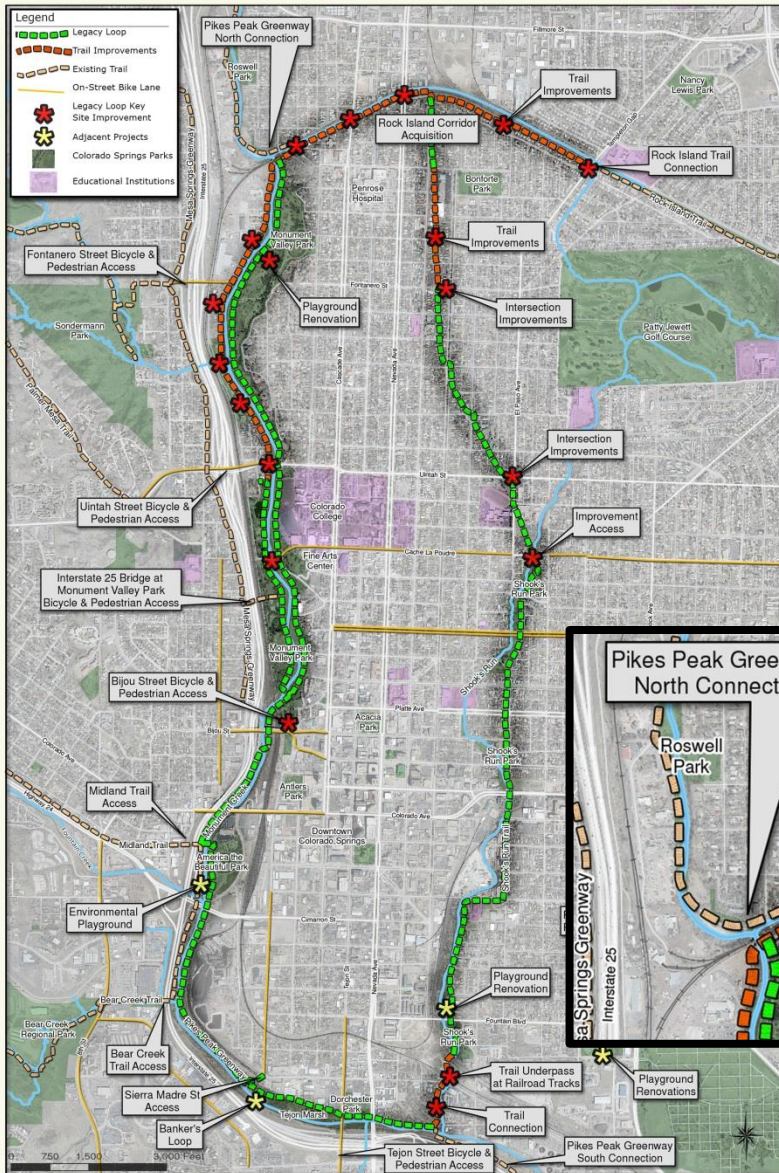


Parks, Recreation, Trails,  
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- Meets Multiple Trail Objectives
- Rock Island Trail
- Legacy Loop
- American Discovery Trail
- America The Beautiful Millennium Trail



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 CONTEXT MAP





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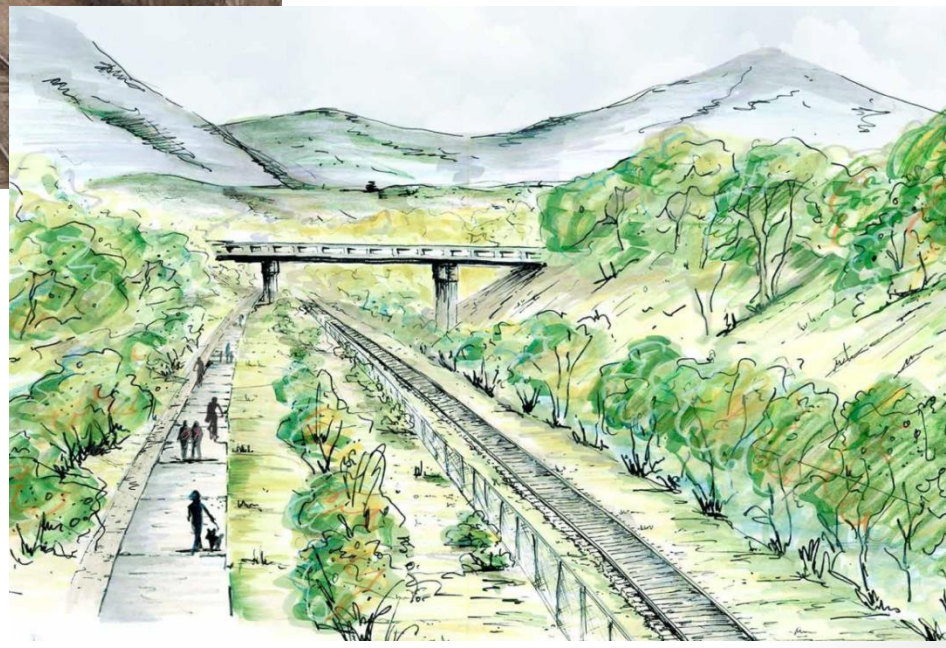
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Acquisition Area

Portion Retained by  
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Distance: Approx. 1.17 miles  
Purchase Price: \$749,400 or \$2.45 SF

### Terms:

- 90-Day Feasibility Review Period
- \$25,000 Earnest Funds
- Restrictive Covenant (Residential and Educational Facilities)
- Installation of Fencing and Gates
- Access Easement (20' Wide)

# Additional Considerations:

- Constitution Avenue Extension – Acquisition does not preclude or advance
- Additional Acquisition along the corridor is required
- Capital Construction Costs:
  - \$170,000 Fencing (2015 TOPS Budget)
  - \$850,000 Trail Construction (2015 TOPS Budget and GOCO)
- GOCO Paths to Parks Grant Application for Capital Projects
- Operational Expenses - \$7,500 Annually
- Opportunity for Trail Adoption Program
- Connections to Schools (Mann and Stratton)
- Broad Community Support
- TOPS Working Committee: Unanimous Support (3-4-2015)
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Unanimous Support (4-9-2015)



- Staff recommends approval of the Resolution authorizing acquisition of approximately 7.022 acres owned by the Union Pacific Railroad for the Rock Island Trail Corridor.
- Formal City Council consideration of the proposed Resolution requested for October 27, 2015

