

Summit County Rail Trail Corridor Plan

One-Page Summary

Goal 1: Enhance user experience while preserving and maintaining the natural environment



Accessibility

Create equitable access to the Rail Trail Corridor for all ages and abilities.

Improve safety,

Promote connectivity,

Implement ADA guidelines,

Support different user types.



Environmental Quality

Enhance, protect and monitor air and water quality, native vegetation, and wildlife habitat and corridors.

Foster a climate resilient corridor,

Preserve and enhance wildlife habitat,

Restore native vegetation,

Improve water quality.

Goal 2: Promote economic vitality through sustainable tourism and responsible recreation



Economic Vitality

Create connections that support diverse local businesses and foster community relationships that promote a culture of hospitality, stewardship, and inclusivity.

Support local businesses,

Embrace places as Trail Towns,

Combat adverse impacts of economic enhancement.



Sustainable Tourism & Recreation

Protect the quality of life for residents, enhance visitor experience, and preserve the key assets of the community.

Promote stewardship,

Provide the right information,

Enhance recreation infrastructure,

Trail as a mode of transportation.

Goal 3: Enrich community character by encouraging agricultural opportunities and embracing the history, arts, and culture relevant to the area



Agricultural Preservation

Actively secure agriculture along the RTC as a means of preservation for generational livelihood, open space, and ecosystem services.

Understand agriculture,

Foster relationships, support, and land stewardship,

Improve agricultural accessibility to the Trail



History, Arts, & Culture

Preserve, protect and promote the community character of Summit County and the Rail Trail Corridor.

Enhance the historical nature of the Trail and nearby communities,

Create an Arts and Culture Plan,

Host cultural and arts events,

Develop educational opportunities.