

## 4. REGIONAL BICYCLE SYSTEM ENHANCEMENT

### Corridor Identification Process

One of the primary objectives of this Regional Bicycle Plan was to identify regional bicycle corridors that could serve as the spine for bicycle travel between and through the local communities. Through a collaborative process with the Bike TAC, and building upon input from the public and stakeholders throughout the region, a process was developed for identifying Regional Bicycle Corridors.

### Gap Assessment

The three larger communities (Fort Collins, Loveland, and Greeley), as well as several of the smaller communities in the MPO, have considerable bicycling networks in place. Many more bicycle facilities are being planned within the communities (refer to **Appendix D** for a compilation of future bicycle facilities that have been identified by one or more local agency). Even with these planned bicycle facilities, the regional network lacks connections between communities. With a focus on regional connections, the existing and planned bicycle facilities maps were used to identify gaps in the bicycle network. These gaps, paired with information about desired travel patterns obtained through the public outreach program, were valuable in identifying non-corridor specific desire routes segments for regional bicycle travel.

### Regional Corridor Selection Criteria

A series of selection criteria were established to facilitate locating potential regional bike corridors:

- ▶ **Consistent with Local/State Planning** – Proposed bike routes that have been identified in local plans were used as a starting point, with preference for routes in which the jurisdiction has a policy to accommodate bikes (e.g., a complete streets policy).
- ▶ **Supports Tourism and Local/Regional Economy** – Major employment centers and the likelihood of commuters using routes were considered as well as schools and the potential for student use; routes used for race events and/or group riders that enhance tourism were also identified.
- ▶ **Connects Multiple Jurisdictions** – Connections between communities that would create a network of bicycle routes were identified.
- ▶ **Improves Bicycle LOS** – Consideration was given to travel sheds with poor bicycle level of service (LOS) and where significant improvement in bike LOS would result from implementation.
- ▶ **Provides Multimodal Connections** – Existing and future transit service and stop locations were identified and potential bike route connections to transit and park and ride locations were considered, with a focus on connecting to regional transit service.
- ▶ **Connects to Regional Trails/Trailheads** – Existing and future regional trails were identified to assess the potential connections to these trails.
- ▶ **Obstacles to Implementation** – Known obstacles in the vicinity of each potential route were identified, including number of property owners along a trail corridor, right of way (public, private, railroad, ditch, etc.), wildlife habitat and/or environmentally sensitive lands. Routes were selected to minimize potential obstacles (e.g., stream crossings, railroad crossings, interstate crossing, etc.).
- ▶ **Public Input** – Input from the extensive public outreach process, including the survey results, was used to identify routes with a strong public demand for a bicycle connection.

## Regional Bicycle Corridors

Using the criteria described above, and through a collaborative process with the Bike TAC and the local agency councils and boards, a recommended regional bicycle network has been established. Twelve Regional Bicycle Corridors comprise the recommended network, as shown on **Figure 4.1**. Separate maps (**Figures 4.2– 4.13**) and corresponding tables (**Tables 4.1 – 4.12**) for each of the 12 corridors provide pertinent information about each corridor (i.e., existing bicycle facilities along or connecting to the corridor, key local connections, school locations, number of parcels along the corridor, and miles of corridor on-street versus off-street). Each corridor has been divided into segments and the segments are described as:

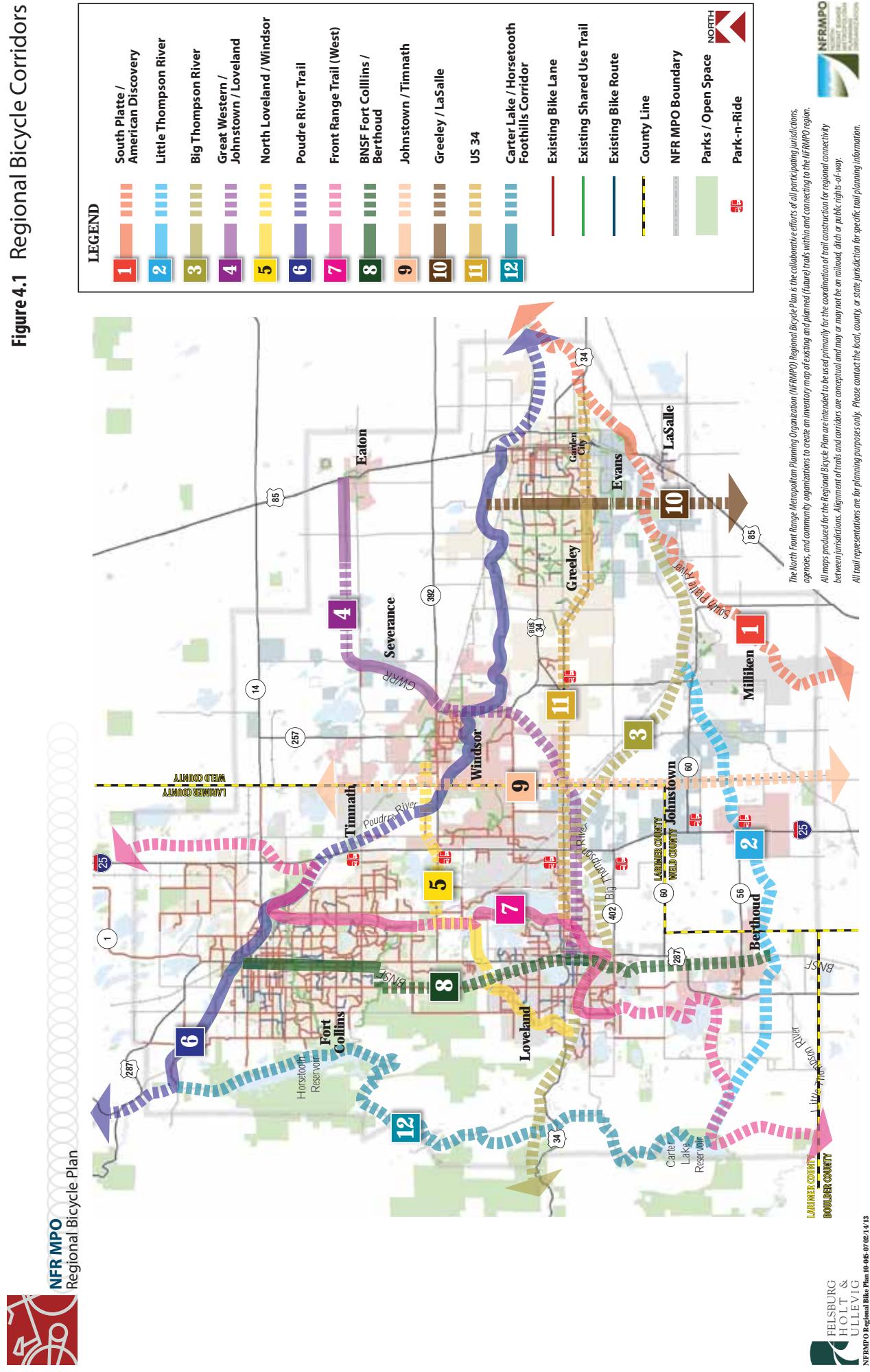
- ▶ **Existing** – this segment of the Regional Bicycle Corridor exists
- ▶ **Planned** – this segment of the Regional Bicycle Corridor does not exist, but it has been identified in one or more local planning document
- ▶ **Future** – this segment of the Regional Bicycle Corridor does not exist, nor has it been identified in a local planning document; it is a new recommendation to complete a needed regional connection

The corridor map is supported with a narrative description each segment in tabular format. The tables include:

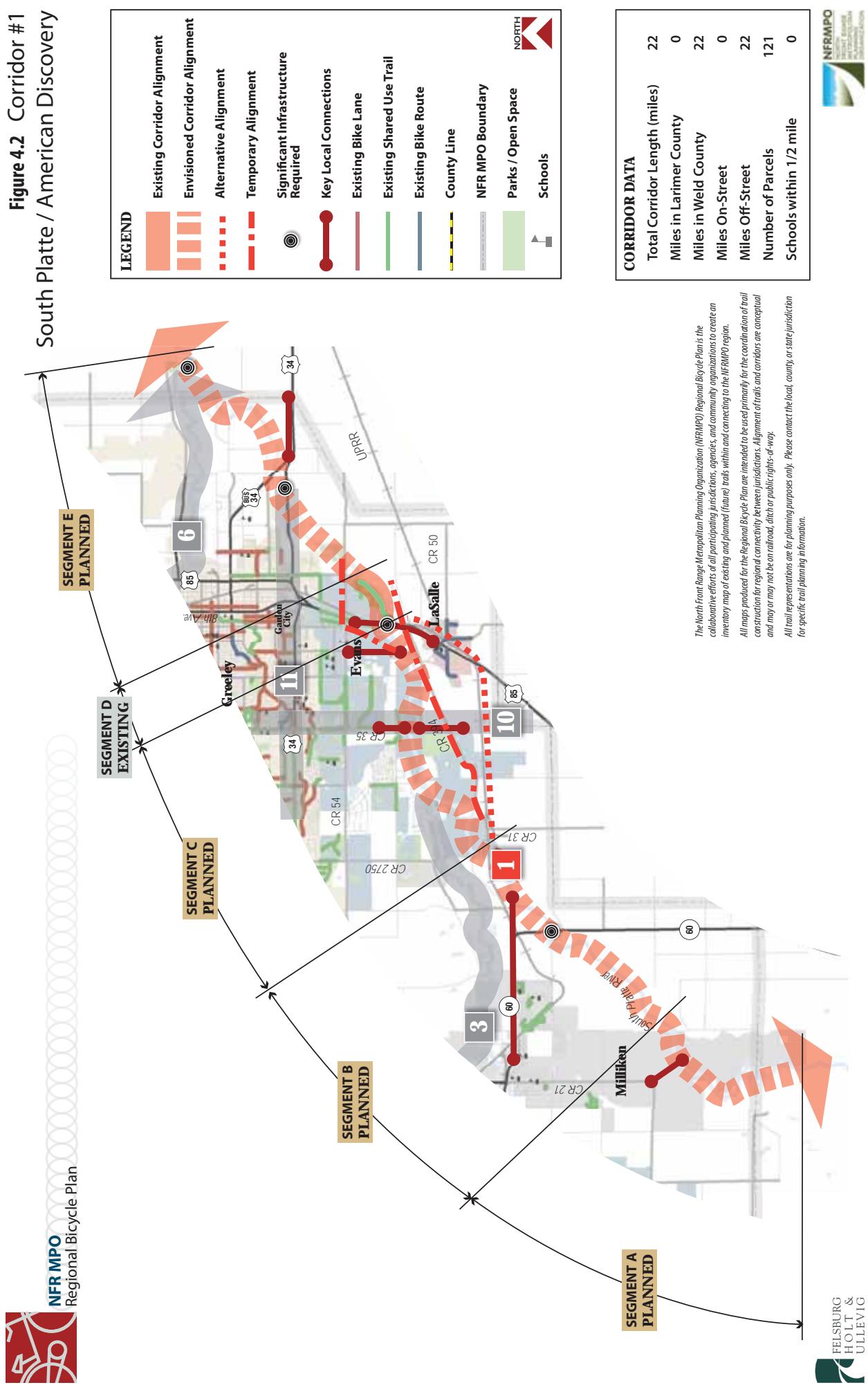
- ▶ **Overview Narrative** – A narrative vision of the entire corridor
- ▶ **Planning References** – A list of plan citations referencing this corridor along with a code (letter) for use in referencing each corridor segment
- ▶ **Segment ID** – The identification of the segment to correspond with the corridor map
- ▶ **Jurisdiction** – The name of the jurisdiction where the segment starts and ends
- ▶ **Description** – A narrative overview of the segment with acknowledgement of local planning, future projects, and opportunities
- ▶ **Plan** – Code referencing the plan citation for the segment
- ▶ **Parks/Natural Areas** – The name of a destination within proximity segment
- ▶ **Transit Connections** – The number of transit stops with a  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile of the segment
- ▶ **Local Connection** – Future infrastructure necessary for municipality/county to access the corridor segment
- ▶ **Significant Infrastructure** – Like infrastructure needed for the segment to be built (bridge, underpass, signalization)
- ▶ **Temporary Alignment** – Short-term trail alignment that could “bridge the gap” until the permanent infrastructure can be built
- ▶ **Alternative Alignment** – Segment alignment that may prove more feasible over time than visualized alignment proposed in plan.

A corridor selection criteria matrix, which documents key attributes of each corridor with respect to the eight evaluation criteria, is included in **Appendix E**.

**Figure 4.1** Regional Bicycle Corridors



**Figure 4.2 Corridor #1  
South Platte / American Discovery**





**Table 4.1 Corridor #1 – South Platte / American Discovery**

PLANNED		JURISDICTION START		JURISDICTION END		DESCRIPTION		PLAN	
Colorado State Parks LaSalle	Evans	Colorado Front Range Trail	Front Range Trail	Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig, March 2004. City of Evans Transportation Plan.	Milliken	Colorado State Parks Online. 2007. Colorado Front Range Trail.	Milliken Transportation Plan.	E	C
American Discover Trail Society Thompson Rivers Park District	Milliken	Milliken	Milliken	Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig, August 2010. Lasalle Transportation Plan.	Weld County	American Discovery Trail Society. "American Discovery Trail: Colorado."	Tetra Tech RMC. 2003. Johnstown-Milliken Parks, Trails, Recreation & Open Space Master Plan.	L	M
Weld County	Greeley	CR 21 / Wild Cat Mounds	Wild Cat Mounds	Weld County Public Works Department. 2011. Weld County 2035 Transportation Plan.	EDAW. 2002. City of Greeley Conceptual Trails Plan.	Connection needed from CR 21 in South Milliken to Wild Cat Mounds and the South Platte Corridor	EDAW. 2002. City of Greeley Conceptual Trails Plan.	A	T
<b>Key Local Connections</b>				<b>Segment 1-A</b>		<b>Segment 1-B</b>		<b>Segment 1-B</b>	



Table 4.1 Corridor #1 – South Platte / American Discovery (cont.)

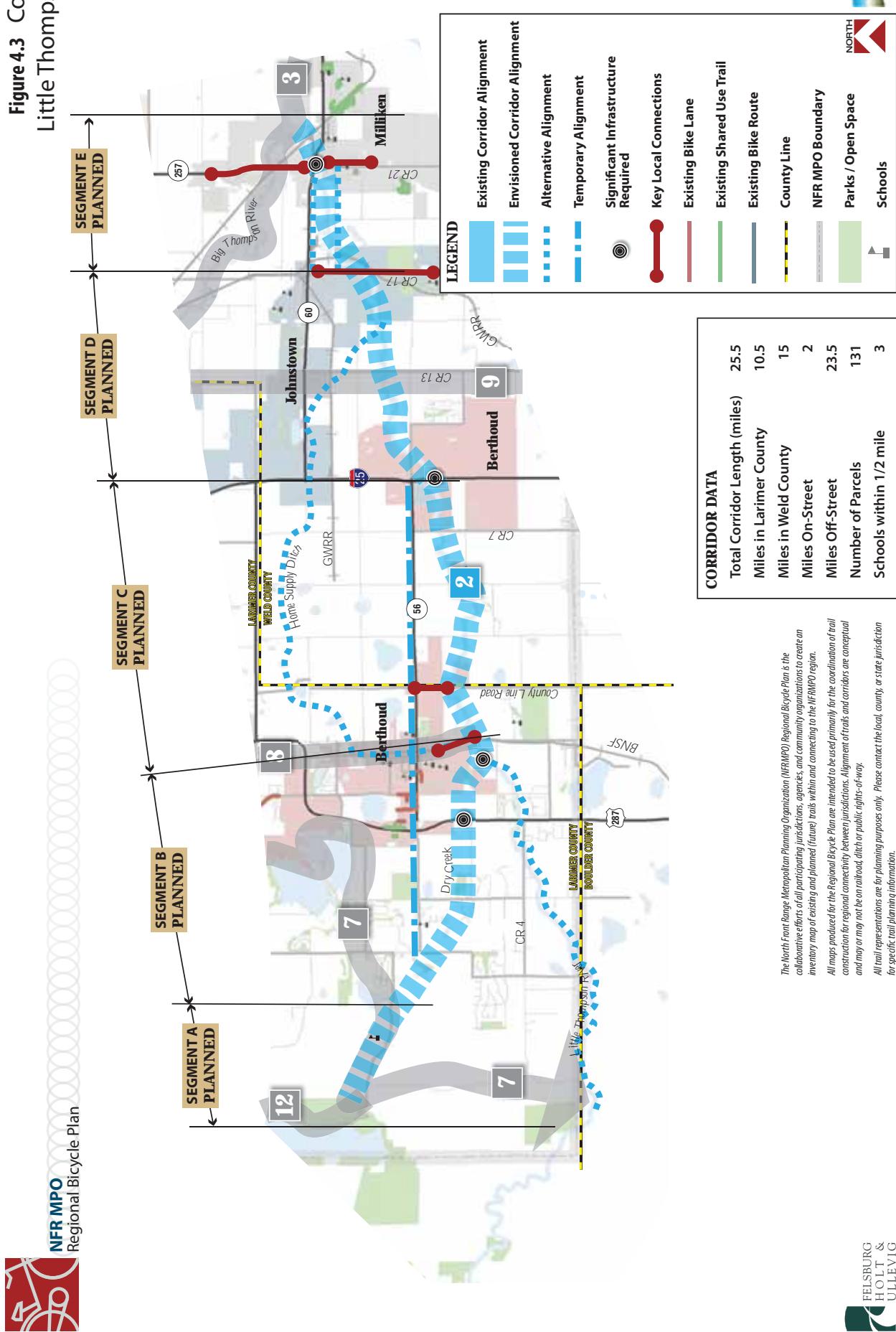
Segment 1-C	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Evans	Evans	This segment runs from WCR 31 to US 85 in Evans. The segment intersects with the Big Thompson Corridor (#3) and the Greeley to LaSalle Corridor (#10). The Johnstown-Milliken Parks, Trails, Recreation & Open Space Master Plan recognizes shared-use trail along this segment. The Town of LaSalle would like the Union Pacific rail line recognized as an alternative alignment as a candidate for a future railbank or shared-use trail to parallel the rail line.	C E A WC L
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
	• Big Thompson River		N/A		
	WCR 35 Northside	Extension of shared use trail south to access the South Platte Corridor from WCR 35 (35th Avenue) in Evans			
	WCR 35 Southside	Bike lanes or shared use trail from Evans GMA on WCR 35 north to the South Platte Corridor			
	Downtown Evans	Bike lanes or shared use trail to connect from Downtown Evans to South Platte Corridor			
	LaSalle to Evans	Bike lanes and shared use trail from LaSalle and Evans to South Platte Corridor			
	Union Pacific	Alignment would parallel Union Pacific from Downtown LaSalle westward and return the South Platte River connecting with Segment 1-B			
	CR 394	Signed bike route or bike lanes with roadway maintenance/improvement could provide temporary alignment until permanent shared use trail constructed			
Segment 1-D	EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Evans	Evans	The City of Evans has constructed a shared-use trail from US 85 to Riverside Park along the northside of the South Platte River.	C E A WC L
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
	• Riverside Park		3		
	Downtown Evans	Bike lanes or shared use trail to connect from Downtown Evans to South Platte Corridor separated from Highway 85			
	Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge	Non-motorist infrastructure desired to cross South Platte and separated from Highway 85			
	Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge	Evans Town Ditch provides two access points to South Platte Corridor from Evans until a permanent shared use trail is constructed.			



Table 4.1 Corridor #1 – South Platte / American Discovery (cont.)

Segment 1-E	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Evans	Weld County	The northernmost segment runs from the eastern City limits of Evans to the confluence of the Poudre and South Platte Rivers. The City of Greeley recognizes this segment as a future shared-use trail within their GMA. The segment intersects with the US 34 Corridor (#1) at US 34 Bypass.	C E A G WC
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
	N/A		1		
<b>Significant Infrastructure Required</b>	34 Crossing	Infrastructure required where South Platte Corridor crosses US 34 Business and/or Bypass.			
<b>Key Local Connections</b>	Kersey	Bike lanes or shared use trail connection to Kersey parallel to US 34 to provide access to Greeley and Evans.			
<b>Significant Infrastructure Required</b>	Poudre Corridor Connections	Infrastructure required to connect South Platte River to Poudre River Corridor dependent on future trail alignments for both corridors.			

**Figure 4.3 Corridor #2  
Little Thompson River**





**Table 4.2 Corridor #2 - Little Thompson River**

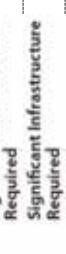
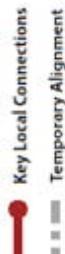
Segment 2-A	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	CODE
	Larimer County	Larimer County		This segment follows LCR 8E and Dry Creek from Carter Lake—the western corridor terminus. Carter Lake is recognized as a regionally-significant destination for bicyclists. LCR 8E is identified by Larimer County to receive shoulder improvements conducive for bicycle lanes when this roadway is scheduled roadway maintenance. Dry Creek may provide a parallel alignment for a shared use trail continuation from Segment B of this corridor. This segment connects with the Carter Lake/Horsetooth Corridor (#12) and the Front Range Trail (West - #7).	LC C
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Carter Lake</li> <li>Flatiron Reservoir</li> <li>Hertha Reservoir</li> </ul>	N/A			
	Little Thompson to Boulder County	The historically-recognized alignment is preserved as an alternative alignment in this plan and would connect with the Front Range Trail (West - #7).			
Segment 2-B	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	Larimer County	Berthoud		This segment parallels Dry Creek from LCR8E to BNSF Corridor (#8) through Larimer County. The segment diverges from the historically-recognized Little Thompson River trail corridor to instead provide direct access to Carter Lake along Dry Creek.	LC B
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Little Thompson River</li> </ul>	N/A			
	Little Thompson to Boulder County	The historically-recognized alignment is preserved as an alternative alignment in this plan and would connect with the Front Range Trail (West - #7).			
	Significant Infrastructure Required	Crossing 287		Infrastructure required where Dry Creek and Little Thompson River crosses US 287	
	Significant Infrastructure Required	Crossing BNSF		Infrastructure required where Little Thompson River crosses US 287	
	Key Local Connections	Downtown Berthoud		Bike lanes or shared use trail connecting downtown Berthoud to Little Thompson Corridor. Connection may parallel BNSF Corridor (#8)	
	Temporary Alignment	CO 36 / LCR 8		Future bike lanes could provide temporary alignment until permanent shared use trail constructed	
	Alternative Alignment	Home Supply Ditch		Home Supply Ditch could provide a similar connection to Berthoud, Weld County and Johnstown along existing service road.	



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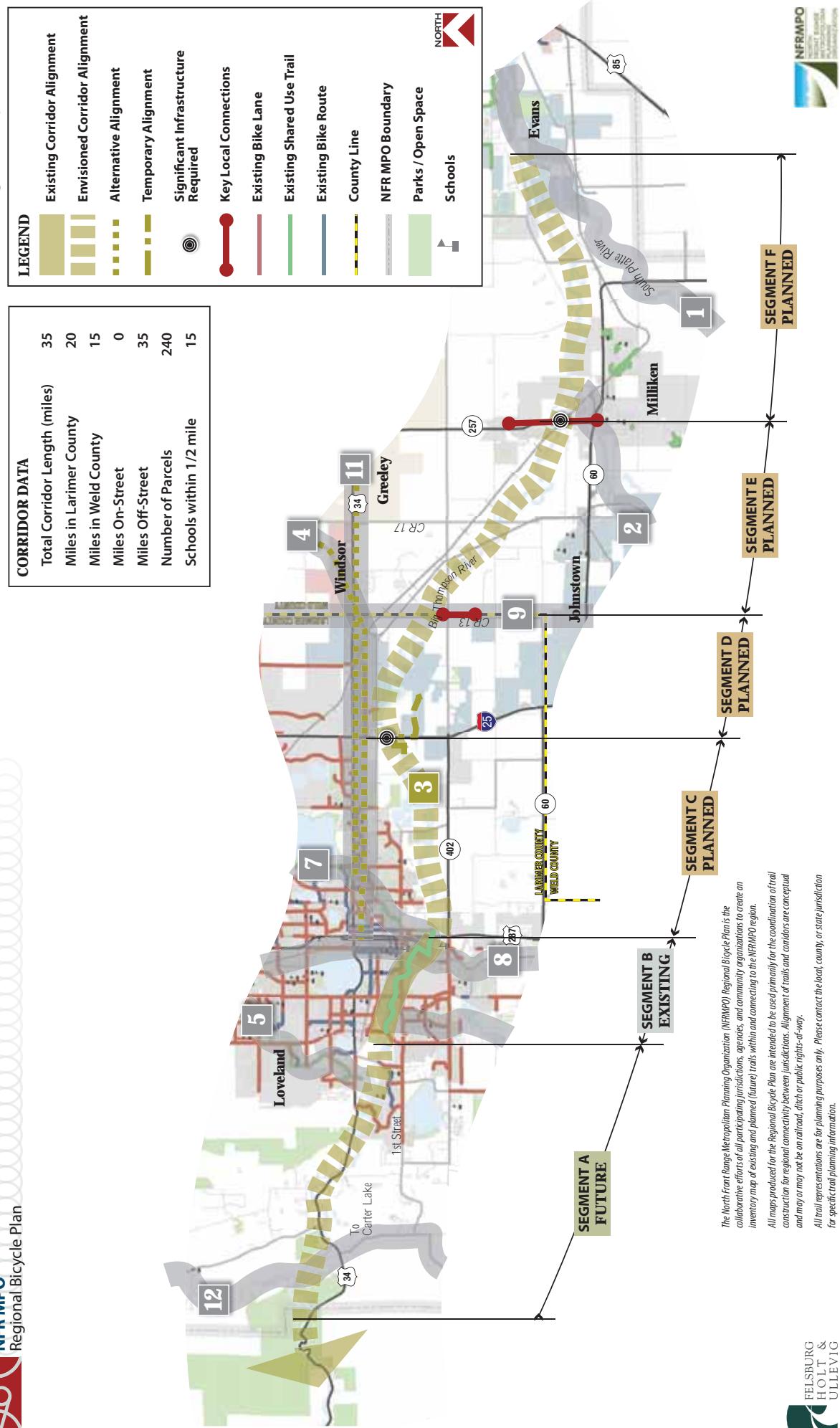
Segment 2-C	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	Berthoud	Berthoud	Berthoud	This segment crosses the Larimer and Weld County line between the BNSF Corridor (#8) and the Berthoud annexation at I-25. The segment connects to the CO-56 Park and Ride.	LC B T
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS		TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
	• Gilnocky Equestrian Center		N/A		
<b>Significant Infrastructure Required</b>	Crossing I-25	As I-25 expands, an underpass for the Little Thompson Corridor will be necessary for movement across the interstate and from the Park & Ride at CO-56.			
<b>Alternative Alignment</b>	Home Supply Ditch	Home Supply Ditch could provide a similar connection to Berthoud, Weld County and Johnstown along existing service road.			
<b>Temporary Alignment</b>	CO 56	Future bike lanes could provide temporary alignment until permanent shared use trail constructed			
<b>Key Local Connections</b>	East Berthoud	Bike lanes or shared use trail connecting East Berthoud to Little Thompson Corridor.			
Segment 2-D	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	Berthoud	Berthoud	Johnstown	This segment travels from the CO-56 Park and Ride at I-25 through Berthoud and Weld County to Parish Avenue in Johnstown. The segment intersects with the Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#9).	B J T
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS		TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
	• Pioneer Ridge Elementary School		N/A		
<b>Alternative Alignment</b>	Home Supply Ditch	Home Supply Ditch could provide a similar connection to Berthoud, Weld County and Johnstown along existing service road.			
<b>Key Local Connections</b>	CR 17 / Pioneer Ridge	Bike lanes or shared use trail to provide access to the Little Thompson Corridor from downtown Johnstown and Pioneer Ridge			



Table 4.2 Corridor #2 - Little Thompson River (cont.)

Segment 2-E	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	Johnstown	Milliken		This segment runs from Parish Avenue in Johnstown to the Big Thompson Corridor (#3) in Milliken. The segment would provide a necessary connection between the two communities and provide bicycle access to their shared Middle- and High Schools along with the Thompson Rivers Parks District facilities.	J T M
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS		TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
	• Centennial Lake		N/A		
	• Milliken Water Works Pool				
	Alternative Alignment	CO 60		Bike lanes or shared use trail parallel to CO-60 to provide an alternative connection between the towns and their shared Middle- and High School	
	Alternative Alignment	WCR 46 ½		Bike lanes or shared use trail parallel to CO-60 to provide an alternative connection between the towns and their shared Middle- and High School	
	Key Local Connections	CR 21		Bike lanes or shared use trail to provide access to the Little Thompson Corridor from south Milliken and South Platte Corridor (#1)	
	Key Local Connections	CO 257		Bike lanes or shared use trail to provide access to the Little Thompson Corridor from Mad Russian subdivision.	
	Significant Infrastructure Required	Crossing 60/257		Infrastructure required where the Little Thompson River crosses CO-60/CO-257 and connects into the Big Thompson River.	

**Figure 4.4 Corridor #3  
Big Thompson River**





**Table 4.3 Corridor #3 - Big Thompson River**

Segment 3-A	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Larimer County	Loveland	This segment parallels US 34 from the mouth of the Big Thompson Canyon past Devil's Backbone to connect with a built segment of Loveland's Recreation Trail. A remaining segment of the Recreation Trail would close the southwestern portion of the loop around Loveland and bring the Big Thompson Corridor closer to connecting with Devil's Backbone. The shared use trail connection of the Big Thompson Corridor with the Carter Lake/Horsetooth Corridor is expected to be explored by Larimer County with their upcoming Open Lands Plan Update (2013).	LC
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Devil's Backbone • Namaqua Park	N/A		
Segment 3-B	EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Loveland	Loveland	This shared use trail is the only completed segment of the Big Thompson Corridor. This segment is shared with the Front Range Trail (West #7) and crosses the BNSF Corridor (#8).	L C T
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Centennial Park • Fairgrounds Park	11		



**Table 4.3 Corridor #3 - Big Thompson River (cont.)**

Segment 3-C	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	Larimer County  PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	Larimer County  TRANSIT CONNECTIONS	Larimer County  TRANSIT CONNECTIONS	This segment connects from US-287 in Loveland to I-25 by shared use trail. The river passes near two State Wildlife Areas (ponds currently available for fishing, hunting, and wildlife viewing) before arriving at I-25. The City of Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan recognizes this segment as "Future Improvement" to I-25 through their GMA.	LC J T
	• Big Thompson and Simpson Ponds State Wildlife Areas	2			
	Crossing I-25	As I-25 expands, an underpass for the Big Thompson Corridor will be necessary for movement across the interstate.			
	Thompson Crossing	A temporary alignment and crossing could leave the Big Thompson at LCR 5E under I-25 to Thompson Crossing back northeast from River Ranch Pkwy.			
Segment 3-D	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	Larimer County  PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	Larimer County  TRANSIT CONNECTIONS	Larimer County  TRANSIT CONNECTIONS	This segment connects from I-25 to the County Line by shared use trail. The river passes through portions of Johnstown and Loveland's GMA. The trail segment would connect with the Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#9) at the County Line.	J T
	N/A	N/A	N/A		
	Thompson Crossing	A temporary alignment and crossing could leave the Big Thompson at LCR 5E under I-25 to Thompson Crossing back northeast from River Ranch Pkwy.			
	Johnstown Access	Bike lanes or shared use trail to provide access to the Big Thompson Corridor from north Johnstown neighborhoods.			
Segment 3-E	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	Weld County  PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	Milliken  TRANSIT CONNECTIONS	Milliken  TRANSIT CONNECTIONS	This segment connects from the County Line to CO-257 by shared use trail. The river passes through portions of Johnstown and Weld County. The trail segment would connect with the Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#9) at the County Line.	J T M
	Milliken Access	Bike lanes or shared use trail to provide access to the Big Thompson Corridor from Milliken neighborhoods.			



Table 4.3 Corridor #3 - Big Thompson River (cont.)

Segment	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
3-F		Milliken	Evans	This segment connects from CO-257 to the South Platte River Corridor (#1) by shared use trail. The river passes through portions of Milliken and Weld County before it terminates in Evans. The trail segment would also connect with the Little Thompson River Corridor (#3) in Milliken.	J T M



PARKS / NATURAL AREAS

N/A

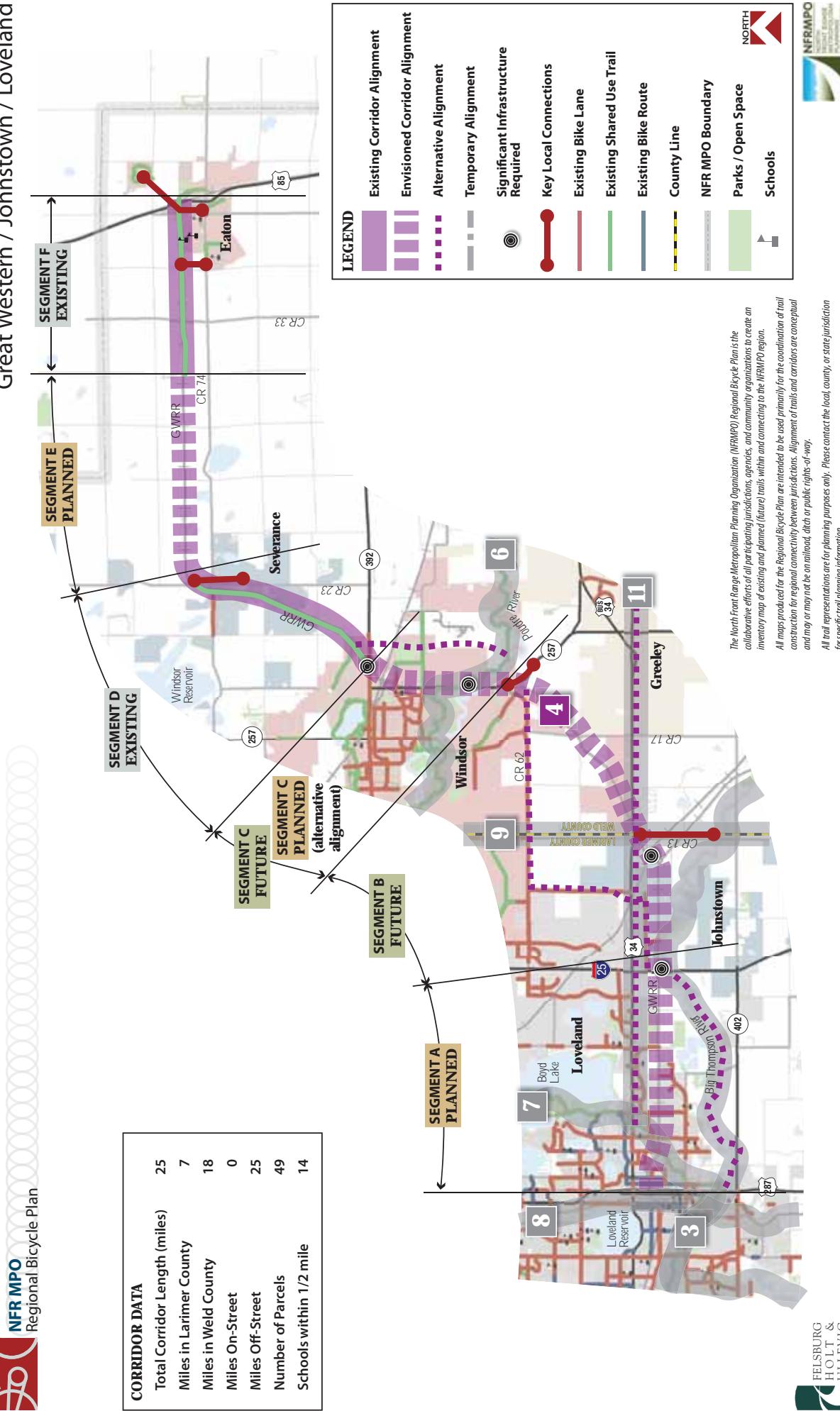
TRANSIT CONNECTIONS

N/A



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Figure 4.5 Corridor #4  
Great Western / Johnstown / Loveland





**Table 4.4 Corridor #4 – Great Western / Johnstown / Loveland**

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ENTITY	TITLE			
Windsor	Town of Windsor April 2007			
Eaton	Town of Eaton Colorado. 2003.			
Larimer County	Parks and Recreation Plan.			
Loveland	DHM Design Corporation. 2001. Larimer County Open Lands Master Plan.			
	LSA Associates. 2012. City of Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. City of Loveland.			
	Loveland			
Segment 4-A PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	Loveland	Loveland	This segment would connect downtown Loveland to I-25 parallel to the Great Western Railroad (Rails-with-Trails). The segment is recognized in the City of Loveland's Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan from the BNSF Railroad to North Denver Avenue. The shared use recreational trail would bring the bicyclist to Centerra retail area at I-25 & 34.	L
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
	• Big Thompson and Simpson Ponds State Wildlife Areas	27		
Alternative Alignment	US 34 Corridor	Loveland recognizes Enhanced Bike Lanes along US 34 as a "Future Improvement" in their Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan that could provide an alternative.		
Significant Infrastructure Required	Crossing I-25	As I-25 expands, an under pass for the Great Western Corridor will be necessary for movement across the interstate.		
Alternative Alignment	Big Thompson River	The Big Thompson River Corridor (#3) could serve as an alternative trail alignment for connecting into the Great Western Corridor at I-25.		
Segment 4-B FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	Loveland	Windsor	This segment would parallel the Great Western Railroad (Rails-with-Trails) from I-25 through portions of Loveland, Johnstown, Larimer County, and Weld County before arriving in Windsor. The corridor crosses both the Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#9) and the US 34 Corridor (#1) at County Line Road.	L
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
	N/A	N/A		
Alternative Alignment	US 34 Corridor	The US 34 Corridor (#11) recognizes a shared use trail that could provide an alternative alignment to meet the Great Western Corridor at I-25.		
Alternative Alignment	Crossroads / LCR 3	The bike lanes on Crossroads Blvd could be an alternative route that could cross into Centerra along LCR 3 and meet the Great Western Corridor at I-25.		
Key Local Connections	West Greeley	Bike lanes or shared use trail to provide access to the Great West Corridor in the future from West Greeley.		



Table 4.4 Corridor #4 – Great Western / Johnstown / Loveland (cont.)

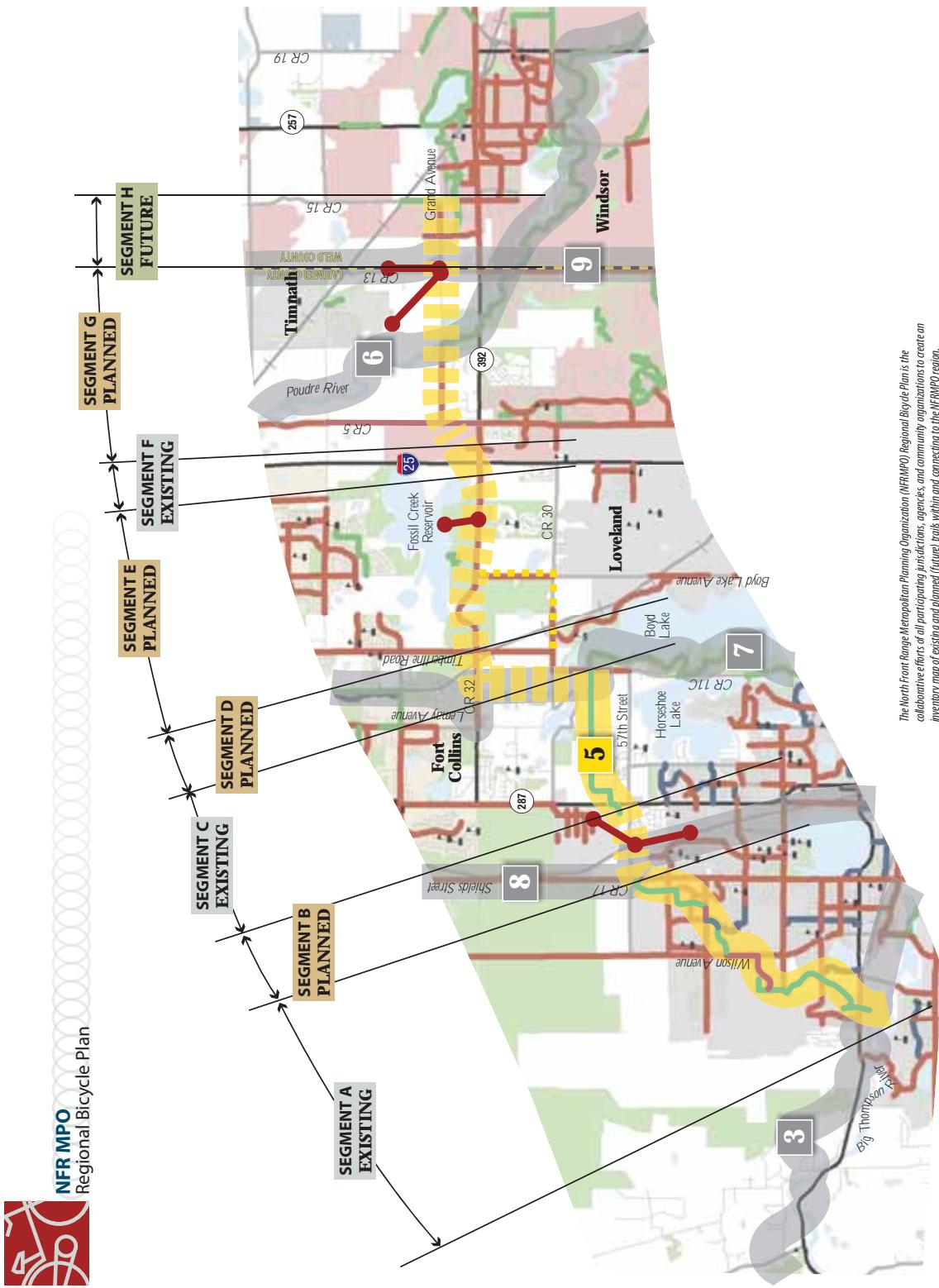
Segment 4-C	FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Windsor	Windsor	This segment parallels (Rails-with-Trails) CO-257 as it travels south from CO-392. The corridor would cross the Poudre River Corridor (#6) on east side of the Water Valley development. The segment also crosses a recognized future trailway along the Eaton Ditch in Windsor through Water Valley.	W
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chimney Park</li> <li>• Folkstone Park</li> <li>• Windsor Village Park</li> </ul>	N/A		
<b>Alternative Alignment</b>		Consolidated Law Ditch		Windsor recognizes the Consolidated Law Ditch as a parallel alignment to the BNSF that would connect the railbank to the Poudre River Corridor (#6)	
<b>Significant Infrastructure Required</b>		Poudre River Crossing		A bicycle and pedestrian crossing of the Poudre River will be required on both identified alignments	
Segment 4-D	EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Windsor	Severance	This segment currently exists between the Towns of Severance and Windsor. The segment has successfully received Safe Routes to School and Greater Outdoor Colorado (GOCO) funding in 2012 for earthwork, landscaping and access to Severance Middle School. The corridor travels along multiple Severance subdivisions providing access to the Windsor. The rail bank terminates in this segment at CO-392 where the active line Great Western begins.	W S
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law Reservoir</li> <li>• Severance Middle School</li> <li>• Francis Brownell Mem. Park</li> </ul>	N/A		
<b>Significant Infrastructure Required</b>		Poudre River Crossing		Windsor recognizes the Consolidated Law Ditch as a parallel alignment to the BNSF that would connect the railbank to the Poudre River Corridor (#6)	
<b>Key Local Connections</b>		Downtown Severance		Bike lanes to provide access to the Great Western Corridor from Severance neighborhoods.	
Segment 4-E	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Severance	Weld County	This segment was a part of the original railbank of the Great Western Trail Authority. The segment is currently undeveloped as ownership of the abandoned rail line had been legally contested (see <a href="http://judicialview.com/Court-cases/Civil-Remedies&gt;Title-to-Abandoned-Railroad-Right-of-Way-Contested/11/4601">http://judicialview.com/Court-cases/Civil-Remedies&gt;Title-to-Abandoned-Railroad-Right-of-Way-Contested/11/4601</a> ). The segment will ultimately connect Eaton to Severance, Windsor, and the Poudre River Corridor (#6) through this rural segment.	S E
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Woods Lake</li> <li>• Angel Lake</li> </ul>	N/A		



**Table 4.4 Corridor #4 – Great Western / Johnstown / Loveland (cont.)**

Segment 4-F	EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Weld County	Eaton	This eastern-most segment of the Great Western corridor is undeveloped, but open and signed for bicycle use. The segment provides access to two schools in the northwest portion of Eaton. The town has identified a challenge crossing US 85 to access the eastern terminus of the trail while providing access for the Hawkstone development to the northeast of US 85. The town will be crafting a Transportation Plan in 2013 that will include an evaluation of their local bicycle infrastructure.	E
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
	N/A		N/A		
<b>Key Local Connections</b>	West Eaton	Bike lanes to provide access to the Great Western Corridor from Eaton neighborhoods.			
<b>Key Local Connections</b>	Hawkstone Neighborhood	Bike lanes to provide access to the Great Western Corridor from Hawkstone development.			

**Figure 4.6 Corridor #5  
North Loveland / Windsor**



The North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization (NFRMPO) Regional Bike Plan is the collaborative effort of all participating jurisdictions, agencies, and community organizations to create an inventory map of existing and planned (future) trails within and connecting to the NFRMPO region. All maps produced for the Regional Bike Plan are intended to be used primarily for the coordination of trail construction for regional connectivity between jurisdictions. Alignment of trails and corridors are conceptual and may or may not be an on-road, ditch or public rights-of-way. All trail representations are for planning purposes only. Please contact the local, county, or state jurisdiction for specific trail planning information.



**Table 4.5 Corridor #5 – North Loveland / Windsor**

Segment 5-A		EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	The North Loveland to Windsor corridor will support bicycle travel from Windsor across the countyline into the southern portion of Fort Collins, the Front Range Trail (West – #7) and the western arc of Loveland's Recreation Trail. The trail attempts to route bicycle traffic away from CO-392 along the parallel section of LCR 11 to the North. The trail also leverages the newly constructed bicycle lanes across the upgraded (2012) Fort Collins/Windsor bridge at CO – 392 to access the bicycle lanes and future shared-use trail on the southern boundary of Fossil Creek Reservoir.	Loveland	Loveland	Loveland	This segment follows the Loveland Recreation Trail that serves as the backbone of Loveland's bicycle network. The corridor terminates into the Big Thompson Corridor (#3) and US 34. The segment currently is a collection of shared use trails, bike lanes, and signed bike routes.	L
Segment 5-B		PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	The North Loveland to Windsor corridor will support bicycle travel from Windsor across the countyline into the southern portion of Fort Collins, the Front Range Trail (West – #7) and the western arc of Loveland's Recreation Trail. The trail attempts to route bicycle traffic away from CO-392 along the parallel section of LCR 11 to the North. The trail also leverages the newly constructed bicycle lanes across the upgraded (2012) Fort Collins/Windsor bridge at CO – 392 to access the bicycle lanes and future shared-use trail on the southern boundary of Fossil Creek Reservoir.	Loveland	Loveland	Loveland	One of the few gaps in the Loveland Recreation Trail, this section of 57 <sup>th</sup> street would connect two sections of constructed shared-use trail. Loveland currently recognizes the segment as a "Medium Priority" improvement in the City of Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. The BNSF Corridor (#8) crosses this segment. The bike lanes on Shields leading to Long View Farm and Fort Collins are accessible from this undeveloped segment.	L
	<b>Key Local Connections</b>	Long View Farm Open Space	North Loveland	Bike lanes or shared use trail to provide access to the North Loveland to Windsor Corridor separated from US 287 and CR 17.		
	<b>Key Local Connections</b>	Walmart Shopping Center	Walmart Shopping Center	Bike lanes or shared use trail to provide access from Walmart Corridor to North Loveland to Walmart Shopping Center separated from US 287 & CR 17.		



Table 4.5 Corridor #5 – North Loveland / Windsor (cont.)

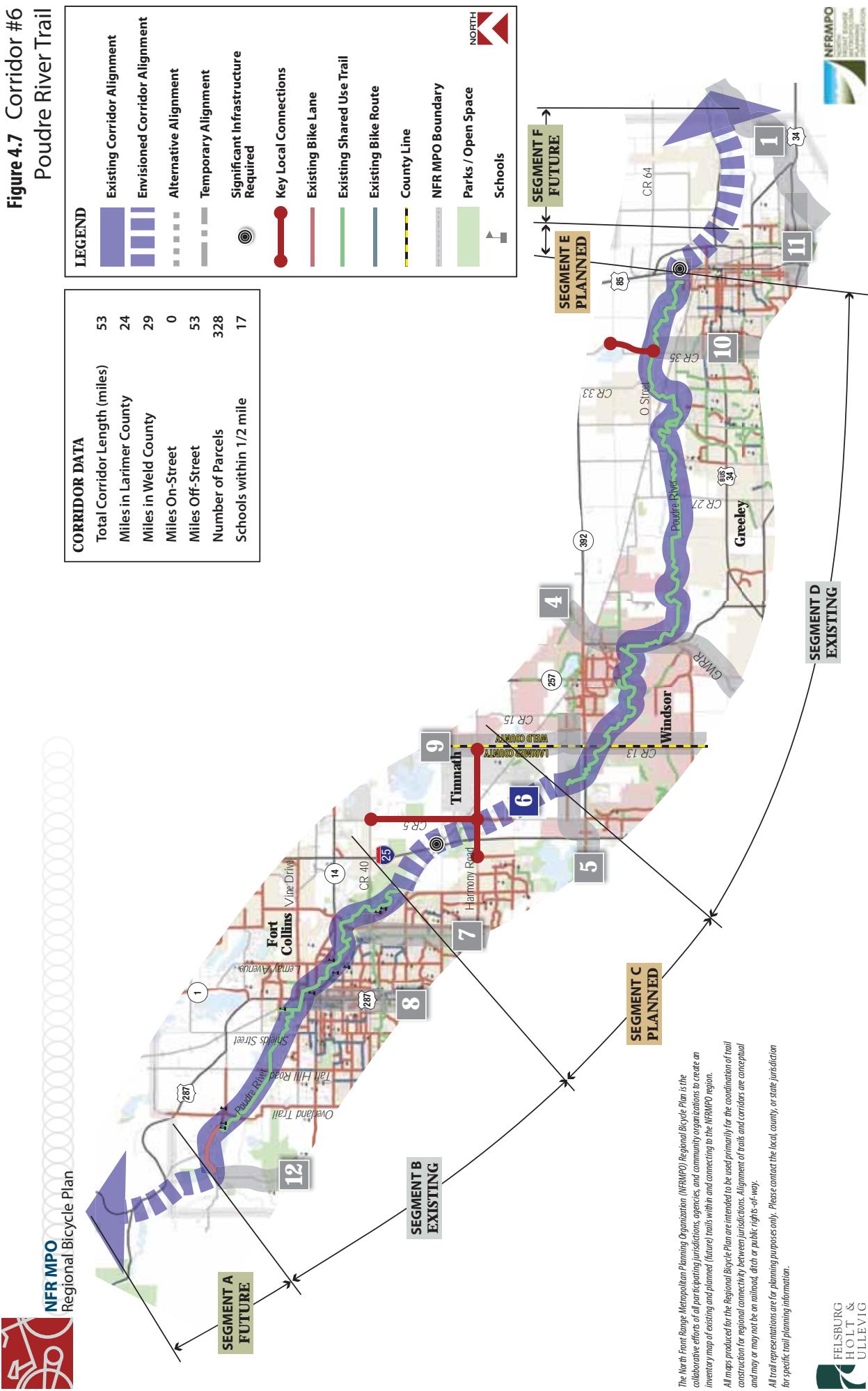
Segment	EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
Segment 5-C		Loveland	Loveland	This segment follows the Loveland Recreation Trail that serves as the backbone of Loveland's bicycle network. The newly constructed shared use trail parallels 57th street (to the north) and connects with the Front Range Trail (West - #7) near Boyd Lake.	L C
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Boyd Lake	5		
Segment 5-D	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Loveland	Fort Collins	This segment, when developed, will share the Front Range Trail (West-#7) between CO 392 and Loveland's Recreation Trail. This segments will ultimately connect Fort Collins and Loveland through Larimer County by shared-use trail the will provide an alternative to the bike lanes LCR 17 and US 287. The segment will likely be constructed by 2014.	F L C
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Boyd Lake	N/A		
Segment 5-E	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Fort Collins	Fort Collins	The vision for this segment is a shared-use trail from Timberline in Fort Collins to 392 Bridge shared by Fort Collins and Windsor. Fort Collins recognizes a shared use trail alignment along the south border of Fossil Creek Reservoir in their City of Fort Collins Bicycle Plan Update. This alignment would separate the bicycle commuter from motorists on the existing bike lane on CO-392. A worn gravel single-track currently exists through portions of the property.	F
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Pelican Marsh	N/A		
		• Duck Lake			
		• Fossil Creek Reservoir			
		LCR 9 to LCR 30		This temporary alignment provides existing bike lanes for the commuter to bypass much of CO-392 and the Timberline intersection.	
		Southeast Fort Collins		Shared use trail through east side of Fossil Creek reservoir would provide access to newly constructed bicycle lanes across the 392 bridge into Windsor	



Table 4.5 Corridor #5 – North Loveland / Windsor (cont.)

Segment 5-F		EXISTING		JURISDICTION START		JURISDICTION END		DESCRIPTION		PLAN	
				Fort Collins		Windsor		This segment follows the newly constructed bicycle lane across the I-25/392 bridge between Fort Collins and Windsor. This is the second bridge (Harmony) over I-25 in NFRMPO region to have bicycle lanes.		W	F
				PARKS / NATURAL AREAS		TRANSIT CONNECTIONS					
				• Fossil Creek Reservoir		N/A					
Segment 5-G		PLANNED		JURISDICTION START		JURISDICTION END		DESCRIPTION		PLAN	
				Windsor		Larimer County		From the 392 Bridge, this segment would follow an extended Westgate Drive onto Jacoby Road. The segment would then follow LCR 11 eastbound into Windsor along bike lanes. A trailhead for the Poudre Trail with access to Fort Collins already intersects with this corridor. Larimer County recognizes future shoulder expansion along this segment when maintenance of this county road is scheduled.		W	LC
				PARKS / NATURAL AREAS		TRANSIT CONNECTIONS					
				• River Bluffs Open Space @ Poudre River		N/A					
				Key Local Connections		LCR 3 via Greeley No. 2 Canal		Shared use trail could provide access to Timnath along ditch into existing trail connecting Windsor Lake and downtown Windsor.			
Segment 5-H		FUTURE		JURISDICTION START		JURISDICTION END		DESCRIPTION		PLAN	
				Larimer County		Windsor		The eastern-most segment of the corridor connects crosses the Greeley No. 2 Canal and terminates at CR 15 and Windsor's robust bicycle network. Larimer County recognizes future shoulder expansion along this segment when maintenance of this county road is scheduled.		W	LC
				PARKS / NATURAL AREAS		TRANSIT CONNECTIONS					
				• Lake Windsor via Greeley No. 2 Canal		N/A					
				• Grandview Elementary							
				Key Local Connections		Timnath		Bike lanes to connect from Timnath to corridor.			

**Figure 4.7 Corridor #6  
Poudre River Trail**





**Table 4.6 Corridor #6 - Poudre River Trail**

Segment 6-A	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	ENTITY	TITLE	CODE
		Larimer County	Larimer County	Greeley Timnath Colorado State Parks Larimer County Windsor Fort Collins Weld County	City of Greeley, 2011. 2035 Comprehensive Transportation Plan. Town of Timnath, 2005. Trails Plan. Colorado State Parks Online. Colorado Front Range Trail. DHM Design Corporation. 2001. Larimer County Open Lands Master Plan. Town of Windsor; April 2007. Town of Windsor Comprehensive Plan. City of Fort Collins. 2008. Bicycle Plan and Update. Weld County Public Works Department. 2011. Weld County 2035 Transportation Plan.	G T C LC W F WC
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		• Poudre River Canyon • Watson Lake	N/A		This segment would connect with the Carter Lake to Horsetooth Corridor (#12) before leaving the NFRMPO region towards the mouth of the Poudre River, Ted's Place, and Laramie along the proposed alignment of the Colorado State Park's Front Range Trail.	LC C F
Segment 6-B	FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	ENTITY	TITLE	CODE
		Larimer County	Fort Collins	Larimer County PARKS / NATURAL AREAS • Lion's Park • Lee Martinez Park • Riverbend Ponds Natural Area	This segment is currently constructed and intersects with two regional corridors: the Front Range Trail (West - #7) and the BNSF Corridor (#8).	LC
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS			C F
		•	59			
Segment 6-C	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	ENTITY	TITLE	CODE
		Fort Collins	Larimer County	Larimer County PARKS / NATURAL AREAS • Arapahoe Bend Natural Area • River Bluffs Open Space	This segment has received Greater Outdoor Colorado funding (2012) to connect Fort Collins to Timnath and close proximity Windsor over I-25 and through portions of Larimer County. The segment will include the first bicycle and pedestrian bridge over I-25 in the NFRMPO Region. The corridor will provide the bicycle commuter access to the Harmony Park and Ride and a likely future transit connection into Fort Collins.	LC C F T
		TRANSIT CONNECTIONS				
		Downtown Timnath	North Timnath		Bike lanes along Harmony connecting this corridor to Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#9) and the Harmony Park and Ride.	
		Key Local Connections	Key Local Connections		Bike lanes or shared use trail parallel to LCR 5 to connect North Timnath residents and Timnath Reservoir along LCR 40.	



**Table 4.6 Corridor #6 - Poudre River Trail (cont.)**

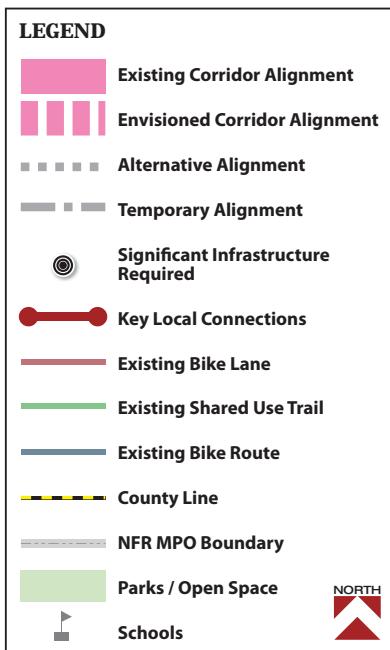
Segment	EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
<b>Segment 6-D</b>		Larimer County	Greeley	This segment is currently constructed between River Bluffs Open Space in Larimer County to North 11 <sup>th</sup> Avenue in Greeley. The segment intersects with the Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#9) and the Great Western Corridor (#4).	LC C W G
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>River Bluffs Open Space</li> <li>Eastman Park</li> <li>Island Grove Park</li> </ul>			
<b>Key Local Connections</b>		Eaton to Poudre Trail	Bike lanes or shared use trail connecting Eaton to Poudre Trail could be explored in the Eaton Transportation Plan (2013).		
Segment	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
<b>Segment 6-E</b>		Greeley	Weld County	This segment is recognized by the City of Greeley as a future trail in their GMA as a connection crossing US-85. The segment is also recognized on the Colorado Front Range Trail.	C G
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Island Grove Park</li> <li>Sunrise (Splash) Park</li> </ul>	N/A		
<b>Significant Infrastructure Required</b>		US 85 Crossing	Segment will require infrastructure to cross US 85 from this corridor.		
Segment	FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
<b>Segment 6-F</b>		Weld County	Weld County	This segment is recognized by the City of Greeley as a future trail in their GMA as a connection crossing US-85. The segment is also recognized on the Colorado Front Range Trail that ties into the South Platte River corridor (#1).	C G
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confluence of the South Platte River</li> </ul>	N/A		



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**Figure 4.8 Corridor #7  
Front Range Trail (West)**



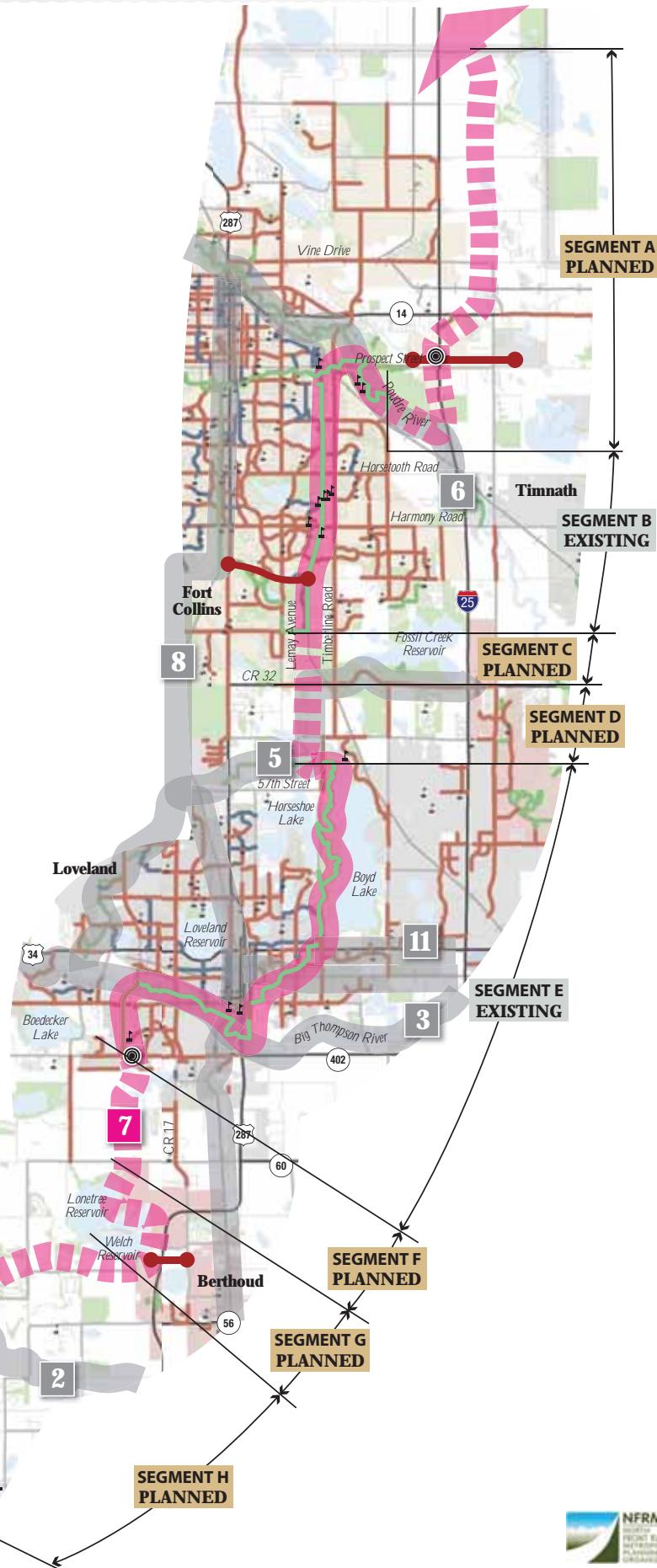
The North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization (NFRMPO) Regional Bicycle Plan is the collaborative efforts of all participating jurisdictions, agencies, and community organizations to create an inventory map of existing and planned (future) trails within and connecting to the NFRMPO region.

All maps produced for the Regional Bicycle Plan are intended to be used primarily for the coordination of trail construction for regional connectivity between jurisdictions. Alignment of trails and corridors are conceptual and may or may not be on railroad, ditch or public rights-of-way.

All trail representations are for planning purposes only. Please contact the local, county, or state jurisdiction for specific trail planning information.

#### CORRIDOR DATA

Total Corridor Length (miles)	35
Miles in Larimer County	35
Miles in Weld County	0
Miles On-Street	3
Miles Off-Street	32
Number of Parcels	797
Schools within 1/2 mile	43





**Table 4.7 Corridor #7 – Front Range Trail (West)**

Segment 7-A	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Larimer County	Fort Collins	This northern most segment of the corridor would start at the Poudre River Corridor (#6) and follow Boxelder Creek north towards Cheyenne outside the NFRMPO region.	
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS	<i>NOTE: While the scope of the project ends at the northern terminus of the MPO planning area, it is important to note the regional nature of this corridor. With a metro population of 80,000, Cheyenne is located 30 miles to the north. As the capital of Wyoming and northern capstone of the Front Range, it is an important destination for regional and cross country touring cyclists. The ultimate goal is to create a viable complement and alternative to the Transamerica Route that opts for the western slope.</i>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boxelder Creek</li> <li>• North &amp; South Grey Reservoir</li> </ul>	N/A	Local connection from Timnath to Fort Collins to provide access to corridor at Box Elder and a safe crossing under I-25.	
	East Prospect Road	Crossing I-25	As I-25 expands, an underpass for Boxelder Creek will be necessary for movement across the interstate		
Segment 7-B	EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Fort Collins	Fort Collins	This segment follows the Poudre Trail Corridor to the Fort Collins's Spring Creek and Power Trails. The Power Trail is constructed entirely through this segment terminating at Trilly Road except for the crossing at Harmony (a temporary alignment serves to bridge this intersection). All completed intersections have signaled bicycle crossings.	
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EPIC / Spring Creek Trail</li> <li>• Golden Meadows Park</li> </ul>	35			
	McMurray to Keenland	McMurray to Keenland	The trail intersection at Harmony can be crossed using McMurray to cross Harmony at a signal (traveling south) and Keenland to return to the trail.		
	Connection to BNSF	Connection to BNSF	Local connection need to route travelers along the Front Range Trail to the BNSF Corridor (#8) should they seek access to central portions of Fort Collins		



**Table 4.7 Corridor #7 - Front Range Trail (West) (cont.)**

Segment	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
Segment 7-C	A photograph showing a body of water with trees and foliage along the shore.	Fort Collins	Fort Collins	The Power Trail will tie into the Fossil Creek Trail which will travel south to its end at Carpenter Road. The City of Fort Collins anticipates the trail being completed in 2013	C F
Segment 7-D	A photograph of a lake surrounded by trees and a paved path or road.	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS • Fossil Creek Reservoir Natural Area • Fossil Creek Wetlands	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS N/A	The City of Loveland and Larimer County will be constructing a shared use trail from the Fossil Creek Trail in Fort Collins to the Loveland Recreation Trail. The trail is expected to be built in 2013-2014.	L C L
Segment 7-E	A photograph of a lake with a bridge and trees in the background.	Fort Collins	Loveland	This segment leverages the City of Loveland's Recreation Trail. The eastern loop of the Recreation Trail follows Boyd Lake almost entirely on shared use trail before connecting with the Big Thompson Corridor (#3). The segment follows the Recreation Trail until it reaches Dotsero Street in Loveland. The segment continues south on the Dotsero Bike lanes before terminating at 14 <sup>th</sup> Street north of Cattail Pond and Ryan Gulch Reservoir.	N/A
Segment 7-F	A photograph of a river flowing through a wooded area.	Loveland	Loveland	This would connect Loveland to Berthoud through a portion of Larimer County. The combination of shared use trail and bike lanes has yet to be determined when the trail leaves Dotsero. The segment will need to consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Delineation around Ryan Gulch</li><li>• Connection on the east side of Lone Tree Reservoir in Berthoud</li></ul>	B C
Significant Infrastructure Required	A photograph of a street crossing with a sign indicating the name.	Crossing 14 <sup>th</sup> St SW	Berthoud	Dotsero and 14 <sup>th</sup> St SW is a signalized intersection. The movement of bicyclists around Ryan Gulch may have a steep grade depending on route.	N/A

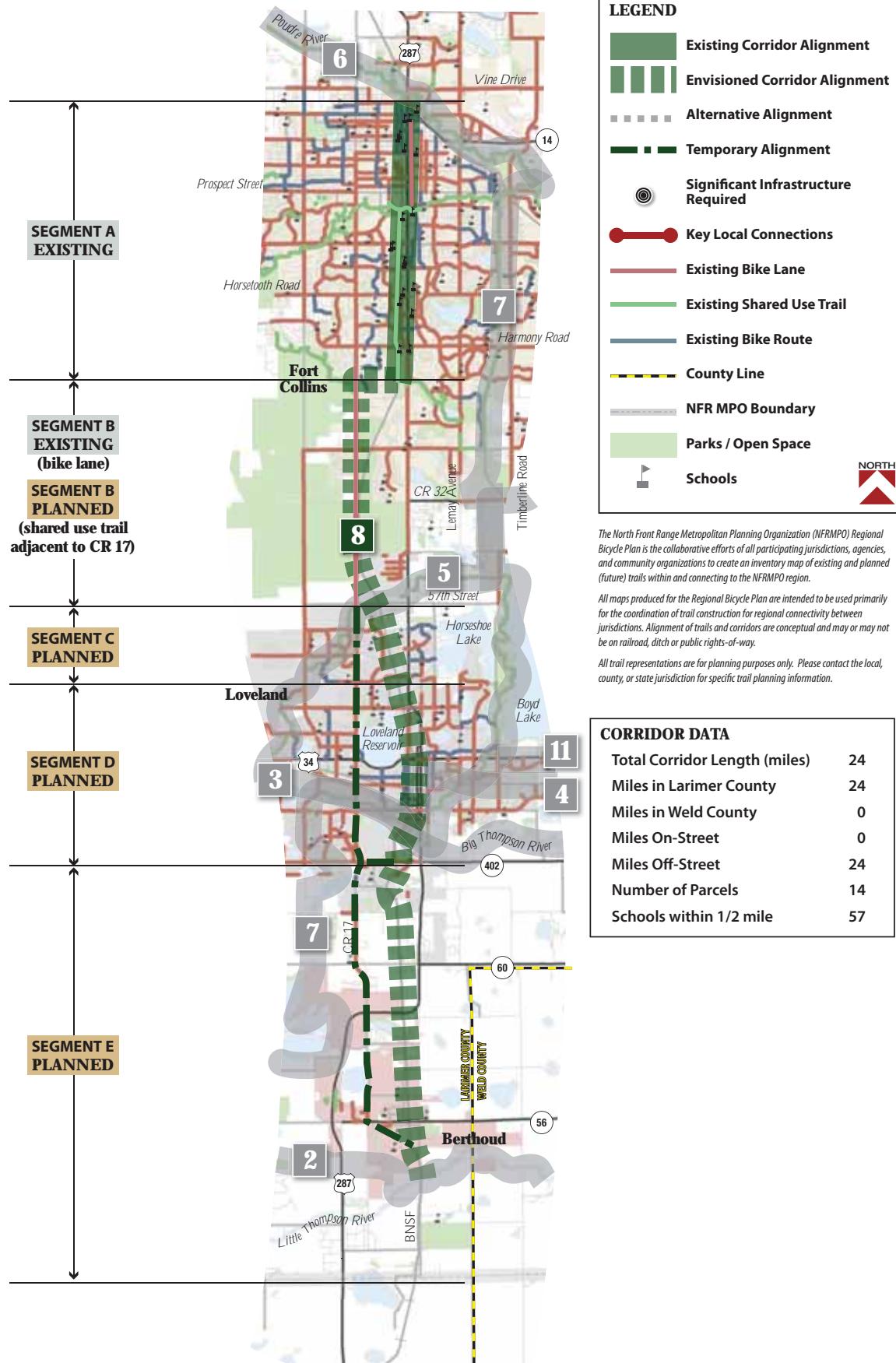


**Table 4.7** Corridor #7 – Front Range Trail (West) (cont.)

Segment	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
<b>Segment 7-G</b>		Berthoud	Berthoud	This future segment would follow property acquired by the City of Berthoud around the east side of Lone tree and Welch Reservoir.	C B
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lone tree Reservoir</li> <li>Welch Reservoir</li> </ul>	N/A		
		Downtown Berthoud		Bike lanes or shared use trail connection from downtown Berthoud to the corridor providing access to bicycle commuters with Loveland.	
<b>Segment 7-H</b>		Berthoud	Berthoud	The southern-most segment of the Front Range Trail (West) would connect Berthoud to Carter Lake. The combination of shared use trails and bike lanes has yet to be determined between Welch Reservoir and the Little Thompson Corridor (#2). The trail would share the Little Thompson Corridor to Carter Lake. The trail would terminate in Boulder County and Larimer County's Redtail Open Space via the St. Vrain Ditch.	C LC B
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Carter Lake</li> <li>Little Thompson</li> </ul>	N/A	Note: Through this planning effort, this segment has been approved by the Colorado State Parks as an alternative alignment to the originally delineated Front Range Trail (2007).	

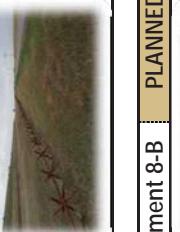


**Figure 4.9 Corridor #8**  
**BNSF Fort Collins / Berthoud**





**Table 4.8 Corridor #8 – BNSF Fort Collins / Berthoud**

Segment 8-A	EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN	
					ENTITY	TITLE
The historical Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railway runs from Fort Collins through Loveland, Larimer County, and Berthoud. This bicycle corridor parallels the railway (Rails-with-Trails) to connect the downtown areas of all three cities.		Larimer County Fort Collins Loveland Berthoud	DHM Design Corporation. 2001. Larimer County Open Lands Master Plan. City of Fort Collins. 2008. Bicycle Plan and Update. LSA Associates. 2012. City of Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. City of Loveland. Town of Berthoud Colorado. 2013 (anticipated). PORT Master Plan.		LC F L B	
		Fort Collins	Fort Collins	This segment is recently constructed as a part of the City of Fort Collins' Mason Street Corridor project from Cherry St. to Trilly. A shared used trail runs parallel to a bus rapid transit and BNSF corridor (Rails-with-Trails) with signalized crossings through the length of the corridor. Bicycles will be able to board the bus rapid transit vehicles for movement along the corridor as well.	F	
Segment 8-B	EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN	
		Fort Collins	Loveland	This segment follows the bicycle lanes along Shields between South Fort Collins and North Loveland. The segment parallels the BNSF railway on a heavily-traveled, high-speed roadway between the two cities.	F L	
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS			
		• Lee Martinez park • Fort Collins Discovery Center • Spring Creek Trail	123			
		Fort Collins	Loveland			
Segment 8-B	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN	
		Fort Collins	Loveland	This segment would align between the BNSF railway (Rails-with-Trails) and Shields in community buffers of Hazaleus Natural Area, Colina Mariposa Natural Area, and Long View Open Space. In 2012, the City of Fort Collins and Larimer County announced they are exploring a joint project with Xcel energy to construct this segment of shared-use trail.	F LC L	
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS			
		• Hazaleus Natural Area • Colina Mariposa Natural Area • Long View Open Space	N/A			
						

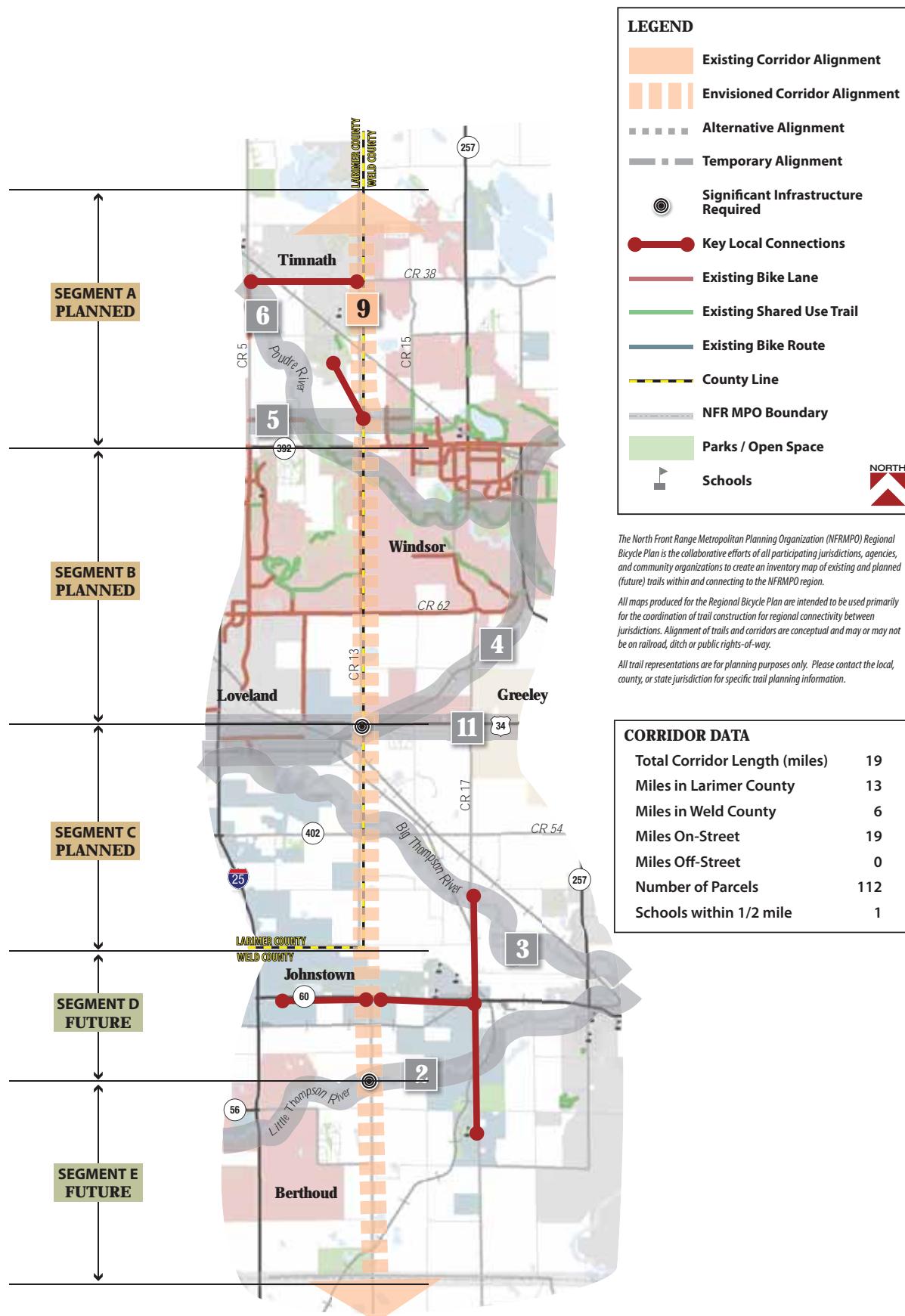


**Table 4.8 Corridor #8 – BNSF Fort Collins / Berthoud (cont.)**

Segment	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
<b>Segment 8-C</b>		Loveland	Loveland	This segment runs from 57 <sup>th</sup> Avenue to 37 <sup>th</sup> Avenue in Loveland parallel to the BNSF Railway (Rails-with-Trails). The City of Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan recognizes this improvement as a "Low Priority" "Commuter Trail."	L
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Woodmere Park	N/A		
		LCR 17	LCR 17	LCR 17 parallels corridor and will receive shoulder improvements conducive for bicycle lanes when this roadway has scheduled maintenance.	
<b>Segment 8-D</b>		Loveland	Larimer County	This segment runs from 37 <sup>th</sup> Avenue to 14 <sup>th</sup> SW Avenue through downtown Loveland parallel to the BNSF Railway (Rails-with-Trails). The City of Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan recognizes this improvement as a "Medium Priority" "Commuter Trail."	LC
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Loveland Burial Park	39		
		• Fairgrounds Park			
		• Lake Loveland			
		LCR 17	LCR 17	LCR 17 parallels corridor and will receive shoulder improvements conducive for bicycle lanes when this roadway has scheduled maintenance.	
<b>Segment 8-E</b>		Larimer County	Berthoud	This segment runs from 14 <sup>th</sup> SW Avenue in Loveland through Larimer County to downtown Berthoud parallel (Rails-with-Trails) to the BNSF Railway. The City of Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan also recognizes the stretch from 14 <sup>th</sup> SW Avenue to their city limit just north of LCR 16 as a "Low Priority" "Commuter Trail." Berthoud is currently exploring the remaining stretch in their ongoing PORT Master Plan effort.	LC
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		N/A	N/A		
		LCR 17	LCR 17	LCR 17 parallels corridor and will receive shoulder improvements conducive for bicycle lanes when this roadway has scheduled maintenance.	B
		Temporary Alignment			



Figure 4.10 Corridor #9  
Johnstown / Timnath





**Table 4.9 Corridor #9 – Johnstown / Timnath**

Segment 9-A	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	CODE
		Timnath	Windsor	This northern-most segment traverses the neighborhoods of North Timnath, crosses Harmony and terminates at CO-392. The North Loveland to Windsor Corridor (#5) intersects this segment just before CO-392. The majority of this segment is identified by Larimer County to receive shoulder improvements conducive for bike lanes when scheduled for maintenance/expansion except for the segment between LCR 34 and Jacoby Road.	L W
		Parks / Natural Areas	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		T L W
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poudre River</li> <li>Timnath Reservoir</li> <li>Bethke Elementary</li> </ul>	N/A		
		Downtown Timnath		Bike lanes or shared-use trail connecting downtown Timnath between this corridor and the Poudre River Corridor #6)	
		LCR 3 via Greeley No. 2 Canal		Shared use trail could provide access to Timnath along ditch into existing trail connecting Windsor Lake and downtown Windsor.	
Segment 9-B	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	CODE
		Windsor	Windsor/Johnstown	This segment covers County Line Road from CO-392 to US-34. The Poudre River Corridor #6) intersects this segment just south of CO-392. The segment also provides access to Centeria via bike lanes on Crossroads. The segment is identified by Larimer County to receive shoulder improvements conducive for bike lanes when scheduled for maintenance/expansion.	L W
		Parks / Natural Areas	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Ranch</li> </ul>	N/A		
		US 34 Crossing		This corridor and the Great Western Corridor will need a protected crossing signal or an underpass/overpass to cross US 34.	

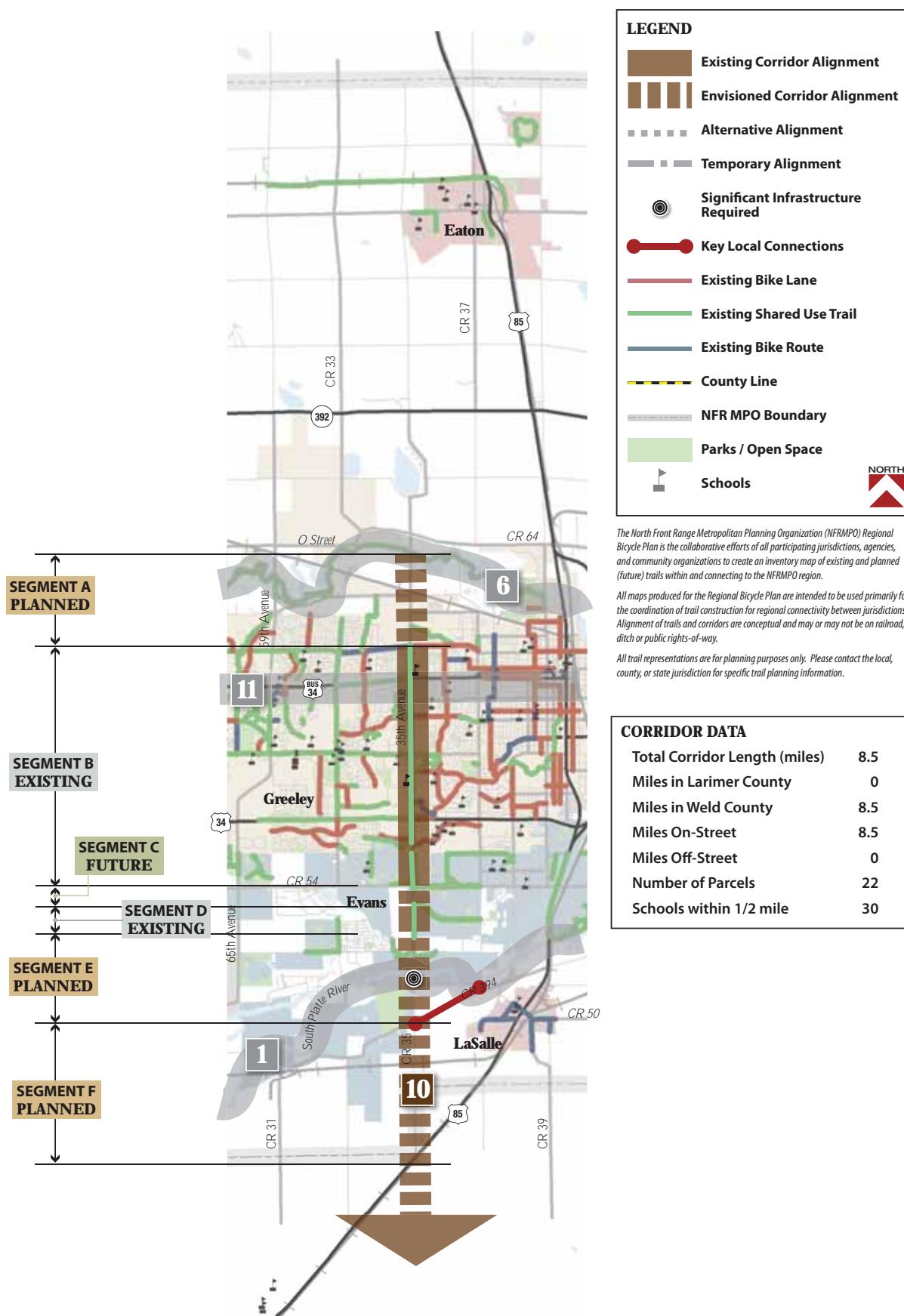


Table 4.9 Corridor #9 – Johnstown / Timnath (cont.)

Segment 9-C	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Windsor/Johnstown	Larimer County	The segment connects US 34 with Johnstown. The segment intersects the Big Thompson Corridor (#3) at WCR 54. Any semblance of shoulders is currently absent from this segment except for the bridge crossing the Big Thompson. The segment is identified by Larimer County to receive shoulder improvements to LCR 18 conducive for bike lanes when scheduled for maintenance/expansion.	J
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Big Thompson	N/A		
		Johnstown to Big Thompson	Bike lanes or shared-use trail connecting downtown Johnstown from the Big Thompson Corridor (#3) to provide quicker access from this corridor.		
Segment 9-D	FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Johnstown	Weld County	This segment leaves the county line and enters Weld County in Johnstown. Formerly named Colorado Blvd, the segment travel south through residential subdivisions in Johnstown. The segment intersects with the Little Thompson Corridor (#2) and could eventually provide a route to access to the I-25 Park and Ride on CO-56.	J
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Little Thompson Elwell Cemetery	N/A		
		Johnstown to I-25 PNR	Bike lanes or shared-use trail connecting Johnstown from this corridor to the I-25 Park and Ride at CO-60.		
		Downtown Johnstown	Bike lanes or shared-use trail connecting downtown Johnstown to this corridor.		
		Johnstown to Big Thompson	Bike lanes or shared-use trail connecting downtown Johnstown to Pioneer Ridge to provide access to this corridor.		
Segment 9-E	FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Weld County	Berthoud / Weld County	This southern-most segment along Colorado Blvd. would provide access to Berthoud's annexation at the I-25 and CO-56 interchange. The segment starts at the Little Thompson Corridor (#2) and terminates at the southern boundary of the NFRMPO region.	J
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Hill Lake • Little Thompson	N/A		
		Little Thompson Crossing	This bridge requires bike lanes when the bridge is maintained or replaced.		



**Figure 4.11 Corridor #10**  
**Greeley / LaSalle**





**Table 4.10 Corridor #10 – Greeley / LaSalle**

PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
	Weld County  PARKS / NATURAL AREAS <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Poudre River</li><li>Poudre Ponds Fishing Area</li></ul>	Greeley  TRANSIT CONNECTIONS  N/A	This northern-most segment runs from the Poudre River to West 4 <sup>th</sup> Street in Greeley. This undeveloped segment fall in Greeley's GMA and is planned to have bicycle lanes at a future date to connect residents to the Poudre Trail, Greeley Trail, Greeley Ditch No. 3 trail, and Franklin Middle School.	G
	Greeley  PARKS / NATURAL AREAS <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Weld County Veterans Memorial</li></ul>	Evans  TRANSIT CONNECTIONS  34	This segment provides an existing shared-use path from West 4 <sup>th</sup> Street through Greeley and continues into Evans. The shared-use trails is signed and requires the commuter to switch to opposite sides of 35 <sup>th</sup> Avenue at signalized intersections. This corridor provides access to nine (9) schools along the stretch and terminates at 37 <sup>th</sup> Avenue in Evans. The segment has a signalized intersection at US 34 to access the shared-use trail along the US 34 Corridor (#11).	G
	Evans  PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	Evans  TRANSIT CONNECTIONS  N/A	This undeveloped segment of shared use trail runs from 37 <sup>th</sup> Avenue to Prairie View Drive (residential subdivision). Aerial photography reveals a worn foot path heading north to the existing shared used trail at 37 <sup>th</sup> (near Walgreens).	E



Table 4.10 Corridor #10 – Greeley / LaSalle (cont.)

Segment 10-D	EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Evans	Evans	This small segment provides an existing shared-use trail from Prairie View Drive to end of the subdivision south of Sagebrush Drive.	E
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		N/A	2		
Segment 10-E	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Evans	Evans	This undeveloped section is referenced as a bike route to the Platte River from the Town of LaSalle Transportation Plan. The City of Evans has long-term plans to add a bridge that extends 35 <sup>th</sup> Avenue to connect with their annexation on the south side of the Platte River. The addition of bike lanes or a separated shared-used trail would provide access to Evans from LaSalle and intersect with the South Platte Corridor (#1).	E
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Platte River	N/A		
<b>Significant Infrastructure Required</b>		South Platte Crossing		This future bridge requires the addition of bike lanes and bicycle access to the South Platte Corridor (#1) when the bridge is constructed.	
<b>Key Local Connections</b>		WCR 394		Road recognized by the Town of LaSalle as future bike lanes connecting to the future 35 <sup>th</sup> Avenue bridge over the Platte River.	
Segment 10-F	PLANNED	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Evans	Weld County	This southern-most segment of the corridor provides bicycle lanes from the future residential neighborhoods in south Evans and LaSalle to downtown Evans and Greeley. The Town of LaSalle Transportation Plan recognizes bike lanes along this segment.	L
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		N/A	N/A		

**Figure 4.12 Corridor #11  
US 34**



Table 4.11 Corridor #11 - US 34

CODE	ENTITY	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	TITLE
G	Greeley Loveland	Loveland	Loveland	This segment runs from Loveland Recreation Trail (Front Range Trail Corridor (#7)) to the US 34 / I-25 Interchange. The segment is recognized in the Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan as a "Future Planned Improvement" with "Enhanced Bike Lanes."	City of Greeley 2011, 2035 Comprehensive Transportation Plan. LSA Associates. 2012. City of Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. City of Loveland.
Segment 11-A	PLANNED	Loveland	Loveland		
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	• Sculpture Park at Loveland Chamber of Commerce	16		
Segment 11-B	PLANNED	Loveland	Loveland		
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	• Chapungu Sculpture Park	N/A		
Segment 11-C	PLANNED	Johnstown	Johnstown		
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	• Big Thompson Corridor	The Great Western Corridor (#3) could serve as an alternative parallel route to US 34 and an alternative crossing at I-25	This segment runs from the US 34 / I-25 Interchange to the Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#7). The segment is recognized in the Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan as a "Future Planned Improvement" with "Bike Lanes" to LCR 3.	The Big Thompson Corridor (#3) could serve as an alternative parallel route to US 34 and an alternative crossing at I-25
Segment 11-D	PLANNED	Johnstown	Johnstown		
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	• Great Western Corridor	The Great Western Corridor (#3) could serve as an alternative parallel route to US 34 and an alternative crossing at I-25	This segment runs from the US 34 / I-25 Interchange to the Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#7). The segment is recognized in the Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan as a "Future Planned Improvement" with "Bike Lanes" to LCR 3.	The Great Western Corridor (#4) could serve as an alternative parallel route to US 34 and an alternative crossing at I-25
Segment 11-E	PLANNED	Johnstown	Johnstown		
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	• Alternative Alignment	The Great Western Corridor (#4) could serve as an alternative parallel route to US 34 and an alternative crossing at I-25	This segment runs from the US 34 / I-25 Interchange to the Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#7). The segment is recognized in the Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan as a "Future Planned Improvement" with "Bike Lanes" to LCR 3.	The Great Western Corridor (#4) could serve as an alternative parallel route to US 34 and an alternative crossing at I-25
Segment 11-F	PLANNED	Johnstown	Johnstown		
	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	• Alternative Alignment	The Great Western Corridor (#4) could serve as an alternative parallel route to US 34 and an alternative crossing at I-25	This segment runs from the US 34 / I-25 Interchange to the Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#7). The segment is recognized in the Loveland Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan as a "Future Planned Improvement" with "Bike Lanes" to LCR 3.	The Great Western Corridor (#4) could serve as an alternative parallel route to US 34 and an alternative crossing at I-25



Table 4.11 Corridor #11 - US 34 (cont.)

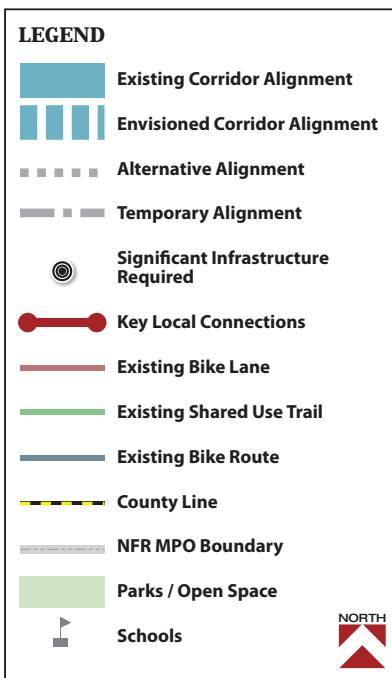
Segment 11-C		FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Johnstown	Greeley		This segment of shared-use trail would run from Timnath to Johnstown Corridor (#7) to the CO-257 where US 34 splits between the Business and Bypass routes. The segment resides predominantly in the rural/undeveloped west side of Greeley. The corridor will continue eastward along US 34 Bypass only. Considerations for where the corridor crosses the US 34 Business Overpass and CO-257 will be necessary dependent if the shared use trail aligns with the north side of US 34 Bypass.	G
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS			
		N/A	N/A			
Segment 11-D		FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Greeley	Greeley		This segment of shared-use trail would run exclusively along US 34 business through the Promontory to 65 <sup>th</sup> Avenue.	G
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS			
		N/A	N/A			
		20 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Extension of shared-use trail westward on 20 <sup>th</sup> Street to US-34 to provide access to the many schools, AIMS, and the University of Northern Colorado.			
Segment 11-E		EXISTING	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Greeley	Greeley		This segment from 65 <sup>th</sup> Avenue to 35 <sup>th</sup> Avenue is the only completed section of this corridor at the time of this plan. The segment connects to various retail centers and terminates at the Greeley to LaSalle Corridor (#10) at 35 <sup>th</sup> Avenue.	G
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS			
		N/A	12			
Segment 11-F		FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Greeley	Weld County		The eastern most segment runs from 35 <sup>th</sup> Avenue across US 85 and connects with South Platte Corridor (#1) east of Greeley. The corridor could be served by an extension of the shared use trail in the limited right-of-way or bike lanes/bike route on a parallel facility like 28 <sup>th</sup> Street to US 85.	G
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS			
		• Platte River	59			



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Figure 4.13 Corridor #12  
Carter Lake / Horsetooth  
Foothills Corridor



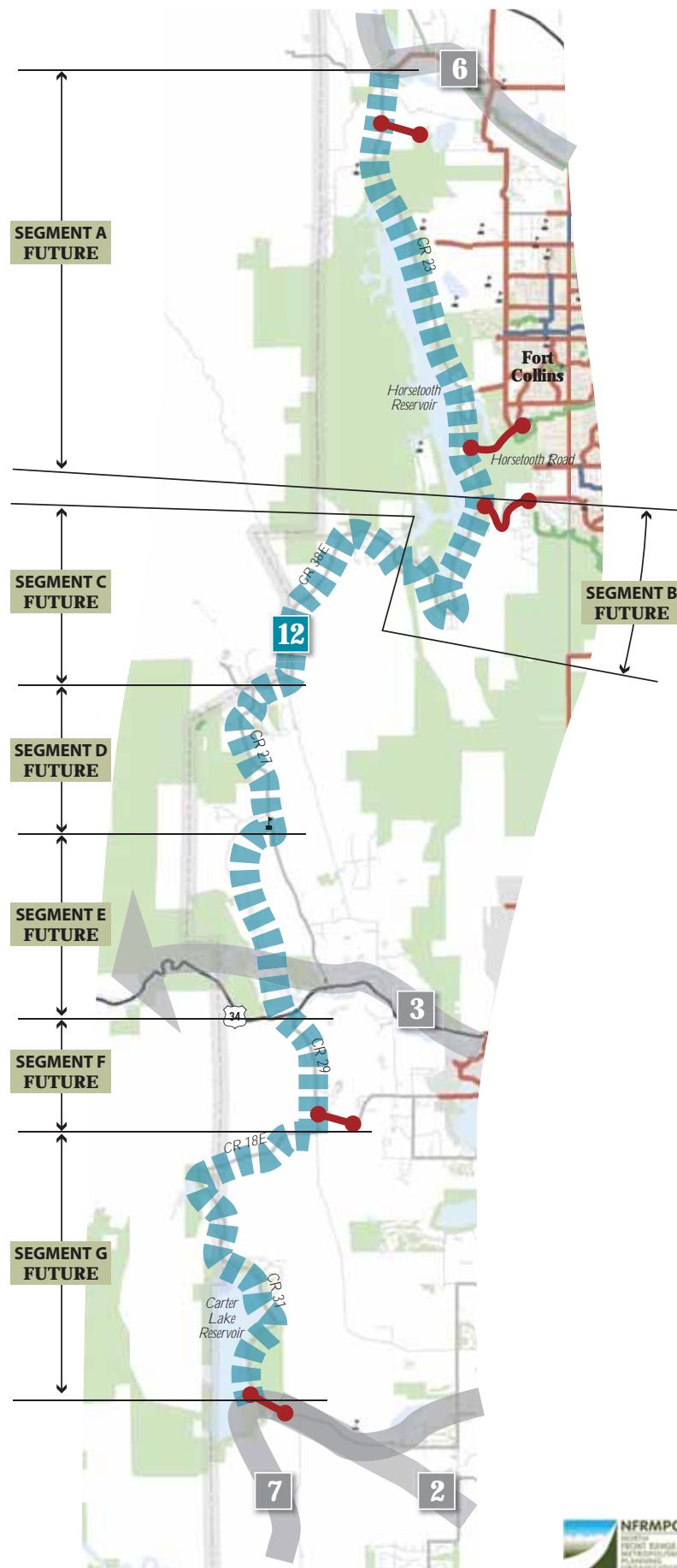
The North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization (NFRMPO) Regional Bicycle Plan is the collaborative efforts of all participating jurisdictions, agencies, and community organizations to create an inventory map of existing and planned (future) trails within and connecting to the NFRMPO region.

All maps produced for the Regional Bicycle Plan are intended to be used primarily for the coordination of trail construction for regional connectivity between jurisdictions. Alignment of trails and corridors are conceptual and may or may not be on railroad, ditch or public rights-of-way.

All trail representations are for planning purposes only. Please contact the local, county, or state jurisdiction for specific trail planning information.

**CORRIDOR DATA**

Total Corridor Length (miles)	31
Miles in Larimer County	31
Miles in Weld County	0
Miles On-Street	31
Miles Off-Street	0
Number of Parcels	227
Schools within 1/2 mile	6

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**Table 4.12 Corridor #12 – Carter Lake / Horsetooth Foothills**

Segment 12-A	FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION		PLAN
				ENTITY	TITLE	
		Larimer County	Larimer County	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	DHM Design Corporation. 2001. Larimer County Open Lands Master Plan.	LC
				• Poudre River • Horsetooth Reservoir • Reservoir Ridge Natural Area		
<b>Key Local Connections</b>		Bellvue/LaPorte	Bike lanes or shared-use trail for residents of Bellvue and LaPorte to access this corridor and connections to Fort Collins.			
<b>Key Local Connections</b>		Dixon Canyon Road to Fort Collins	Dixon Canyon Road is scheduled to receive shoulder improvements conducive for bicycle lanes when this roadway is scheduled for maintenance.			
<b>Key Local Connections</b>		38E to Fort Collins	Dixon Canyon Road is scheduled to receive shoulder improvements conducive for bicycle lanes when this roadway is scheduled for maintenance.			
Segment 12-B	FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION		PLAN
				ENTITY	TITLE	
		Larimer County	Larimer County	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	DHM Design Corporation. 2001. Larimer County Open Lands Master Plan.	LC
				• Horsetooth Park • Inlet Bay		
<b>Key Local Connections</b>						
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<b>Key Local Connections</b>						
Segment 12-C	FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION		PLAN
				ENTITY	TITLE	
		Larimer County	Larimer County	PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	DHM Design Corporation. 2001. Larimer County Open Lands Master Plan.	LC
				• Horsetooth Mountain Open Space • Blue Sky Trail		
<b>Key Local Connections</b>						
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Table 4.12 Corridor #12 – Carter Lake / Horsetooth Foothills (cont.)

Segment 12-D	FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Larimer County	Larimer County	This segment runs from Buckhorn Road to the intersection of LCR 29 along LCR 27. The corridor is routed away from LCR 25E and LCR 27 to LCR 29 to ensure the bicyclist does not have to ride along US 34 to remain on this corridor (see Segment 12-E below). The segment is scheduled to receive shoulder improvements conducive for bicycle lanes when the roadway is scheduled for maintenance.	LC
Segment 12-E		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Bobcat Ridge Natural Area	N/A		
Segment 12-F		JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Larimer County	Larimer County	This segment runs from the intersection of LCR 29 in Masonville to US 34. The segment intersects with the Big Thompson Corridor (#3) at US 34. Signage on US 34 alerting motorists to the bicyclist crossing US 34 may be advantageous (possibly aligned with wayfinding to Carter Lake and Horsetooth Reservoir). The segment is scheduled to receive shoulder improvements conducive for bicycle lanes when the roadway is scheduled for maintenance.	LC
		PARKS / NATURAL AREAS	TRANSIT CONNECTIONS		
		• Sunrise Ranch Cemetery			
		• Big Thompson River	N/A		
Key Local Connections		West Loveland		Bike lanes or shared-use trail for residents of Loveland to access this corridor.	



Table 4.12 Corridor #12 – Carter Lake / Horsetooth Foothills (cont.)

Segment 12-G	FUTURE	JURISDICTION START	JURISDICTION END	DESCRIPTION	PLAN
		Larimer County	Larimer County	This southern most segment runs from the intersection of LCR 18E to Carter Lake and Red-tail Ridge Open Space. The segment is scheduled to receive shoulder improvements conducive for bicycle lanes when the roadway is scheduled for maintenance along LCR 18E to Carter Lake. From Carter Lake, the segment intersects with the Little Thompson Corridor (#2) shares the Front Range Trail Corridor south to the Red-tail Ridge Open Space (no public access as of 2012) along the St. Vrain Ditch as indicated by the Larimer County Open Lands Plan.	LC



## Other Regional Improvements and Programs

The Regional Bicycle Plan acknowledges two supplemental regional improvements and programs along with the development of the recommended Regional Bicycle Corridors: bicycle participation counting and bicycle sharing programs.

### Bicycle Count Locations

One of the greatest challenges of implementing a bicycle network is the lack of documentation on usage and demand. Without consistent and comprehensive bicycle count data, it is difficult to measure the positive benefits of investment in bicycle infrastructure and to make informed program and funding decisions. CDOT established a formal bike/pedestrian counting program in 2010 including the purchase of permanent and mobile bicycle and pedestrian counting units. CDOT also has a clearinghouse for statewide bicycle and pedestrian count data through the State Data Committee (AVID). The NFRMPO Bike TAC recognizes the importance of collecting useful and consistent bicycle count data; the Bike TAC recommends the following approach to bicycle count data collection:

- ▶ Identify locations with high bicycle-crash numbers and obtain bicycle counts to understand the bicycle crash rates (as opposed to crash totals) and ultimately to identify mitigation measures.
- ▶ Implement policies throughout the region to collect bicycle data with intersection turning movement counts. Traffic turning movement counts are typically captured by video, and the person reviewing the video could include bike counts concurrently with traffic counts.
- ▶ Placement of temporary or permanent bicycle counters:
  - Identify location of any permanent counters in the region
  - Focus on counting bicycle activity on the Regional Bicycle Corridors; consider a three-year rotation of counts, similar to what local agencies do for traffic counts
  - Use Poudre Trail as a case study; place counters at multiple locations along the trail
  - Use temporary counters for before and after study findings (e.g., before and after trail extension)
  - High use locations to demonstrate potential
  - Conduct counts during special events
  - Create data collection criteria for counter selection
  - Provide data to State Data Committee (AVID)
- ▶ Specific locations identified for bicycle counts:
  - Taft/Shields between Fort Collins and Loveland along Regional Bicycle Corridors #7 and #8
  - Poudre River crossing of I-25 (before and after construction)
  - Regional Bicycle Corridor #4
  - County Road 17 in Berthoud
  - SH 257 between Mad Russian neighborhood and downtown Milliken

## Bicycle Sharing Locations

Bicycle sharing programs are services in which bicycles are made available for public use. The concept behind bike sharing is to provide free or affordable access to bicycles for short-distance trips as an alternative to motorized public transportation or private vehicles. Such programs are typically implemented in urban settings and often are used to solve the "last mile" problem and connect users to public transit networks. Bike sharing programs generally fall in two categories: bike libraries (like the one in Fort Collins') in which the user checks out a bike and returns it to the same location, and station-based bike sharing (like B-Cycle in Denver and Boulder) in which stations are located throughout the area and the user can check out/return a bike at any station.

The following criteria can be used to identify potential bike share station locations, based on program successes throughout the country:

- ▶ Places with the highest population and/or employment density, specifically near young to middle-aged adults (usually in downtowns)
- ▶ Near public activity centers such as universities, cultural or tourist attractions, libraries, parks and recreational destinations
- ▶ Along established and/or proposed bike routes, especially shared use paths and bike lanes
- ▶ Near retail centers
- ▶ Spaced no more than ½ mile from another station
- ▶ In highly visible areas that are easy to access and do not block pedestrian traffic or access to nearby destinations
- ▶ Based on community input