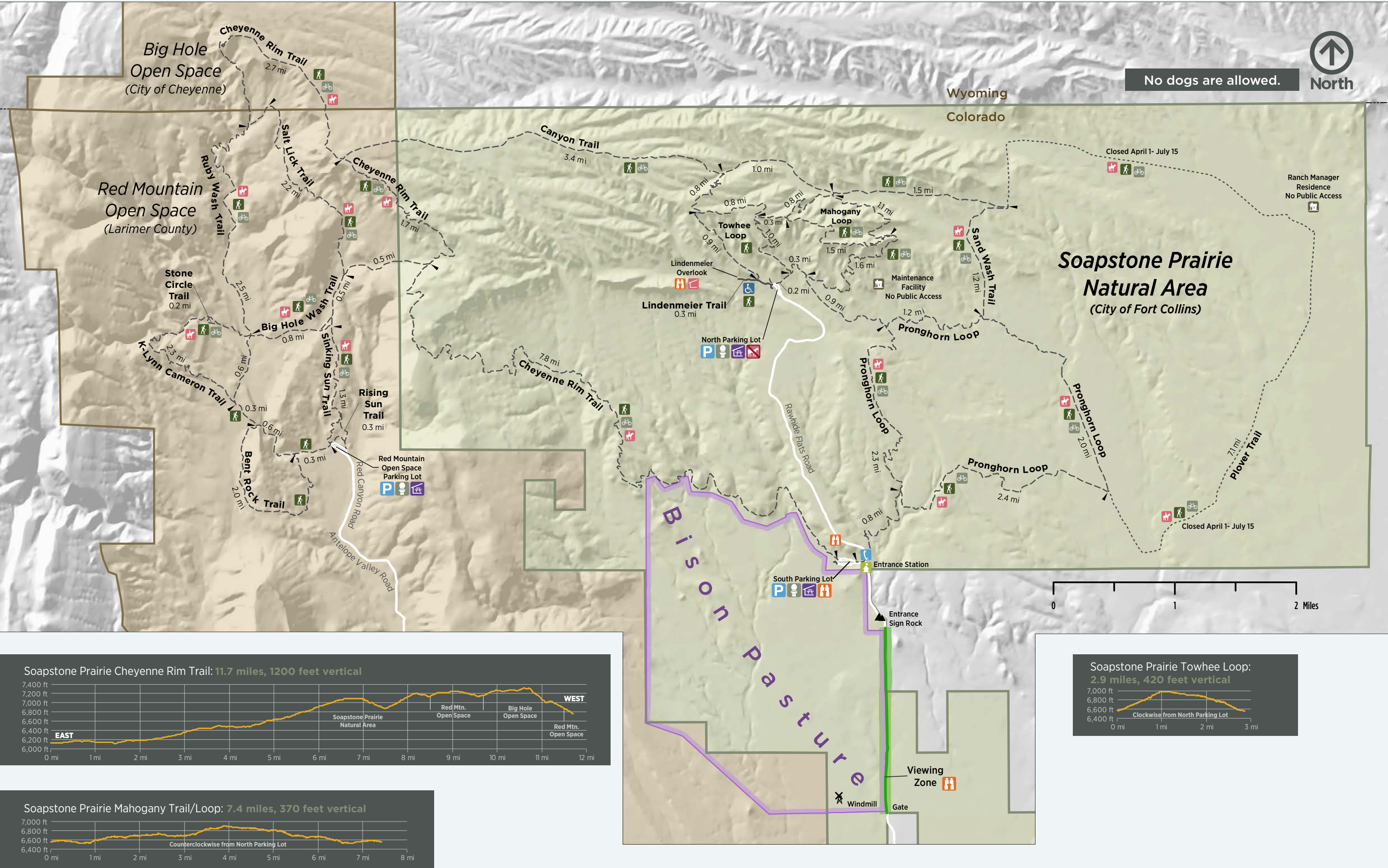


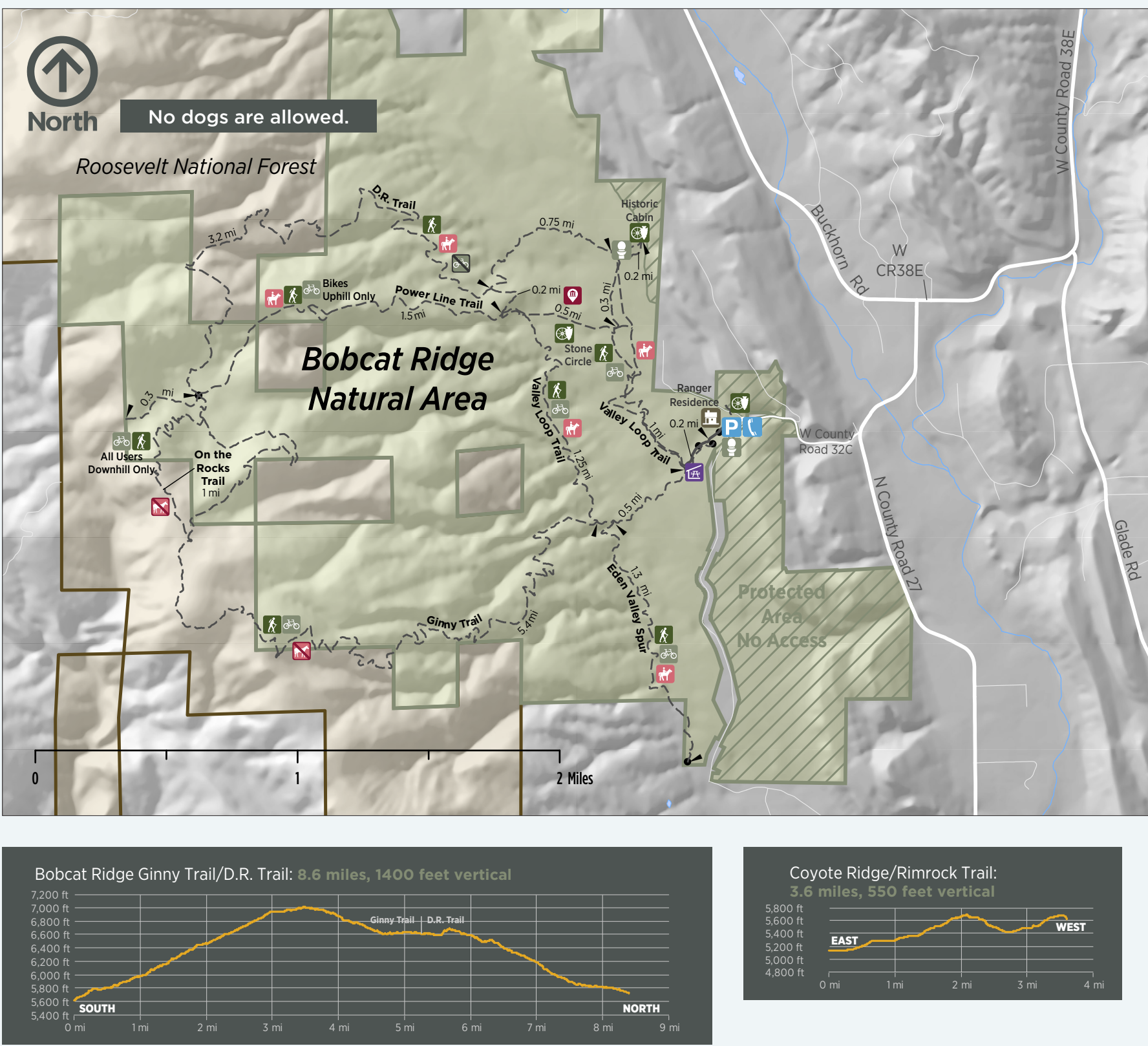
SOAPSTONE PRAIRIE NATURAL AREA

DIRECTIONS:
From Fort Collins, travel north on State Hwy 1 / Terry Lake Road. Turn left (towards Waverly) on County Road 15. Travel north and turn right onto Rawhide Flats Road and take it to the entrance station.

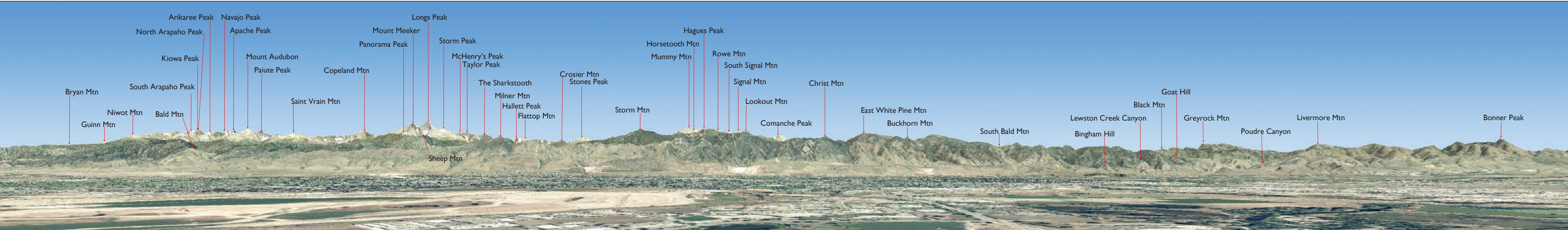


BOBCAT RIDGE NATURAL AREA

DIRECTIONS:
From Fort Collins, take Harmony Road / CR 38E west to Masonville. Turn south on CR 27 and west on CR W32C to the parking lot.



FORT COLLINS PEAK FINDER: THE VIEW FROM COTTONWOOD HOLLOW NATURAL AREA



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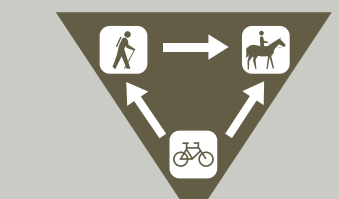
Natural areas are popular local and regional destinations! When the parking lots are full, the carrying capacity has been reached. Go to an alternate site or come back another time. Weekends and holidays are busiest. Do not park anywhere other than in designated spots.

ACCESSIBILITY
Need to know more about trail difficulty and accessibility? Visit fcgov.com/naturalareas/accessibility for details.

CHECK HERE FIRST:
• fcgov.com/trailstatus
• trails.colorado.gov

STEWARDSHIP NEEDED
Natural areas can be loved to death. Show you care for these treasures by following regulations which protect you and the natural areas.
• Keep dogs on-leash and pack out dog waste (at sites where dogs are allowed).
• Leave no trace by removing trash and food scraps.

WHY CLOSURES?
Natural areas are closed due to wet and muddy conditions on the trails. Muddy trails leave visitors with no good choices: going around the mud widens the trail and going through the mud damages the trail. Please respect the closures and try the City's paved trail system instead.



THE TREKKING ORDER:
Please mind your trail manners. Bikers yield to horses and hikers. Hikers yield to horses.

NATURAL AREA	OPEN 5 A.M. - 11 P.M.	PARKING	ACCESSIBLE	HIKING TRAILS	OFF-TRAIL HIKING	BIKING TRAILS	HORSE TRAILER PARKING	EQUESTRIAN TRAILS	DOGS ON LEASH	NON-MOTORIZED BOATING	FISHING	INTERPRETIVE SIGN(S)	PICNIC FACILITIES	RESTROOMS	DESIGNED FOR KIDS	IMPORTANT BIRD AREA
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BOBCAT RIDGE																
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HOMESTEAD																
KESTREL FIELDS																
KINGFISHER POINT																
MAGPIE MEANDER																
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*Co-owned and/or co-managed with Fort Collins Utilities for flood control, water quality, and wildlife habitat.

CARE FOR THE NATURAL AREAS

- Dogs are not permitted on some natural areas; check the chart above. Dogs must be on a leash.
- You may not possess or consume alcohol.
- A valid fishing license from Colorado Parks and Wildlife is required.
- Openly carrying a firearm is prohibited.
- Firearms are permitted with a valid concealed carry permit.
- eBikes are only allowed on paved trails.
- No camping; motorized vehicles, fires, or fireworks.
- Collecting is not allowed.
- Groups over 15 people, research projects, and commercial uses require a permit.
- No smoking in natural areas, on trails, or in any city-owned facilities.
- Horses must stay on trails or within 10 feet.

Complete regulations at fcgov.com/naturalareas

PLAY IT SAFE

BE SNAKE AWAKE!
If you encounter a rattlesnake, stop, back up, and warn others in the area. Wait for it to move away or walk around it to give it room to escape. If a snake bites you, call 911. Keep calm and avoid elevating your heart rate.

LIGHTNING — WATCH THE WEATHER.
Avoid afternoon outings when lightning is most frequent. Seek safety in vehicles, buildings (not picnic shelters, restrooms, or sheds), or low areas such as dry creek beds.

BE SAFE AROUND THE RIVER.
It's best to stay out of the river. The water is always cold, and currents and levels change quickly.



CITY OF FORT COLLINS NATURAL AREAS
Yours to Explore

NATURAL AREAS MISSION:
To conserve and enhance lands with natural resource, agricultural, and scenic values, while providing meaningful education and appropriate recreation opportunities.

Thank you! Every time you shop in Fort Collins or Larimer County, a percentage of your sales tax dollars goes towards conserving natural areas. You are contributing to land conservation, wildlife habitat, trail and visitor services. That's quite a buy!

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Free Nature Hikes and Educational Activities
Natural Areas Volunteer Coordinator - rdiazr22@fcgov.com
Natural Areas Volunteer Program
• naturalareas@fcgov.com
• fcgov.com/naturalareas/status
• fcgov.com/naturalareas
Life-threatening emergency 911
Rangers 970-416-2147
Natural Areas Department 970-416-2815

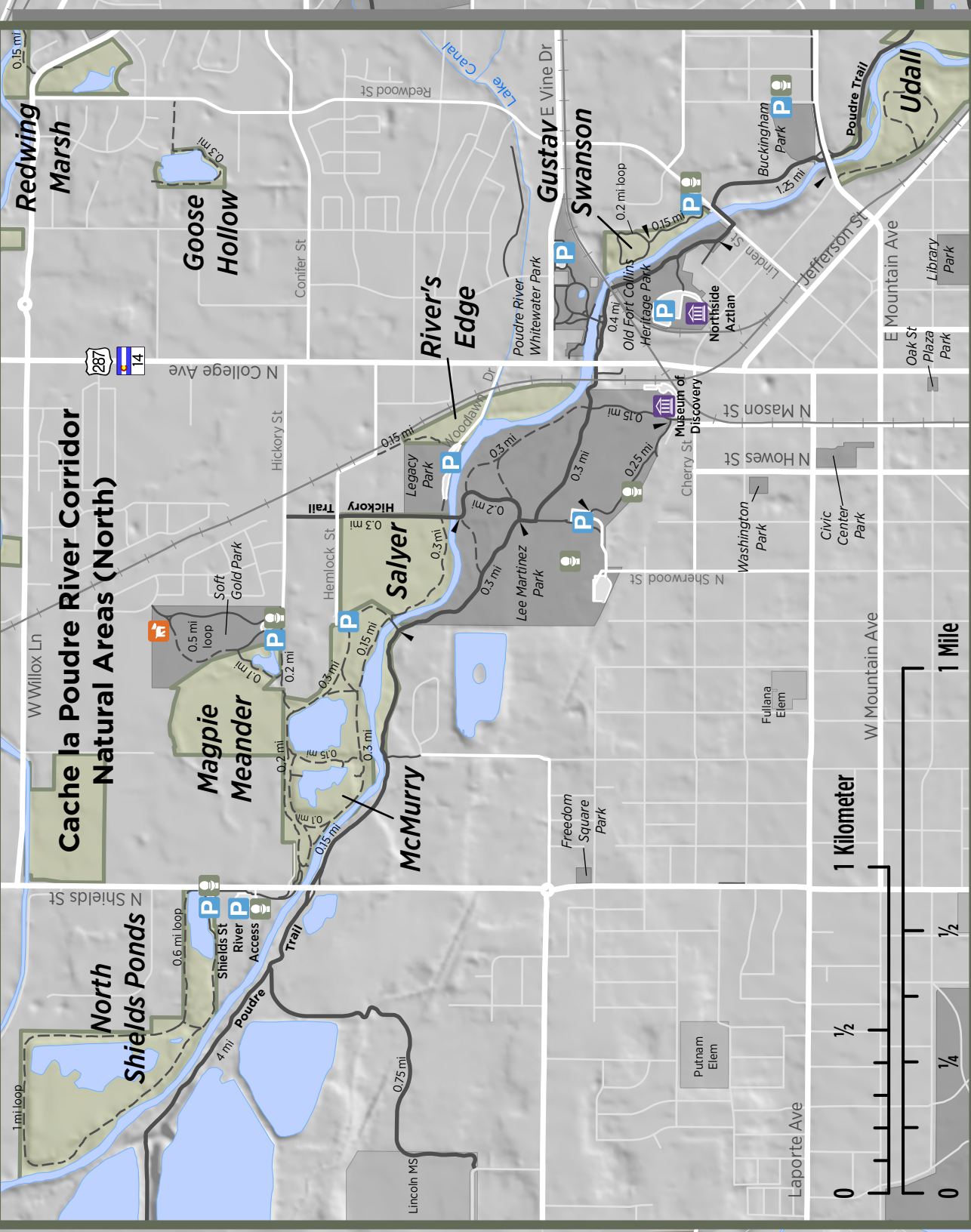


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Natural Areas

Natural Areas Map

NATURAL AREAS MAP



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- CITY OF FORT COLLINS NATURAL AREAS**
- Legend:**
- Paved Trail
 - Natural Surface Trail
 - Seasonal Use Trail
 - Fort Collins Natural Area
 - Open Space/State Park
 - Park
- Facilities:**
- Parking
 - Restroom
 - Dog Park
 - Natural Areas Building
 - Cultural Interest Site
 - Museum, Recreation Centers, and Facilities
 - Rock Climbing
 - Designed for Kids