



Colorado Springs Fire Department Wildfire Mitigation Section

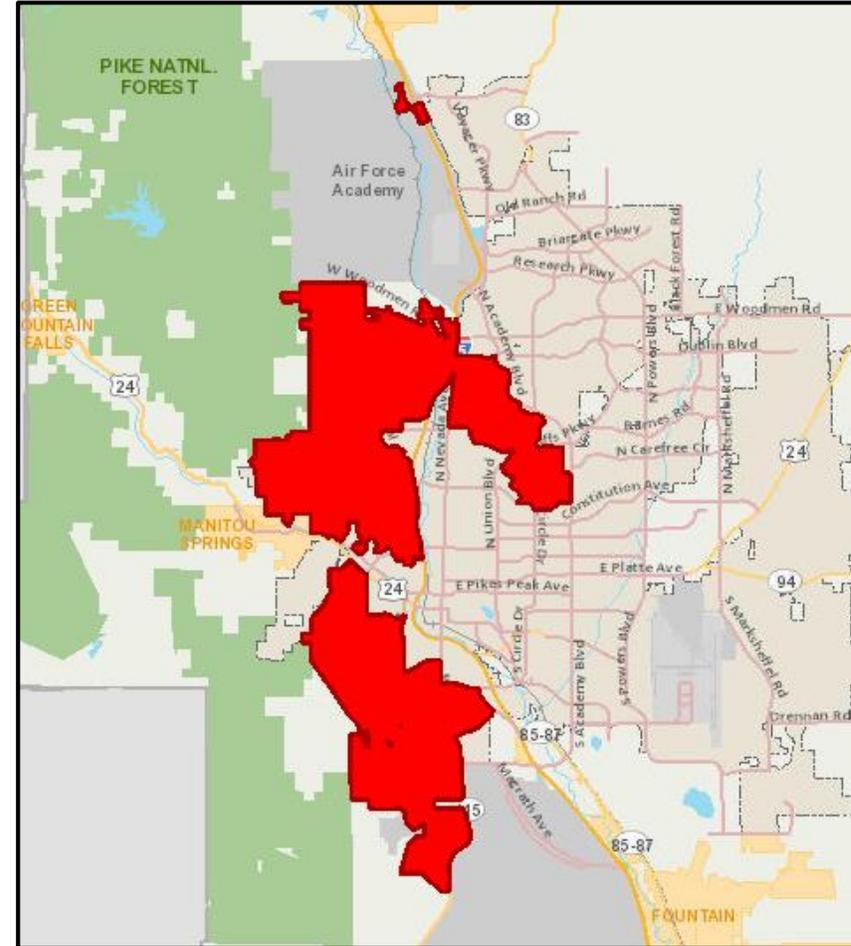


“Sharing The Responsibility!”



Wildfire Mitigation Program Overview

- Free Onsite Consultations
- Wildfire Risk Assessment Map
- Code and Development Review
- Education and Outreach
- Grant Administration
- Fuels Management
- Neighborhood Chipping Program
- Cost-Share Stipend Program



“Sharing The Responsibility!”



2D TABOR Funds Spending as of May

<u>Description</u>	<u>Starting Balance</u>	<u>Funds Spent Year to Date</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Personnel	\$215,000	\$59,125	Seasonals for chipping/project work and PT Admin Assistant.
FRWRM Dump Truck Matching	\$52,000	\$0	\$51,751.79 for FRWRM dump truck matching
FRWRM Masticator Matching	\$90,150	\$0	Masticator has been received and is getting in processed at City Fleet.
PPE/Maintenance/Supplies	\$12,000	\$11,380	
HOA/Neighborhood Project Work	\$50,000	\$0	Waiting on estimates for projects.
Cost-Share Stipends	\$60,000	\$38,000	
Large Acreage Project Work	\$347,200	\$0	Stratton Open Space. Waiting to award contract.
HMGP Matching	\$33,810	\$0	Palmer Park project. Contract has been awarded.
USFS Agreement Work	\$100,000	\$0	Waiting to hear from USFS on agreement status.
Mitigation and Evacuation Booklets	\$10,000	\$11,952	Ordered ~5,000 booklets
Bank & Investment Fees	\$7,000	\$1,440	
2023 Roll Over	\$31,000	\$0	Add \$18,000 to project work and \$13,000 for vehicle maintenance.
Total	\$1,008,160	\$120,457	



“Sharing The Responsibility!”



Current Grant Funding

Grant	Total Grant Amount	Comments
El Pomar Foundation (October 2021 - October 2024)	\$133,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$133,000 over 3 years (\$44,000 a year). • Cost-share stipends and project work in the southwest part of town.
Lyda Hill (December 2021 - December 2024)	\$133,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$133,000 over 3 years (\$44,000 a year). • Cost-share stipends and project work in the southwest part of town.
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) for Palmer Park	\$689,400	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 130 acres of mitigation work in Palmer Park. • Local Share: \$86,025 • State Share: \$86,325 • Federal Share: \$517,050
Forest Restoration and Wildfire Risk Mitigation (FRWRM) Grant for Cedar Heights (April 2021 - April 2025)	\$630,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 181.4 acres of mitigation work in Cedar Heights/Glen Eyrie/ Navigators and City Parks property. • 50/50 match of \$315,000: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSFD match is \$253,000 total • \$238,000 Hard dollar match • \$15,000 Soft dollar match • Cedar Heights: \$50,000 • Glen Eyrie/Navigators: \$12,000



“Sharing The Responsibility!”



Current Grant Funding Continued

Grant	Total Grant Amount	Comments
Forest Restoration and Wildfire Risk Mitigation (FRWRM) Grant for a Dump Truck (April 2023 - 2027)	\$104,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase a new dump truck to replace aging equipment for the Neighborhood Chipping Program. • CSFD match is \$52,000.
Forest Restoration and Wildfire Risk Mitigation (FRWRM) Grant for a Masticator/Trailer (April 2024 - 2028)	\$283,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase a masticator and trailer to continue mitigation work in the WUI. • CSFD total match is \$141,500: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soft dollar match: \$51,350 • Hard dollar match: \$90,150
Forest Restoration and Wildfire Risk Mitigation (FRWRM) Grant for Blodgett Open Space (April 2024 - 2028)	\$284,800	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 71 acres of mitigation in Blodgett Open Space. • CSFD match is \$142,400: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soft dollar match: \$9,000 • Hard dollar match: \$133,400
El Pomar Foundation	\$100,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$50,000 for work in Stratton Open Space. • \$50,000 for work on Old Stage Road with USFS.
Anschutz Foundation	\$100,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$50,000 for work in Stratton Open Space. • \$50,000 for work on Old Stage Road with USFS.



“Sharing The Responsibility!”



Future Grant Funding

Grant	Amount	Comments
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) for Education and Outreach Materials	\$389,620	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education and outreach materials for citizens in the Colorado Springs WUI. CSFD match is 12.5% which equals \$48,702.50.
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) for Garden of the Gods	\$1,750,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mitigate ~350 acres in Garden of the Gods Matching Requirements at 12.5%: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$218,750 match total GOG Foundation: \$150,000 CSFD: \$68,750 Applications are due in August 2024. Award will take place in early 2025. Work will most likely start in the end of 2025 or early 2026.
TBD	\$150,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update the current CSFD Risk Assessment Model. Incorporate Wildfire Risk Modeling into the program.



“Sharing The Responsibility!”

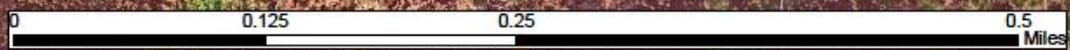
Fishers Canyon Mitigation Project

- Fishers_Canyon_Units
- Forwarder_Skid_Trail_Proposed
- Fishers_Canyon_Property
- Existing_Roads

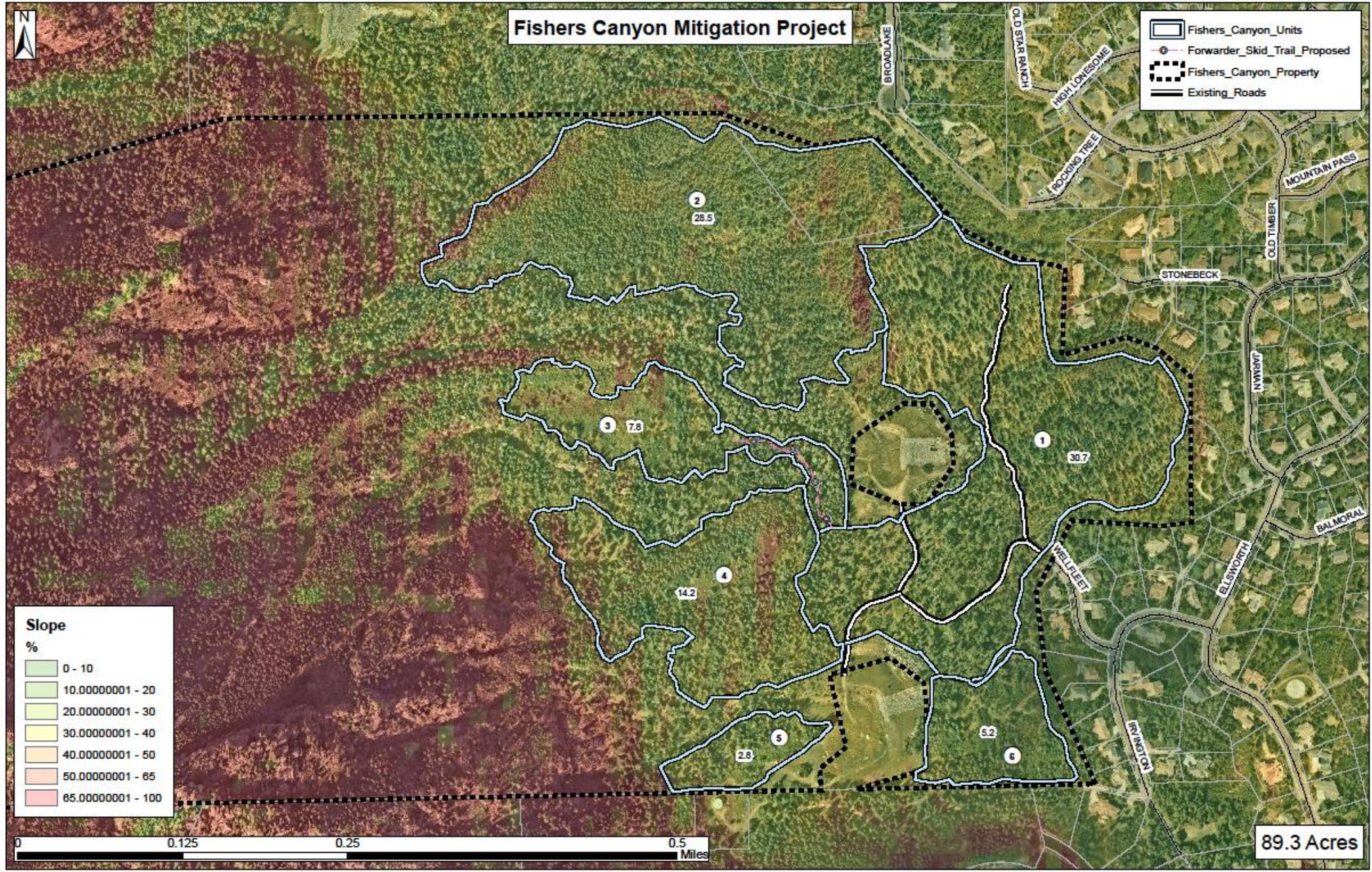
Slope

%

0 - 10
10.00000001 - 20
20.00000001 - 30
30.00000001 - 40
40.00000001 - 50
50.00000001 - 65
65.00000001 - 100



89.3 Acres



2
28.5

3
7.8

4
14.2

5
2.8

1
30.7

6
5.2

BROADLAKE

OLD STATE RANCH

HIGH LONESOME

ROCKING TREE

MOUNTAIN PASS

OLD TIMBER

STONEBECK

WINDYBUSH

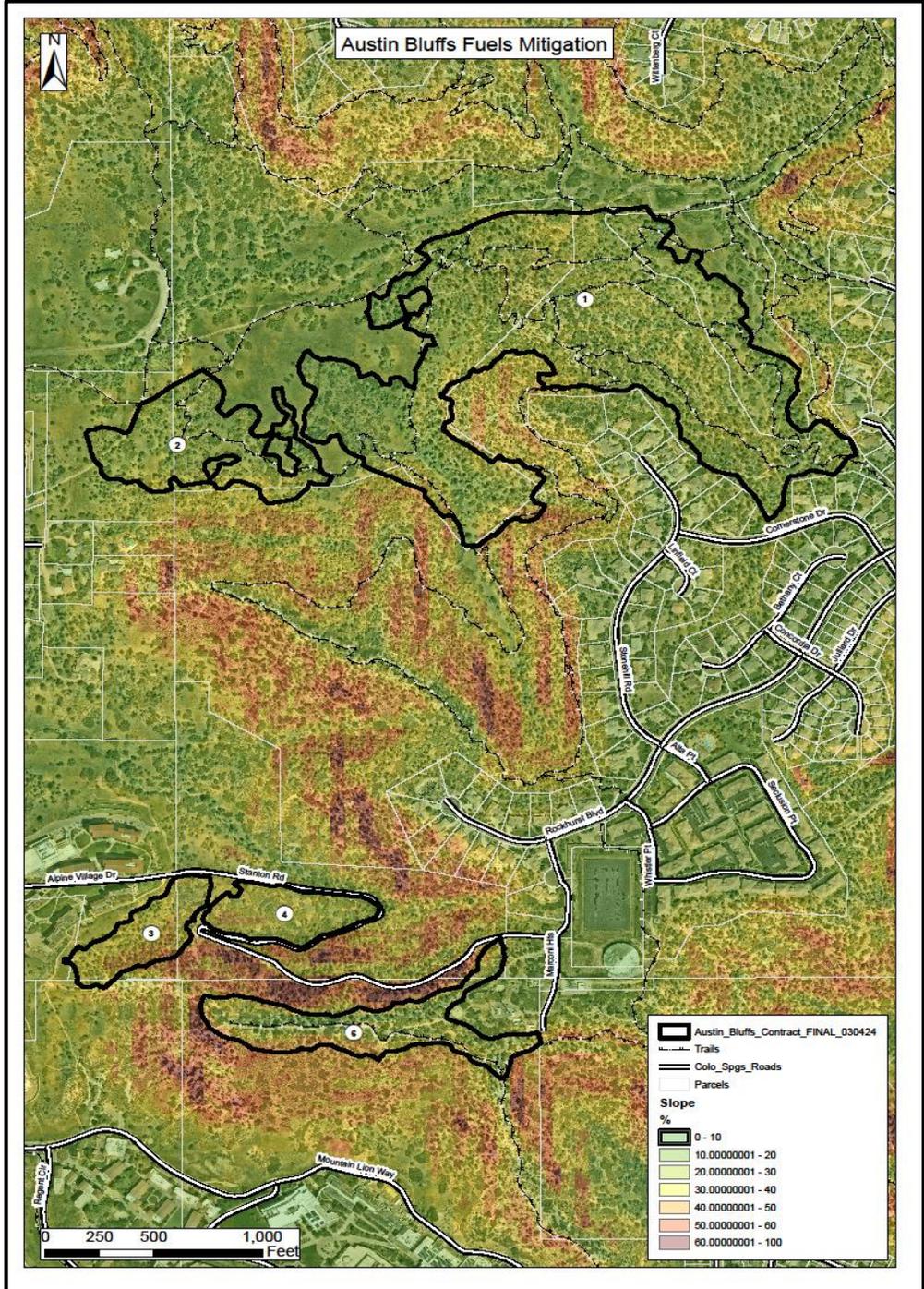
BALMORAL

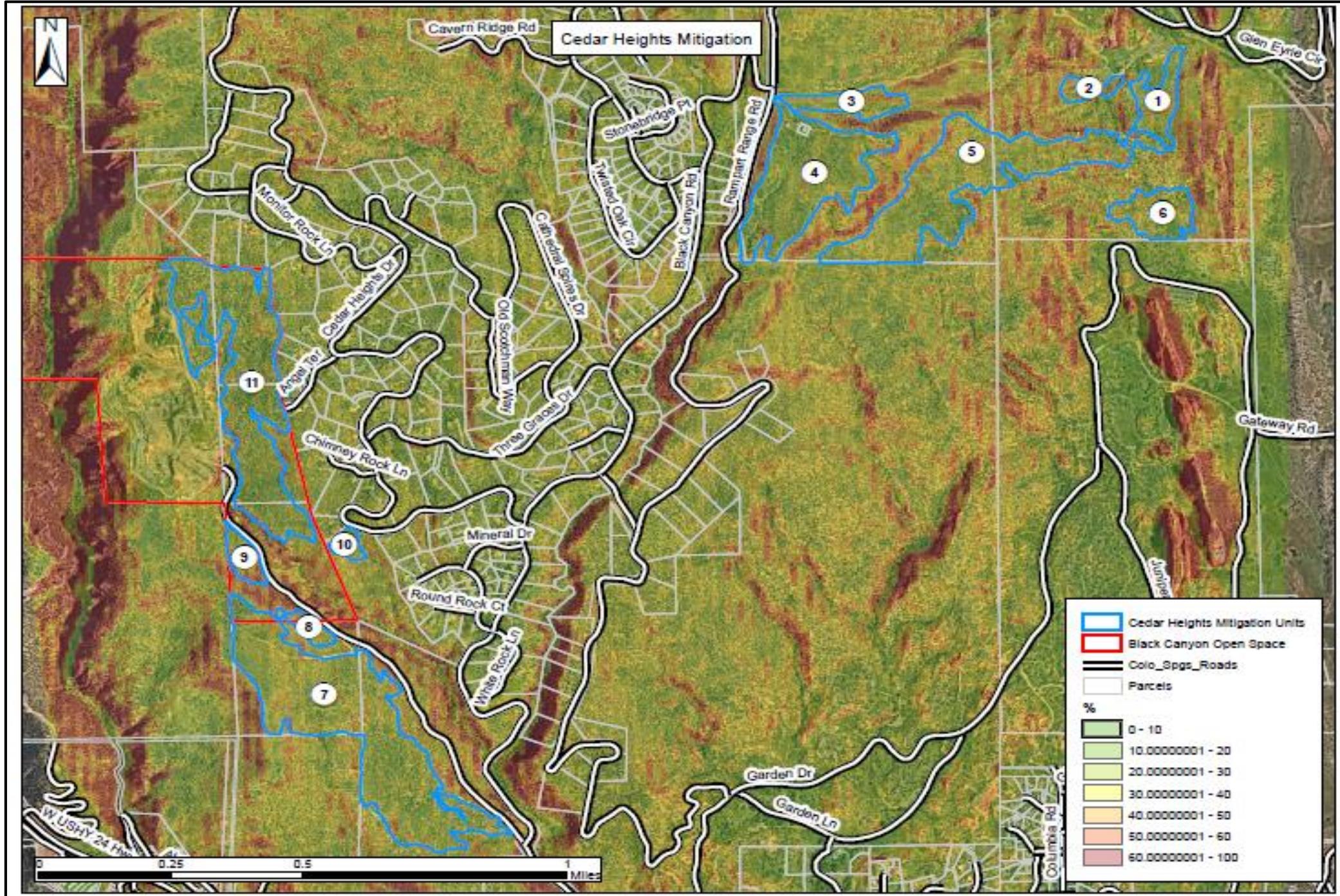
WELFLEET

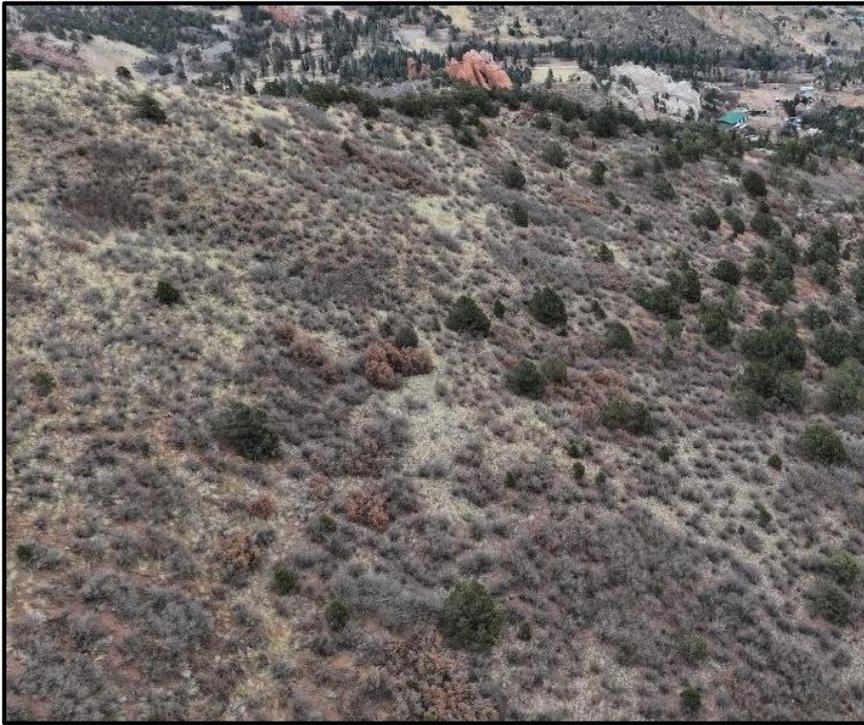
ELLSWORTH

IRWINSTON

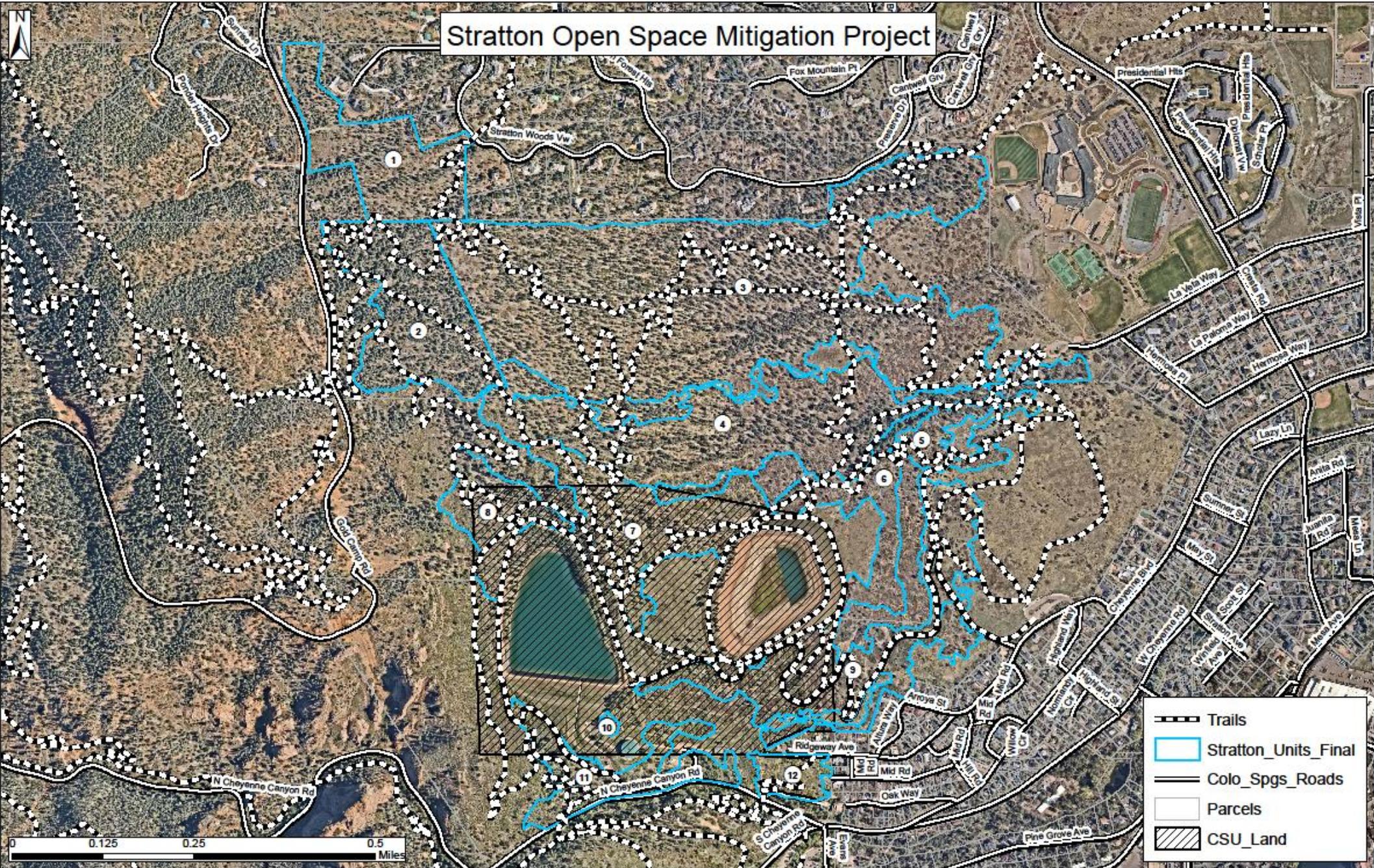






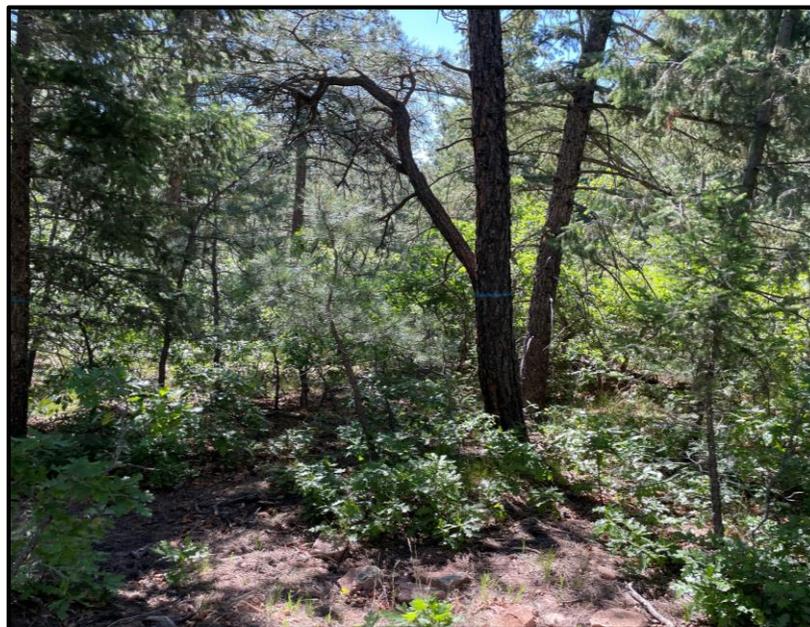


Stratton Open Space Mitigation Project

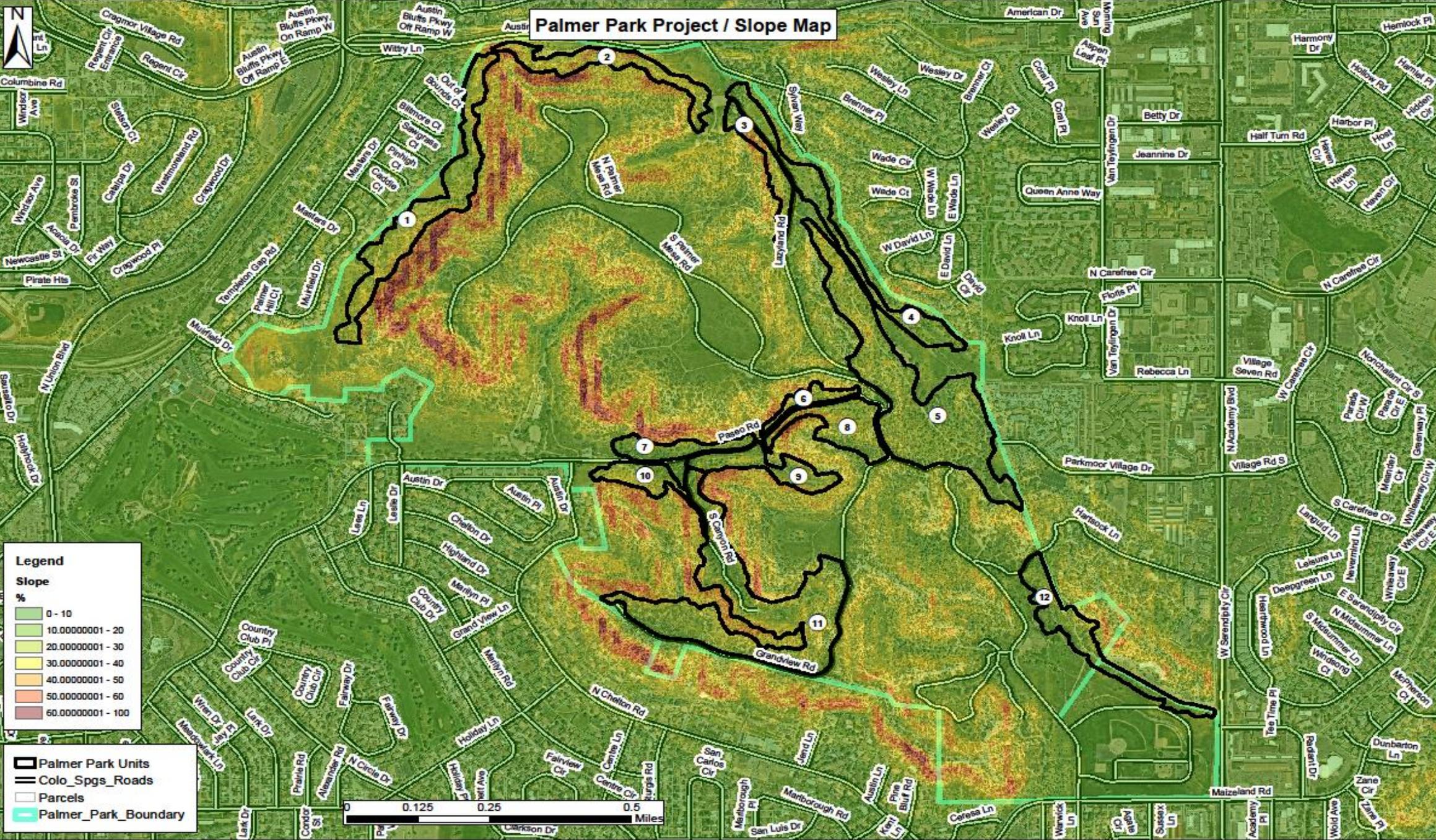


- Trails
- Stratton_Units_Final
- Colo_Spgs_Roads
- Parcels
- CSU_Land

0 0.125 0.25 0.5 Miles



Palmer Park Project / Slope Map



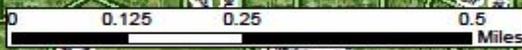
Legend

Slope

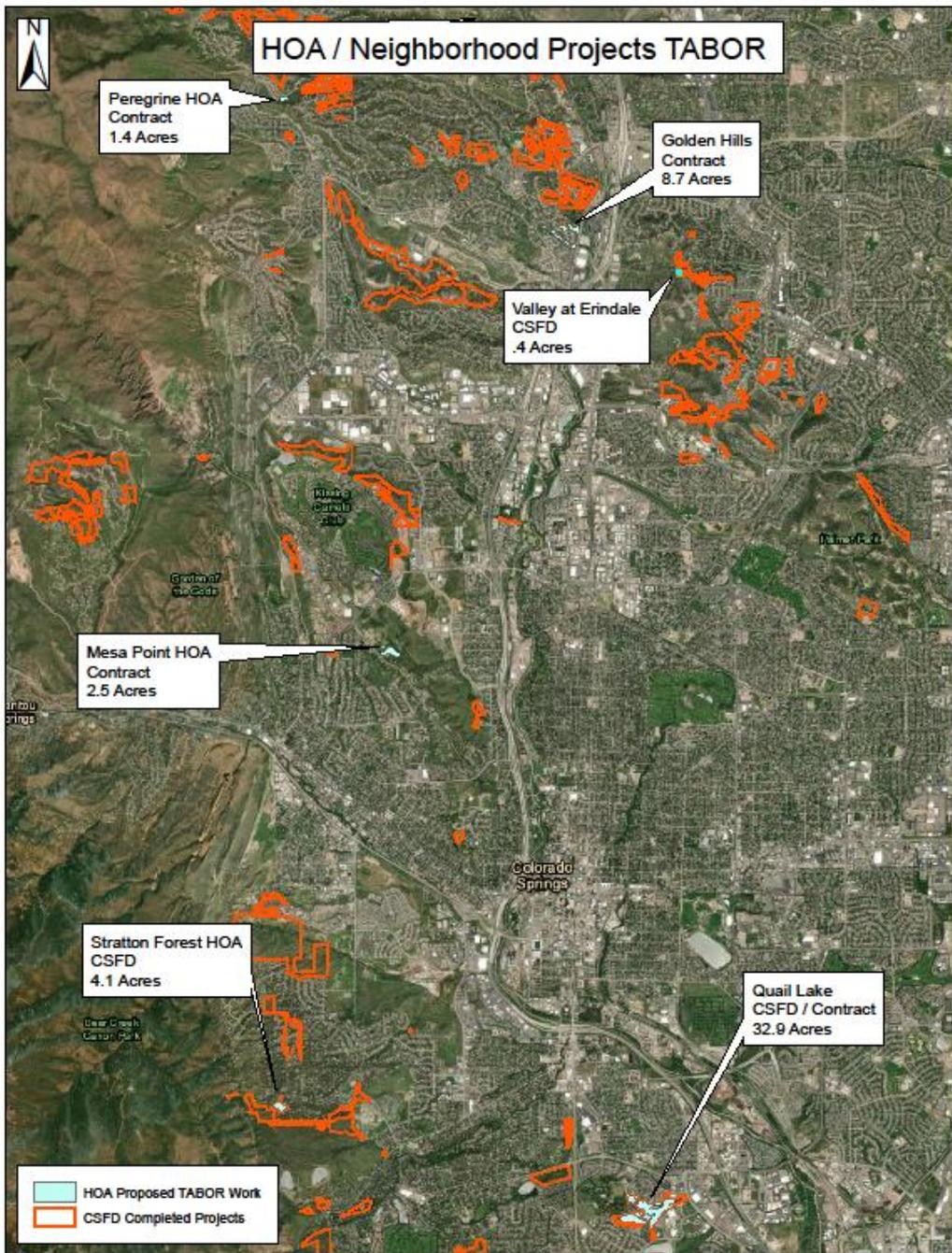
%

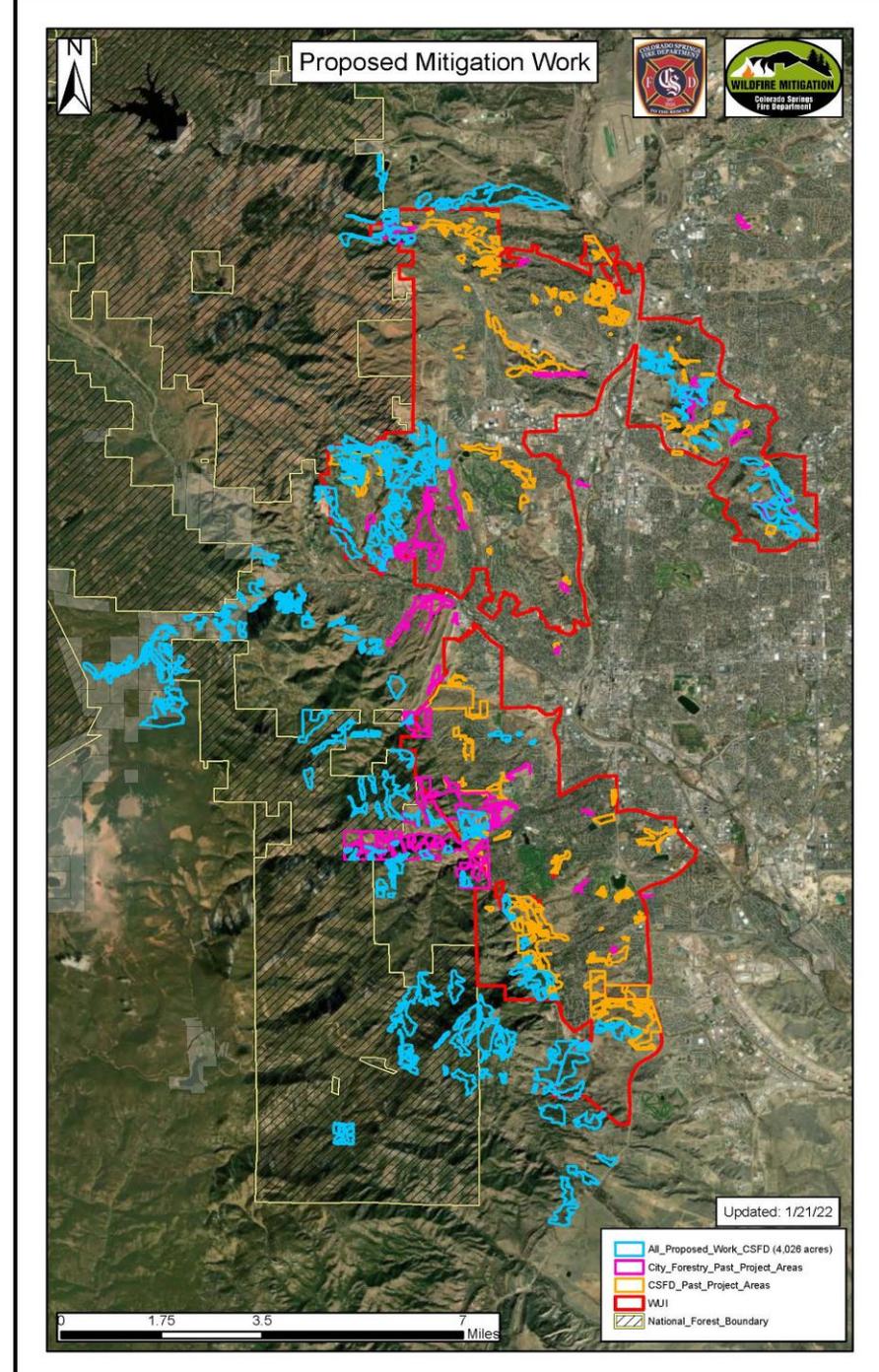
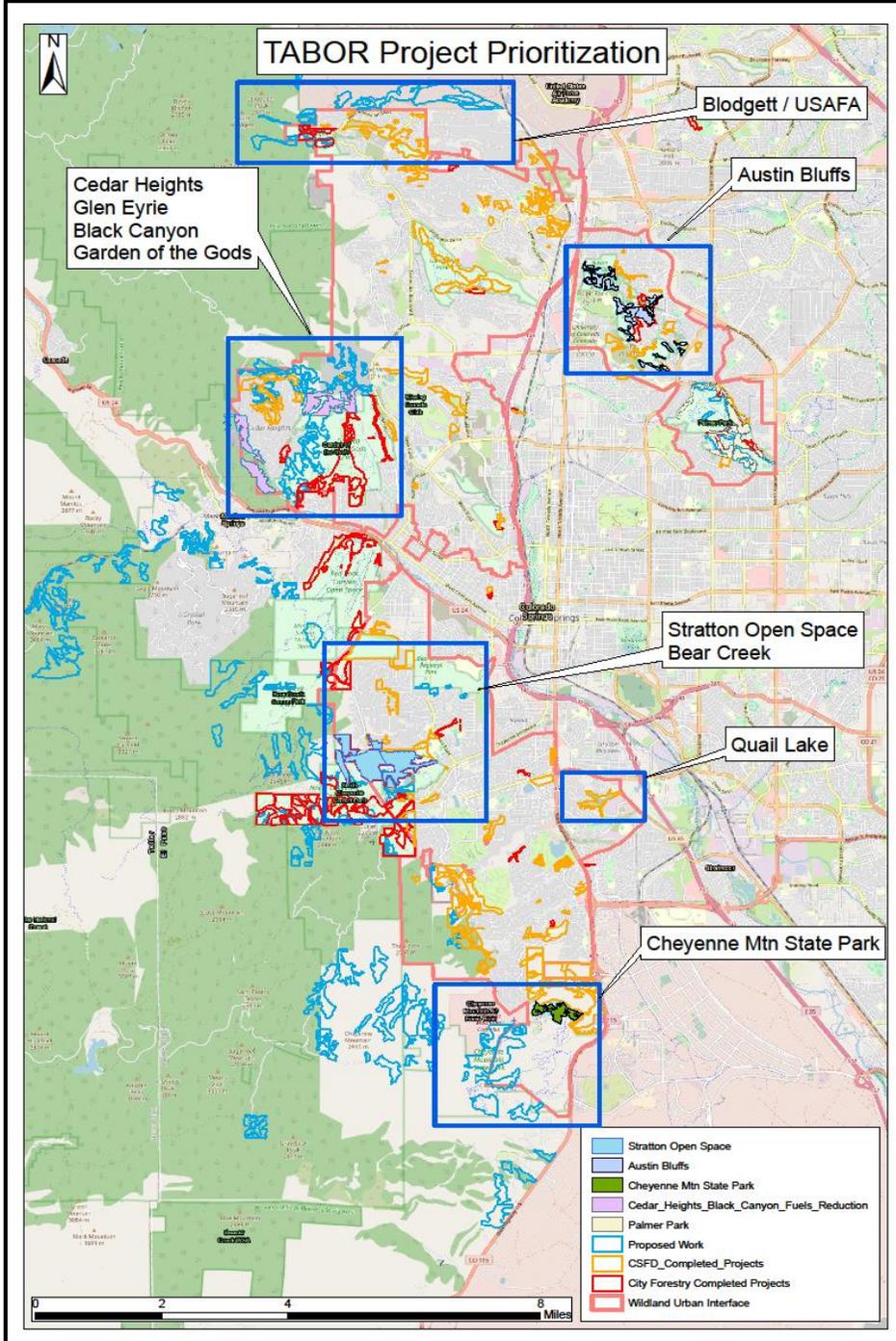
0 - 10
10.00000001 - 20
20.00000001 - 30
30.00000001 - 40
40.00000001 - 50
50.00000001 - 60
60.00000001 - 100

- Palmer Park Units
- Colo_Spgs_Roads
- Parcels
- Palmer_Park_Boundary











Community Support

- Approximate grant funding received: \$8.8 million
- Approximate pending grant funding: \$2.1 million
- 2D TABOR funds have assisted with:
 - Mitigated 43.77 acres on HOA/neighborhood properties.
 - Mitigated 265.5 acres with cost-share stipends (27.83 waiting to be billed).
 - Mitigated 361.11 acres with large landscape level projects.
 - 305 acres waiting to start work.
 - Approximately 975.38 acres mitigated since 2022.



Neighborhood Chipping Program Statistics (As of June each Year)

<u>Year</u>	<u># of Homes</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u># of Loads</u>	<u>Tons</u>
2021	1,548	510	132	160
2022	2,848	940	236	850
2023	1,369	452	84	304
2024	2,479	718	171	613



“Sharing The Responsibility!”



Contact Information

Ashley Whitworth

Wildfire Mitigation Program Administrator

719-385-7342

Ashley.Whitworth@coloradosprings.gov

Cory Ashby

Fuels/Project Program Administrator

719-385-7281

Cory.Ashby@coloradosprings.gov



“Sharing The Responsibility!”