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How to use this Document

As a plan for 37 unique and distinct strategies to improve east west transportation within the City of Laramie, this is a large document.

To facilitate easy review and access, this document is designed to be easily navigable as a digital PDF. An interactive chapter heading code has been added to the upper right of every page. Click on one of the color bars to be directed to that specific chapter of the document.

In addition, look for [hyperlinks](#) throughout the document to link to outside resources, such as appendices and other resources on the web.

	Introduction
	Existing Conditions
	Visioning & Public Engagement
	Strategies
	Next Steps

(Note that this version as a final draft for Planning Commission and City Council review does not yet have live hyperlinks - they will be added when this draft is finalized)



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Reconnect West Laramie is a comprehensive transportation planning effort to improve multimodal transportation connections between West Laramie, the West Side, and East Laramie. These connections would enhance mobility, safety, equity, and economic vitality for Laramie residents, visitors, business owners, and employees.

Several physical barriers separate West Laramie and the West Side from East Laramie. These barriers include the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR), Snowy Range Road, the Laramie River, and Interstate 80 (I-80). Residents, commuters, and visitors traveling to and from West Laramie and the West Side also face obstacles related to sidewalk and bicycle facility gaps, challenging roadway crossings, as well as limited wayfinding and transit connectivity. Reconnect West Laramie seeks to address these challenges and establish a range of potential strategies to improve Laramie's multimodal transportation network.

The Reconnect West Laramie Plan includes an existing conditions analysis, project visioning, and robust public and stakeholder engagement, all culminating in the development, evaluation, and prioritization of more than three dozen strategies to improve connectivity in the project area. Identification of prioritized

strategies within the Reconnect West Laramie Plan helps bring clarity to the proposed multimodal improvements in the near and long term. With prioritized strategies, the City of Laramie can be competitive in pursuit of local, state, and federal grant funding. City staff may also use the prioritized projects list to provide direction when developing future capital improvement program (CIP) budgets.

These strategies aim to close gaps in the existing transportation network, address safety concerns, and improve bicycle/pedestrian comfort across the City. Proposed strategies range from small treatments (such as new crosswalks and sidewalk connections) to transformative investments (such as a new overpass over the existing Union Pacific corridor). These strategies aim to create connected, multimodal pathways that provide safe, comfortable, and equitable access for people of all ages and abilities—not just those traveling by car.

The project visioning and community engagement efforts are integral to the process used to identify the proposed improvement strategies. Strategies are prioritized into 3 tiers using a set of scoring criteria. Ten of the 37 strategies are grouped as Tier 1 strategies – strategies that provide key connections to improve east-west multimodal connectivity to and from West Laramie. The location and description of the 10 Tier 1 strategies are shown in Figure 1 and Table 1.

This is a planning-level document that provides an introductory list of potential strategies. Recommendations have not been evaluated for their economic feasibility, nor have they been vetted in an engineering warrant analysis. Strategies may be altered or removed in future phases of review.



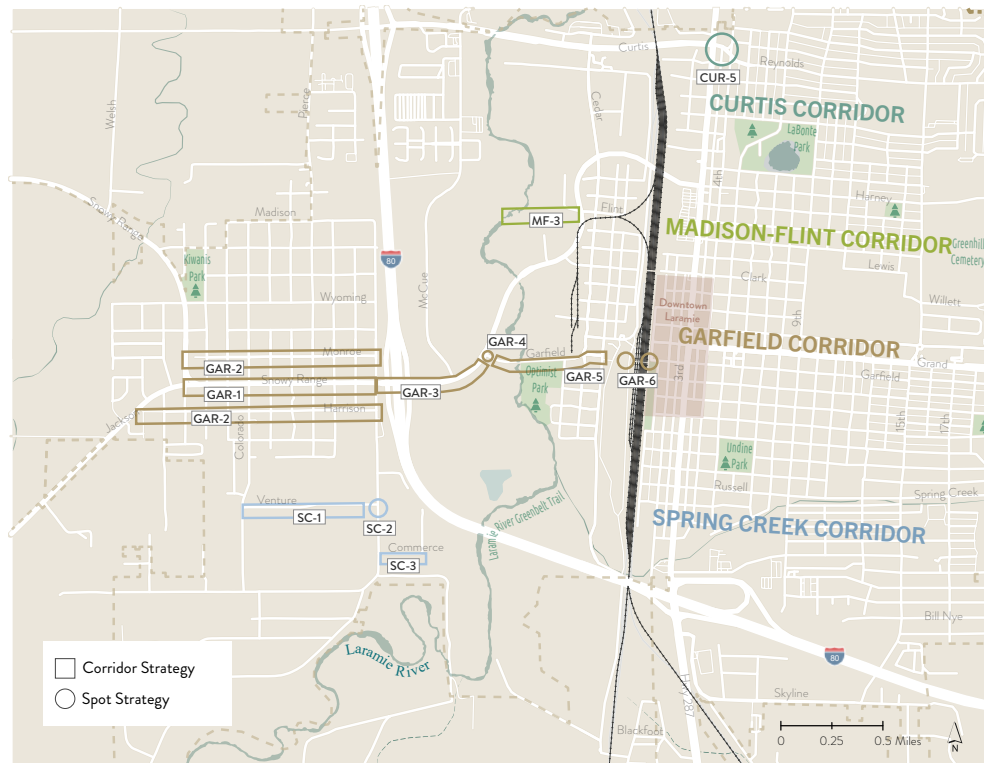


FIGURE 1. TIER 1 IMPROVEMENTS

Strategy Label	Corridor	Strategy Name
CUR-5	Curtis	New Protected Intersection at 3rd St & 4th Streets
MF-3	Madison-Flint	New Accessibility to Laramie River and Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Flint St
GAR-1	Garfield	New Bike Lanes or Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Hayes St and Adams St
GAR-2	Garfield	New Bike Lanes or Sharrows on Monroe St and Harrison St throughout West Laramie
GAR-3	Garfield	New Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Adams St and Garfield St
GAR-4	Garfield	New Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Garfield St
GAR-5	Garfield	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Facilities on Garfield St between Snowy Range Rd and Pine St
GAR-6	Garfield	Improved east and west landings of the Garfield Footbridge
SC-1	Spring Creek	New Bike and Pedestrian Facilities on Venture Dr
SC-2	Spring Creek	New Crossing across Adams St at Venture Dr to existing Adams Shared-Use Path
SC-3	Spring Creek	New Shared-Use Path on Commerce Dr between Adams Shared-Use Path and Laramie River Greenbelt Trailhead

TABLE 1. TIER 1 IMPROVEMENTS



PROJECT OVERVIEW

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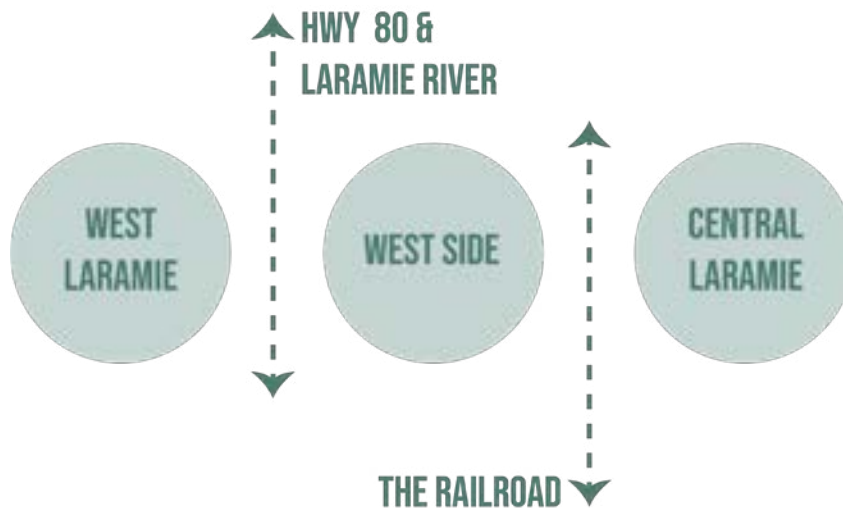


FIGURE 2. BARRIERS DIAGRAM

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WEST LARAMIE STREETSCAPE



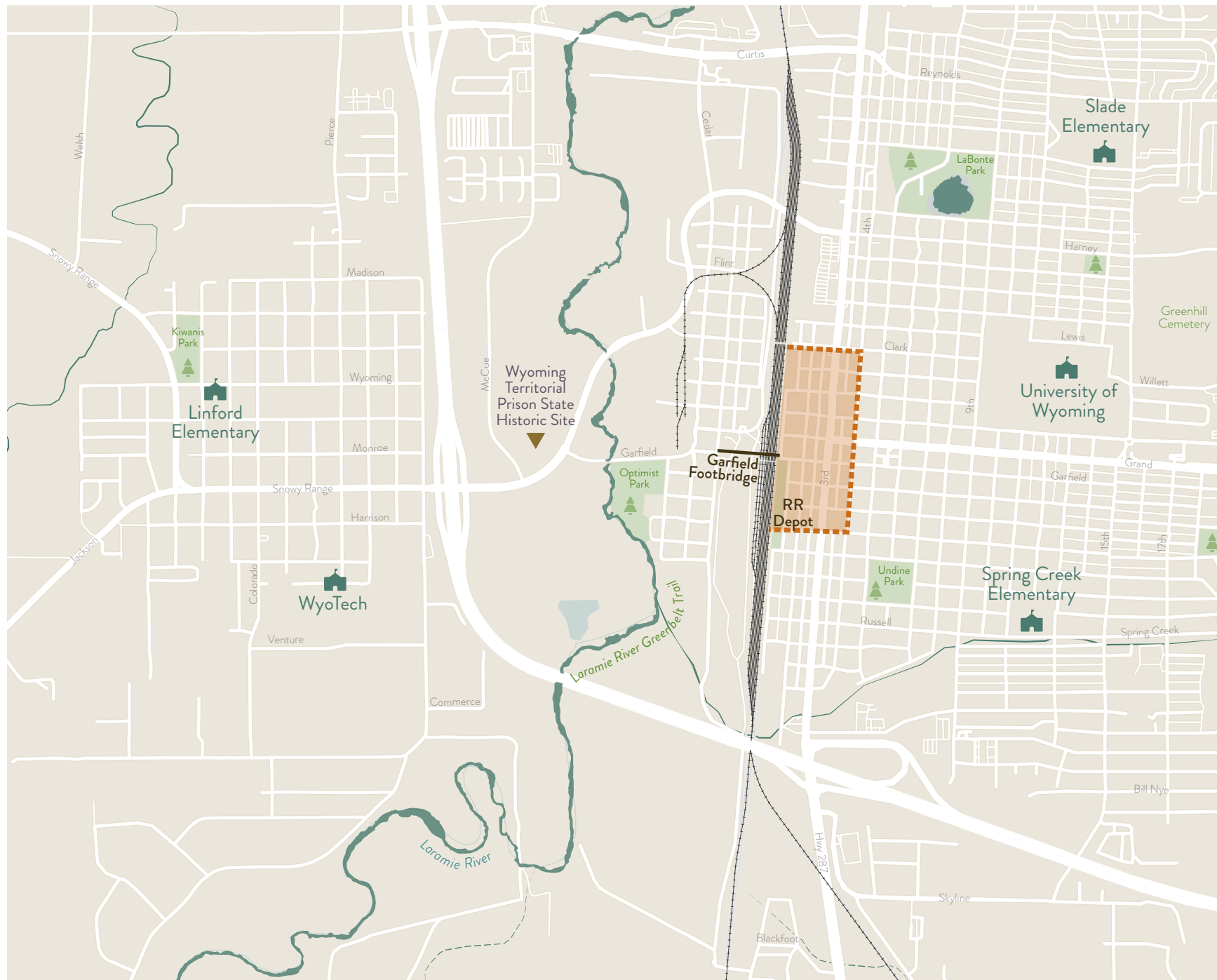


FIGURE 3. PROJECT OVERVIEW MAP



PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The five project objectives for Reconnect West Laramie see the vision for the study and the framework for implementation.

CREATE intuitive connections for all ages and abilities

ENHANCE connectivity for vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists

EXPAND access to jobs, services, education, and recreation

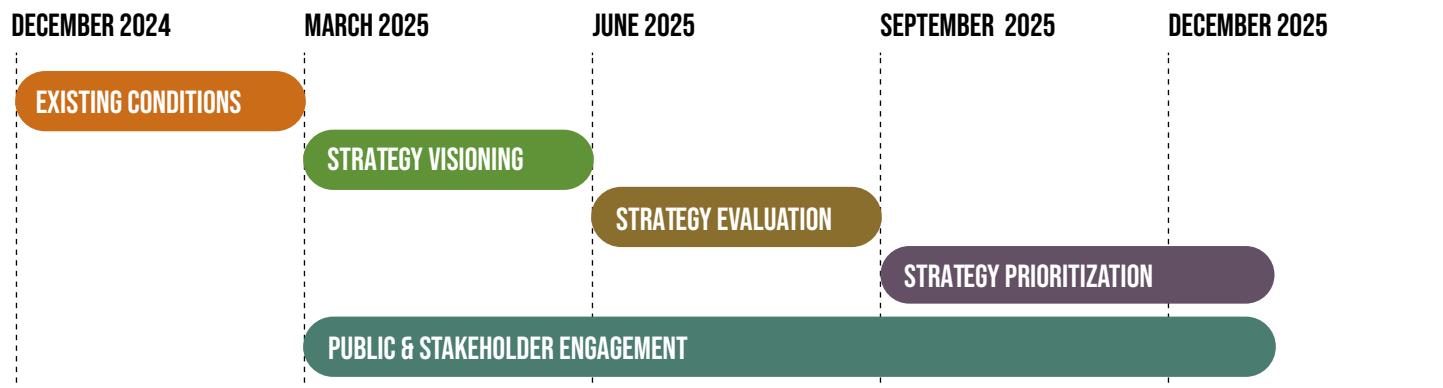
IMPROVE safety for pedestrians and bicyclists

DEVELOP convenient and accessible transit services

PROJECT TIMELINE

The Reconnect West Laramie study is built upon significant previous and ongoing efforts undertaken by the City of Laramie to improve multimodal connections to and from West Laramie. Reconnect West Laramie follows a multi-step process consisting of project visioning, public and stakeholder engagement, alternatives evaluation and more. The timeline presented in Figure 2 highlights key milestones in the study process.

FIGURE 4. PROJECT TIMELINE





EXISTING CONDITIONS



OVERVIEW

Reconnect West Laramie evaluates the existing conditions, challenges, and opportunities for improving multimodal mobility and connectivity in the community. The existing conditions analysis established a foundation for development of effective multimodal strategies to overcome existing mobility constraints.

The existing conditions analysis summarizes previous and ongoing planning efforts, highlights Laramie's major high-traffic destinations and transportation assets, and studies existing pedestrian and bicycle connectivity. The analysis also highlights multimodal transportation constraints, as well as opportunities within the existing transportation network to improve connectivity.



PREVIOUS & ONGOING EFFORTS

The city is working on several parallel efforts to improve multimodal connectivity in the project area.

West Laramie Road Paving

West Laramie was originally developed as a rural subdivision, later annexed into the City of Laramie in the late 1960s. At the time of annexation, city water and sewer were extended to the area, but no legal requirement was established for the city to pave the existing gravel road network. As a result, much of West Laramie still lacks standard paved streets, curbs, and sidewalks.

Paving today is cost-intensive and complicated by the need for stormwater, utility, and drainage upgrades before asphalt can be installed. The city has undertaken incremental improvements—such as targeted paving projects and stormwater upgrades—but full paving of the street network remains a long-term and resource-dependent effort.

This context is important to this plan because unpaved roads influence transit routing, bike/pedestrian comfort, ADA access, and maintenance needs.

Residents of West Laramie have noted that unpaved roads and missing sidewalks make walking and bicycling uninviting. In response, the Laramie Public Works Department has identified paving local streets in West Laramie as a priority. Portions of Wyoming and Colorado Street roadways were paved with new sidewalks in 2025 in combination with a stormwater project identified in Laramie's Capital Improvement Program.



FIGURE 5. EXISTING SIDEWALKS AND PAVED ROADWAYS IN WEST LARAMIE



West Laramie Trail Development

The West Laramie / West Side Shared Use Pathway Connector Project is currently developing design plans for a paved multi-use trail connection between Snowy Range Road and Pierce Street via Madison Street and the Hahn's Peak rail corridor.



FIGURE 6. WEST LARAMIE TRAIL PROJECT

Laramie Public Transportation Study

The city is currently preparing the Laramie Public Transportation Study, which identifies strategies to expand transit service across the city, including West Laramie. The Reconnect West Laramie planning effort coordinated closely with the Public Transportation Study team to ensure recommendations between these two related studies are well aligned.



FIGURE 7. TRANSPORTATION STUDY PROPOSED WEST SIDE ROUTE



TRANSPORTATION ASSETS

Laramie's residents and visitors utilize a range of existing formal and informal active transportation infrastructure and corridors in the project area. This infrastructure provides a strong multimodal foundation that will be utilized to create a stronger, more connected network.

- Laramie River Greenbelt
- Curtis Off-Street Multi-Use Pathway
- West Laramie / West Side Shared Use Pathway Connector Project
- Garfield Street Pedestrian Bridge
- Snowy Range Overpass
- UWYO Transit and Eppson Senior Assisted Transportation Service (SATS)
- The existing network of on-street bike lanes and sidewalks





TRANSPORTATION CONSTRAINTS

There are several existing physical constraints in the project area that discourage travel by walking and bicycling. These constraints include missing or incomplete infrastructure, physical barriers, high levels of traffic stress, and seasonal weather. Addressing these constraints will help close the gap between driving and other modes of transportation, improving community safety, accessibility, and resilience:



Crossing I-80 and the Union Pacific Railroad

The most substantial physical barriers between West Laramie and the rest of the city are I-80 and the UPRR rail yard. There are limited opportunities to cross the 2-mile stretch of I-80 to and from West Laramie between the Curtis Street overpass and the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail under-crossing. These include the Madison Street and Snowy Range Road undercrossings. The existing opportunities to cross the UPRR rail yard to and from West Laramie and the West Side are at Curtis Street, Snowy Range Road, and the Garfield Pedestrian Bridge. Connections between these crossings are limited, indirect, and lack necessary multimodal infrastructure linking to nearby neighborhoods.



Crossing Snowy Range Road

There are limited opportunities for pedestrians and cyclists to cross Snowy Range Road on either side of I-80. West of I-80, Snowy Range Road only provides three signalized crossing opportunities in West Laramie, at Pierce Street, Colorado Street, and Jefferson Street, creating a barrier between residents on either side of Snowy Range. East of I-80, there are no crossing opportunities on Snowy Range Road until the signal at Cedar Street, over 1 mile away, limiting access to assets such as the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail, Optimist Park, and the Wyoming Territorial Prison.



Multimodal Infrastructure Gaps

Missing multimodal infrastructure is common in West Laramie, the West Side, and in other critical locations connecting these neighborhoods to the rest of the city. There are no sidewalks along Snowy Range Road between I-80 and Garfield Street, a notable gap along an existing corridor connecting to West Laramie. In addition, there are no bicycle facilities on Snowy Range Road, underscoring the lack of east-west bicycle connections in the city. In West Laramie, many residential streets are not paved and do not have sidewalks. Pierce Street, one of the major north-south roadways in West Laramie, is paved, but is missing sidewalks between Madison Street and Monroe Street. In terms of vehicular traffic, there is also demand for a local east-west connection to reduce the need to drive on I-80.

Limited Transit Service in West Laramie

No fixed-route transit operates to, from, or within West Laramie. University of Wyoming does operate SafeRide, an on-call service is designed to offer “safe rides” home to users between the late-night hours of 10 pm and 2 am on weekdays. Limited access to transit services in West Laramie diminishes accessibility, especially residents who do not have access to a personal vehicle. Limited transit access also reduces opportunities to conveniently travel between West Laramie and other neighborhoods during inclement weather.



CORRIDORS OF OPPORTUNITY

The analysis of the transportation network conditions, assets, and constraints culminated in establishing five Opportunity Corridors presented in [“Figure 8. Opportunity Corridors”](#). These corridors are identified as the most intuitive and direct east-west pathways from West Laramie to other neighborhoods. The opportunity corridors are varied, as some utilize the existing roadway network, whereas others follow informal desire lines between Laramie destinations.

The five opportunity corridors are:

- Curtis Corridor, following Curtis Street / Reynolds Street
- Madison-Flint Corridor, including Madison Street, Flint Street, and Lewis & Clark Streets
- Garfield Corridor, including Snowy Range Road and Garfield Street
- Spring Creek Corridor, including Venture Drive and Spring Creek Drive
- Riverside Corridor, following potential extensions of Riverside Drive and Blackfoot Street

Please see [Appendix C](#) for the full Existing Conditions Report. For more information on the corridors see the [“VISIONING & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT”](#) chapter.



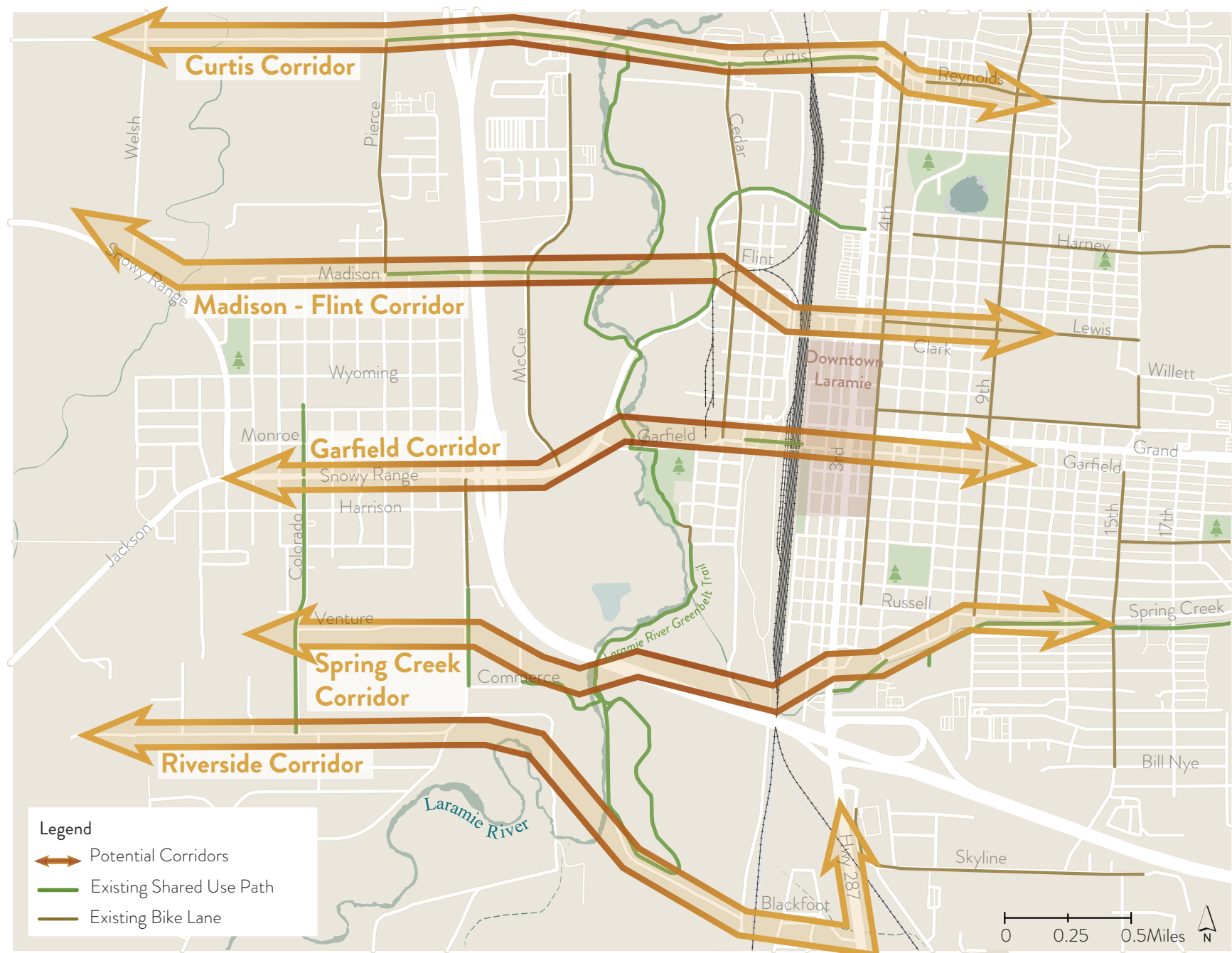


FIGURE 8. OPPORTUNITY CORRIDORS





VISIONING

Early in the project process, a range of connectivity and transportation safety improvements were identified through community events, stakeholder meetings, and online survey results. Initial conversations with the public and stakeholders were completed to identify existing mobility needs and challenges, as well as to brainstorm potential solutions. Following these initial conversations, a visioning workshop was held with city staff to identify and shape potential solutions and strategies to the five opportunity corridors. In the Spring of 2025, city staff and the planning team conducted a visioning workshop to draft and define these potential strategies. The visioning workshop was conducted using an online Miro Board, allowing the project team to propose strategies, make comments, and shape improvements collaboratively in real-time.

Potential strategies were grouped by opportunity corridor. In this process, a new category was established: off-corridor strategies. Off-corridor strategies focus on making north-south connections between the five opportunity corridors. An overview of each corridor's key destinations, limitations, and concepts is summarized below.

Please see [Appendix D](#) for the full Visioning Report.



Curtis Corridor

The Curtis Corridor is the northernmost opportunity corridor. This corridor is located along the northern boundary of West Laramie and follows the existing alignments of Curtis Street and Reynolds Street. This opportunity corridor takes advantage of the existing Curtis Off-Street Bikeway which provides multimodal access across I-80 and the UPRR via existing overpasses. This opportunity corridor also links to the northern terminus of the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail.

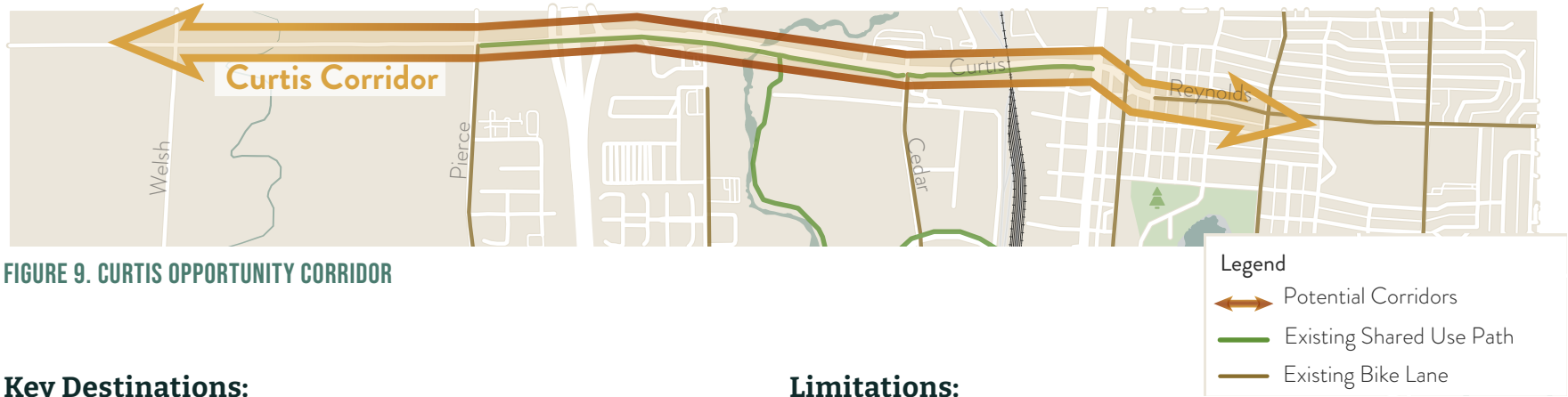


FIGURE 9. CURTIS OPPORTUNITY CORRIDOR

Key Destinations:

- Northern Terminus of Laramie River Greenbelt
- Eppson Center for Seniors
- Slade Elementary School
- Places of Employment and Lodging

Limitations:

- Missing continuous multimodal connections, especially at intersections
- Car-centric network and environment
- Potential lower-use corridor located further from Snowy Range Road

Concepts:

- Continuous Shared-use Path from Welsh Lane to 3rd Street
- Safety and Multimodal Improvements at and east of 3rd Street



Madison-Flint Corridor

The Madison-Flint Corridor would generally follow Madison Street in West Laramie, Flint Street in the West Side, and either Lewis Street, Clark Street, or the existing Snowy Range overpass to cross the UPRR corridor. This opportunity corridor would utilize the existing Madison Street under-crossing of I-80 and the Laramie River Trestle Bridge via the Hahn's Peak Railroad alignment. The West Laramie Connector Project, led by the City of Laramie Parks and Recreation Department, includes preliminary design plans for a shared-use pathway between Madison Street to Snowy Range Road at Flint Street.

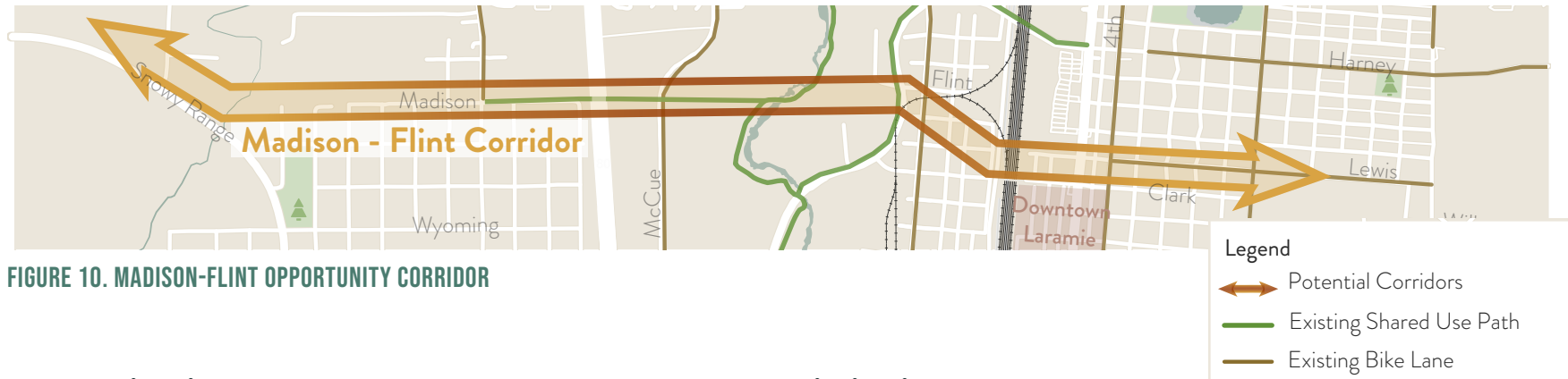


FIGURE 10. MADISON-FLINT OPPORTUNITY CORRIDOR

Key Destinations:

- Laramie Regional Airport
- Laramie River Greenbelt
- Gateway Plaza/Safeway
- University of Wyoming

Limitations:

- Feasibility of utilizing the railroad alignment through state property
- Crossing the UPRR rail yard
- Crossing Snowy Range Road at Grade

Concepts:

- Shared-use path along Madison Street from I-80 heading west
- West Laramie Connector Project
- Navigating the West Side and the Union Pacific Railroad
- Safety and Multimodal Improvements east of 2nd Street



Garfield Corridor

The Garfield Corridor is central to West Laramie, utilizing Snowy Range Road west of its intersection with Garfield Street, and then Garfield Street and the existing Garfield Footbridge east of that intersection. The footbridge exists today as the sole multimodal connection between the West Side and Downtown Laramie south of Snowy Range Road. Connectivity improvements in this corridor would close gaps between neighborhoods and better activate the Laramie River Greenbelt and the Wyoming Territorial Prison State Historic Site.

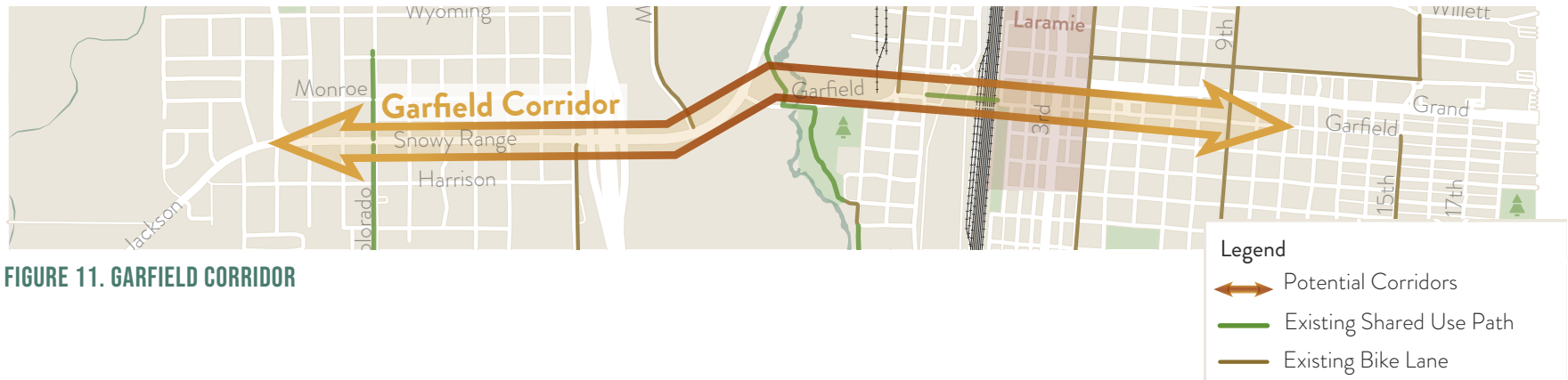


FIGURE 11. GARFIELD CORRIDOR

Key Destinations:

- Downtown Laramie, and other places of employment
- Wyoming State Territorial Prison
- Laramie River Greenbelt
- Optimist Park
- Downtown Laramie
- Laramie Civic Center

Limitations:

- Few existing multimodal facilities
- Snowy Range Road lacks pedestrian and bicycle facilities in some segments, crossing under I-80 is challenging on foot or bike
- Garfield Footbridge has limited capacity and width for cyclists

Concepts:

- Multimodal Enhancements in West Laramie
- Garfield Street Connection between West Laramie and the Footbridge
- Downtown and East Laramie Improvements



Spring Creek Corridor

The Spring Creek Corridor is generally located along Venture Drive in West Laramie, parallel to I-80 between the Laramie River and 3rd Street, and along Spring Creek in East Laramie. This opportunity corridor aims to establish a new local east-west corridor in southern Laramie, providing better accessibility to major destinations including WyoTech and Spring Creek Elementary School. This opportunity corridor would require significant infrastructure investments to cross I-80, the Laramie River, and the UPRR corridor.

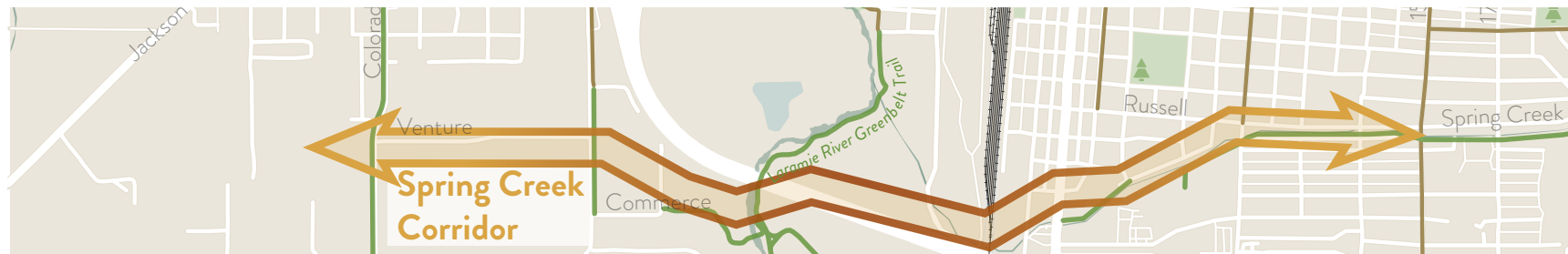


FIGURE 12. SPRING CREEK CORRIDOR

Key Destinations:

- WyoTech
- Laramie River Greenbelt
- Spring Creek Elementary School
- Walmart, and other places of employment

Limitations:

- Feasibility of crossing I-80, the Laramie River, and the UPRR rail corridor

Concepts:

- Venture Drive adjacent to WyoTech
- Grade separated crossings of I-80, Laramie River, and UPRR between Adams Street and 3rd Street
- Multimodal connection east of 3rd Street



Riverside Corridor

The Riverside Corridor is a future opportunity corridor that could utilize an existing at-grade rail crossing via Blackfoot Street west of US 287. West of the rail crossing, Tie Plant Road connects to Chimney Lamp Road and Riverside Drive on private Union Pacific property. This corridor is separated from the southern loop of the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail by approximately 100 feet, meaning a connection is feasible with the coordinated effort of an easement from Union Pacific.



FIGURE 13. RIVERSIDE CORRIDOR

Key Destinations:

- WyoTech Campus
- Laramie River Greenbelt
- Third Street/US 287 Shared-Use Path between Blackfoot Street and I-80

Limitations:

- Multi-jurisdictional Union Pacific ownership of roadways and property

Concepts:

- Trail Expansion south of WyoTech
- Laramie River Crossing and Connection to Greenbelt Trail
- Rail Crossing and Connection to Shared-Use Pathway on the west side of Hwy 287



Off-Corridor Strategies

In general, north-south multimodal connectivity in Laramie is positive, highlighted by the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail, and numerous bike facilities on roadway segments such as Colorado Avenue, Pierce Street, Adams Street, McCue Street, and Cedar Street. The proposed off-corridor strategies intend to fill the remaining north-south gaps between the opportunity corridors, to ensure that residents can safely and conveniently travel to their closest or intended opportunity corridor. Off-corridor strategies would turn the Laramie multimodal transportation network into a grid network, providing greater accessibility and safety, as well as faster travel times, especially for West Laramie residents.

Key Destinations:

- Linford Elementary School
- Kiwanis Park
- Wyoming State Territorial Prison
- Laramie River Greenbelt

Limitations:

- Many streets are not yet paved in West Laramie
- Feasibility of utilizing the right-of-way through state property
- Feasibility of utilizing UPRR land and crossing under I-80

Concepts:

- General north-south connectivity through paved roadways with bike lanes and new shared-use trails

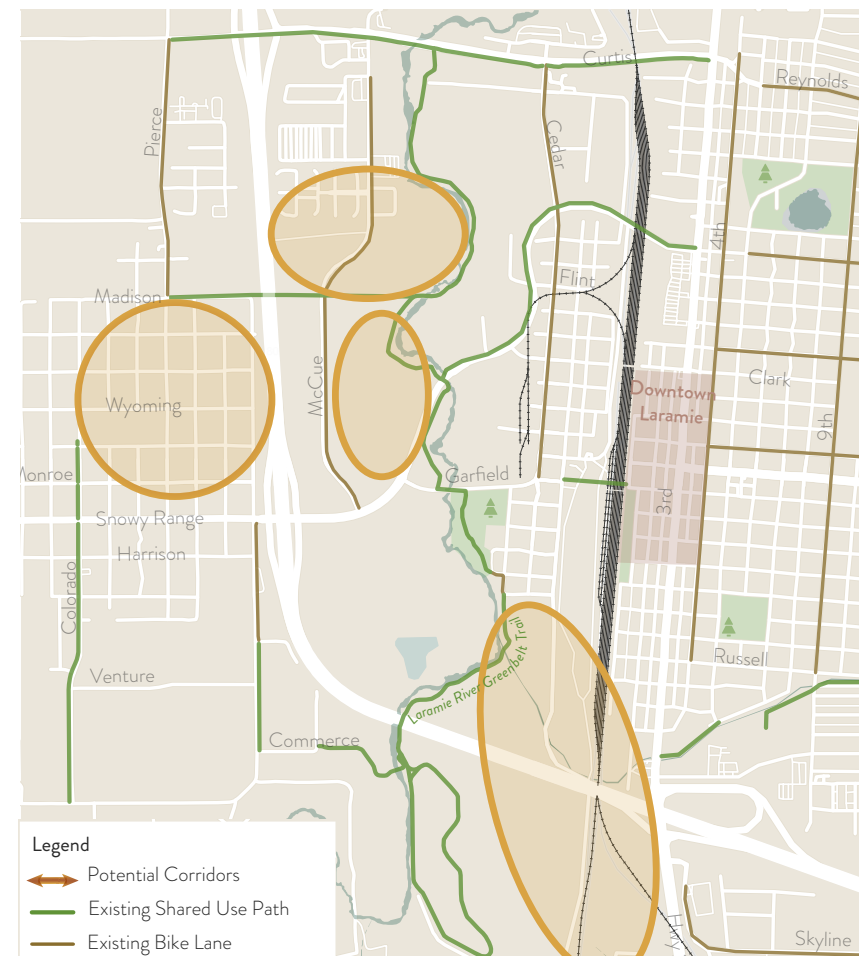


FIGURE 14. OFF-CORRIDOR STRATEGIES



ENGAGEMENT

Stakeholder and public engagement is a cornerstone of this project, helping shape strategy development and receiving community input on potential multimodal strategies for Laramie. The engagement strategy was designed to be intuitive, accessible, and inclusive, meeting people where they were through in-person pop-up activities, focused stakeholder meetings and online tools. Engagement activities were scheduled between March and September 2025.

Two online map-based surveys and numerous community events provided opportunities for residents to share priorities and concerns, while direct stakeholder meetings brought together agencies and community organizations to ensure diverse perspectives were represented. University of Wyoming students contributed to engagement through a capstone course by conducting intercept surveys and sharing project information with the community, reinforcing the project's local roots and community connection.

Feedback gathered through these efforts informed corridor prioritization, shaped investment strategies, and guided implementation phasing. By blending digital tools, face-to-face interactions, and local partnerships, the engagement process ensured decisions reflected community needs and priorities.



Stakeholder Engagement

The project team conducted targeted outreach with key organizations and agencies to ensure the Reconnect West Laramie Plan reflected community priorities and technical considerations. Early engagement allowed stakeholders to influence the plan from the outset, ensuring corridor-level strategies were grounded in local knowledge and practical needs. This feedback helped narrow the range of concepts and refine design approaches.

The following agencies and organizations participated in direct stakeholder engagement:

- BikeNet
- Albany County Historic Preservation Board
- WY Territorial Prison
- Laramie Chamber Business Alliance, including business drop-ins along Snowy Range Rd in West Laramie
- Laramie Main Street
- University of Wyoming
- WyoTech
- West Side League of Neighbors (PHILIPP to provide logo)
- WYDOT
- Union Pacific Railroad

Detailed summary of each meeting is provided in [Appendix B](#).



Reconnect WEST LARAMIE

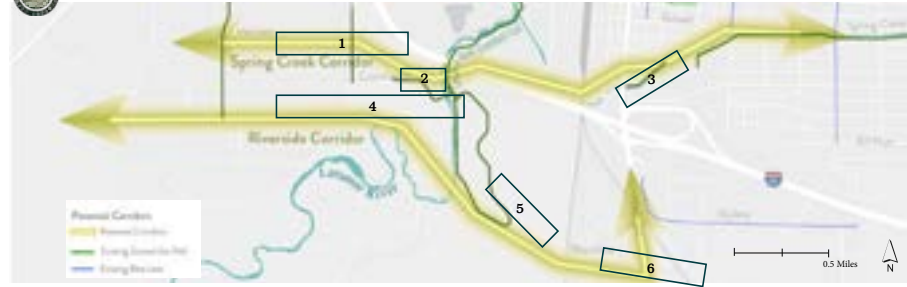
This project is a city-led, grant-funded planning project to help our community prioritize better walking, biking, transit, and driving connections between West Laramie, West Side, and East Laramie.

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO
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AND THANK YOU FOR
SHARING YOUR INPUT!**

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SPRING CREEK AND RIVERSIDE CORRIDOR



In a hurry?

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make it?

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1. VENTURE DRIVE BIKE LANES, SIDEWALKS, AND CROSSINGS



COST: \$ **COMPLEXITY: VERY LOW**
Adds bike lanes and sidewalks to both sides of Venture Dr. with a crosswalk at Venture Dr. and Adams St. This project has already been designed and just requires funding to complete.

HOW WOULD YOU PRIORITIZE THIS PROJECT? PLEASE PLACE A STICKER.

Low Priority High Priority

2. COMMERCE STREET CONNECTION TO GREENBELT TRAIL



COST: \$ **COMPLEXITY: VERY LOW**
Extends the Greenbelt Trail with an on-street path along Commerce Dr. to Adams St., improving trail access from Adams and nearby Venture Dr. This project connects two existing shared-use paths.

HOW WOULD YOU PRIORITIZE THIS PROJECT? PLEASE PLACE A STICKER.

Low Priority High Priority

3. RAILROAD CROSSING AND CONNECTION TO SPRING CREEK



COST: \$\$\$\$ **COMPLEXITY: VERY HIGH**
Explores a new railroad crossing between Venture Dr. and 8th Ave linking the Greenbelt and Spring Creek Trails, improving connectivity in the southern part of town.

HOW WOULD YOU PRIORITIZE THIS PROJECT? PLEASE PLACE A STICKER.

Low Priority High Priority

4. TRAIL EXPANSION SOUTH OF WYOTEC



COST: \$\$ **COMPLEXITY: VERY LOW**
Formalizes and extends the shared-use path south of the Wyotec campus, behind the homes on Riverside Dr. This project would also connect to Commerce Dr.

HOW WOULD YOU PRIORITIZE THIS PROJECT? PLEASE PLACE A STICKER.

Low Priority High Priority

5. LARAMIE RIVER CROSSING AND CONNECTION TO TIE PLANT



COST: \$\$\$ **COMPLEXITY: VERY HIGH**
Improves trail access from Chomway Loop and Tie Plant Road, including a new or upgraded bridge over the Laramie River.

HOW WOULD YOU PRIORITIZE THIS PROJECT? PLEASE PLACE A STICKER.

Low Priority High Priority

6. RAIL CROSSING AND CONNECTION THROUGH THE PLANT TO 287



COST: \$\$\$ **COMPLEXITY: VERY HIGH**
Extends the existing US 287 path west to Tie Plant Rd. via Rockwell St., adding a water-retained crossing for bikes and pedestrians. This strengthens the connection between US 287 and the Greenbelt Trail and could add an additional missing connection.

HOW WOULD YOU PRIORITIZE THIS PROJECT? PLEASE PLACE A STICKER.

Low Priority High Priority

Reconnect WEST LARAMIE, Wyoming



The Reconnect West Laramie project is a city-led, grant-funded planning project to help our community prioritize better walking, biking, transit, and driving connections between West Laramie, West Side, and East Laramie. You're reading this mailer because the city is looking for your feedback to help prioritize where future investments in roads, trails, sidewalks and transit should occur.

**PLEASE TAKE
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YOUR VOICE
HEARD!**



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PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT MATERIALS DEVELOPED TO DRIVE PROJECT FOCUS
AND PRIORITIES



Public Engagement

Public engagement for the project was structured in two phases; each designed to gather meaningful input from the community and ensure that local perspectives shaped the planning process. Across both phases, numerous activities were conducted to reach a wide audience and provide multiple opportunities for participation.

Phase 1 focused on identifying and introducing five proposed corridors and collecting feedback on these options, as well as identifying transportation challenges and community needs. Engagement during this phase included an online survey and a series of in-person intercept surveys at popular locations throughout Laramie, led by University of Wyoming students. Phase 1 activities occurred between March and May 2025.

Phase 2 shifted the focus toward refining strategies for each corridor and prioritizing investments. This phase sought input on which corridors should receive investment first and how strategies should be prioritized. Outreach included a second online survey and participation in community pop-up events and a community bike ride led by city staff that provided opportunities for direct interaction and discussion. Phase 2 activities took place between June and September 2025.

For full summaries of each event and activity occurring in Phase 1 and Phase 2, refer to [Appendix B](#).



SNAPSHOTS FROM RECONNECT WEST LARAMIE COMMUNITY BIKE RIDE AND FARMERS MARKET POP-UP





STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

The strategy development process followed a multi-step strategic course of action to develop recommendations to improve connectivity and accessibility between West Laramie, the West Side, and East Laramie. Preferred strategies were initially developed through Phase 1 of public engagement, stakeholder interviews, and assessment of existing assets and constraints, refined through the visioning process, and advanced based on feedback from the Laramie community and other stakeholders. The community's feedback has been vital in ensuring that recommended strategies reflect improvements Laramie residents would like to see to enhance connectivity in their city.

A total of 37 infrastructure strategies are recommended, including a mix of pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular improvements. These strategies are intended to improve access for all residents, regardless of their mode of transportation. The strategies range from small treatments (such as new crosswalks and sidewalk connections) to transformative investments (such as a new overpass over the existing Union Pacific corridor).



DESIGN TREATMENT TOOLBOX

Each of the strategies recommended in this chapter include one or more of the design treatments featured here. Though the context and future design process will shape the final outcome of any strategy recommended, this toolbox is presented to provide visual examples of the types of facilities that could be developed as part of implementation of these strategies.



Shared-Use Path

An off-street facility designed for use by multiple non-motorized users, typically pedestrians and bicyclists. It is physically separated from motor vehicle traffic and usually paved.



Conventional Bike Lane

A striped facility on the roadway designated for exclusive use by bicyclists. It is typically located adjacent to the curb or parking lane and marked with bike symbols and directional arrows.



Painted Bike Lane

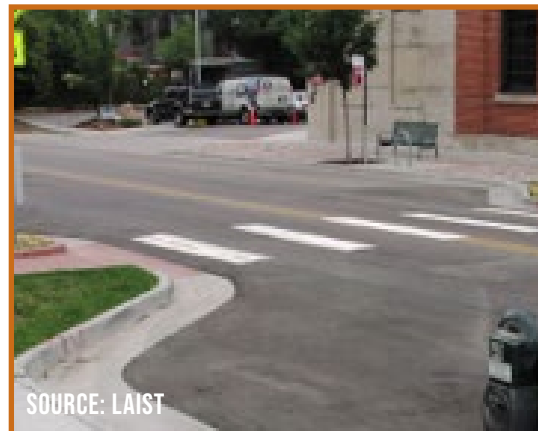
An on-street bicycle facility marked by pavement striping and bike symbols to designate space for bicyclists.





Bicycle Boulevard/ Sharrows

A low-speed, low-volume street optimized for bicycle travel. Motor vehicle access is allowed, but traffic calming measures, signage, and pavement markings prioritize bicycles.



Pedestrian Bulbout/Curb Extensions

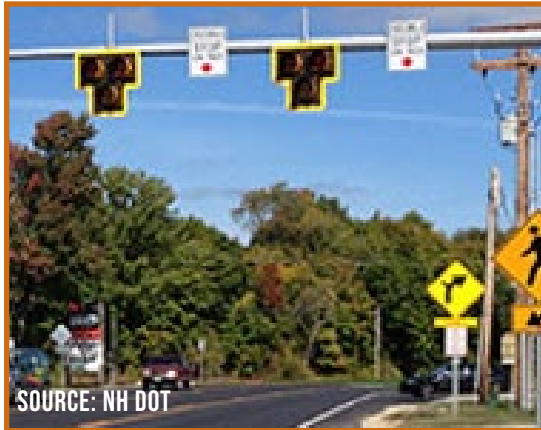
A sidewalk extension into the parking lane at intersections or mid-block crossings. Shortens pedestrian crossing distance, improves visibility between pedestrians and drivers, and can provide space for amenities like seating or landscaping.



Mid-block Crossing

A pedestrian crossing located between intersections. Provides a designated point for pedestrians to cross the street when destinations or walking routes do not align with intersections. These crossings improve connectivity and reduce out-of-direction travel for pedestrians.





Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon

A traffic control device used at mid-block or uncontrolled crossings. A PHB remains off until activated by a pedestrian, then displays a sequence of flashing solid red lights to stop traffic and allow pedestrians to cross safely. This treatment is commonly installed on multi-lane roads where a full stop is necessary for pedestrian safety.



Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon

A user-activated warning device installed at pedestrian crossings. It uses high-intensity, rapidly flashing yellow lights mounted below pedestrian crossing signs to alert drivers of pedestrians waiting to cross. RRFBs are typically used at lower speed, uncontrolled crossings to improve visibility and driver yielding.



Protected Intersection

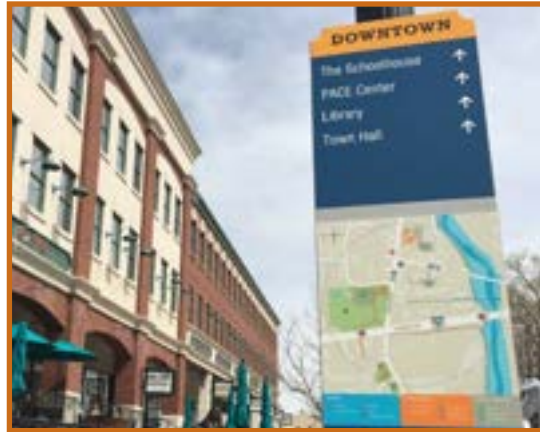
Novel intersection designs can create protected islands for bicycle and pedestrian traffic providing additional protection from areas in intersections where accidents are most likely to happen - the turning movements of traffic.





Improved Landings

This Laramie-specific improvement is focused towards the landings of the historic Garfield Footbridge. These improvements can work to create gathering spaces and placemaking to encourage and make more comfortable the use of Laramie's iconic footbridge.



Wayfinding

Wayfinding solutions can increase the use of bicycle and pedestrian routes within any community. Wayfinding improvements are recommended in many locations where the core infrastructure is working well, but additional information on ideal walking or biking routes would make a positive difference.



SOURCE: MEAD & HUNT



SOURCE: MARK THOMAS

New Pedestrian Bridge

A southern overpass could provide increased bicycle pedestrian connectivity over the Union Pacific tracks where there currently is none.

New Vehicle Crossing

A southern roadway is recommended that could increase east west connectivity for all modes of transportation.



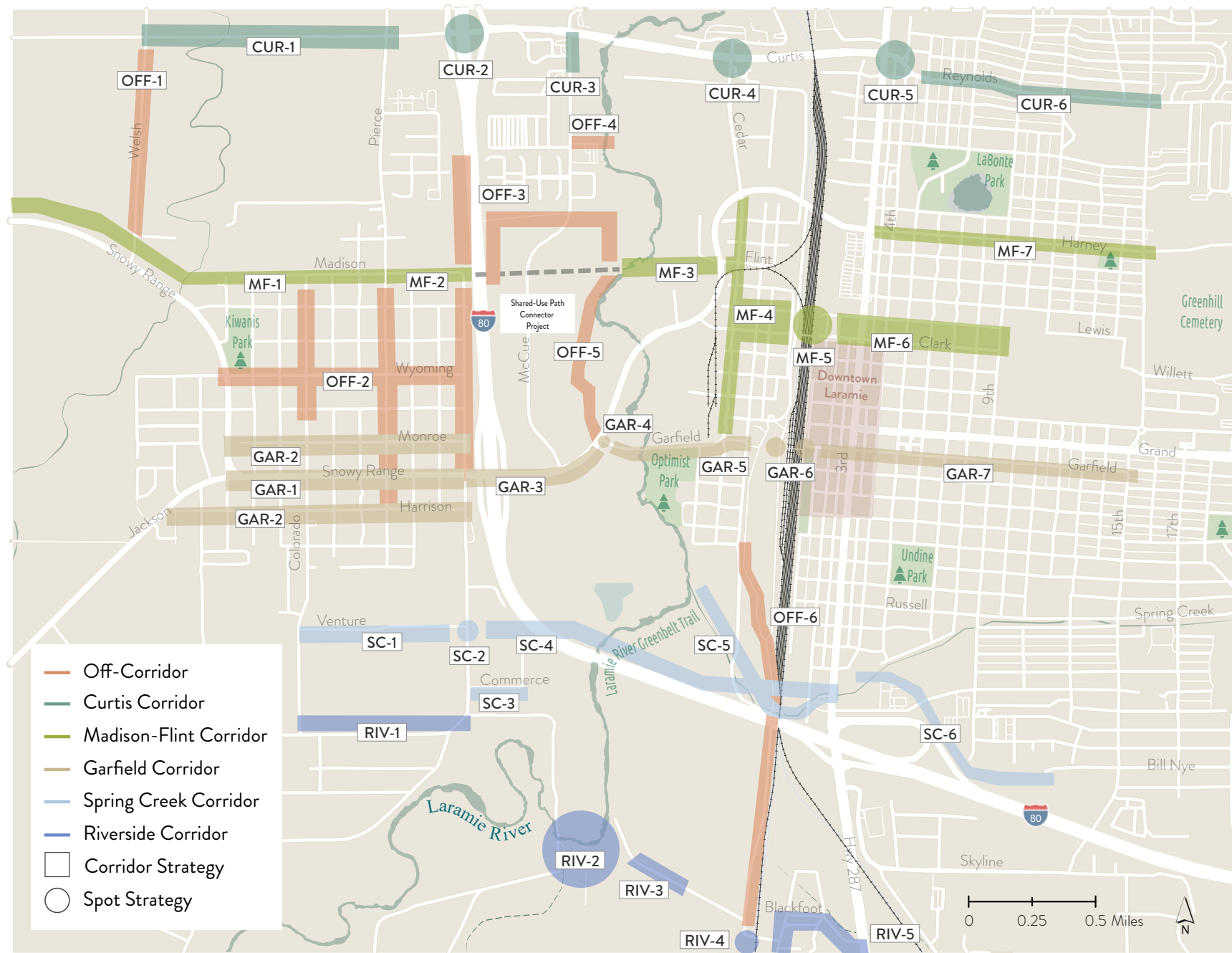
STRATEGY INTRODUCTION

Each of the five opportunity corridors, along with off-corridor locations, include several potential multimodal strategies that would enhance network accessibility and connectivity. The location of all 37 strategies is shown in the map on the opposite page, noted as a corridor strategy or as spot strategy. A corridor strategy extends the length of a roadway or potential pathway, while a spot strategy is located at an intersection or within a specific area. The name of each of the 37 strategies by corridor is provided on the following pages. For a full description of each strategy see [Appendix A](#).



COMMUNITY MEMBERS DISCUSS PLAN'S PROPOSED STRATEGIES DURING PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT TOUR.







COMMUNITY MEMBERS EXPLORE LARAMIE AND DISCUSS STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE CONNECTIVITY



Curtis Corridor Strategies

The Curtis Corridor begins generally around Welsh Lane and extends eastward along Curtis Street, crossing over I-80, connecting to the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail, and crossing over the UPRR rail corridor. There are six proposed strategies identified for this corridor.

CUR-1

New Shared-Use Path on Curtis St from Welsh Ln to Pierce St



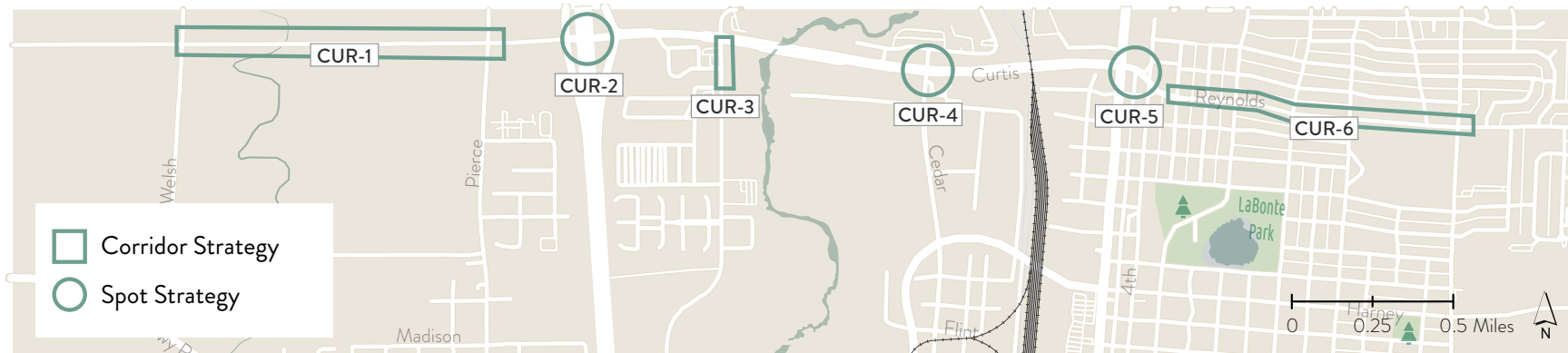
CUR-2

Improved Crosswalks at I-80 On/ Off Ramps



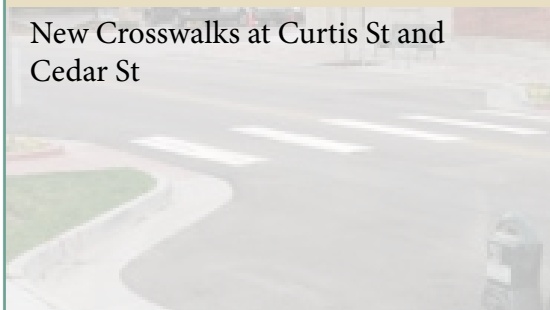
CUR-3

New Bike Lanes on McCue St from Curtis St to Lyons St



CUR-4

New Crosswalks at Curtis St and Cedar St



CUR-5

New Protected Intersection at 3rd St & 4th Streets



CUR-6

Improved Bike Lanes on Reynolds St



Madison-Flint Corridor Strategies

The Madison-Flint Corridor begins at the Laramie Regional Airport and follows the former Hahn's Peak Railroad corridor to Madison St in West Laramie. The corridor continues under I-80 and across the Laramie River Trestle Bridge to the intersection of Snowy Range Road and Flint Street in the West Side. From this point, there are three potential locations for crossing the UPRR rail yard at Lewis Street, Clark Street, or the existing Snowy Range Road overpass. East of the UPRR rail yard, the corridor would terminate at 15th Street. There are seven strategies identified for this corridor. Based on public feedback, a potential overpass along the Spring Creek corridor near I-80 was prioritized over an additional overpass in this corridor.

MF-1

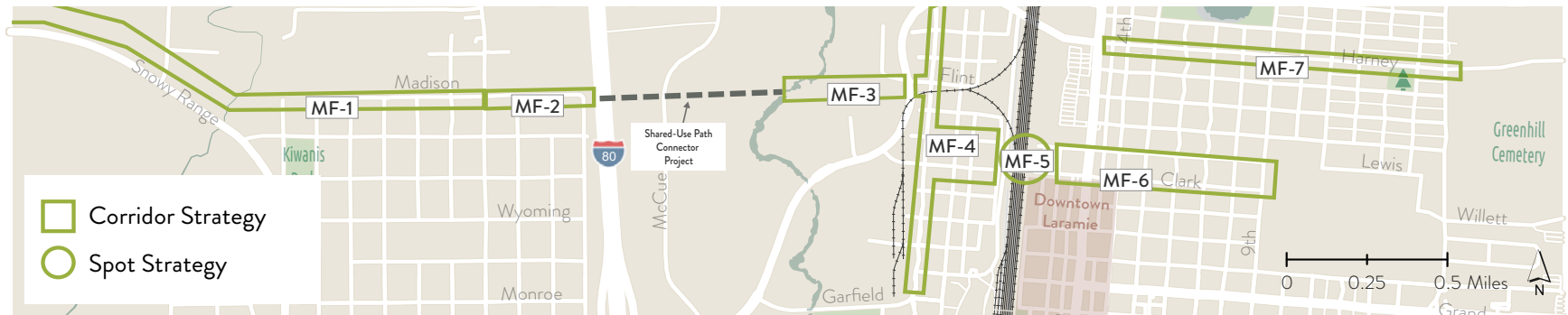
New Shared-Use Path along Hahn's Peak Railroad Alignment between Airport and Pierce St

MF-2

New Shared-Use Path on Madison St between Pierce St and Adams St

MF-3

New Access to Laramie River and Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Flint St



MF-4

Bike/Ped improvements and Wayfinding from Flint St to current Garfield St. Pedestrian bridge and Proposed southern pedestrian bridge

MF-5

New Bike/ Pedestrian Bridge at Clark St or Lewis St

MF-6

Improved Bike/ Pedestrian Accessibility on Clark St or Lewis St

MF-7

Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Harney St

Garfield Corridor Strategies

The Garfield Corridor generally begins at the Snowy Range Road intersection with Jackson Street, and follows Snowy Range Road east through West Laramie until reaching Garfield Street. The corridor continues on Garfield Street through the West Side, utilizing the existing Garfield Footbridge to cross the UPRR rail yard into Downtown Laramie. The corridor continues on Garfield Street east until 15th Street. There are seven strategies identified for this corridor. Strategies do not include modifications to the Garfield Footbridge.

GAR-1

New Bike Lanes or Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Hayes St and Adams St

GAR-2

New Bike Lanes or Sharrows on Monroe St and Harrison St throughout West Laramie

GAR-3

New Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Adams St and Garfield St



GAR-4

New Pedestrian Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Garfield St

GAR-5

Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Garfield St between Snowy Range Rd and Pine St

GAR-6

Improved east and west landings of the Garfield Footbridge

GAR-7

Improved Bike Lanes on Garfield St east of 1st St

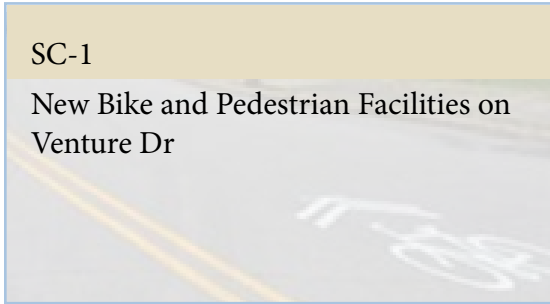


Spring Creek Corridor Strategies

The Spring Creek Corridor begins in the west on Colorado Street and travels east on Venture Drive to Adams Street. Between Adams Street and 3rd Street / Hwy 287, the corridor would need to cross I-80, the Laramie River, and the UPRR rail corridor. At 3rd Street north of I-80, the corridor would connect to the future alignment of Bill Nye Avenue. There are six strategies identified for this corridor.

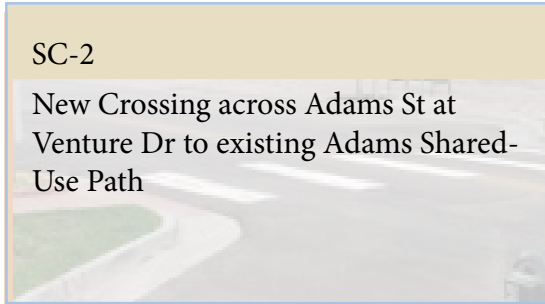
SC-1

New Bike and Pedestrian Facilities on Venture Dr



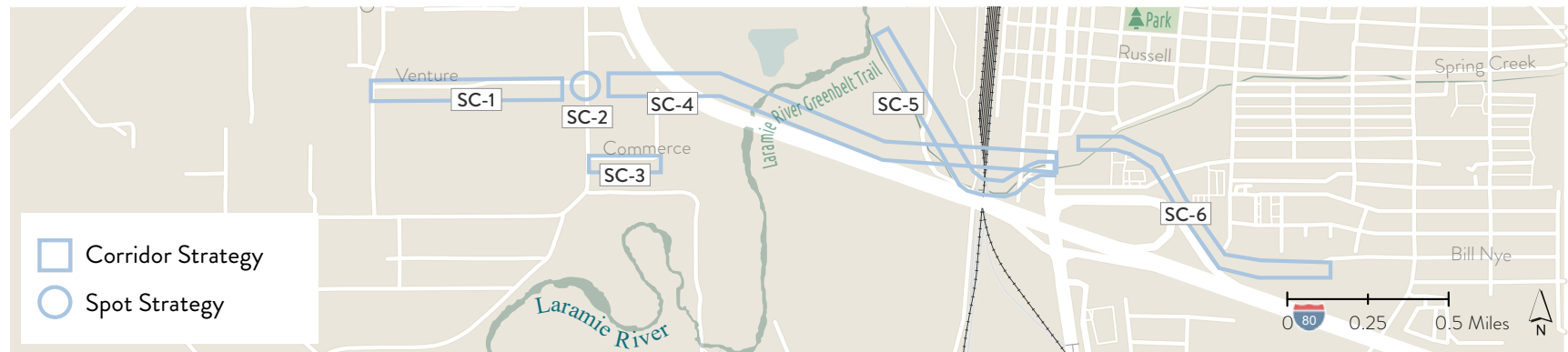
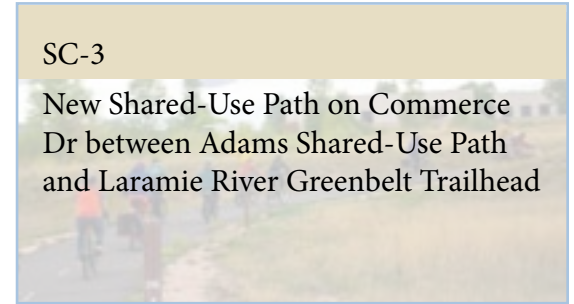
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New Crossing across Adams St at Venture Dr to existing Adams Shared-Use Path



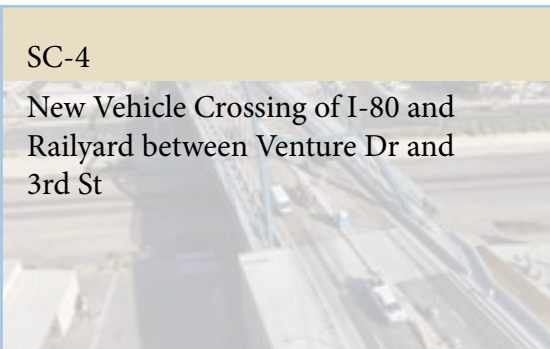
SC-3

New Shared-Use Path on Commerce Dr between Adams Shared-Use Path and Laramie River Greenbelt Trailhead



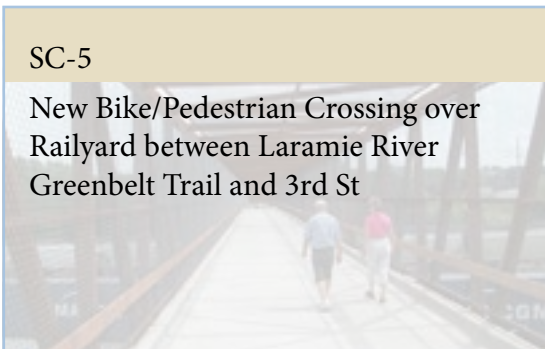
SC-4

New Vehicle Crossing of I-80 and Railyard between Venture Dr and 3rd St



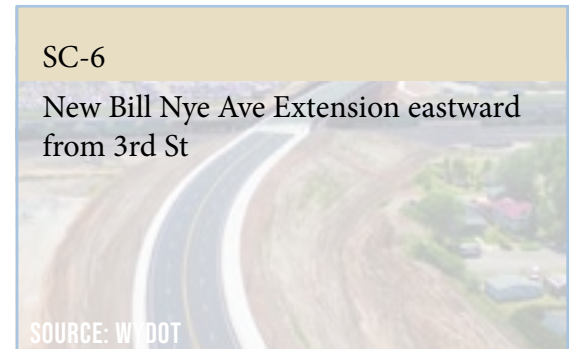
SC-5

New Bike/Pedestrian Crossing over Railyard between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail and 3rd St



SC-6

New Bill Nye Ave Extension eastward from 3rd St



SOURCE: WYDOT



Riverside Corridor Strategies

The southernmost corridor begins south of the WyoTech campus and east of Colorado Avenue. The corridor extends eastward to intersect with Adams Street and connects to Riverside Drive. It then turns south onto Chimney Lamp Road, crosses the Laramie River, and links with the Laramie River Greenbelt. Continuing from the Greenbelt, the route crosses the Union Pacific railroad tracks and connects to Tie Plant Road. It then travels north along Fort Sanders Road, ultimately reaching West Blackfoot Street. From there it joins the existing shared-use path along US 287, completing a continuous east-west connection across southern Laramie. There are five strategies identified for this corridor.

RIV-1

New Shared-Use Path between Colorado St and Adams St / Riverside Dr

RIV-2

New or Rehabilitated Bridge across Chimney Lamp Rd

RIV-3

New Shared-Use Path between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail Loop and Tie Plant Rd



RIV-4

Improved Rail Crossing Accessibility at Tie Plant Rd

RIV-5

New Shared-Use Path on Fort Sanders Rd / Blackfoot St between Tie Plant Rd and US 287



Off-Corridor Strategies

Off-corridor strategies are a mix of north-south improvements that would enhance connectivity between the east-west opportunity corridors. All off-corridor strategies are new infrastructure improvements that would improve access to specific communities in West Laramie and the West Side. There are six proposed off-corridor strategies.

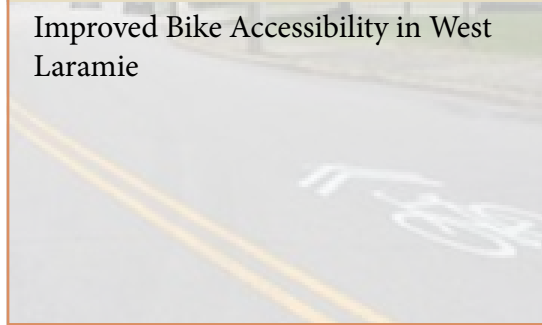
OFF-1

New Bike Lanes on Welsh Ln



OFF-2

Improved Bike Accessibility in West Laramie



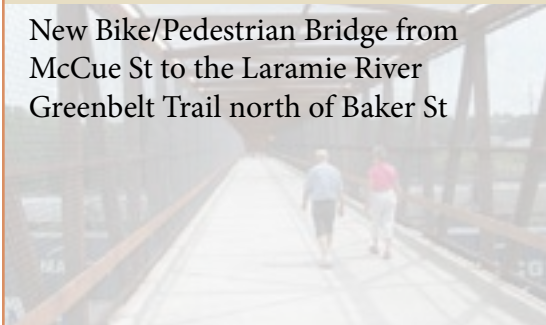
OFF-3

New Shared-Use Path from the Madison-Flint Corridor to northern West Laramie residences



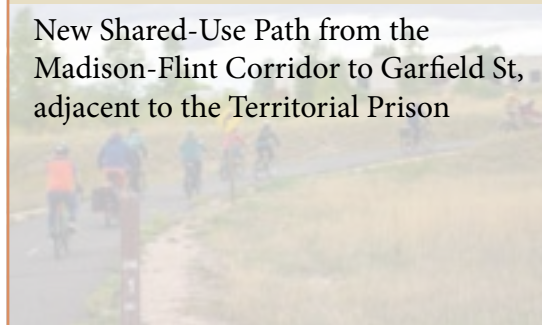
OFF-4

New Bike/Pedestrian Bridge from McCue St to the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail north of Baker St



OFF-5

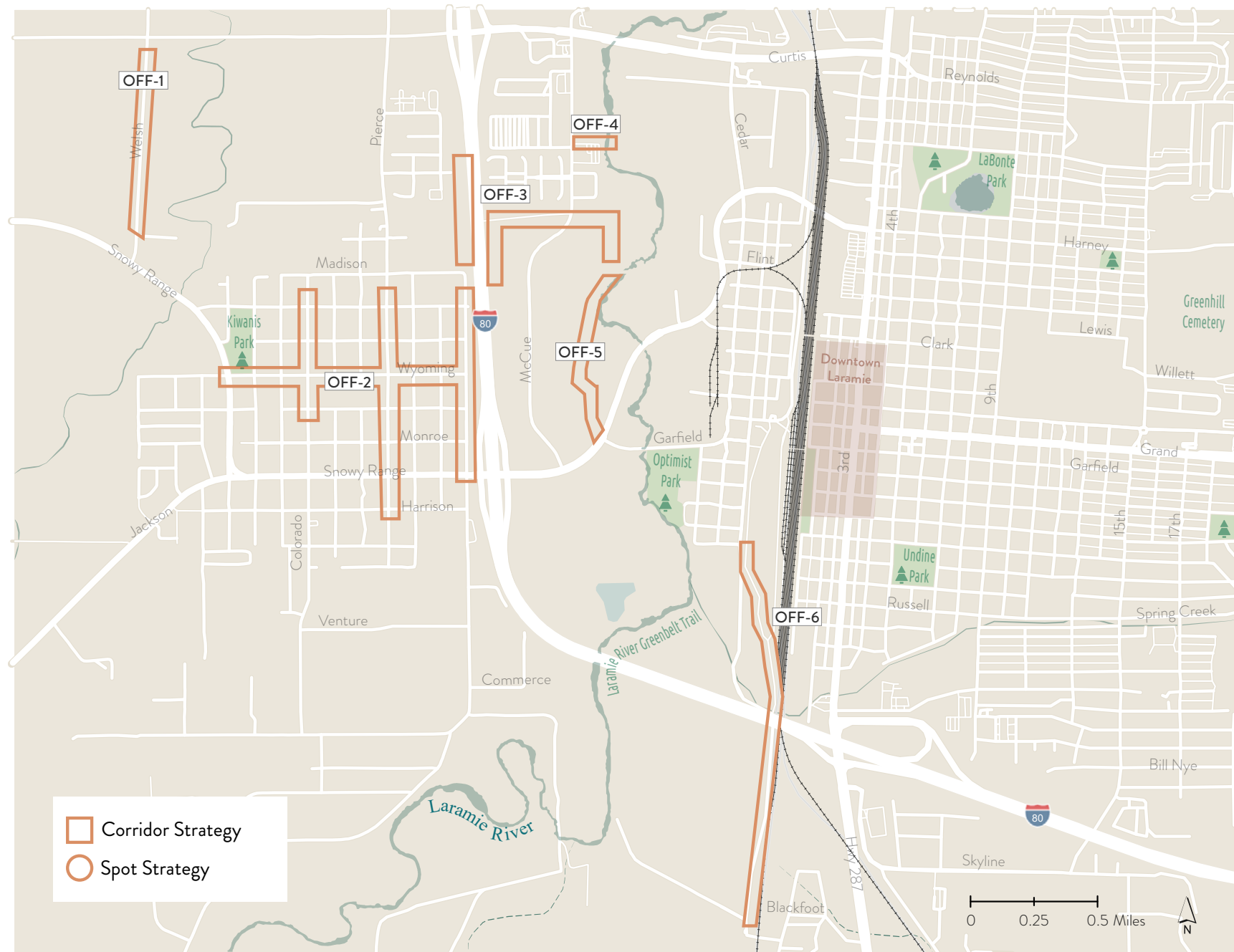
New Shared-Use Path from the Madison-Flint Corridor to Garfield St, adjacent to the Territorial Prison



OFF-6

New Shared-Use Path from Pine St in West Side to Tie Plant Rd, under I-80





STRATEGY PRIORITIZATION METHODOLOGY

After identification of potential strategies, the next step involves establishing a structured methodology to evaluate and prioritize each strategy. This process begins by defining clear criteria that reflect the project goals and community values.

In total, six criteria were used to assign the strategies into three tiers, establishing a proposed priority for implementation. Each criterion was assigned a maximum of 1 point if applicable, except for Public Support, which is scored from 0.5 points to 1.5 points. These criteria are as follows:



Gap Closure



Safety Issue Addressed



Improve Bike/Ped Comfort and/or Wayfinding



Leverage Near Term City Investment

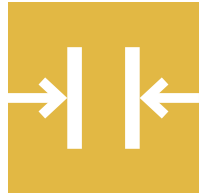


Alignment with Core Project Goals



Public Support





GAP CLOSURE

A gap is defined as a corridor or intersection where no transportation infrastructure currently exists, or where an existing rail or vehicle corridor creates a significant barrier for people traveling by foot or by bike. A gap closure is typically new multimodal infrastructure, either on-street or off-street, that would resolve a critical gap in the transportation network to create contiguous and accessible corridors. Implementing strategies that address gaps ultimately would benefit West Laramie residents by providing better access to their desired destinations.



SAFETY ISSUE ADDRESSED

A safety issue is an existing network constraint that creates a potentially heightened risk of injury to drivers, pedestrians, or bicyclists. An addressed safety issue resolves these traffic safety constraints through the addition of safe, separated, or otherwise clearly delineated transportation facilities either along roadways or at intersections. Implementing strategies that address safety issues improves comfort, benefiting multimodal use while reducing the frequency and severity of collisions.





IMPROVE BIKE/PEDESTRIAN COMFORT OR WAYFINDING

Bicycle and pedestrian comfort can be measured through level of traffic stress (LTS), with low LTS representing conditions and facilities favorable for use by people of all ages and abilities. Bicycle and pedestrian-oriented wayfinding clearly defines routes and destinations, minimizing conflicts with vehicles and encouraging more people to choose active transportation. Improved active transportation comfort or wayfinding is a unifying theme among all strategies.



LEVERAGE NEAR TERM CITY INVESTMENT

The city is actively pursuing and planning for other transportation investments in the project area. In addition to funded Capital Improvement Projects, other projects are identified in the Forge Laramie Comprehensive Plan 2045, the West Side Vision Study, the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, and the Snowy Range Road Corridor Feasibility Study. Ongoing projects include the West Laramie / West Side Shared-Use Pathway Connector Project, the Public Transportation Study, and the Bill Nye Avenue West Corridor Study. Strategies that leverage near term city investments (likely to be implemented in the next 5 years) and previously planned/ongoing efforts help to maximize future connectivity in Laramie.





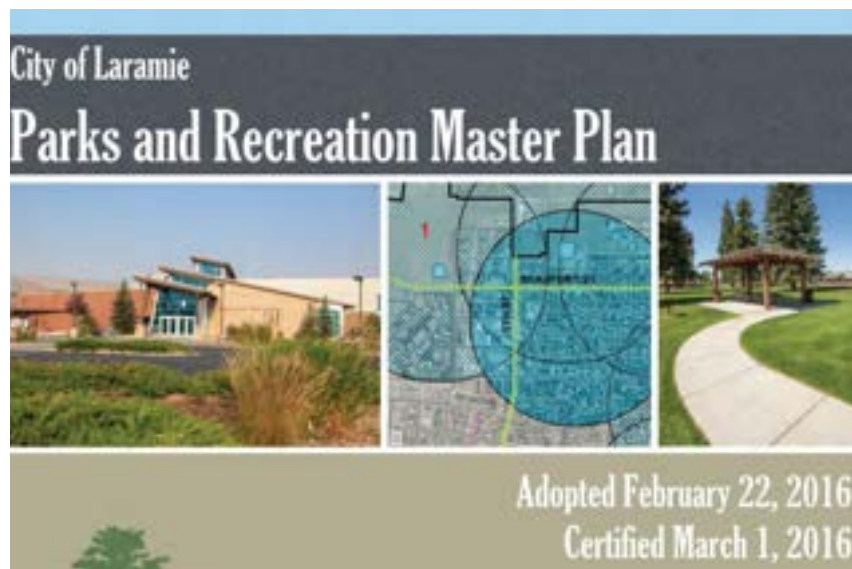
ALIGNMENT WITH CORE PROJECT GOALS

The core goal of the Reconnect West Laramie Project is to improve existing transportation corridors and establish new corridors east-west across Laramie to reduce barriers created by the UPRR railyard, Snowy Range Road, the Laramie River, and Interstate 80. In addition, this project allows the City of Laramie to be more competitive for additional funding opportunities for construction. Implementing strategies that advance these core project goals ultimately enhance accessibility and connectivity for West Laramie residents to better reach their destinations.



PUBLIC SUPPORT

Public engagement has been a focal point throughout the planning process. The city and project team hosted numerous in-person pop-up events, stakeholder sessions, and administered two map-based online surveys to hear from Laramie residents on where improvements are most needed in the city. The proposed opportunity corridors align with where residents would most like to see new investment prioritized. In total, Reconnect West Laramie garnered over 260 scorable data points used to track public support by corridor.



SCORING CRITERIA

The six scoring criteria are used to score the 37 strategies, shown in the prioritization matrix. This scoring and tiering process helps the City of Laramie prioritize actionable, community-supported projects that balance feasibility and impact. The full strategy table with detailed matrix is presented in [Appendix A](#).

The first five criteria include:



For each of these five criteria, the following scoring approach is applied:

- If a strategy meets any of the above criteria, it receives a score of 1 for that criterion.
- If a strategy does not meet a criterion, it receives a score of 0 for that criterion.
- Maximum possible score: 5 (if all five criteria are met).
- Minimum possible score: 0 (if none of the criteria are met).



The Public Support criterion is scored corridor by corridor on a 0.5 to 1.5-point scale, capturing the idea that strategies work most effectively when implemented as part of a full corridor rather than on their own. The methodology for scoring Public Support utilized the results of six engagement events based on their quantitative results. These activities included: two Online Surveys, two Intercept Surveys conducted by University of Wyoming students, the WyoTech Car Show, and the June 20th Farmers Market.

These six engagement activities included scoring elements that allowed participants to vote or select their preference between corridors. While not all engagement events solicited quantitative scoring, every event nevertheless contributed valuable input that shaped project strategies. Table 1 below shows the results of the Public Support Scoring for the six engagement events. A score of 3 represents a corridor with the greatest Public Support. For more detail on Public Support Scoring, see [Appendix B](#).

SCORE	 GAP CLOSURE	 SAFETY ISSUE ADDRESSED	 WAYFINDING	 LEVERAGE NEAR TERM CITY INVESTMENT	 ALIGNMENT WITH CORE PROJECT GOALS
1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
0					
	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1

SCORE	 PUBLIC SUPPORT	STRATEGY MAXIMUM TOTAL SCORE
1.5	✓	
1		
.5		
	+1.5	= 6.5

The scores from all six scoring criteria are summed to calculate a Total Score for each strategy, as demonstrated in Table 2. The maximum Total score is 6.5 points, with the minimum being 0.5 points.



Additional Attributes (Non-Scoring)

In addition to prioritizing and tiering the recommended strategies, each strategy is accompanied by non-scoring attributes, including planning-level project cost, coordination with other agencies required, if design & cost estimates were developed, and sidewalk condition per strategy. These attributes are shown in the detailed strategy matrix in [Appendix A](#).

Planning-Level Cost Estimate (aligned to common grant funding thresholds)

Agency Coordination Needs

Identifies if the implementation of a strategy would involve coordination with other agencies, including WYDOT, UPRR, Albany County, Wyoming State Parks, or the Wyoming State Geological Survey.

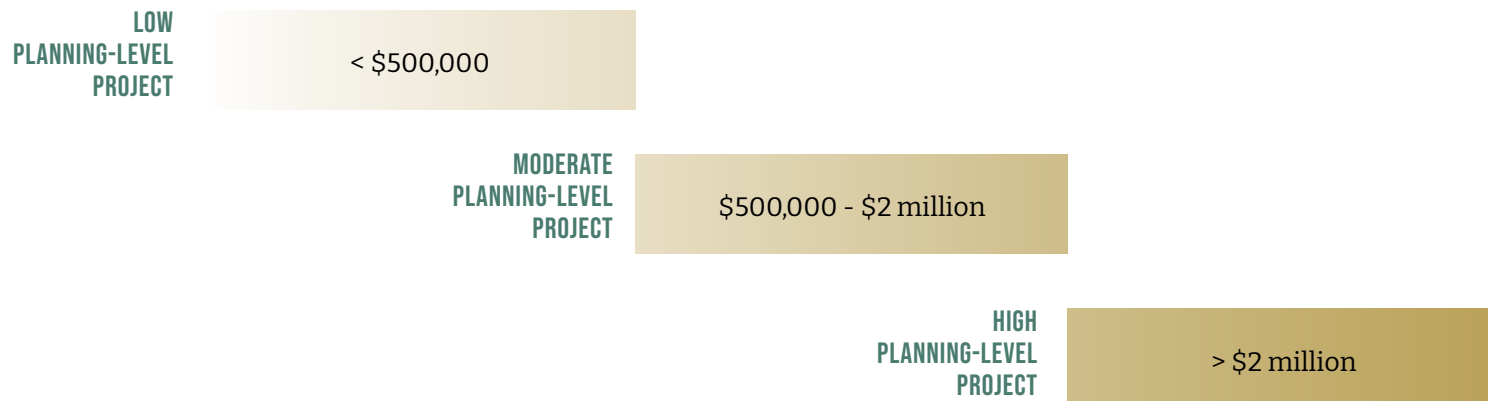
Design Concepts

Six strategies were selected for conceptual design due to their complexity. These visuals were shared during later rounds of public engagement, namely at the Laramie Farmers Market and the Community Bike Audit.

Sidewalk Condition Index (SWCI)

In 2025, the City of Laramie completed the Asset Management Report, which assessed existing sidewalk conditions throughout the city. Most strategy segments with existing sidewalk have an average score ranging between Fair and Good (55 - 100).

FIGURE 15. PLANNING-LEVEL COST ESTIMATE THRESHOLDS



Total Score & Tier Assignment

Strategies are grouped into three tiers based on their Total Score:

Tier 1 (Score 5.5 to 6.5)

Strategies receiving strong community support, are relatively easy to implement, and where the City controls implementation (aside from those along Snowy Range Road).

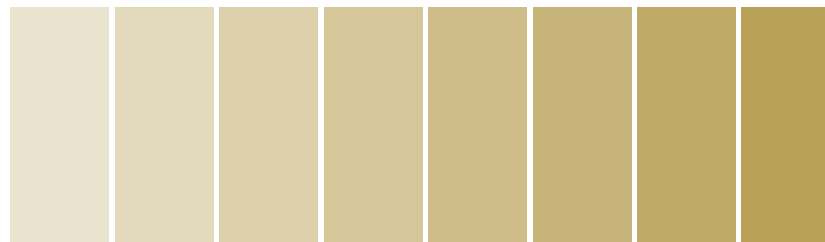
Tier 2 (Score 4 to 5)

Supporting strategies to Tier 1 that provide additional benefit to connectivity and safety to and from West Laramie. Tier 2 strategies may be more complicated in terms of design and may require coordination with other entities such as WYDOT and UPRR. These strategies may also be dependent on Tier 1 improvements for implementation.

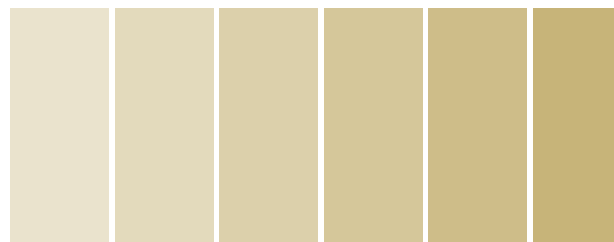
Tier 3 (Score 0.5 to 3.5)

Strategies that would generally be considered after Tier 1 and Tier 2 strategies have been implemented. These strategies may also be pursued when opportunities arise, such as in coordination with another project or due to development activity. Tier 3 strategies often have a longer-term horizon, may have less public support, or are located in areas planned for future growth.

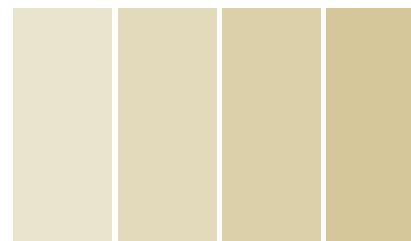
TIER 1: TOTAL SCORE OF 5.5-6.5



TIER 2: TOTAL SCORE OF 4-5



TIER 3: TOTAL SCORE OF 0.5-3.5



STRATEGY TIERS

This table presents all 37 recommended strategies, grouped by priority in three tiers. For the full prioritization matrix, complete with criteria scoring, see [Appendix A](#).

TABLE 2. STRATEGY TIERS - TIER 1

	STRATEGY NO.	STRATEGY LABEL	CORRIDOR	STRATEGY NAME
TIER 1	5	CUR-5	Curtis	New Protected Intersection at 3rd St & 4th Streets
	9	MF-3	Madison-Flint	New Accessibility to Laramie River and Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Flint St
	14	GAR-1	Garfield	New Bike Lanes or Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Hayes St and Adams St
	15	GAR-2	Garfield	New Bike Lanes or Sharrows on Monroe St and Harrison St throughout West Laramie
	16	GAR-3	Garfield	New Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Adams St and Garfield St
	17	GAR-4	Garfield	New Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Garfield St
	18	GAR-5	Garfield	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Facilities on Garfield St between Snowy Range Rd and Pine St
	19	GAR-6	Garfield	Improved east and west landings of the Garfield Footbridge
	21	SC-1	Spring Creek	New Bike and Pedestrian Facilities on Venture Dr
	22	SC-2	Spring Creek	New Crossing across Adams St at Venture Dr to existing Adams Shared-Use Path
	23	SC-3	Spring Creek	New Shared-Use Path on Commerce Dr between Adams Shared-Use Path and Laramie River Greenbelt Trailhead



TABLE 3. STRATEGY TIERS - TIER 2 & TIER 3

	STRATEGY NO.	STRATEGY LABEL	CORRIDOR	STRATEGY NAME
TIER 2	4	CUR-4	Curtis	New Crosswalks at Curtis St and Cedar St
	8	MF-2	Madison-Flint	New Shared-Use Path on Madison St between Pierce St and Adams St
	10	MF-4	Madison-Flint	Improved Access and Wayfinding from Flint St to Garfield St Footbridge, Snowy Range Overpass, or Proposed Bridge
	11	MF-5	Madison-Flint	New Bike/Pedestrian Bridge at Clark St or Lewis St
	24	SC-4	Spring Creek	New Vehicle Crossing of I-80 and Railyard between Venture Dr and 3rd St
	25	SC-5	Spring Creek	New Bike/Pedestrian Crossing over Railyard between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail and 3rd St
	26	SC-6	Spring Creek	New Bill Nye Ave Extension eastward from 3rd St
	33	OFF-2	Off-Corridor	Improved Bike Accessibility in West Laramie
	34	OFF-3	Off-Corridor	New Shared-Use Path from the Madison-Flint Corridor to northern West Laramie residences
	36	OFF-5	Off-Corridor	New Shared-Use Path from the Madison-Flint Corridor to Garfield St, adjacent to the Territorial Prison
TIER 3	1	CUR-1	Curtis	New Shared-Use Path on Curtis St from Welsh Ln to Pierce St
	2	CUR-2	Curtis	Improved Crosswalks at I-80 On/Off Ramps
	3	CUR-3	Curtis	New Bike Lanes on McCue St from Curtis St to Lyons St
	6	CUR-6	Curtis	Improved Bike Lanes on Reynolds St
	7	MF-1	Madison-Flint	New Shared-Use Path along Hahn's Peak Railroad Alignment between Airport and Pierce St
	12	MF-6	Madison-Flint	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Clark St or Lewis St
	13	MF-7	Madison-Flint	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Harney St
	20	GAR-7	Garfield	Improved Bike Lanes on Garfield St east of 1st St
	27	RIV-1	Riverside	New Shared-Use Path between Colorado St and Adams St / Riverside Dr
	28	RIV-2	Riverside	New or Rehabilitated Bridge across Chimney Lamp Rd
	29	RIV-3	River side	New Shared-Use Path between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail Loop and Tie Plant Rd
	30	RIV-4	Riverside	Improved Rail Crossing Accessibility at Tie Plant Rd
	31	RIV-5	Riverside	New Shared-Use Path on Fort Sanders Rd / Blackfoot St between Tie Plant Rd and US 287
	32	OFF-1	Off-Corridor	New Bike Lanes on Welsh Ln
	35	OFF-4	Off-Corridor	New Bike/Pedestrian Bridge from McCue St to Laramie River Greenbelt Trail north of Baker St
	37	OFF-6	Off-Corridor	New Shared-Use Path from Pine St in West Side to Tie Plant Rd, under I-80



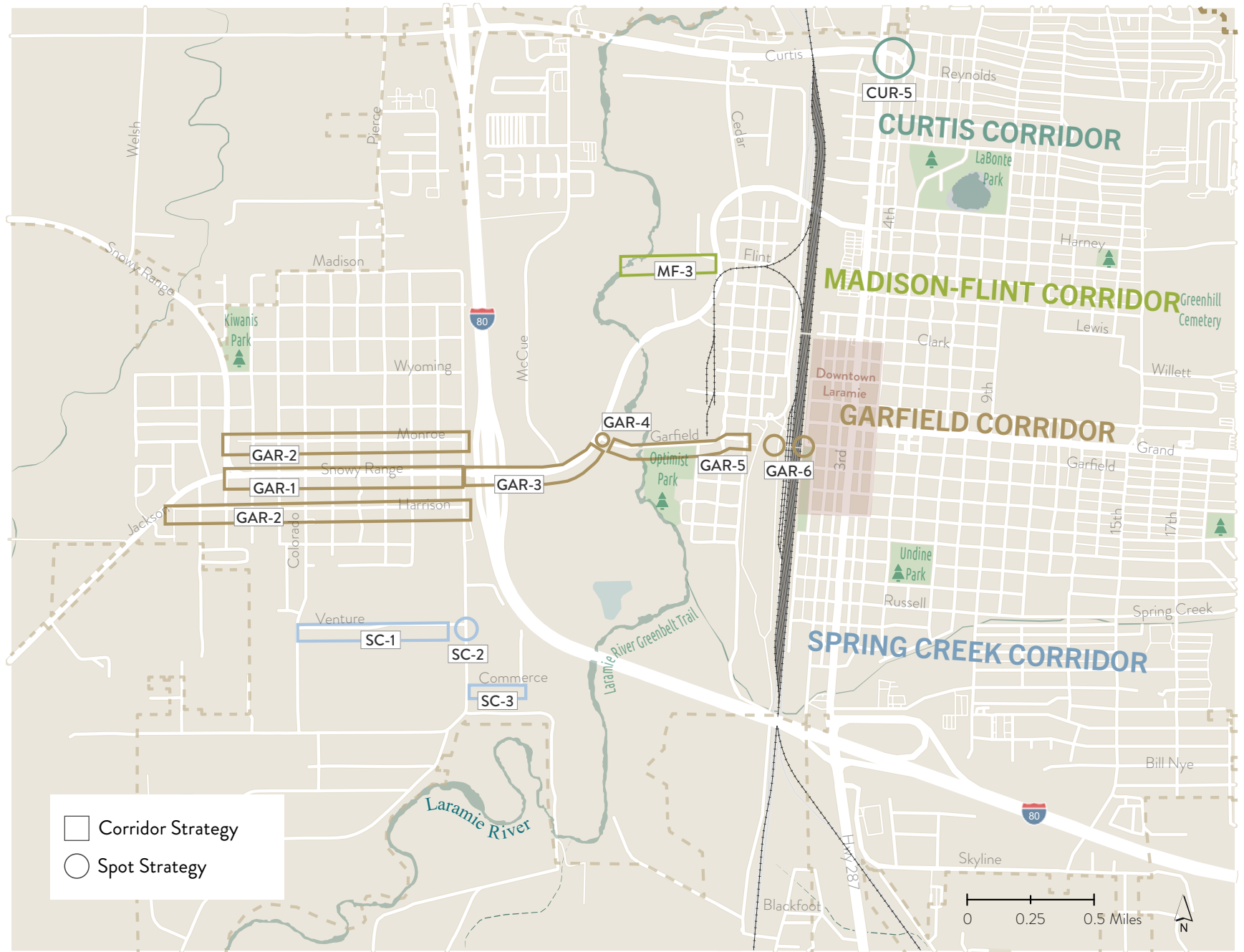


FIGURE 16. TIER 1 STRATEGIES MAP

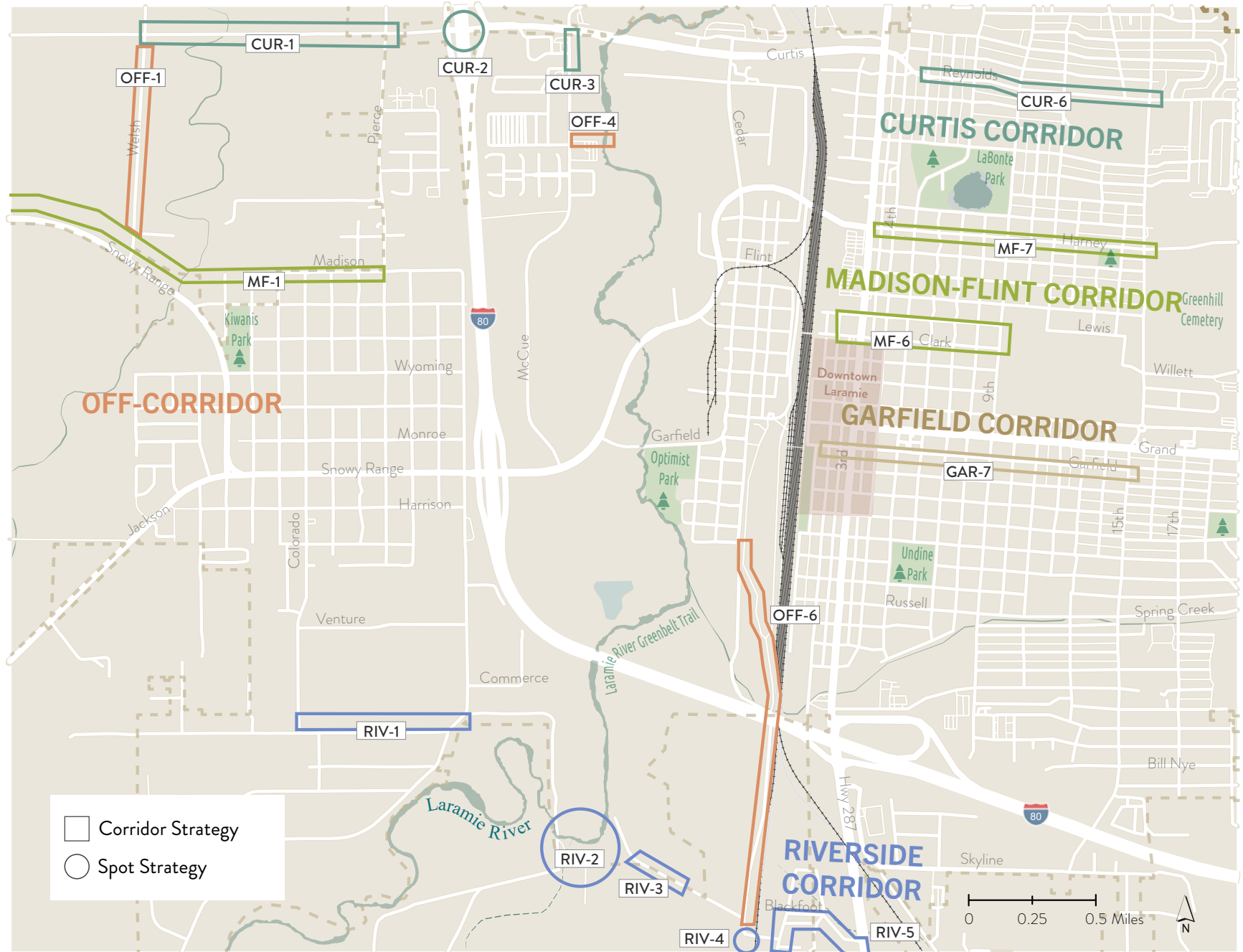


FIGURE 18. TIER 3 STRATEGIES MAP

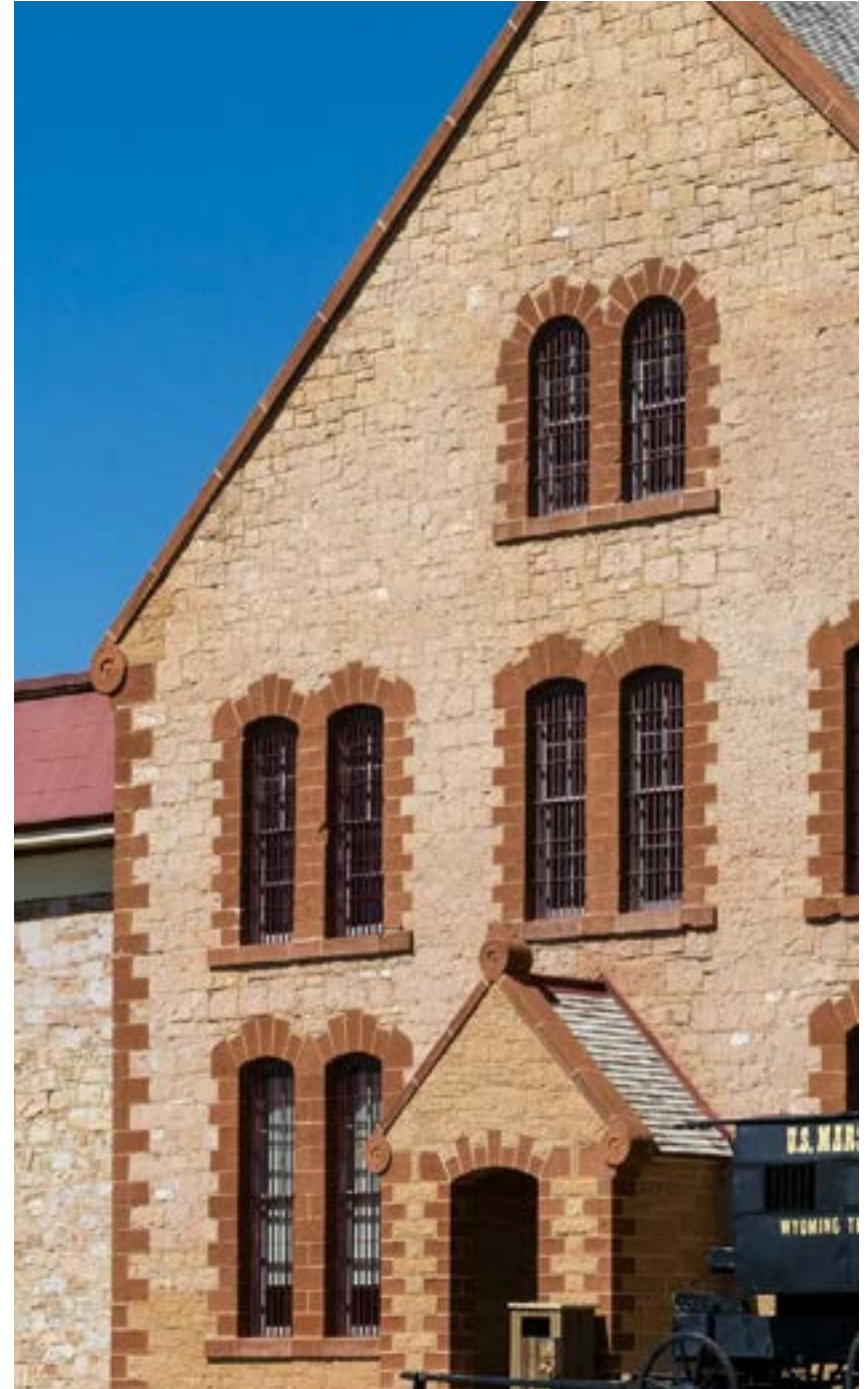




SELECT CONCEPT DESIGNS & COSTS

Six strategies were selected for conceptual design due to their complexity. These visuals were shared during later rounds of public engagement, namely the Laramie Farmers Market and the Community Bike Audit completed in September 2025. The conceptual designs are presented with rough order-of-magnitude costs, project descriptions, and tier category. A itemization of the opinion of probable costs by strategy is presented in [Appendix A](#).

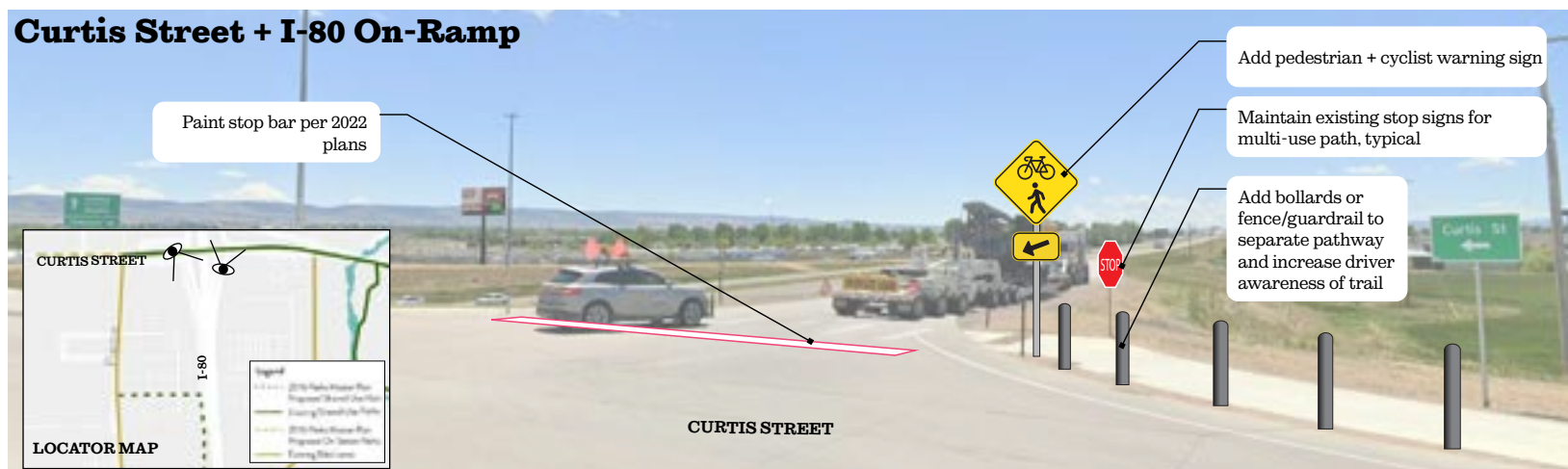
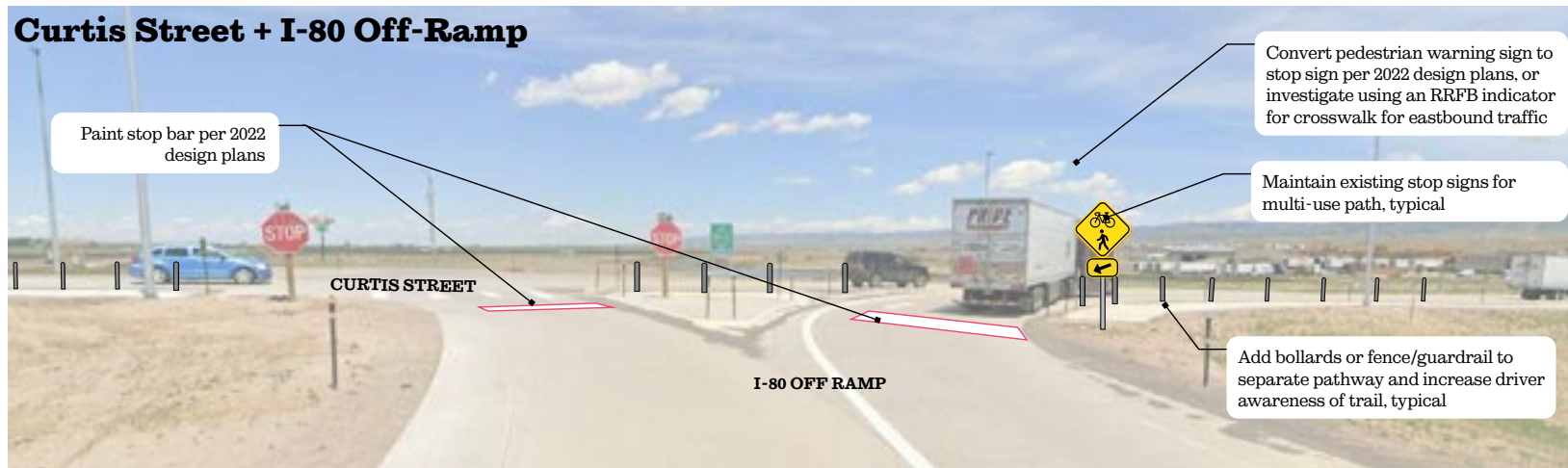
All traffic control measures, recommendations, and assumptions identified in strategy designs and project descriptions are conceptual in nature and subject to verification through detailed engineering analysis. Final design and implementation of traffic control devices, intersection control, and roadway modifications shall be determined based on warrant analyses conducted in accordance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and other applicable federal, state, and local engineering design standards, and shall be reviewed and approved by the City Engineer, and in some cases WYDOT.



CUR-2: Improved Crosswalks at I-80 On/Off Ramps

Tier 3 | Conceptual Cost: ~\$62,000

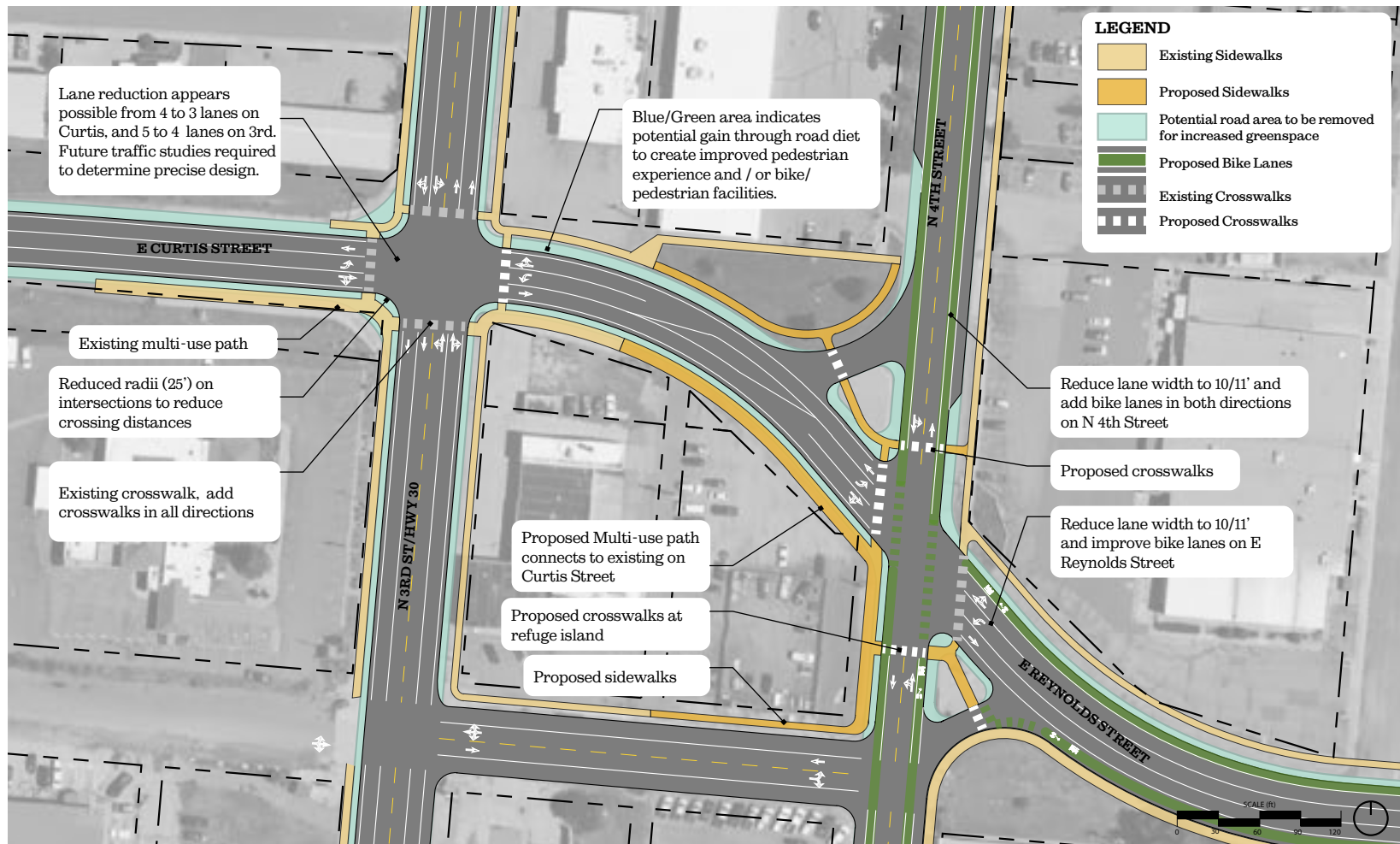
This strategy aims to better define the Curtis Off-Street Multi-Use Pathway through two challenging I-80 ramp crossings. The enhanced crossings would bring clarity of right-of-way between pedestrians, bicyclists, and vehicular traffic.



CUR-5: New Protected Intersections at 3rd & 4th Streets

Tier 1 | Conceptual Cost: ~\$62,000

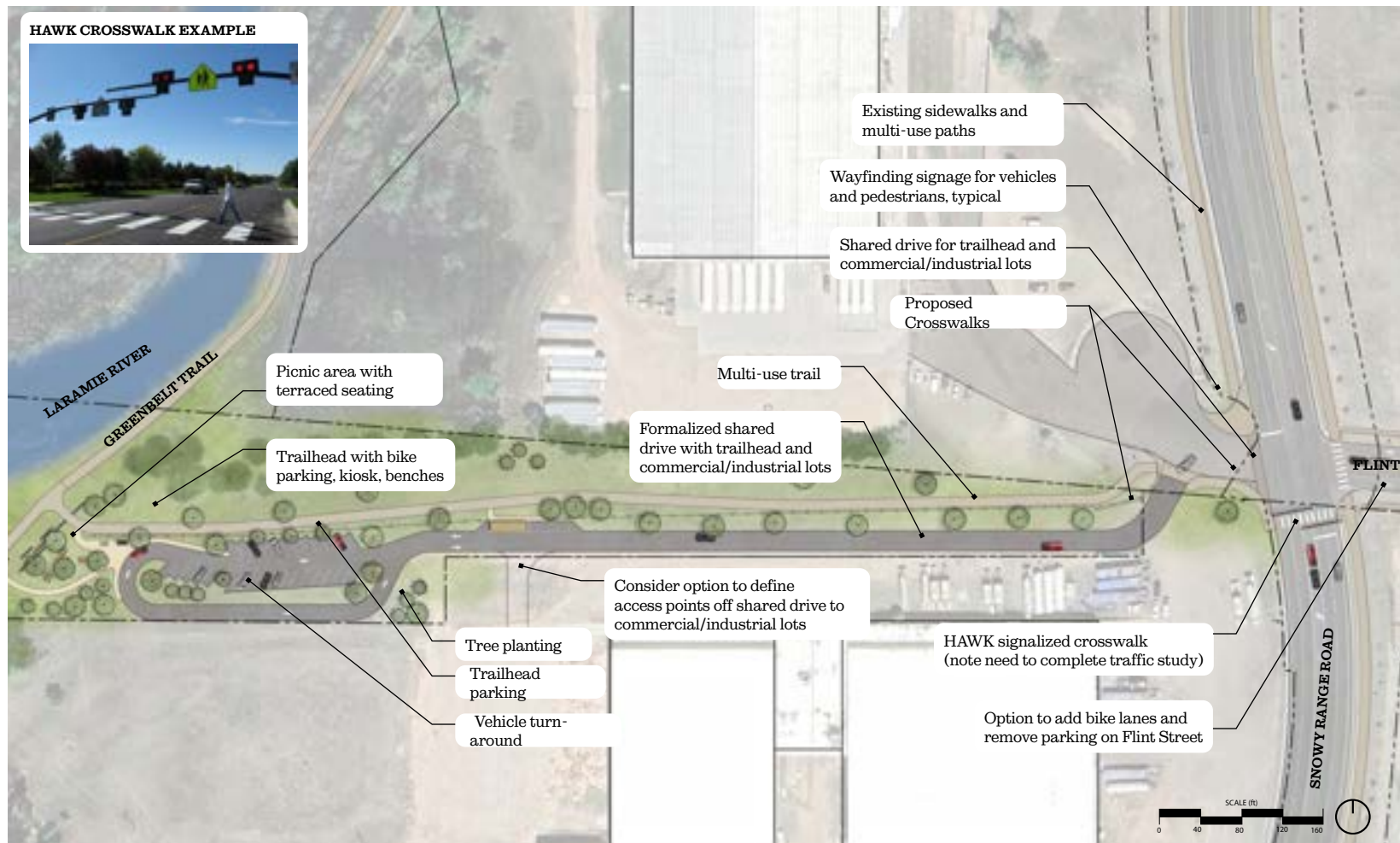
This strategy aims to better define the Curtis Off-Street Multi-Use Pathway through two challenging I-80 ramp crossings. The enhanced crossings would bring clarity of right-of-way between pedestrians, bicyclists, and vehicular traffic.



MF-3: New Accessibility to Laramie River Across Snowy Range Rd at Flint St

Tier 1 | Conceptual Cost: ~\$1.0m

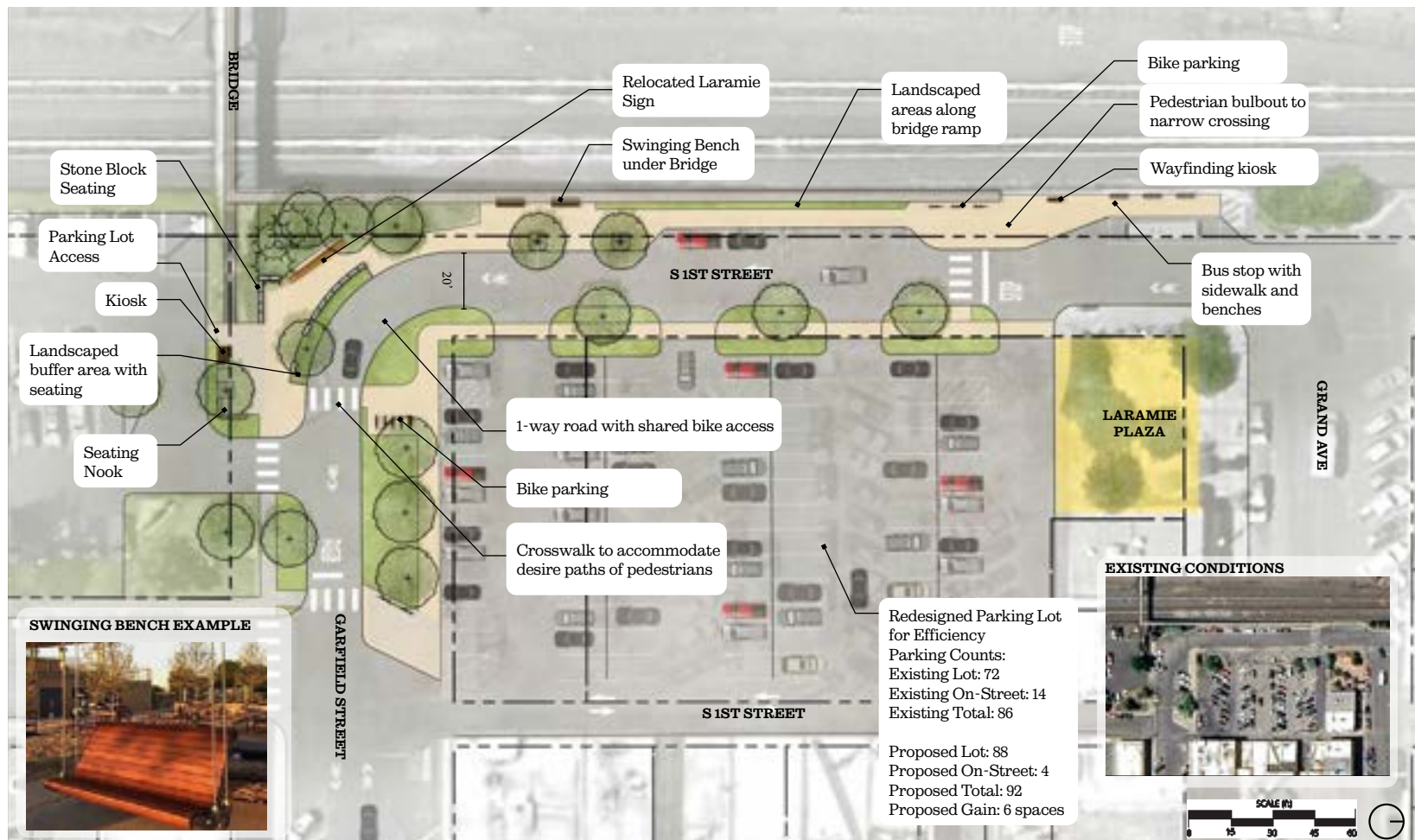
This strategy provides a welcoming new trailhead opportunity to the Laramie River from Snowy Range Road. This trailhead also extends a clear pathway for the connector between West Laramie (Madison Street) and the West Side (Flint Street).



GAR-6: Improved East Landing of the Garfield Footbridge

Tier 1 | Conceptual Cost: ~\$1.5m

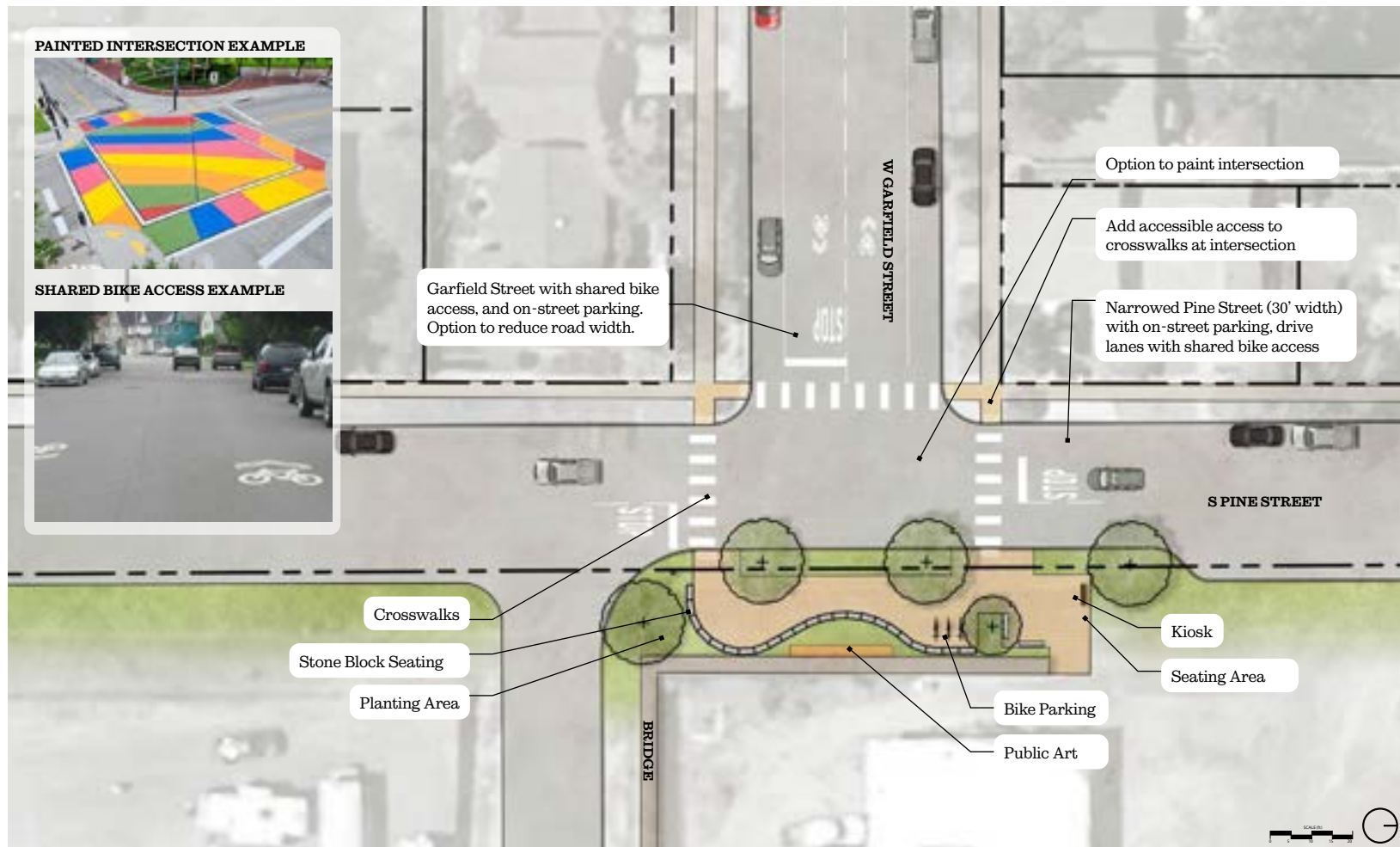
This strategy improves the pedestrian and bicycle access experience at the east landing of the Garfield Footbridge, aiming to draw a greater level of pedestrian and bicycle traffic between Downtown Laramie, the West Side, and West Laramie.



GAR-6: Improved West Landing of the Garfield Footbridge

Tier 1 | Conceptual Cost: ~\$488,000

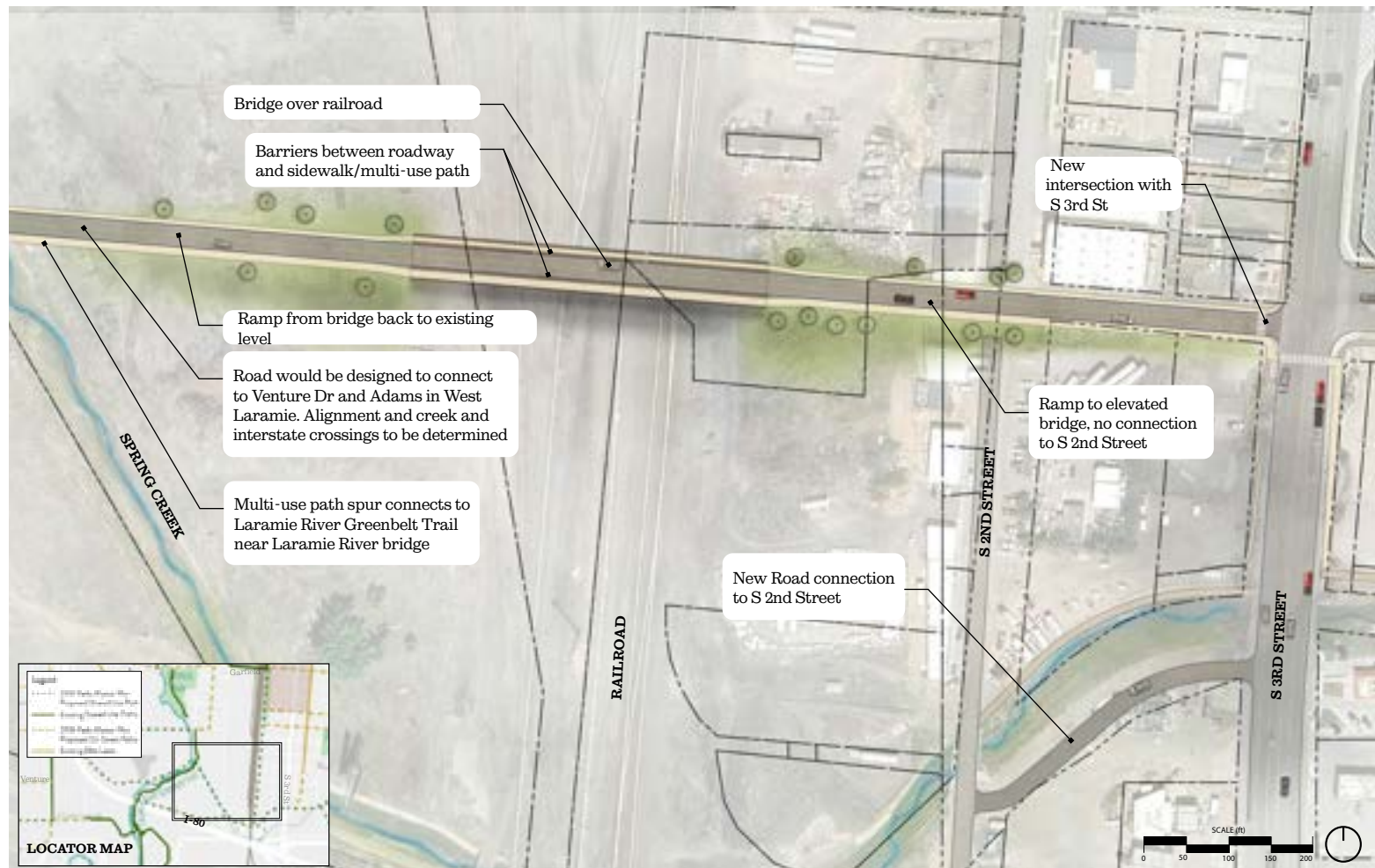
This strategy improves the pedestrian and bicycle access experience at the west landing of the Garfield Footbridge, aiming to draw a greater level of pedestrian and bicycle traffic between Downtown Laramie, the West Side, and West Laramie.



SC-4: New Roadway Crossing of I-80 and UPRR Corridor Between Venture Dr and 3rd St

Tier 2 | Conceptual Cost: ~\$15.6m

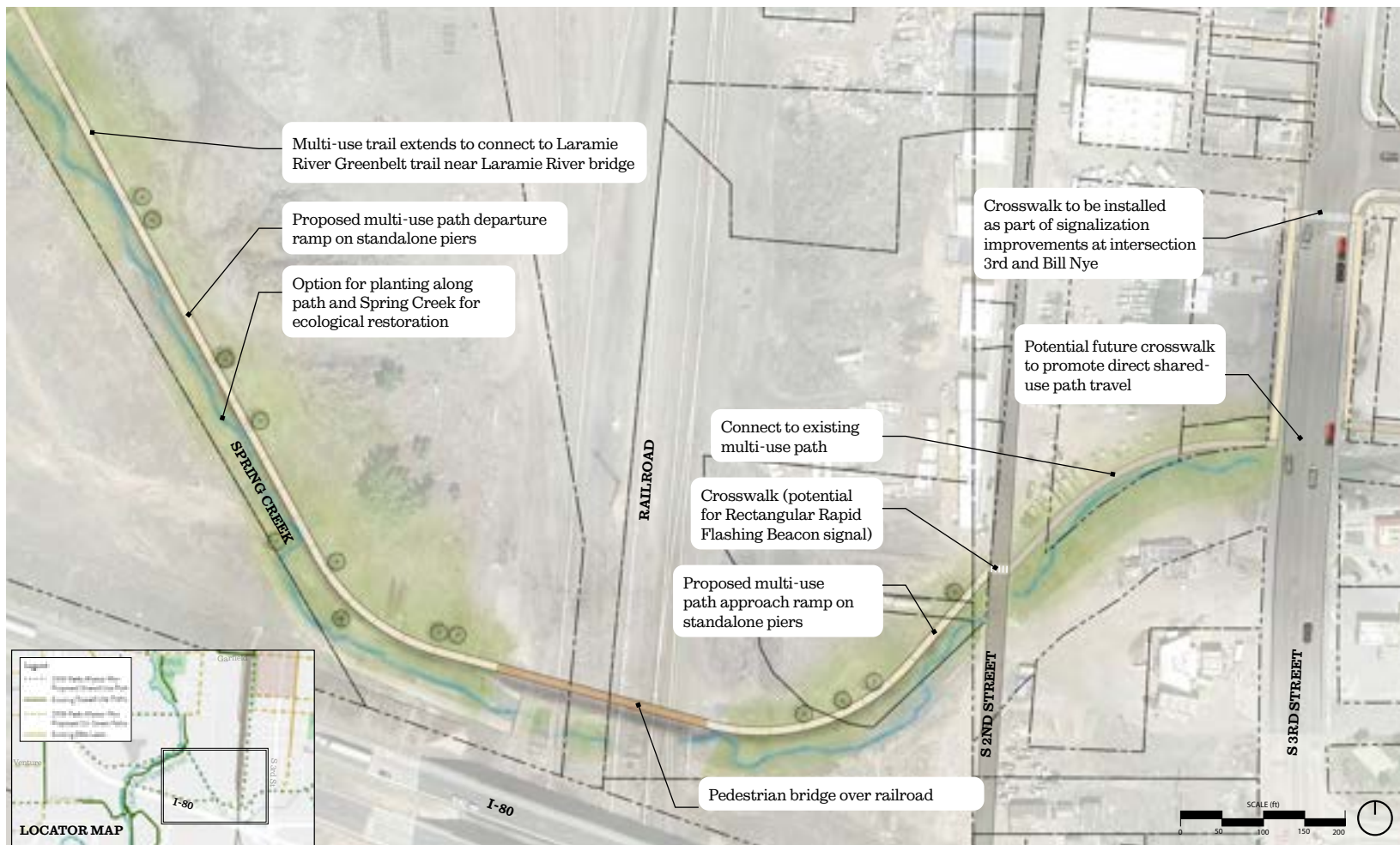
This is a transformational strategy that would connect West Laramie to East Laramie in the southern end of the City, crossing over both the Union Pacific railyard and I-80. This roadway option would allow for vehicle traffic between the two neighborhoods.



SC-5: New Bike/Pedestrian Crossing Over Railway Between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail and 3rd St

Tier 2 | Conceptual Cost: ~\$10m

This is a transformation strategy that would connect East Laramie to the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail in the southern end of the City, crossing over the Union Pacific railyard. This bike/ped only concept would provide an important connection for active transportation users between West Laramie and East Laramie.



NEXT STEPS



IMPLEMENTATION

Reconnect West Laramie identifies a prioritized list of 37 multimodal strategies, varying in scope and complexity, from minor crosswalk enhancements to transformative investments, including a new vehicle overpass over the UPRR railyard and I-80.

Currently, multimodal improvements in Laramie are funded through the local city budget. These limited funds must be allocated in the City's budget across a broad range of needs, from public safety to infrastructure maintenance, community programs, and more. While multimodal improvements are important, they often compete for funding with other pressing local issues and needs.

Reconnect West Laramie presents an opportunity to expand access to funding sources available for transportation improvements. The City can use prioritized project strategies to pursue outside funding through federal, state, and regional grants and other external sources. Seeking external funding not only alleviates the burden on local budgets, but also enables the city to implement larger, more complex projects, such as the construction of pedestrian bridges, off-street bike lanes, or improved public transit options.

The adoption of the Reconnect West Laramie Plan is the first step in the process towards multimodal transportation project implementation. Further next steps include:

- Continue to collaborate with project partners, such as UPRR and WYDOT to implement multi-agency strategies
- Identify upcoming regional, state, and federal funding opportunities
- Designate strategies and apply for funding
- With funding acquired, prepare engineering-level designs ready for construction
- Collect additional feedback from the community and stakeholders when applicable
- Set and evaluate performance targets for each strategy, measuring visitor experience, safety, and utilization before and after implementation
- Construct strategies using the prioritization tiers set within the Reconnect West Laramie Plan



FUNDING RESOURCES

This table is provided as a quick reference guide to support the additional grant funding that can support further study, design and construction of the strategies recommended in this plan.

TABLE 4. FUNDING RESOURCES

GRANT PROGRAM NAME	AGENCY / ADMINISTERED BY	PURPOSE / ELIGIBLE PROJECTS	FUNDING NOTES	MOST RECENT DEADLINES
Rural & Tribal Assistance Pilot	USDOT – Build America Bureau	Planning/design for rural & tribal transportation projects	\$54.2M available; no match; first come first serve	Beginning September 8, 2025
BUILD (formerly TIGER/RAISE)	USDOT / FHWA	Multimodal surface transportation with local/regional impact	TBD	January 30, 2025
INFRA (via Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant MPDG Process)	USDOT / FHWA	Multimodal freight/highway of national importance	TBD	May 6, 2023
Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program (via Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant MPDG Process)	USDOT / FHWA	Projects to improve the surface transportation infrastructure in rural areas, improving connectivity and safety	90% of funding is awarded in amounts of \$25 M or more	May 6, 2024
MEGA Program (via Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant MPDG Process)	USDOT / FHWA	Large, complex projects difficult to fund by other means likely to generate regional economic mobility, or safety benefits	Though not currently active, funds are still available and is authorized until expended	None
Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)	USDOT / FHWA	Prevent death and serious injury on multimodal roads and streets involving all roadway users	Expected range for implementation grants: \$2.5M to \$25M	June 26, 2025
Promoting Resilient Operations for Transportation Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program	FHWA	Resilience-focused transportation planning & projects	Up to \$576 M	February 24, 2025
Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) Program	USDOT / FHWA	Planning/construction to mitigate transportation facilities such as highways and rail lines that are barriers to community connectivity	Demand for program ended the pilot, though DOT is reevaluating program for future years	None
Transportation Alternatives (TA)	WYDOT	Community-based projects that expand travel choices	Local match of 9.51%	June 1, 2025
Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ)	WYDOT	Transportation projects that contribute to the attainment of NAAQS for ozone, CO, and PM	Projects are reimbursed on a share basis of 80/20	Starts July 1, 2026 for 45 days



RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES CASE STUDY

Laramie is not the first community to build a study of this nature and then grapple with the complex series of followup projects to implement real change.

An excellent case study is the Brickline Greenway in St. Louis, Missouri. The Brickline Greenway is a crossing project of I-64 in the Midtown of St. Louis, where the interstate has existed as a barrier for pedestrians and bicyclists for decades. The St. Louis Metropolitan Parks & Rec District was awarded nearly \$10m for capital construction the Brickline Greenway through the Reconnecting Community Pilot (RCP) Program, when complete will reconnect 4 signature parks and 14 different neighborhoods.



BRICKLINE GREENWAY OVERVIEW MAP

RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES PEER GROUPS

As this planning study closes and effort turns to a focused implementation of top tier strategies, City staff, advocates, and elected officials could look to their peer group of other communities working through the Reconnecting Communities funded planning and design processes. FHWA maintains a complete list of awards for [2022](#), [2023](#), and [2024](#).

Looking towards similarities in geography, climate, and population size, both the Bonneville Metropolitan Planning Organization (Idaho falls) and Rexburg ID received planning awards the same year as Laramie, and could present an excellent peer group with whom the City can share and compare best practices. Also in Idaho, Pocatello was awarded 2023 capital improvement funding from this funding resource and could offer valuable lessons about being competitive for federal transportation funding and utilizing that funding effectively.



MAP OF 2023 RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES AWARDED PROJECTS (FHWA)







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STRATEGY DESCRIPTIONS

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1	CUR-1	New Shared-Use Path on Curtis St from Welsh Ln to Pierce St	Extend the shared-use path on Curtis Street west to Welsh Lane, to be implemented in coordination with phased roadway upgrades transitioning the corridor from unpaved to paved conditions
2	CUR-2	Improved Crosswalks at I-80 On/Off Ramps	Installation of safety improvements at the crossings of I-80 and on- and off-ramps on Curtis Street. At the on-ramp location, add a vertical barrier between the pathway and the travel lane west of the ramp, enhance crosswalk striping, and add a ped/bike crossing warning sign. At the off-ramp location, paint new stop bars at crossing approach, and convert pedestrian warning signs to stop signs. Investigate using an RRFB for the crossing for the off-ramp right turn lane in place of the stop sign.
3	CUR-3	New Bike Lanes on McCue St from Curtis St to Lyons St	Complete the on-street bike lanes on McCue Street by extending the northern terminus, currently at Lyons Street, to connect to the Curtis Street shared-use path.
4	CUR-4	New Crosswalks at Curtis St and Cedar St	Improve multimodal safety by installing crosswalks on the east, west, and south legs of Curtis Street at Cedar Street. Consider an RRFB or PHB for the crossings on Curtis Street.
5	CUR-5	New Protected Intersection at 3rd St & 4th Streets	Construct protected intersections on Curtis Street/ Reynolds Street at both 3rd and 4th Streets. Continue the shared-use path on the south side of Curtis Street from its existing terminus at 3rd Street heading east to 4th Street. Continue bicycle access on Reynolds St east of 4th Street through improved on-street dedicated bicycle lanes. Construct dedicated on-street bicycle lanes on 4th Street. Construct crosswalks at all 4 legs of both intersections, as well as at the right-turn slip lanes for 4th Street northbound and southbound traffic. Construct sidewalks adjacent to the roadway at all locations. Narrow roadway widths at Curtis St and 3 St to reduce traffic speeds and pedestrian crossing distances.
6	CUR-6	Improved Bike Lanes on Reynolds St	Improve the existing bike lanes on Reynolds Street from 4th Street to 15th Street by re-striping dedicated lanes with green paint, new bike lane markings, and bike signage/ wayfinding.



Strategy No.	Strategy Label	Strategy Name	Strategy Description
7	MF-1	New Shared-Use Path along Hahn's Peak Railroad Alignment between Airport and Pierce St	Construct an off-street shared-use path along the Hans Peak Railroad alignment, providing multimodal access to the airport and recreational amenities further west of Laramie.
8	MF-2	New Shared-Use Path on Madison St between Pierce St and Adams St	Construct a shared-use path on the northern edge of Madison Street from Pierce Street to Adams Street, which would serve as a connector to destinations throughout West Laramie and tie into the Laramie Shared Use Pathway Connector Project.
9	MF-3	New Accessibility to Laramie River and Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Flint St	In the first phase of this strategy, construct a shared-use path and vehicle driveway from Snowy Range Road at Flint Street to the Laramie River. Construct a trailhead with a kiosk and seating near the connection to the Greenbelt Trail. Construct a hybrid pedestrian beacon on Snowy Range Rd on the southern leg with Flint Street. Construct crosswalks on the west and east legs of the intersection. In a later phase, construct a public vehicle driveway from Flint Street to the Laramie River, complete with parking and a vehicle turnaround. Further coordination with WYDOT will be necessary to ensure alignment with state transportation standards and permitting requirements.
10	MF-4	Improved Access and Wayfinding from Flint St to Garfield St Footbridge, Snowy Range Overpass, or Proposed Bridge	Implement new access strategies between Flint Street to the Snowy Range Road overpass, the Garfield Pedestrian Footbridge, or the proposed Bike/ Pedestrian Bridge at Clark Street or Lewis Street. Access strategies include new dedicated on-street bike lanes with enhanced markings, improved multimodal signage/ wayfinding, and traffic calming features on Flint Street from Snowy Range Road to Cedar Street, Cedar Street from Snowy Range Road to Garfield Road. If MF-5 is implemented, expand this strategy on Lewis Street or Clark Street from Cedar Street to the new bridge approach.
11	MF-5	New Bike/Pedestrian Bridge at Clark St or Lewis St	Construct a new multimodal bridge over the UPRR railyard at either Clark Street or Lewis Street. Would pair with Strategy MF-6. This strategy is not favored over SC-4 or SC-5. This strategy is not recommended if either SC-4 or SC-5 are adopted.
12	MF-6	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Clark St or Lewis St	Improve the existing bike lanes on Lewis Street and improve pedestrian infrastructure from 2nd Street to 15th Street, and/or construct new bike lanes and improve pedestrian infrastructure on Clark Street from 2nd Street to 9th Street. For both streets, bicycle improvements include striping dedicated lanes with green paint, new bike lane markings, and bike signage/ wayfinding. Pedestrian improvements include new high visibility crosswalks at all intersections and revision of all sidewalk accessibility constraints. Would pair directly with Strategy MF-5.
13	MF-7	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Harney St	Improve the existing bike lanes on Harney Street and improve pedestrian infrastructure from 4th Street to 15th Street, as well as construct new bike lanes between 3rd Street and 4th Street. Bicycle improvements include striping dedicated lanes with green paint, new bike lane markings, and bike signage/ wayfinding. Pedestrian improvements include new high visibility crosswalks at all intersections and revision of all sidewalk accessibility constraints.



Strategy No.	Strategy Label	Strategy Name	Strategy Description
14	GAR-1	New Bike Lanes or Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Hayes St and Adams St	Construct either a shared-use path or new dedicated bike lanes on Snowy Range Road from Hayes Street to Adams Street. To accommodate bike facilities, the roadway may require redesign, such as a reduction in lane width or total number of lanes. This strategy is not recommended if GAR-2 is adopted.
15	GAR-2	New Bike Lanes or Sharrows on Monroe St and Harrison St throughout West Laramie	Pave and construct new bike facilities with sidewalks on Monroe Street and Harrison Street throughout West Laramie, serving as the two east-west bicycle amenities in the neighborhood. The bike facility may either be dedicated striped bike lanes or sharrows, complete with bicycle-oriented wayfinding and other bike amenities. Explore a partnership with parcel owners between Adams Street and Taylor Street for the Monroe Street bike facility, as the current path cuts through an existing truck parking lot.
16	GAR-3	New Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Adams St and Garfield St	Construct a shared-use path on the southern edge of Snowy Range Road from Adams Street to Garfield Street, including the portion under I-80. Follow the plan established in the West Laramie / Snowy Range Road Corridor Pedestrian / Bicycle Feasibility Study (2016).
17	GAR-4	New Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Garfield St	Construct a signalized intersection at Snowy Range Road at Garfield Road or PHB crossing on the southern leg of this intersection, which would provide enhanced multimodal access to the Territorial Prison.
18	GAR-5	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Garfield St between Snowy Range Rd and Pine St	Construct a low-speed, bike/ped friendly road on Garfield Street. Bicycle improvements include striping dedicated lanes with green paint, new bike lane markings including a sharrow between Cedar Street and Pine Street, and bike signage/ wayfinding. Pedestrian improvements include new high visibility crosswalks at all intersections and revision of all sidewalk accessibility constraints. Construct a roundabout at Garfield Street and Cedar Street. Ensure safe connection to the Garfield Pedestrian Bridge landing.
19	GAR-6	Improved east and west landings of the Garfield Footbridge	Improvements of safety and accessibility to the east and west landings of the Garfield Pedestrian Bridge. At the east landing, construct a new pedestrian bulbout at the base of the bridge ramp and new bus waiting area. Narrow Garfield Street at 1st Street to create plaza space at the base of the bridge stairway. Reconfigure the parking area to accommodate more space for sidewalks along the outer perimeter of the parking area. On the west landing, construct a bulbout on Pine Street to create plaza space at the base of the bridge ramp. Construct new crosswalks to reach Garfield Street from the plaza. For both landings, construct kiosks, bike parking, seating, landscaping, and public art.
20	GAR-7	Improved Bike Lanes on Garfield St east of 1st St	Improve the existing bike lanes on Garfield Street east of 1st to 15th Street by re-striping dedicated lanes with green paint, new bike lane markings, and bike signage/ wayfinding. Ensure bike facility tie-in with bike facilities on 15th Street and Sheridan Street.



Strategy No.	Strategy Label	Strategy Name	Strategy Description
21	SC-1	New Bike and Pedestrian Facilities on Venture Dr	Construct new bike lanes and sidewalks on both sides of Venture Drive. The new bike lanes include striping dedicated lanes with green paint, new bike lane markings, and bike signage/ wayfinding. Further coordination with WYDOT will be necessary to ensure alignment with state transportation standards and permitting requirements.
22	SC-2	New Crossing across Adams St at Venture Dr to existing Adams Shared-Use Path	Improve multimodal safety by reevaluating traffic control of the intersection of Adams Street and Venture Drive, and installing a crosswalks on the north and south legs of the intersection. Consider traffic calming treatments strategies for Adams Street to pair with new crossings. The strategy would pair with SC-4.
23	SC-3	New Shared-Use Path on Commerce Dr between Adams Shared-Use Path and Laramie River Greenbelt Trailhead	Construct a shared-use path on the northern edge of Commerce Drive from Adams Street to the Greenbelt Trailhead, completing the link between two off-street multimodal facilities. Consider a mid-block crossing across Industry Drive to complete the connection.
24	SC-4	New Vehicle Crossing of I-80 and Railyard between Venture Dr and 3rd St	Construct a vehicular bridge over the UPRR railyard and under I-80 from 3rd Street at Palmer Drive to the Adams Street and Venture Drive. Include a shared-use path on the southern end of the new connection. Connect the shared-use path to the Greenbelt Trail. Construct a new vehicle access from 3rd Street to 2nd Street south of the approach ramp. This strategy is not recommended if SC-5 is adopted.
25	SC-5	New Bike/Pedestrian Crossing over Railyard between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail and 3rd St	Construct a shared-use path over the UPRR railyard from 3rd Street at Palmer Drive to the Greenbelt Trail generally following Spring Creek. This strategy is not recommended if SC-4 is adopted.
26	SC-6	New Bill Nye Ave Extension eastward from 3rd St	Construct a vehicular extension of Bill Nye Avenue from its existing western terminus to 3rd Street at Palmer Drive. Continue to develop this extension through the Bill Nye Avenue West Corridor Study. This strategy would pair with SC-4 or SC-5.
27	RIV-1	New Shared-Use Path between Colorado St and Adams St / Riverside Dr	Construct a shared-use path between Colorado Avenue and Adams Street, just north of the residential properties on Riverside Drive, which would bridge the gap between the Adams Street and Colorado Street shared-use paths.
28	RIV-2	New or Rehabilitated Bridge across Chimney Lamp Rd	Rehabilitate the existing bridge on Chimney Lamp Road or construct a new bridge across the Laramie River to accommodate increased multimodal traffic.
29	RIV-3	New Shared-Use Path between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail Loop and Tie Plant Rd	Improve access via shared-use path by connecting the Greenbelt Trail Loop to Tie Plant Road, the most likely road in the Riverside Corridor for increased multimodal use.
30	RIV-4	Improved Rail Crossing Accessibility at Tie Plant Rd	Improve the existing private at-grade rail crossing to accommodate an increase in multimodal traffic and make this crossing public.
31	RIV-5	New Shared-Use Path on Fort Sanders Rd / Blackfoot St between Tie Plant Rd and US 287	Construct a shared-use path from Tie Plant Road to the shared-use path to 3rd Street, via Fort Sanders Road and Blackfoot Street.



Strategy No.	Strategy Label	Strategy Name	Strategy Description
32	OFF-1	New Bike Lanes on Welsh Ln	Construct new bike lanes on Welsh Lane. The new bike lanes include striping dedicated lanes with green paint, new bike lane markings, and bike signage/ wayfinding. This strategy is to be implemented in coordination with phased roadway upgrades transitioning the corridor from unpaved to paved conditions
33	OFF-2	Improved Bike Accessibility in West Laramie	Improve bicycle accessibility within West Laramie by paving and constructing bicycle lanes or sharrows on key residential streets, including Wyoming Avenue from Snowy Range Road to Adams Street, Colorado Avenue from Madison Street to Jefferson Street, Pierce Street from Madison Street to Harrison Street, and Adams Street from Madison Street to Snowy Range Road. Consider a new crossing across Snowy Range Road at Adams Street to enhance connectivity between the north and south portions of West Laramie.
34	OFF-3	New Shared-Use Path from the Madison-Flint Corridor to northern West Laramie residences	Improve north-south multimodal access by constructing multimodal pathways from the Madison Flint-Corridor to West Laramie Residences on either side of I-80, which include Sunny Meadows Village and Mountain View Estates, with integrated wayfinding signage to support navigation and connectivity.
35	OFF-4	New Bike/Pedestrian Bridge from McCue St to the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail north of Baker St	Construct a multimodal bridge over the Laramie River connecting McCue Street to the Greenbelt Trail just north of Baker Street.
36	OFF-5	New Shared-Use Path from the Madison-Flint Corridor to Garfield St, adjacent to the Territorial Prison	Construct a new north south off-street shared-use trail between the Madison-Flint Corridor to Garfield Street, adjacent to the Territorial Prison, which would be most beneficial during flooding events that often closes the parallel portion of the Greenbelt Trail. This strategy would pair with GAR-4.
37	OFF-6	New Shared-Use Path from Pine St in West Side to Tie Plant Rd, under I-80	Construct a shared-use path between Pine Street in West Side and Tie Plant Road in southern Laramie, making use of UPRR ROW, and I-80 underpass, and an existing bridge over Spring Creek. This exploratory connection would have the most benefit if the Riverside Corridor is constructed.



SCORING TIER MATRIX

Strategy No.	Strategy Label	Corridor	Strategy Name	Tier	Cost
5	CUR-5	Curtis	New Protected Intersection at 3rd St & 4th Streets	1	High
9	MF-3	Madison-Flint	New Accessibility to Laramie River and Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Flint St	1	Moderate
14	GAR-1	Garfield	New Bike Lanes or Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Hayes St and Adams St	1	High
15	GAR-2	Garfield	New Bike Lanes or Sharrows on Monroe St and Harrison St throughout West Laramie	1	Moderate
16	GAR-3	Garfield	New Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Adams St and Garfield St	1	Moderate
17	GAR-4	Garfield	New Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Garfield St	1	Low
18	GAR-5	Garfield	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Facilities on Garfield St between Snowy Range Rd and Pine St	1	Moderate
19	GAR-6	Garfield	Improved east and west landings of the Garfield Footbridge	1	Moderate
21	SC-1	Spring Creek	New Bike and Pedestrian Facilities on Venture Dr	1	Low
22	SC-2	Spring Creek	New Crossing across Adams St at Venture Dr to existing Adams Shared-Use Path	1	Low
23	SC-3	Spring Creek	New Shared-Use Path on Commerce Dr between Adams Shared-Use Path and Laramie River Greenbelt Trailhead	1	Low
4	CUR-4	Curtis	New Crosswalks at Curtis St and Cedar St	2	Low
8	MF-2	Madison-Flint	New Shared-Use Path on Madison St between Pierce St and Adams St	2	Low
10	MF-4	Madison-Flint	Improved Access and Wayfinding from Flint St to Garfield St Footbridge, Snowy Range Overpass, or Proposed Bridge	2	Low
11	MF-5	Madison-Flint	New Bike/Pedestrian Bridge at Clark St or Lewis St	2	High
24	SC-4	Spring Creek	New Vehicle Crossing of I-80 and Railyard between Venture Dr and 3rd St	2	High
25	SC-5	Spring Creek	New Bike/Pedestrian Crossing over Railyard between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail and 3rd St	2	High
26	SC-6	Spring Creek	New Bill Nye Ave Extension eastward from 3rd St	2	High
33	OFF-2	Off-Corridor	Improved Bike Accessibility in West Laramie	2	High
34	OFF-3	Off-Corridor	New Shared-Use Path from the Madison-Flint Corridor to northern West Laramie residences	2	Moderate
36	OFF-5	Off-Corridor	New Shared-Use Path from the Madison-Flint Corridor to Garfield St, adjacent to the Territorial Prison	2	Moderate
1	CUR-1	Curtis	New Shared-Use Path on Curtis St from Welsh Ln to Pierce St	3	Low
2	CUR-2	Curtis	Improved Crosswalks at I-80 On/Off Ramps	3	Low
3	CUR-3	Curtis	New Bike Lanes on McCue St from Curtis St to Lyons St	3	Low
6	CUR-6	Curtis	Improved Bike Lanes on Reynolds St	3	Moderate
7	MF-1	Madison-Flint	New Shared-Use Path along Hahn's Peak Railroad Alignment between Airport and Pierce St	3	High
12	MF-6	Madison-Flint	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Clark St or Lewis St	3	Moderate
13	MF-7	Madison-Flint	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Harney St	3	Moderate
20	GAR-7	Garfield	Improved Bike Lanes on Garfield St east of 1st St	3	Moderate
27	RIV-1	Riverside	New Shared-Use Path between Colorado St and Adams St / Riverside Dr	3	Low
28	RIV-2	Riverside	New or Rehabilitated Bridge across Chimney Lamp Rd	3	Moderate
29	RIV-3	Riverside	New Shared-Use Path between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail Loop and Tie Plant Rd	3	Moderate
30	RIV-4	Riverside	Improved Rail Crossing Accessibility at Tie Plant Rd	3	Moderate
31	RIV-5	Riverside	New Shared-Use Path on Fort Sanders Rd / Blackfoot St between Tie Plant Rd and US 287	3	Moderate
32	OFF-1	Off-Corridor	New Bike Lanes on Welsh Ln	3	Low
35	OFF-4	Off-Corridor	New Bike/Pedestrian Bridge from McCue St to the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail north of Baker St	3	Moderate
37	OFF-6	Off-Corridor	New Shared-Use Path from Pine St in West Side to Tie Plant Rd, under I-80	3	High



		Scoring Criteria				Total Score	Coordination with Other Agencies Required	Design & Cost Estimates Developed	Sidewalk Condition Index (SWCI)
Gap Closure	Safety Issue Addressed	Improve Bike/Ped Comfort or Wayfinding	Leverage Near Term City Investment	Alignment with Core Project Goals	Public Support (1.5 is highest)				
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	0.5	5.5	Y	Y	58
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1	6	Y	Y	N/A
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	✓	✓	✓	✓	1.5	5.5		Y	41
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		✓	✓	✓	1	4			N/A
		✓	✓	✓	1	4			59 - 90.5
✓	✓	✓		✓	1	5	Y		N/A
✓		✓		✓	1.5	4.5	Y	Y	N/A
✓		✓		✓	1.5	4.5	Y	Y	N/A
✓		✓		✓	1.5	4.5	Y		N/A
		✓	✓	✓	1	4	Y		75 - 81
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	✓	✓			0.5	2.5	Y		N/A
	✓	✓		✓	0.5	3.5	Y	Y	58
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	✓	✓			0.5	2.5			58
	✓	✓			1	3			N/A
	✓	✓			1	3			56
	✓	✓			1	3			60
	✓	✓			1.5	3.5			76
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TIER MATRIX

Strategy No.	Strategy Label	Corridor	Strategy Name	
5	CUR-5	Curtis	New Protected Intersection at 3rd St & 4th Streets	Tier 1
9	MF-3	Madison-Flint	New Accessibility to Laramie River and Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Flint St	
14	GAR-1	Garfield	New Bike Lanes or Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Hayes St and Adams St	
15	GAR-2	Garfield	New Bike Lanes or Sharrows on Monroe St and Harrison St throughout West Laramie	
16	GAR-3	Garfield	New Shared-Use Path on Snowy Range Rd between Adams St and Garfield St	
17	GAR-4	Garfield	New Crossing across Snowy Range Rd at Garfield St	
18	GAR-5	Garfield	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Facilities on Garfield St between Snowy Range Rd and Pine St	
19	GAR-6	Garfield	Improved east and west landings of the Garfield Footbridge	
21	SC-1	Spring Creek	New Bike and Pedestrian Facilities on Venture Dr	
22	SC-2	Spring Creek	New Crossing across Adams St at Venture Dr to existing Adams Shared-Use Path	
23	SC-3	Spring Creek	New Shared-Use Path on Commerce Dr between Adams Shared-Use Path and Laramie River Greenbelt Trailhead	
4	CUR-4	Curtis	New Crosswalks at Curtis St and Cedar St	Tier 2
8	MF-2	Madison-Flint	New Shared-Use Path on Madison St between Pierce St and Adams St	
10	MF-4	Madison-Flint	Improved Access and Wayfinding from Flint St to Garfield St Footbridge, Snowy Range Overpass, or Proposed Bridge	
11	MF-5	Madison-Flint	New Bike/Pedestrian Bridge at Clark St or Lewis St	
24	SC-4	Spring Creek	New Vehicle Crossing of I-80 and Railyard between Venture Dr and 3rd St	
25	SC-5	Spring Creek	New Bike/Pedestrian Crossing over Railyard between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail and 3rd St	
26	SC-6	Spring Creek	New Bill Nye Ave Extension eastward from 3rd St	
33	OFF-2	Off-Corridor	Improved Bike Accessibility in West Laramie	
34	OFF-3	Off-Corridor	New Shared-Use Path from the Madison-Flint Corridor to northern West Laramie residences	Tier 3
36	OFF-5	Off-Corridor	New Shared-Use Path from the Madison-Flint Corridor to Garfield St, adjacent to the Territorial Prison	
1	CUR-1	Curtis	New Shared-Use Path on Curtis St from Welsh Ln to Pierce St	
2	CUR-2	Curtis	Improved Crosswalks at I-80 On/Off Ramps	
3	CUR-3	Curtis	New Bike Lanes on McCue St from Curtis St to Lyons St	
6	CUR-6	Curtis	Improved Bike Lanes on Reynolds St	
7	MF-1	Madison-Flint	New Shared-Use Path along Hahn's Peak Railroad Alignment between Airport and Pierce St	
12	MF-6	Madison-Flint	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Clark St or Lewis St	
13	MF-7	Madison-Flint	Improved Bike/Pedestrian Accessibility on Harney St	
20	GAR-7	Garfield	Improved Bike Lanes on Garfield St east of 1st St	
27	RIV-1	Riverside	New Shared-Use Path between Colorado St and Adams St / Riverside Dr	
28	RIV-2	Riverside	New or Rehabilitated Bridge across Chimney Lamp Rd	
29	RIV-3	Riverside	New Shared-Use Path between Laramie River Greenbelt Trail Loop and Tie Plant Rd	
30	RIV-4	Riverside	Improved Rail Crossing Accessibility at Tie Plant Rd	
31	RIV-5	Riverside	New Shared-Use Path on Fort Sanders Rd / Blackfoot St between Tie Plant Rd and US 287	
32	OFF-1	Off-Corridor	New Bike Lanes on Welsh Ln	
35	OFF-4	Off-Corridor	New Bike/Pedestrian Bridge from McCue St to Laramie River Greenbelt Trail north of Baker St	
37	OFF-6	Off-Corridor	New Shared-Use Path from Pine St in West Side to Tie Plant Rd, under I-80	



PROBABLE COSTS FOR SELECT STRATEGIES

CUR-2 - Curtis Street I-80 Interchange (Improved Crosswalks)					
Item No.	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Amount
1	Pedestrian + cyclist warning sign & support	1	EA	\$120.00	\$120.00
2	R1-1 Stop Sign and support	1	EA	\$120.00	\$120.00
3	Sign supports - 2" PSST and Foundation	1	EA	\$450.00	\$450.00
4	Sign system, solar powered RRFB	1	EA	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
5	Bollards	21	LF	\$1,200.00	\$25,200.00
6	Permanent pavement symbols, white expoxy	11	SY	\$135.00	\$1,440.00
DIRECT CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$42,330.00
Mobilization/Demobilization & SWPPP				10%	\$4,230.00
Permits				2%	\$850.00
Traffic Control				5%	\$2,120.00
Contingency				30%	\$12,700.00
CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$62,230.00



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CUR-5 - Curtis/Reynolds Street at 3rd and 4th (Protected Intersections):					
Item No.	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Amount
	Asphalt roadway sawcut & removal	1965	SY	\$25.00	\$49,133.33
	Curb & gutter removal	2948	LF	\$11.00	\$32,428.00
	Concrete sidewalk, 4" depth	782	SY	\$65.00	\$50,801.11
	New ADA ramps	45	SY	\$65.00	\$2,925.00
	Cross walk white epoxy markings	72	SY	\$400.00	\$28,888.89
	Permanent pavement markings, white epoxy	631	SY	\$65.00	\$41,002.96
	Permanent pavement markings, yellow epoxy	176	SY	\$70.00	\$12,351.11
	Traffic signs	40	EA	\$75.00	\$3,000.00
	6" asphalt concrete roadway	13102	SY	\$120.00	\$1,572,266.67
	Landscaped area	2410	SY	\$50.00	\$120,511.11
	Curb & gutter install	2948	LF	\$65.00	\$191,620.00
	Intersection traffic signal modifications	2	LS	\$150,000.00	\$300,000.00
	Erosion control	1	LS	\$48,098.56	\$48,098.56
	QC	1	LS	\$120,246.41	\$120,246.41
DIRECT CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$2,573,273.16
Mobilization/Demobilization & SWPPP				13%	\$334,530.00
Permits				2%	\$51,470.00
Traffic Control				5%	\$128,660.00
Contingency				30%	\$771,980.00
CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$3,859,913.16



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Client: City of Laramie, WY

MF-3 - Flint and Snowy Range to Greenbelt Trail (New Trailhead):					
Item No.	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Amount
	3" asphalt concrete - roadway & parking lot	3261	SY	\$60.00	\$195,666.67
	Crushed base course, 3/4"- minus, roadway	2446	CY	\$65.00	\$158,979.17
	Parking stall white epoxy markings	34	SY	\$400.00	\$13,600.00
	Cross walk white epoxy markings	71	SY	\$400.00	\$28,444.44
	Parking stall wheel stops	29	EA	\$65.00	\$1,885.00
	Trees	42	EA	\$550.00	\$23,100.00
	Terraced seating	7	EA	\$500.00	\$3,500.00
	Benches/Picnic Tables	4	EA	\$2,500.00	\$10,000.00
	Bike rack	1	EA	\$750.00	\$750.00
	Kiosk	1	EA	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
	HAWK Signalized Crosswalk	1	LS	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00
DIRECT CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$687,725.28
Mobilization/Demobilization & SWPPP				13%	\$89,400.00
Permits				2%	\$13,750.00
Traffic Control				1%	\$6,880.00
Contingency				30%	\$206,320.00
CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$1,004,075.28



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GAR-6 – Garfield Bridge Landing Areas (East Improvements):					
Item No.	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Amount
	6" asphalt concrete - roadway & parking lot	4968	SY	\$120.00	\$596,186.67
	Crushed base course, 3/4"- minus, roadway	3726	CY	\$65.00	\$242,200.83
	Concrete sidewalk, 4" depth	966	SY	\$65.00	\$62,811.67
	Cross walk white epoxy markings	14	SY	\$400.00	\$5,688.89
	Permanent pavement markings, white epoxy	169	SY	\$65.00	\$10,981.92
	Trees	19	EA	\$550.00	\$10,450.00
	Stone block seating	15	EA	\$250.00	\$3,750.00
	Seating nook	1	EA	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
	Swinging Bench under Bridge	2	EA	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00
	Bike rack	8	EA	\$750.00	\$6,000.00
	Kiosk	2	EA	\$1,800.00	\$3,600.00
	Benches	3	EA	\$2,500.00	\$7,500.00
	Relocate Laramie sign	1	EA	\$500.00	\$500.00
	Landscaped area	461	SY	\$50.00	\$23,027.78
	Erosion control	1	LS	\$19,603.96	\$19,603.96
	QC	1	LS	\$49,009.89	\$49,009.89
DIRECT CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$1,048,811.59
Mobilization/Demobilization & SWPPP				13%	\$136,350.00
Permits				2%	\$20,980.00
Traffic Control				1%	\$10,490.00
Contingency				30%	\$314,640.00
CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$1,531,271.59



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GAR-6 – Garfield Bridge Landing Areas (West Improvements):					
Item No.	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Amount
	6" asphalt concrete - roadway	1517	SY	\$120.00	\$182,000.00
	Crushed base course, 3/4"- minus, roadway	1138	CY	\$65.00	\$73,937.50
	Concrete sidewalk, 4" depth	21	SY	\$65.00	\$1,372.22
	Cross walk white epoxy markings	33	SY	\$400.00	\$13,333.33
	Permanent pavement markings, white epoxy	43	SY	\$65.00	\$2,815.58
	Truncated domes	4	EA	\$400.00	\$1,600.00
	Trees	5	EA	\$550.00	\$2,750.00
	Stone block seating	23	EA	\$250.00	\$5,750.00
	Public Art	1	EA	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
	Bike rack	3	EA	\$750.00	\$2,250.00
	Kiosk	1	EA	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
	Permeable pavers	163	SF	\$30.00	\$4,893.33
	Landscaped area	180	SY	\$50.00	\$9,016.67
	Erosion control	1	LS	\$6,080.37	\$6,080.37
	QC	1	LS	\$15,200.93	\$15,200.93
DIRECT CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$325,299.94
Mobilization/Demobilization & SWPPP				13%	\$42,290.00
Permits				2%	\$6,510.00
Traffic Control				5%	\$16,260.00
Contingency				30%	\$97,590.00
CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$487,949.94



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SC-4 – Railroad Crossing at Spring Creek (Roadway Bridge Option):					
Item No.	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Amount
	6" asphalt concrete - roadway	5022	SY	\$120.00	\$602,666.67
	3" asphalt concrete - shared-use trail	1000	SY	\$45.00	\$45,000.00
	Concrete sidewalk, 4" depth	1276	SY	\$65.00	\$82,940.00
	Crushed base course, 3/4"- minus, roadway	3767	CY	\$65.00	\$244,833.33
	Crushed base course, 3/4"- minus, shared-use trail	750	CY	\$70.00	\$52,500.00
	Bridge	1	LS	\$7,938,000.00	\$7,938,000.00
	Cross walk white epoxy markings	19	SY	\$400.00	\$7,555.56
	Permanent pavement markings, white epoxy	222	SY	\$65.00	\$14,444.44
	Permanent pavement markings, yellow epoxy	74	SY	\$70.00	\$5,185.19
	New traffic signal	1	LS	\$700,000.00	\$700,000.00
	Erosion control	1	LS	\$290,793.76	\$290,793.76
	QC	1	LS	\$581,587.51	\$581,587.51
DIRECT CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$10,565,506.45
Mobilization/Demobilization & SWPPP				15%	\$1,584,830.00
Permits				2%	\$211,310.00
Traffic Control				1%	\$105,660.00
Contingency				30%	\$3,169,650.00
CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$15,636,956.45



Engineer's Opinion of Probable Costs

Project: Reconnect West Laramie

Client: City of Laramie, WY

SC-4 – Railroad Crossing at Spring Creek (Ped Bridge Option):					
Item No.	Description	Estimated Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Amount
	3" asphalt concrete - shared-use trail	2174	SY	\$45.00	\$97,850.00
	Crushed base course, 3/4"- minus, shared-use trail	1631	CY	\$65.00	\$106,004.17
	Sign system, solar powered RRFB	1	EA	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
	Pedestrian bridge	1	LS	\$5,262,711.00	\$5,262,711.00
	Cross walk white epoxy markings	56	SY	\$400.00	\$22,222.22
	Trees	15	EA	\$550.00	\$8,250.00
	New traffic signal	1	LS	\$700,000.00	\$700,000.00
	Erosion control	1	LS	\$186,361.12	\$186,361.12
	QC	1	LS	\$372,722.24	\$372,722.24
DIRECT CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$6,771,120.75
Mobilization/Demobilization & SWPPP				15%	\$1,015,670.00
Permits				2%	\$135,420.00
Traffic Control				1%	\$67,710.00
Contingency				30%	\$2,031,340.00
CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL					\$10,021,260.75





ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY



Source: Laramie Boomerang



FULL ENGAGEMENT

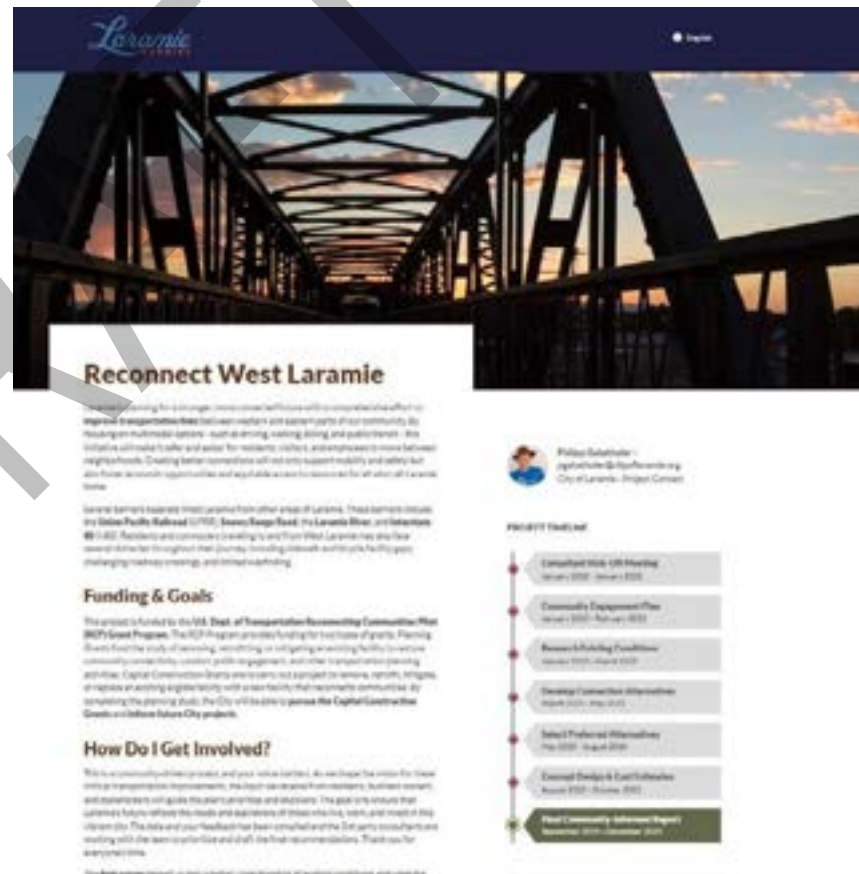
The Reconnect West Laramie project included an extensive engagement effort to inform the planning process. Project engagement efforts are divided into two types: (1) Focused Stakeholder Engagement and (2) Public Engagement.

Focused Stakeholder Engagement: refers to targeted outreach with key partners and organizations to gather detailed input and ensure alignment with community priorities and technical considerations.

Public Engagement: refers to broader outreach to the general community, including residents, commuters, and other interested parties. This involved the distribution of surveys, pop-up events, community rides, and other activities that were designed to collect feedback and share project updates in an accessible way.

Project Website

Throughout the project, updates were shared on the project website. These updates included information about the project team, the goals and purpose of the project, opportunities for involvement, the project timeline, and contact details for those interested in reaching out.



FOCUSED STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

BikeNet 05.12.2025

The project team held a direct stakeholder engagement meeting with BikeNet on May 12, 2025, which included participation from approximately 12 members of the organization. In the meeting, participants expressed strong support for all corridors except the Riverside corridor, which was viewed as a lower priority unless future development increased demand. The Madison-Flint corridor received broad support, particularly for a new bike/pedestrian bridge north of the existing Garfield Footbridge to better connect into downtown. The unused right-of-way from the former Clark Street bridge was identified as a key opportunity. The Spring Creek Corridor was recognized as an important east-west connection to the Greenbelt Trail and Eastern Laramie. In the Curtis Corridor, 3rd Street/ Hwy 287 and Reynolds Street were identified as high-traffic areas with low comfort for cyclists and pedestrians.

There was strong support for protected bike lanes or low-traffic alternatives rather than traditional on-street bicycle lanes. Intersections, particularly at 3rd Street and I-80, were seen as major safety barriers, with calls for improved signage and connectivity. In the Madison-Flint Corridor, poor conditions west of Pierce Street and high traffic intersections at 3rd, 4th, and Harney Streets were noted as key obstacles. For the Garfield Corridor, riders often use Garfield Street to avoid traffic and parked cars. The existing footbridge is too narrow for some users, such as trishaw riders, though any changes must consider its historic character. Both the Spring Creek and Riverside Corridors had significant safety concerns at the Hwy 287 connection and/or crossing.



FOCUSED STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Historic Preservation Board and WY State Territorial Prison 04.18.2025

Meeting attendees highlighted the importance of improving connectivity along Snowy Range Road, Madison, and Garfield. There was strong enthusiasm for a citywide loop trail and making bike/ped routes more intuitive and continuous. Safety concerns focused on crossings along Snowy Range, with suggestions for a HAWK signal near Murdoch's and interest in a pedestrian bridge at Clark Street. Tourism and placemaking were discussed, with support for connecting the Prison to downtown, using the Prison as a trailhead or transit stop.

Laramie Chamber Business Alliance 05.12.2025

Discussions with the Chamber and individual businesses included a meeting with Chamber staff and visits to individual businesses along Snowy Range Road in West Laramie. There was strong support for the Spring Creek Corridor as a much-needed east-west connection across Laramie. The Garfield Corridor also received support for targeted improvements. The Curtis Corridor was highlighted as a key opportunity corridor due to its potential for future development. Both Spring Creek and Curtis were valued for connecting residents to essential destinations such as grocery stores, healthcare, and other services. Participants raised numerous concerns about safety for pedestrians and cyclists, particularly along Snowy Range Road, citing narrow sidewalks, limited traffic enforcement, and the need for protected bike facilities. The lack of stop signs near Monroe and Harrison Streets in West Laramie was also noted. Additional areas flagged for traffic safety improvements included Reynolds Street, the I-80/Adams Street intersections, and multiple Snowy Range Road crossings. Feedback emphasized the need for regular maintenance of the Greenbelt Trail, including pothole repairs and winter plowing. Some concerns were expressed over the potential loss of parking with new bike facilities on Lewis Street, Clark Street, and Garfield Street.



FOCUSED STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Laramie Main Street 04.18.2025

A direct stakeholder meeting was held on April 18, 2025, with Laramie Main Street. Meeting attendees strongly supported connectivity improvements along Snowy Range Road, Madison Corridor, and Garfield Corridor. They emphasized that a potential future Clark Street pedestrian bridge should align with future land uses and placemaking goals. Participants expressed interest in better wayfinding from trails to downtown, downtown bike storage, and improving access across the Garfield Bridge while preserving its historic architecture. There was support for off-site parking solutions, such as an expanded lot or garage, to make space for improved bike infrastructure. Enhancing cyclists' comfort on 3rd Street was a key concern. Additionally, concerns were raised by West Laramie businesses feeling disconnected from downtown activity due to limited walkability, signage, and safe crossings. Attendees also showed interest in contributing to placemaking efforts and encouraging bike/pedestrian trips downtown through incentives like local business gift certificates. The group also emphasized the value of small, visible improvements (e.g., pop-up crosswalks, planters, murals, wayfinding) and creative community engagement, and expressed a desire to align Reconnect West Laramie and Main Street efforts under a shared vision for Laramie.

Union Pacific Railroad

The engagement process with Union Pacific Railroad has been initiated through the consultant, Zephyr Rail, with consultant-facilitated written correspondence. This coordination is anticipated to extend beyond the completion date on this current planning effort.



FOCUSED STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

University of Wyoming and WyoTech 05.16.2025

A joint stakeholder meeting was held on May 16, 2025, with University of Wyoming's Director of Design Matthew Newman and WyoTech President Kyle Morris to discuss the Reconnect West Laramie Plan. The conversation focused on improving east-west connectivity, prioritizing corridors, and integrating multimodal solutions. Matthew Newman emphasized the importance of linking Lewis Street and considering Bradley Street for transit and pedestrian access, as well as leveraging UW's South 15th Street Express shuttle lot for future transit connections. He supported pedestrian and bicycle improvements over vehicular bridges, citing political and financial challenges with restoring the Clark Street Bridge. Newman also suggested reframing the plan to encourage movement from East Laramie to West Laramie to stimulate commercial development and highlighted long-term opportunities such as a Skyline extension and redevelopment near the Curtis Corridor. Among the proposed corridors, he identified Spring Creek as the most impactful for UW and Madison-Flint as valuable for trail access.

Kyle Morris ranked the Spring Creek Corridor as WyoTech's top priority because of its direct connection between campus and housing areas, while expressing concerns that the Riverside Corridor could create congestion at US-287 intersections. He shared WyoTech's plans to expand south of Venture Drive and stressed the need to consider Adams, Venture, Colorado, and Riverside for traffic flow improvements. Morris noted that most WyoTech students prefer driving, making roadway enhancements more critical than bike/pedestrian facilities, though he was open to exploring transit options such as bus stops or park-and-ride near campus. He also suggested leveraging WyoTech's annual June 7th event for public outreach, given its strong community attendance. Both stakeholders reinforced the importance of prioritizing corridors that deliver the greatest impact and align improvements with future growth and connectivity goals.



FOCUSED STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

West Side League of Neighbors 04.18.2025

A direct stakeholder meeting was held on April 18, 2025, with the West Side League of Neighbors. The group emphasized a strong support for prioritizing the Snowy Range Corridor as a main active transportation route, despite current safety concerns. Additionally, the group expressed strong support for the Garfield, Spring Creek, and Madison-Flint corridors to provide improved bicycle and pedestrian connections across Laramie. Safety concerns centered on vehicle speeds on Cedar Street and a lack of kid-friendly infrastructure, as well as unsafe crossings at Snowy Range Road and the Harney Street Bridge. Participants advocated for creative wayfinding solutions including signage and painted trail markers. Overall, there was strong opposition to investing in Clark Street bridge improvements if Snowy Range Road and the Garfield Footbridge already exist. Additional recommendations included better crossings at 3rd Street and Harney, and public space improvements for the Madison-Flint corridor.

WYDOT

Three virtual meetings were held with WYDOT on May 16, August 19, and October 24, 2025. The purpose of those meetings was to coordinate on proposed project design elements, review traffic and safety requirements, and address any regulatory concerns.

05.16.2025

The first meeting with WYDOT centered on the challenges and opportunities for improved multimodal connectivity along Snowy Range Road and across the two I-80 interchanges in West Laramie. WYDOT staff confirmed there are no major improvement plans currently in place for Snowy Range Road, aside from a resurfacing and ADA upgrade project scheduled for 2029. Challenges were noted regarding pedestrian and bicycle use along Snowy Range due to high traffic volumes and limited crossing points, with support for using parallel corridors instead. The planning team and WYDOT discussed the potential use of installing HAWK signals or pedestrian bridges to facilitate crossings on Snowy Range Road. WYDOT expressed openness to a range of crossing solutions, provided proper processes are followed, and supported by data and engineering judgement.



FOCUSED STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

08.19.2025

WYDOT representatives provided detailed feedback on proposed pedestrian and cyclist infrastructure improvements. They emphasized that any treatment, particularly HAWK signals, must be supported by engineering studies and warrant analyses. WYDOT staff expressed concern about the potential for unintended consequences when installing pedestrian signals without sufficient justification, such as increased crash risks or misinterpretation by the public. They noted that while Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (PHB) signals can improve pedestrian safety, they must be carefully evaluated based on actual and projected pedestrian volumes, operating speeds, and roadway conditions.

WYDOT staff also discussed right-of-way considerations, indicating that excess land along Snowy Range Road had been preserved with the intention of transferring it to the city for trail development. They clarified that WYDOT typically only requires right-of-way from back-of-sidewalk to back-of-sidewalk and that many remnant parcels already have landscape agreements in place. Regarding speed limits, WYDOT staff explained that changing posted speeds is not a reliable solution, as drivers tend to follow the design of the road rather than signage. They stressed the importance of clearly communicating in planning documents that proposed treatments like PHB signals are conditional and subject to further analysis.



FOCUSED STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

10.24.2025

WYDOT staff primarily focused on operational and safety considerations for proposed bike and pedestrian improvements. WYDOT staff emphasized that converting the free-right turn at Curtis Street into a stop condition would create safety risks, such as rear-end crashes and traffic backups, and break corridor consistency. Instead, WYDOT supported adding signage for pedestrians and cyclists and installing bollards to help trucks navigate turns safely. They also stressed adherence to MUTCD guidance for shared-use paths, recommending stop signs for trail users rather than unwarranted crosswalks or flashing beacons, which could give a false sense of security.

On long-term concepts, WYDOT agreed with the intent of adding a PHB but requested language clarifying that installation would depend on warrants analysis, and to not appear inevitable. They also raised concerns about reducing curb radii at Curtis Street, noting the need to preserve truck turning movements, and suggested adding notes that conceptual designs require detailed engineering review. For the Snowy Range Road path to the airport, WYDOT acknowledged its value but flagged the need for future planning to ensure safe crossings, possibly through signalization. WYDOT shared its studies manual to ensure consistency with MUTCD and WYDOT standards.



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Public Support Scoring Methodology

To determine public support scoring, six engagement events were selected based on their ability to produce measurable results. These included activities from both Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the engagement process: **Survey #1**, **Intercept Surveys** conducted by University of Wyoming students, **Survey #2**, the **WyoTech Car Show**, and the **June 20th Farmers Market**.

While not all engagement events in this project lent themselves to quantitative scoring, every event contributed valuable input that shaped the overall plan and identified improvement strategies. The six selected activities were scored individually based on participant votes and tallies available (see activity summaries for details). Each individual score per corridor was weighted by the number of responses per activity, and the weighted scores were then combined across all activities to calculate a total score for each corridor. Final rankings were based on relative total scores: **Garfield and Spring Creek** received a score of **3** for the highest public support; **Madison-Flint and Off-Corridor Improvements** received a score of **2** for moderate support; and **Curtis and Riverside** received a score of **1** for the lowest public support.

Corridor	Survey #1 Score (59 responses to question)	Intercept Surveys Score (28 responses)	Survey #2 Score (58 responses to question)	WyoTech Car Show Score (30 responses)	Farmer's Market June 20 Score (93 responses)	Weighted Total Score	Final Score
Curtis	59	28	58	60	186	391	1
Madison- Flint	177	56	116	60	186	595	2
Garfield	177	84	174	60	186	681	3
Spring Creek	118	84	174	60	279	715	3
Riverside	59	56	58	60	279	512	1
Off-Corridor	118	56	116	60	186	536	2



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Survey #1

The first survey gathered community input on current travel patterns, transportation challenges, and priorities for improving connectivity and investment in transportation infrastructure in and around West Laramie. The first survey saw a total of 274 respondents, 178 submitted respondents, 96 unsubmitted respondents, and 296 bounce visitors. The survey was open between March 27, 2025 to May 22, 2025. Most questions allowed for multiple response entries, resulting in questions receiving more than the total number of survey respondents.

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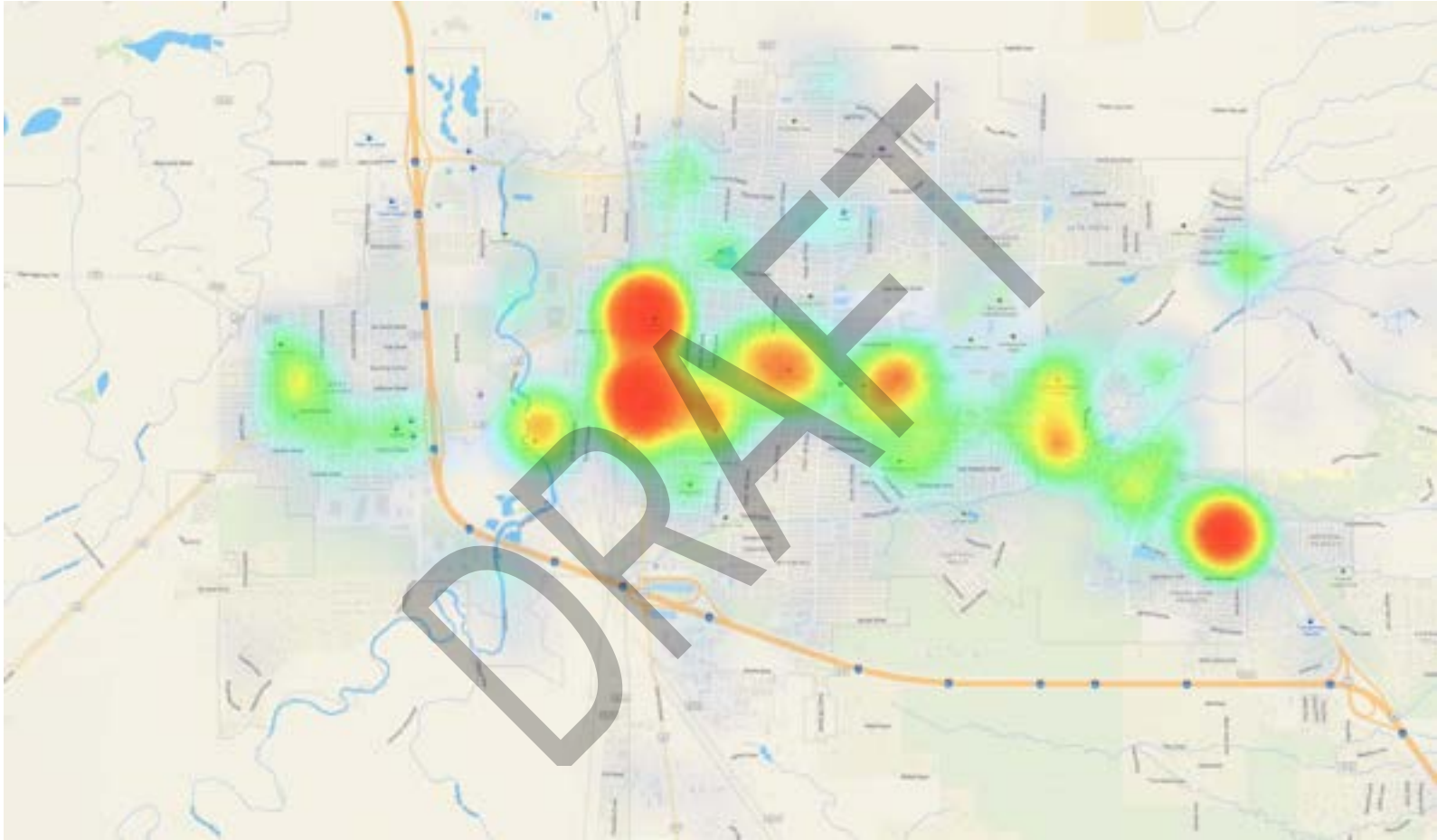
Section 1: How do you move around Laramie today?

Q1. Place a point on the map in the neighborhood where you live. (261 responses)



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Q2. *Place points on the map where you often travel to. These typically are your places of work, grocery stores, schools, parks, medical centers, etc. (1048 responses)*



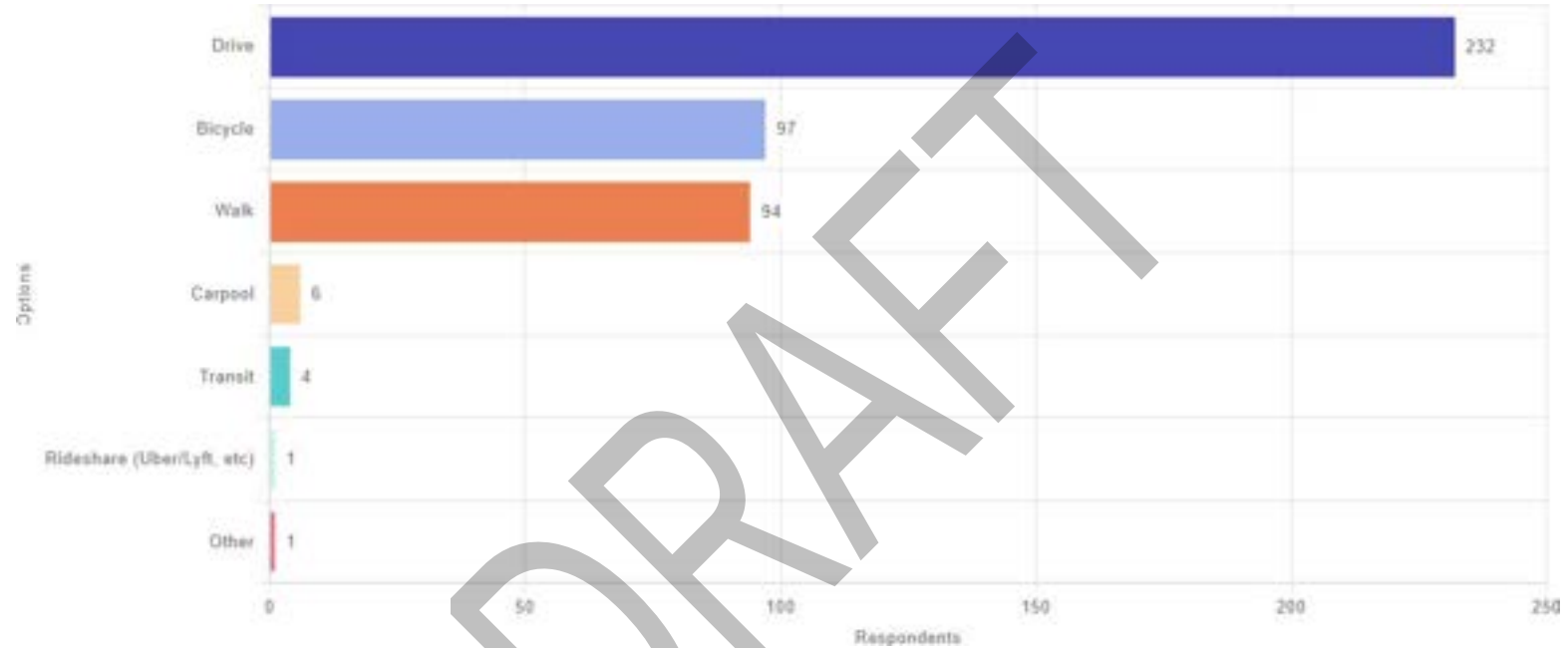
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Q3. *Draw pathways that typically take to get to and from West Laramie. (527 responses)*



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Q4. What mode(s) of transportation do you use to reach your destinations? (247 responses)



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Q5. If other, what do you use? (12 responses)

Response

Only drew my common bicycle and walking routes

Draw a path function does not work!! But I use the greenbelt trail

Take drive

Currently need to drive into town as route shown is not particularly for or bike friendly.

Roads, bike paths, walking paths

No other. But I try not to drive in town.

I drive on the major routes

I usually take snowy range rd. to get to west Laramie, but it would not let me draw on the map.

Saferide

There are no good options from west Laramie. As a disabled person public transit is necessary to these neighborhoods

this doesn't work very well

Transit



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Section 2: What challenges do you have getting around Laramie today?

Q6. Are there any specific intersections, crossings, or stretches of road that need attention? Place points on the map where you face an existing transportation challenge. (411 responses)



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Q7. Describe the details of your challenge: (157 responses)

Response

This road is severely damaged and has been for years.

Dangerous intersection for cars and pedestrians.

This bicycle lane disappears forcing cyclists into traffic. Traffic often does not respect bikes using a whole lane and it causes tension between users.

Rough riding on a bike.

Needs to be a four way stop. Going east to west on Garfield is a nightmare

It's scary to try to walk or bike to the fair ground.

Dangerous

Traffic

Dangerous crossing with no marked pedestrian crossing between the bike/pedestrian path connections

Floods and ices over often and going around requires crossing 130

No good way to walk/bike to a grocery store from my neighborhood

drivers make right turns without stopping for bikes or pedestrians

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Dangerous crossings

Would like to get to south side of Laramie without getting on I80.

I would like a bike path from the West Side to West Laramie without getting on Snowy Range Road. Maybe a paved path from bike paths on West Side under the old railroad tracks that go under the interstate starting at Laramie River Historic Bridge to W. Madison Street in West Laramie.

I live on Cedar Street. People drive so fast down this street. I would I've maybe a stop sign or 2 or speed bumps to slow it down

Dangerous crossing of Grand

The new bridge certainly improves the situation, but I still don't like riding my bike over the Curtis St overpass with all of the semi trucks coming on and off I-80. Not sure if there's much to do about that, but if this is going to be a bike commuter "corridor," there probably needs to be more signage to watch out for bicycles.

Dangerous intersection with lots of semi trucks turning left out of the truck stop.

No bicycle lane, lots of semis



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Q7. Cont.

The bridge is tough...I avoid it on my bike or I ride on the sidewalk

I am concerned about this Kiwanis Park going in and the fact that the teens drag race up Bill Nye a lot. How are children going to cross the road safely to get to the park. I walk the path up here past the high school and around Walmart a lot because I live in this neighborhood.

The fence on the south side of the new bridge should be extended from the top of the bridge down to Cedar Street. This area is high and vulnerable to wind. The pathway is wide, which is ideal for bikes, strollers, scooters, and walking. There is already a protective fence from 3rd St. over the tracks. It should be extended all the way to Cedar.

How could 3rd St. and Harney be improved for safely crossing all parts of this intersection?

Ivinson from about 6th to 15th is a mess.

No sidewalks on this part of cedar

No sidewalks

Road has sunken places

Road is very patchy and rough

Road is in poor condition

Muddy and has potholes

Washboards

Hazardous crossing to get from highway exit to Skyline Dr

Rough road surface, narrow lanes due to cars parked along street.

Rough patch

Rough patch

There is a large pot hole when turning onto Buchanan Street from Snowy Range

There is a big tree is the line of vision when turning onto Snowy Range from Monroe, which could be dangerous

The roads are constantly washboarded.

The stop light takes forever to change when turning from Pierce onto Snowy Range.

Needs a stop light

Wish the bridge was still here :(

This entire rode is not bike/pedestrian friendly

This is a very busy street that is not bike/pedestrian friendly

The gravel rode is always mess with all the traffic on it due to the school down the street

Traffic jam before/after school



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Q7. Cont.

Too small of a bridge for the traffic in the winter

Dangerous when I-80 is closed. Truckers Park all over the road and when roads are bad it is not safe trying to get through.

Lots of trucks trying to turn to and from north that impede all lanes because there is not enough room to turn safely without crossing other lanes.

Confusing crossing

Turning left/ construction

cut off the main corridor for over a year and a half

constantly under construction makes it a pain to navigate

Should be 4 way stop sign, can be dangerous getting to park

no bike lanes, horrible turn lanes, hate this intersection

How is a bike supposed to get here safely?

dangerous crossing when 15th street is open.

No pedestrian crossing lane between library and ace hardware/ courthouse

Heavy traffic, no bike lanes on grand avenue.

Downtown is a mess due to construction and lack of parking

9th and Harney is dangerous for driving and biking.

Closed because of construction from WYDOT

Closed because of UWYO construction

Road uneven coming up 15th after the Harney Intersection

Dangerous crossing, by car and on foot, particularly at 8am, 3pm, and 5pm

It's tricky to exit I-80 west and head south onto 287

Needs stop sign

Perpetual construction

Perpetual construction

Circuitous route to West Laramie

Perpetual construction

Perpetual construction

Quite far north, winds too much



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Q7. Cont.

Been closed for almost a full year

Often lots of road work

often closed in bad weathers

Impossible to turn left

Impossible to turn left onto willett

Light takes too long to change.

Crosswalk with flashing lights, not always used and student cross randomly

horrid left turn from N30th onto Willett

Terrible road

The unpaved roads in West Laramie develop potholes and are extremely uneven and poorly maintained, especially in the winter

The route to get to Central Laramie is inefficient. Getting to the grocery store, for example, feels like more of a journey than it should. For this reason (and because of the steep hill to go over the bridge), I am reluctant to take my bike to Central Laramie - I only drive.

Lack of street lamps

Lack of street lamps along 22nd from Harney to Willett

Lack of through access on 15th st

Crossing Snowy Range on bicycle

Crossing Snowy Range on bicycle

No paved roads

No paved roads/bike paths

No bike lanes

It would be great to connect the green belt trail on down Spring Creek to the river!

15th is perpetually blocked?

no bike lane

No sidewalks

Dangerous Crossing

Dangerous crossing. Lots of speeding cars

Dangerous crossing. Drivers not stopping/driving too fast

Light is short. Fast cars

Sidewalks are bad/ sidewalks do not exist



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Q7. Cont.

Sidewalks are bad/ sidewalks do not exist

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Bikers not dismounting

Dangerous crossing- even with crosswalk

Sidewalks are bad/ sidewalks do not exist

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Sidewalks are bad/ sidewalks do not exist

Need a pedestrian and bike crossing to cross at busy times of the day. I realize it's not busy all the time, but it can be very hard to students and adults trying to cross at this intersection if you CAN do anything.

At Grand and 30th, the speed limit is 45 mph and 4 lanes of traffic, plus turn lanes makes it very hard to cross on bike or foot. But it is a crossing path from residential areas to Pilot Hill, and Snowy Range Academy. I was crossing the cross walk one time and I waived at the driver (and shockingly he waived back) as he cut me off and proceeded through the intersection. I know this isn't West Laramie, but anything you can do is much appreciated :)

Getting across third can sometimes be hard

Green belt floods

Cyclists don't often dismount for pedestrians, motorized bikes on bridge

Dangerous for bikes, never bike this way. This intersection is very congested.

need stop light for traffic crossing

walking path and bike lanes should be put over here or on wyoming ave

not paved streets

not paved streets

not paved streets with curb and gutter

bicycles on a MAIN HIGHWAY. make using the bike path under I-80 and at the green belt more usable. DO NOT want more bike and pedestrian traffic on 130 in any way

Snowy Range Road, South Adams, and Interstate off ramps are horrible for car traffic (congestion) and very dangerous for bikers and pedestrians.

Heavy vehicle traffic and dangerous area for bikers. Generally speaking bikers (especially school kids traveling to Laramie Middle School/Slade/Indian Paintbrush) crossing Grand Avenue (North/South) are taking a risk due to heavy traffic, vehicles running red lights, and crosswalks not specific enough for pedestrians.



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Q7. Cont.

Dreaming here, but we need a bike crossing south of the pedestrian overpass downtown. If you could use the Spring Creek/Russell path (that is supposed to be built?) and get over the tracks to tie into the greenbelt path near I-80 would be great. My bicycle commute from 21st to West Laramie (South Adams) is about 20-25 minutes one way. When I have the time to wind up and down on my bike to work, by necessity, it is a nice ride. But realistically, I don't have an extra 45 minutes a day to bike to work. If there was a more efficient route that took less time, I would bike and there would be one less car on the road.

Large tree that block view of oncoming traffic

Customers coming out of gas station pull out into 55mph traffic going 10mph. I would like to see a sign here that states something like "Traffic at 55MPH, be cautious when merging"

Crossing with traffic is very difficult

Too much congestion with traffic

Too much congestion with traffic

Scary to bike here

Need a 4 way stop

Difficult to see cars coming up the hill when turning left

Need wider bike lanes along snowy range road

Too many stoplights we have more stoplights than big cities do and where they're not timed you usually have to stop at every one of them, makes it congested and slow and unsafe for pedestrians

Dangerous intersection inside Safeway parking lot. There's no signs saying "incoming traffic does not stop" which would probably help a lot. People have been crashing and no one knows whether they should stop or not. Specifically the area off the Flint St. traffic light.

Connect to 287 area

Snowy range needs better bike lanes in and permissions to ride on sidewalks...when pedestrian safe...

Lots of fast traffic, not much bike access

No sidewalks, WyoTech students driving poorly

No bicycle lanes

Road is in disrepair

Speed limit is too low

WyoTech volume of traffic during peak hours (4:30ish) and reckless driving

Potholes, cracks, no snow removal

Getting across to the west side to access the walking path

All the sidewalks getting to downtown from Undine park are major tripping hazards and suck for those with walking disabilities.



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Q7. Cont.

Far away

Unpaved road

Hard to get out of intersection sometimes

Visibility and traffic flow for cars, pedestrians, and bikes especially for traffic from the south.

Pedestrian crossings across 9th that only have non-activated signs are hard to tell when pedestrians will be crossing when parked cars obstruct view of the shoulder.

Crossing on foot or bike is stressful with the higher speeds of vehicles. Awkward stretch from here to west of the interstate for walk or bike.

River floods bike path and there is no drainage so the bike path is unusable at least 4-6 months of the year

too much traffic trying to turn in too many different directions with no light.

biking is dangerous/difficult.

need a stop light to regulate traffic turning on to main road.

Dangerous crossing - people headed out of town and often pulling heaving snowmobiles, RVs, ATV/UTVs speed through this 30 mph area. It's hard to cross.

difficult crossing - people going to fast as they leave town towing ATV/UTV/snowmobiles trailer/RV

When there is heavy traffic it takes forever to turn left

dangerous intersection for bikes. I cut through the Safeway/HomeGoods parking lot to the stop light.

No bike lane on the bridge over the river

No bike lane, rough edge of road on snowy range

No bike lane on Grand

Would love to see a walkability assessment for 4th Street. Curious if pedestrian crossing lights similar to what is on Lewis and 9th or Harney and 11th would be feasible to implement.

As a daily biker and a walker with the increased construction and detours for construction I have noticed heavier traffic throughout the day on 4th Street between Grand Ave and Harney making crossing 4th or riding north/south on 4th a safety concern.

Snowy Range Road - too many people speeding and driving dangerously.

Dangerous crossing for kids out of school. Reduced visibility when trying to enter snowy range

Dangerous crossing and busy traffic.

There's no other way to access the Greenbelt on the south end of town.

Busy intersection

No sidewalks



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Q7. Cont.

No sidewalks

No sidewalks

Bicycle riders not walking their bicycles near pedestrians

Construction

Too far

Often hard to see turning left

Hard to see traffic turning onto Harney because of all the cars parked on the side of the road

Wyotech traffic is dangerous, difficult, and too large in number for the current road setup.

No bicycle lane. No sidewalk. Fairly blind corner at an intersection. Dangerous for pedestrians

Dirt

No bike lane or sidewalk on Riverside or Adams

Dangerous crossing; traffic 45-55 mph, 4 lanes. Long waits, and need to run/jog to cross to avoid cars

Part of the greenbelt under the bridge- Impassable as a bike trail to the main part of Laramie in spring during flood or in winter if icy

Dangerous crossing

Dangerous crossing

Dangerous on a bike

This whole part of 130 is not bike friendly

Getting across I 80 when walking from Taylor to downtown Laramie

No bicycle lanes

No bicycle lanes. Dangerous street to cross

There almost always a traffic jam in the am hours as the light on 3rd is not in sync with the light on 4th street for the west side commuters coming in on Harney.

dangerous crossing bicycle walking

dangerous crossing

Center

It is difficult to see vehicles heading north on Cedar when coming from the east to the intersection at Garfield. It would seem to make more sense to have the stop sign on the north lane of Cedar street.

This dirt road is often in need of grading.

This dirt road is often in need of grading



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Q7. Cont.

Having access to West Laramie from the south end of the business district without going on the Interstate would seem much safer, particularly since I often have some sort of load going to for coming from my West Laramie storage.

Muddy roads or when it's dry you put dust suppression that makes a mess of are vehicles

No paved road

We need a stop light here very badly

Need a light or a 4 way stop here

dirt road that is heavily traveled to Linford and becomes washboard very easily

There needs to be a left turn arrow to turn South from Grand to Boulder - especially in the morning with all the high school traffic. EVERYONE runs the light to turn because there is no other way to get through the light with the amount of people turning right from Grand to Boulder

Merge lane gets dangerous - cars trying to merge DO NOT yield to those with the right of way already on Grand

Having only one entrance into LCCC and MWFB is dangerous when there is an accident from the high school traffic - this entrance gets blocked frequently. This area of Boulder in general is not well organized. The high school traffic does not pay attention, the block the intersection, and they speed on the right lane to cut off the people in the left lane by "trying to get farther ahead." You HAVE to avoid this road when the school releases at the end of the day, it's a nightmare.

People traveling south do not pay attention to where the road splits into 2 lanes, those trying to turn from Garfield onto Boulder can get hit by those not yielding - this is a very unclear intersection as to which lane you're supposed to be in once it splits.

NEEDS to be repaved. There are numerous potholes

Cross walk

Low visibility

Poor timing of the light on 3rd creates a backup on 4th. This is true even when construction isn't occurring.

Dangerous as the intersection is poorly designed for the amount of traffic. Folks coming off the interstate turning in either direction enjoy collisions with those staying the course or turning to the onramp.

Turning left is dangerous as traffic speed isn't monitored, so some traveling 3rd will randomly move between 7.5 and 75 mph.

Why isn't there an exit here?

Also a great place for an interstate exit.

This whole stretch should be 45mph. People travel at that rate anyway.

Why not complete the road under the interstate? It was obviously intended to be a connecting road.

It's a bit of a farce that one block on either side of Snowy Range Rd is paved. If the illusion of quantities is so important, maybe trailer parks shouldn't be the first sight from every approach to the city.

Hopefully the University claims this road soon so their obstructive vehicles aren't bothered by actual tax-paying drivers.

You know this tree needs removed. It is (was) a very nice old tree but it encourages human fatality.



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Q7. Cont.

4 way stop that people don't know how to use

No direct access to campus and awful parking

4 way stop that people don't know how to use

Pothole

No bike lane near intersection

Horrible place to have to cross over to take a left onto 3rd

Snowy range is experiencing increased traffic and trying to take a left out of any parking lot and road without a light can be dangerous and a long wait.

4:30pm is a mess as wyotech students are done for the day. Thankfully they drive fast and it is short lived.

Heavy traffic entering Snowy Range Road and drivers using the left turn lane as a merge lane onto Snowy Range road

Dirt street, with lots of dust/dirt in the air

No paved road

No paved road

No paved road

Extremely poor water drainage

Wyo Tech kids don't stop at cross walk, and they think it's a speedway.

It's tedious having limited options for crossing the railroad on foot mainly, but also in the car

Can not see on coming traffic

I would like another overpass to get to west laramie than the one on Snowy Range

Another overpass in the southern part here would be very helpful to get around town

Lots of traffic, no turn arrow at the intersection of Cedar when you cross viaduct

Washboard, potholes

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Washboard, potholes

Washboard, potholes

Washboard, potholes

Washboard, potholes

Washboard, potholes



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Q7. Cont.

Washboard, potholes

Foot traffic with cars increasing speed to 45

Foot traffic along a very busy road

Chopped up section of road

Potholes in the road

Lack of walking path for pedestrians.

Preferably off the main road

Construction

dangerous crossing for bikes and pedestrians

no way to cross tracks as cyclist or pedestrian

Heavy traffic

Heavy traffic

Heavy traffic

Heavy traffic

no light, difficult to turn left during times of high traffic

wait times to turn left can be several minutes

terrible and sketchy street crossing for pedestrians in any direction

Heavy truck, wyotech traffic

Heavy truck traffic

Heavy truck traffic

Dirt road, muddy often wash boards

Dangerous crossing!

11th and Grand is a dangerous crossing. We need more "pedestrian only" crosswalks across Grand

15th and Grand is busy. I do not feel safe crossing here

Ivinson appears to have a "bike lane" but I feel unsafe due to heavy traffic and potholes

Wry busy intersection. Don't not feel safe riding across 3rd from roads to the east

The roads east of 22nd and south of grand do not feel safe for bicycles until you reach the bike path near 30th

Sheridan is busy and does not have a sufficient bike lane

Busy intersection, no bikes lanes



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Q7. Cont.

Very busy intersection, no bike lanes

Dangerous on a bike

Bad, crumbling road/intersection. When there is rain or melting snow, the roads around Lewis & Pine do not drain well. The water hides the damaged road or accumulates dangerous ice.

Ice build-up under the bridge during the winter.

The road for bicycles is quite pothole-y and difficult to ride on

No bike lanes on this whole stretch. Also the sidewalk is very very hazerdous tripping

No bike lanes, just abruptly ends before Grand light.

No bike lane or large shoulder; this is most dangerous part of my ride until I get on the east side of i-80

Road is generally in poor shape.

Dangerous crossing. Out of my way to use greenbelt.

Greenbelt often underwater.

Unclear if legal; but safest way to west Laramie on a bike. Not very convenient.

Dead end end before Snowy range, difficult to reach Cedar St

No sidewalks

No sidewalks

Roads are not paved. Dirty and bumpy. No sidewalks.

Needs a stop light because of Wyo tech traffic. In peak traffic you can be backed up past subway for 5-10 minutes at a time.

Needs better bicycle/walking access

Sidewalk would be nice. Or a park that's near this section of town (not Kiwanis). This area of town would be really nice with some sort of park and walking trail that isn't the green belt. A sidewalk to the green belt would be fantastic!

Super dangerous on foot or bike

Need street light to see the turn at night

Need pedestrian path

Need sign instructing what bicycles should do

Not as bike friendly, lots of vehicle traffic

Should be a light

Stupid roundabout

Light timing sucks. Need to get rid of 3rd St Bar parking for turning lanes to get onto grand



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Q7. Cont.

Dangerous Intersection.

Dangerous Intersection.

Dirt road

Dirt road

15th should be open to travel between Grand and Harney

I don't feel safe biking on Harney street going to work due to high traffic and cars parked in bike lanes.

Not paved, no sidewalks, no stop signs, no drainage

Not paved, no sidewalks, no stop signs, no drainage

Heavy traffic especially with WyoTech traffic. No stoplight. Near impossible to cross without making dangerous turns

Doing it again because it's really bad

I forgot to mention that you should make a second on ramp for I-80 South to alleviate congestion if you can't put in a stoplight

Dangerous crossing for bikes. It's difficult to get through even in a car sometimes. Could this be a roundabout? Drivers are not looking for cyclists who are trying to cross Boulder on the bike path or exit the bikepath to cross Grand and access Pilot Hill.

The bikepath south of town in dangerous to access because of this jct with I-80 and Hwy 287. It would be nice if the Spring Creek path connected to the path South of town, and across to the Greenbelt.

The bikepath seemingly ends in a major intersection. It's unclear the safest way to exit the path from the West and merge onto a road. Some

Bikepath floods and there is no safe crossing for snowy range. A flashing sign that could be activated by a button would be nice.

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WyoTech traffic

Crossing 3rd on a bike or walking

Crossing Snowy Range Rd.

Floods and ices on green belt here regularly.

Needs bike rack, to lock bikes up on this street corner.

Dangerous crossing

Greenbelt under water half the year

I paved and muddy to bike or walk

Limited bike access to this part of town

Interstate or Harney St. Bridge are so out of the way to get to downtown

Access into the main part of Laramie is so out of the way.



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Q7. Cont.

Heavy traffic

Dangerous intersection. Many accidents, people drive too fast.

Dangerous crossing. The lights on 3rd and 4th streets can be misconstrued and red light running is a problem. These lights should be skewed so as to be not seen from the preceeding intersection. Specifically regarding east- west travel.

Dangerous Crossing

No bicycle or walking paths

Dangerous crossing. I80 on off ramp and a lot of traffic on Snowy Rang

Excessive speeds 10 to 30 mph above speed limit.

It is difficult to walk a loop around the green belt if living in the west side neighborhood b/c you have to cross snowy range road; this isn't always scary, but during the day there is a lot of traffic and the speed limit is pretty high so it can be dangerous. A pedestrian light/crosswalk would be a simple, wonderful improvement!

The green belt ends here - it would be great to have a continued biking path that isn't along snowy range road in west laramie for commuting etc.

This is a transition space where North bound Bicycle traffic off of the bridge merges into oncoming one-way automobile traffic.

The addition of left turn lanes at this intersection removes the bicycle lane on 9th street going both directions causing bikes to merge with faster car traffic at one of the busiest junctions near the university Campus

Bicycle lane Ends for West-Bound Cycling traffic without a clear option to merge with automobile traffic.

This is a busy street parking area in front of the Court House without a wide enough bike lane.

North/South Traffic on 6th street has an obstructed view of cycle Traffic on Ivinson.

The bicycle lane from 9th-13th on Ivinson is largely impassible due to pot holes/Bus Depots/and on street parking.

There is no logical way to transfer to/from the marked bicycle lanes on Harney street to the pedestrian/cycle path off the road way on the Snowy Range Rd Bridge.

It would be really handy if the "Push Button for Green Light" stands for cyclists could return to this intersection. North/South crossing Grand Ave at 13th Street

All four corners of this block (Custer St. and Garfield St. with 8th and 7th St) should be 4-way stop signs with Pedestrian Cross Walks

There is almost no way to travel South of this point by bicycle without either cycling on a sidewalk or merging with highway traffic with no cycle lane.

It can be very intimidating to cross this intersection on foot or by bike with fast and frequent car traffic.

In the summer the Laramie River Green Belt floods here and diverts traffic to Snowy Range Rd with no way to rejoin the Greenbelt.

This intersection can be very intimidating to cross on foot or by bike due to fast car traffic.

This is the only Cycle/Pedestrian crossing under I80, and it is not well marked as a usable path.



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Q7. Cont.

Construction

Construction

No bicycle lanes on Grand

No bicycle lanes

Width of Bridge

dangerous crossing for cyclists

This place is secluded from the rest of Laramie. I dislike driving through so much residential neighborhood or on interstate to get here.

Dangerous crossing, cars do not yield to pedestrians

Dangerous crossing, heavy traffic with no crosswalk or light

Dangerous crossing

small bike lane, hard to merge

Cars don't always stop for pedestrians when turning right.

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No sidewalk to Snowy Range.

No easy to cross to get to green belt from neighborhood

No Sidewalk from walking bridge to access neighborhood

no sidewalk for access to Optomist

No sidewalk on either side of street to connect West Laramie to Westside.

This is a difficult intersection to turn out of or into. Especially when Tech is getting out.

At night there are no street lights which makes it dangerous for teenagers at high school evening events



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Section 3: How can West Laramie connect to the rest of the city better?

Q8. Click directly on the opportunity corridors to learn more about them and provide your feedback.
Curtis Corridor (70 responses)

Responses

I think this area could be made safer for bikers and pedestrians but it's probably one of the last areas I would say we need to improve.

We need a Truck Route in Laramie. Too many large vehicles who have to stop here due to I80 being a major artery for the country. Grand and 3rd st. Need to be reserved for residents and tourists.

It much better with the wider sidewalks, and walk lights by Wendy's. It would be good to have a light to push to draw attention to traffic coming off intetstate

Well developed but seems dangerous around I-80 off ramp west bound and inlet to Pilot truck stop

I use this corridor frequently and feel sections of it would benefit from a guardrail/natural barrier (trees, ext) between the path and the road for cyclist/pedestrian safety.

The Curtis Off-Street Bikeway is great! I worry, however, about the far west end of this corridor. There's a lot of semi-truck traffic turning left getting on/off I-80 as well as exiting the Petro truck stop, which adds risk for cyclists.

I currently use this one on my bike, but I'm not excited about biking that close to semis.

I think this would be the second least useful corridor

This is a good route but traffic from I-80 makes it unsafe for younger kiddos

We use this bridge frequently and enjoy this. However, it gets very packed when the roads close and can be unsafe, depending on where semis park.

It makes the most sense to me to enhance this corridor. It leads to West Laramie two ways - south by the Territorial Prison, or further west and then south entering West Laramie at the Dollar Store stop light. It also leads to 130 (airport, ski area, etc.) by just going straight then taking the dirt road to the highway.

Practical for me for sure

I use this often to get to west laramie. Easier than snowy range.

I rarely use this Corridor but notice it is not full of traffic.

N/A

All good

I don't use this

good for bike access, not a central route to connect the two sides of town. Would be really good to connect the greenbelt trail



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Q8. Cont.

I like that this would be centered on bike access and connecting existing infrastructure

This city does not need anymore bikeways - hard stop. Stop spending money on bike paths.

Lack of street lights makes this an unsafe route to travel at night or early morning, my bf used to traverse from our neighborhood to West Laramie for work via walking this path and he would often encounter prostitutes hounding him for money

This works well

I wish the wide bike/footpath didn't just stop at 3rd on the east side

Nice but could use a flashing light to press when crossing the I-80 where traffic comes off and on to warn vehicles that someone is in cross walk.

works well.

Too far North? Not sure what is out here that people would frequent often.

Nothing needed here

Adding to the off-street bikeway is always a plus. Many people, myself included, would appreciate more off-street bike paths! Having a safe off-street path connecting West Laramie to East Laramie in the Curtis Corridor is a good idea and something I have wanted for some time now!

If you could create an off-street bike/pedestrian path that connects with the Greenway at Curtis, that would be very helpful for me to get from West to into East Laramie along Reynolds all the way to 30th would be very useful

I don't feel safe using this pathway to get east-west because of the traffic volume and being so close to the truck stops. I occasionally will take that section of the greenbelt to get north-south.

Bike access to centennial would be really cool. (Not worried about car access, the bridge just south works just fine to get to centennial)

Slower speeds

Definitely the most comfortable corridor to cross with but with the most limited use cases outside of the Greenbelt for now.

Already has more walking/biking paths than most. The Curtis overpass and the Madison Flint overpass are only a few blocks apart - we need a way to get over/under the interstate that is further south.

This is currently the most bike friendly with a good, off the road path and gentle hills.

No strong feelings.

Only use to get to the truck spot.

This corridor seems very far from the downtown and I don't know if it would be beneficial unless there is more development there

The 3rd/Curtis intersection is a bit awkward currently

I have biked this way before but only did it once because of the crossings by the on/off ramp. Makes me nervous I will get hit by a semi



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Q8. Cont.

Once to green belt it is good

Unknown

a little far out of the way

This corridor appears to be well used and is easily accessible. Providing additional designated parking might increase it's usefulness.

The truck traffic here makes it unsafe.

I occasionally use this

Parking access to Greenbelt

Useful, but sections of it have no protection on a bike from large semi trucks and fast moving traffic. Highly dangerous. Currently this is a throughway for large and fast moving vehicles. Unsafe for pedestrians, cyclists, strollers, and other forms of foot traffic. If there was more paths for pedestrians and cyclists off the road I would use this more. As is, not yet. Could we get this connected with the path already paved along the ridge to make a stronger multi use path across the whole of Laramie?

nice connection to greenbelt, good for bikes

I use this one if going to the Eppson center

street crossing at Curtis and McCue is sketchy due to truck traffic, needs improvement; i-80 overpass also super sketchy for walkers or bikers

Need stop lights at interstate off ramps due to truck traffic

I use this corridor occasionally. It is useful, especially being the northern terminus of the Greenbelt but the intersection with 3rd street is challenging and dangerous when switching between the bikeway and Curtis Road.

I used to live on Curtis, the East side and I think this would be good and economically better as it already connects the greenbelt and such so just making it a bit better and more enhancements would be best in my opinion.

Not use to me and doesn't connect to core of West Laramie.

Improving parking in this area would be ideal so people stop parking in the greenbelt making it difficult for our snowplow drivers. Improving the aesthetics of this area would also be really nice! A nice sign would go a long ways.

Better paths away from the heavy truck traffic and away from the busy truck stops

In the winter, when the roads are closed, semi parking and crowding make it difficult to use this corridor.

This is a good place to further develop

Already a toxic waste area.... rough housing, gas stations, hotels. ...fine as is, not worth investment until the area generally improves

its ok

This is good, but the bridge over the interstate is still scary with semi drivers not always following stop signs and driving reckless



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Q8. Cont.

Fine for north side access but too far from my location

I personally cannot identify any ways to improve this corridor.

The hardest part of this travel section is when Curtis Street crosses over I80.

This corridor presents significant traffic concerns for cyclists.

I have utilized this corridor

The sidewalk going over the railroad is always dirty with rocks and trash. Sometimes I spin out or almost lose control when I hit the rocks on my bike.

I use this one but the truck traffic makes it less safe

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Q8. Madison-Flint Corridor (83 responses)

Responses
<i>Improving safe access here I think would benefit a lot of students commuting to the university from west Laramie which typically has cheaper housing.</i>
<i>I would love to see something here. On my ride today, I thought having a tunnel under the UPRR rails would be nice. I'm from Rawlins (don't hold that against me) and although it's much shorter than what this will need to be they have a tunnel connecting the South Side to the North Side by the Post Office. I'm unsure if flooding would be an issue, but I only thought something different than the viaducts and walking bridge would be nice.</i>
<i>This would be good for UW students who need to get on the North side of campus</i>
<i>Would be better if not a dirt and mud area when wet. Snow removal would be an improvement in winter months</i>
<i>Development of this corridor would be ideal as it is easily accessible from all areas of West Laramie and feels safer than several other options due to its distance from vehicle traffic.</i>
<i>I love this corridor!</i>
<i>seems unnecessary beyond (east of) Cedar St, can connect with others. Btw, is this non-motorized?</i>
<i>This seems like the most direct and most cyclist/pedestrian-friendly corridor, if there would ever be a way to build another bridge over the UPRR.</i>
<i>Seems pretty centrally located, but I'm guessing that this one would be an expensive option as well.</i>
<i>This path should go to the new bridge at Snowy Range Road. We don't need another crossing at Lewis or Clark. Also, that would disrupt a happy neighborhood on the West Side. The Snowy Range/Harney bridge is the best option here.</i>
<i>This would be great if there were a safe way to cross the bypass which there currently is not</i>
<i>This would save commuting time when trying to get downtown from the west side.</i>
<i>This option would take away a walking path that many people use often or make it more unsafe to walk along.</i>
<i>I personally do not think this would be helpful. The route just doesn't make sense or have multiple purposes for the money it would take to build.</i>
<i>I had no idea this existed.</i>
<i>I was not aware of this corridor and am wondering where this Fee Area sign is.</i>



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Q8. Madison-Flint Corridor *cont.*

Overcrowded and circuitous.

Any corridor in between the interstate and Curtis would be useful.

All good

sounds like there is already some infrastructure here that would be useful to connect, and sets a third connector of equal distance from the other two

This proposal does not seem like it would add anything that isn't already covered by Snowy Range or the Curtis Corridor

Never used

Ok choice

I wish this whole stretch was paved

Sometimes is muddy. Hard to get across snowy range road in front of cold storage

It would be nice to have a bridge/crossing over snowy range road over the cedar

This one seems like maybe it would be useful for students

This would be great but seems like a challenge logistically.

This is one of the best options for improvement and connection!!!!

Is this too close to the Snowy bridge? It could be good, but I would worry about traffic increase in my neighborhood.

Would be nice if Madison street connected to McCue. Also Flint st. Connected to the pathway - difficult to see the street between the parking lots

Too close to the Barney bridge

I don't know which corridor would be better but I think the one that should be chosen is the one where least traffic currently exists. No need to make a new corridor in a place that is already congested.

I don't see the benefit of this unless it's just a pedestrian/bicycle path. Putting in roads and a car bridge would devalue the West Side neighborhood and save, what, about 2-3 minutes of driving time for a small number of people using existing roads? I would oppose something like this going through the West Side neighborhood.

Our West Side community is too small to put new roads/bridges through. It will ruin our neighborhood. It was incredibly wonderful to finally get rid of the Clark Street bridge. PLEASE do not put roads/bridges back in our neighborhood! It's totally unnecessary because the Harney Street bridge is right there. If you want to connect Madison to Snowy Range Rd for easier access to the Harney St bridge, that would be fine, but please don't come through the West Side.



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Q8. Madison-Flint Corridor cont.

This would be a great option and centrally located for west and east Laramie

I currently will run this route and it's great because it avoids Snowy Range road and traffic/no sidewalks. Getting from McCue to the other side of the Territorial Prison to downtown doesn't have very direct routes.

More walk friendly

This is the most interesting corridor for me. If it were developed it would be the most direct route for me to get to West Laramie. If a dedicated route was established with minimal stops this would rival in convenience to driving for me.

This would be most useful to improve access to downtown laramie and shopping for walking and biking from west laramie.

Improvement here would be welcome. It feels like I have to weave my bike around various paths and dirt trails

Could be a good way to avoid the issues on Snowy Range and involving state highway jurisdiction issues.

Leave this area alone. It's nice to have nature.

No idea where that is

Terrible idea

A roadway here would disrupt the flow of the greenbelt. Walkway and biking corridor would be preferable here

This would be the most convenient and desired for me personally. It generally avoids busy roads and is a pleasant route from central West Laramie through the West Side to central and downtown locations. It is also easy to head north to the Snowy Range bridge or south to the Garfield bridge to cross the railroad. Currently the biggest obstacles are the dangerous Flint/Snowy Range crossing and winter conditions from the east end of Madison to the Greenbelt

Would be interested in using this - already use part of this when biking

A pedestrian and bicycle only underpass is available here and is a good idea

Better biking paths to connect everything together

Great opportunity to connect west Laramie's under interstate to bike trail

crossing snowy range road needs worked on and then crossing the railroad

It's a rather roundabout way but perhaps this route could cross the Snowy range road under the Laramie River bridge.

I like this option.



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Q8. Madison-Flint Corridor *cont.*

Looks interesting

Wyoming's inability to diversify its economy means it's financial future is grim. Thus, this seems like the least expensive option

An access from Pierce Street to the Greenbelt under I80 and across McCue street

Would love to see this utilized! We need another central location

Are you suggesting only pedestrian and bicycle traffic, or opening it up for vehicular traffic? I would be in favor of vehicle traffic so that West Laramie is not so isolated from the rest of the city.

This is my main running path. I use this all winter long. Of extreme value to me.

looks promising

This route would be great for UW students

love this access but we call the crossing under i-80 the murder zone - so dark and sketchy at night

This gets used mostly by bicyclists, but I think many don't really know about it as an option. Even before mainstreaming it, make it known as it has value now.

Also has great benefits but some of the roads/intersections in Laramie West Side have bad surfaces and standing water.

Seems like the easiest way to use existing open land and infrastructure, but still not a direct connection to core of West Laramie.

This would be my preferred route if there were better access.

Unaware of this

I'm curious if this would tie into the greenbelt or would infrastructure be improved by where people drive past the storage warehouses. It would be really nice to tie this into the existing sidewalks on snowy range.

Fine as is

I'm not sure this needs to a car corridor, but it is a nice walking / biking path that I occasionally use. Paving and lighting could be beneficial, although I would have lighting across the river be low lighting or not all night, so as to not disturb wildlife.

We need more stop signs, more stop lights, paved roads, sidewalks, bike paths, and drainage. We also need houses to be required to clean up junk in yards

Good to connect Pierce to Snowy Range Road, but seems pointless to connect to downtown. On the other hand, it is nice to walk along that trail without vehicles driving by.

Would be a good connection

This would be great to pave and make an easy access



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Q8. Madison-Flint Corridor *cont.*

Ideal location to connect West Laramie to main downtown streets.

Great option to connect residential west Laramie with downtown

I think the intersection of flint and snowy range road would be another great location for a potential pedestrian light/crosswalk situation so that is is safe to cross and walk to the greenbelt.

Even if this corridor doesn't cross the UPRR making a clear passage from the the Greenbelt to Madison Undercross would be a great improvement in connection West Laramie to the West Side neighborhood.

There isn't enough information regarding the undercrossing.

This is the most useful for my neighborhood

It would be great to have a way to cross the RR at Lewis!

I use this all the time and is helpful

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Q8. Garfield Corridor (104 responses)

Responses
<i>While I am onboard with improving this access point, I do think it would have the least amount of impact.</i>
<i>The foot bridge is iconic for Laramie!</i>
<i>No side walks from interstate to Garfield along territorial park. No side walk from Garfield street to connect sidewalk on Clark street by territorial park to connect with side walk heading to Harney street.</i>
<i>Foot bridge access to down town is good but with the volume of traffic needs to be wider. crossing Snowy Range road is extremely difficult with the traffic volume.</i>
<i>Sidewalks need to be added in right of way between Garfield bridge west end and I-80 overpass. Would be a great addition to have a transitstop around Colorado Street to utilize UW bus system.</i>
<i>I use this corridor frequently and feel it would benefit from connectivity improvements.</i>
<i>Great corridor.</i>
<i>This corridor is most beneficial to me</i>
<i>I use the footbridge daily</i>
<i>This is the corridor I generally use when I am on foot or on my bike.</i>
<i>This would be great if there were more sidewalks along the bypass and in the neighborhood between the tracks and the bypass. Our sidewalks are very sporadic over here</i>
<i>This is good but needs better routes on the west side.</i>
<i>We enjoy using this path during the summer to cross between West Laramie and downtown. I would prefer for it to stay a walking/ biking path and not allow vehicles.</i>
<i>This makes sense and would enhance not only opportunities to access West Laramie, but businesses in downtown. If this were to go through, I would hope the city would first have a plan more traffic/people in the downtown area.</i>
<i>I like this. Connects via greenbelt trail</i>
<i>Wish you could drive over but great for bikes</i>
<i>I love the Garfield Bridge!</i>
<i>designated bike lanes connected to the rail bridge would be helpful. Bridge is narrow for dual direction bike traffic.</i>
<i>I fully support any means necessary to better connect Laramie and West Laramie.</i>
<i>This walkway is heavily used and delightful. I'd love to see it improved.</i>



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Q8. Garfield Corridor cont.

It would be infinitely more useful if you there was a vehicle bridge, too.

This is a great way to access west Laramie on foot. If you could add vehicle traffic that would be useful

All good

It would be a lot easier to vote at the Lincoln community center if I didn't have to drive up to harney

This is helpful!

This seems like the most likely to be used as it is central to west laramie and would connect two large destinations in west laramie most effectively.

This feels like the most natural place to have a corridor because it would connect with Grand through the downtown area

Don't spend money on the Greenway. Waste.

I like this corridor

It's ok if you are just walking to downtown and back but otherwise isn't too useful

This would make it much easier to spend time downtown and easily be able to get back to the residential areas of West Laramie. I also think this would encourage more businesses to expand into West Laramie.

Excellent lookover when the carnival is in town, used it as the main walkway from my former apartment in West Laramie to Big Hollow

Nice for pedestrians but would be great if there was vehicle access as well

I love the walking bridge

I wish there was eparation between the bike path and car lanes across the Snowy Range section

Love the foot bridge

To narrow for bikes and pedestrians

Besides the bridge, there are no connecting sidewalks in this area. If there are sidewalks they are poorly maintained and in my option are difficult to bike/push a stroller on.

While this route is very central and ideal for many reasons, it seems it would replace/remove the footbridge. It would also go through the middle of the west side which is where the old bridge was. It could be pretty disruptive to some low-income families that live on the west side which is a historic neighborhood (without any official label).

This is closest to what i do now

The problem is that this bridge is "multimodal". The cyclists are not careful of pedestrians and there are sometimes motorized bikes whizzing across it.

This corridor should be touted to connect to the Madison, Riverside, or Spring creek corridor instead of down Snowy Range Rd./ HIGHWAY 130. Having the main approach to Snowy Range come from the sides of via surface streets is way more advantages then trying to combine added bicycle and pedestrian traffic on a Highway.



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Q8. Garfield Corridor cont.

I would like to keep the walk bridge because it is so popular but adding a road or additional lanes to help ease traffic on Grand and making turning left to go east of town would be great!

Really like the bridge. Views are great

This one would connect best because we need a way to get from West Laramie's to in between the Harneys St bridge and the freeway

I love the pedestrian bridge! It's very convenient for me to get from my home on the West Side to downtown!

The pedestrian bridge is a gem and such a unique feature of Laramie... and it gets a lot of use by walkers and cyclists. Don't make it a car bridge. That would be just awful for both ends... the West Side and downtown area.

It would be awesome to improve this existing corridor. Its location to downtown is ideal.

I use the footbridge often in the summer to park on the west side and then walk over to the farmers market or downtown events. It's a bit narrow when there are bikers using it as well.

More pretty to look at

Pave the presidents

A good connection as it stands with the only challenge being the portion from West Garfield to West of I-80. With better connection there I could see this being an artery to downtown.

Snowy Range Road is like a race track, especially around 7:30/8 am and 3:30-5 pm. Additional bike paths and safety measures are needed.

Develop this corridor.

No bicycle riding on the bridge. Walk bicycles.

Never drove on that

Is this the walking bridge over the railroad tracks? Maybe improvements could involve extending the downtown to the West Laramie side of it to encourage use and movement.

Is the plan to increase the size of the foot bridge? I would not be in favor of a roadway here, but could see the benefit for an extra wide bridge with bike lanes both directions and walk ways both directions

The portion of this route along 130 is somewhat loud and unpleasant, and although generally safe when walking/biking, is awkward in a few spots

I use this way when I bike- I go down the greenbelt and take the pedestrian bridge. My preferred route to access the east side of Laramie by bike

This is good as a historical and direct access across the truck tracks

Improvements in bike infrastructure along this route would be great.



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Q8. Garfield Corridor cont.

just snowrange rd in general

Main Artery!

Work and improvements on this corridor make a lot of sense. Improving the connection between the Pedestrian Bridge and the Wyoming Territorial Prison site should probably be a priority.

As long as it stays focused on the West side and not West Laramie, I would be ok with that proposal. Specifically, I am against any modifications that would impact parking on Snowy Range road for businesses. We have already lost parking because of the removal of on street parking and the center turn lane. A failed proposal(bike path) was tried in 2018 I believe and I helped organize resistance against it then and would do the same if that was proposed again.

Street lights

It would be great to have better access via bike or other modes of travel and a safer way from West Laramie to get there on Snowy Range as it's very dangerous currently to ride a bike on Snowy Range.

Needs more parking on the pine street side

I use this frequently on bike and on foot

Also an excellent choice, but entirely improbable.

Need an additional bridge for bicycles

Having a designated bike crossover would make it safer

The one foot bridge is great, but I think having another one connecting west side to downtown that's somewhere between the current foot bridge and snowy range road would be a game changer for walking places.

Another wider overpass

This would be most beneficial for connecting west side and east side

Would love any and all improvements to this. It is such a central location

This is our main path to the Farmers Market. Extremely valuable.

good connection for bike, but no crossing to Territorial Prison. super dangerous

This is the route I take when riding my bike to work

Need a stop lights at interstate off-ramp and Adams st

This access the majority of down town faster. An interchange at I-80 and 30th would assist in taking the interstate to the east side of town.

This corridor currently has a steep and narrow bridge. Would love to see improvements on the bridge.

Frequently used. No issues.

My preferred option. Would take a lot of investment. Offer most direct connection.



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Q8. Garfield Corridor cont.

Set up a bus route

I THINK IT IS FINE AND FUN>

I have never used the Garfield corridor. I didn't know it existed.

Improving the infrastructure for our snowplow drivers on ATV's would be really nice! The current system of having to get off the ATV and move the ATV by hand is less than ideal.

Best corridor

Fine as is. A bigger/wider pedestrian bridge is the only thing to improve but likely too expensive for the city.

Good for accessing downtown, but may be congested

Let's do it!

We use this corridor a lot and appreciate any improvements and upkeep. Although we would not like to see additional motorized traffic through this area.

This path works, but the bridge over the railway could use an upgrade

Too residential. Would make easy access to downtown but would interfere with some historical remnants like to foot bridge. Too many residential housing and would interfere with the peacefulness of the West side.

Opening this to vehicle traffic makes sense.

This would be amazing for getting down town quicker from where we live!

We love the footbridge, please don't change a thing about it!

Great opportunity here through the West Side and onto snowy range range to improve bike safety by having a better bike path; we LOVE the historic (NRHP listed) pedestrian bridge that connects the West Side Neighborhood to downtown. It is iconic, and one of my favorite places in Laramie.

This bridge is THE multimodal option to cross the UPRR. Its integrity is critical. Improvements can be made to the landings at both ends to make them friendlier to the interaction between cyclists and pedestrians.

Connectivity issues, need additional space along the pathway for pedestrians and cyclists

I use this as a pedestrian but I wish there were more options

It would also be nice to have a bike lane on 1st street that you can use when you come off the east side of the bridge, that also continues onto garfield.

I use this one and is helpful especially during events



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Q8. Spring Creek Corridor cont.

Responses

I think this would be a great option for those that live in my neighborhood to have easier access to the river and make it so that we don't need to use the interstate to get to West Laramie.

Is this going to link up the Greenbelt and ultimately up to Pilot Hill?

Bike lane ok if no cars parked in it

This would be one of the most usable options for my travels. Much of it is placed aside from river crossing I-80 xing, and RR

Safer and quicker bicycle access to the High School from the west side would be a definite benefit I see to this corridor.

Useful

Sounds expensive, but would be nice.

I like the idea of connecting WyoTech and the high school along this route.

Sounds expensive, but this corridor would be convenient for me.

Too close to the interstate. It would be great to connect with the existing greenbelt, but riding or walking along the interstate is not appealing.

This sounds great but note the wet spot in the area between the existing green belt and I-80 where the green belt passes under the freeway. At that underpass on the north of the freeway and east of the green belt that area is nearly always a marsh so connecting more pathway would require filling the marsh or creating a boardwalk. You can actually see this marsh on the map given here with a blue "pond" marked just north of the freeway and east of the path.

This would be fantastic for a family member going to WyoTech and for me when I go to work at Linford or to check on my elderly mom who lives in Sherman Hills.

We don't typically need to go this way. If we do, we just use I-80 and take the Third St exit. I could see how this may benefit some families, but we are indifferent.

Unnecessary and expensive - I vote a big NO on this one.

This seems like it would be a good addition and far enough away from the others to merit construction.

I like this one- there would be better access that wouldn't require having to take I-80 or go all the way up to Snowy Range road seems redundant with the interstate being there

Connecting the green belt to the paved walkway that goes all the way to WalMart would be so fantastic! One day they would all connect, including the Sky Trail north of town!

I was unaware of this corridor and will probably almost never use it.

I find this to be the most interesting corridor consideration, connecting two of Laramie's most popular destinations.



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Q8. Spring Creek Corridor cont.

This would also be helpful if you could just drive it.

All good

If a road can be built without ruining the green belt I support it

I use this often

Where this is located is close to the I-80 that already connects Laramie to West Laramie. It would also require lots of new and expensive infrastructure in a place that already provides some access, even if it is getting on I-80

This would also be a great way to connect this area to West Laramie without having to use the highway.

yes to this.

This will increase traffic on an already busy area.

I love this plan! It would shorten the drive from Central West Laramie to Central Laramie exponentially.

Never used it

Good choice

Having to divert from the green belt towards the "Garfield Corridor" is inconvenient

Would be nice to have an alternate route

I like this idea.

This would be amazing.

This would be a good option if funding can be secured

Please! south Laramie needs this.

This could be a good place especially with the school and Sheridan being close! May help with traffic offloading on Grand.

Not needed where we have the freeway

This would be useful especially if a pedestrian/bike path ran parallel with it.

This is a good idea! Having a car road with an off-street bike path that parallels I-80 connecting these two areas would be very useful, especially if it connects with the Greenway trail... as it does not involve our small West Side community.

This could be helpful but would need improvements at the I80 ramps where traffic tends to already backup quickly and people coming in northbound from 287 aren't slowing down.

Would love south access to the walkway path.

More walk friendly

This would be amazing for those of us already living just north of Spring Creek. Connecting the new trail north/east of Laprelle Park all the way to the green belt would make accessing the west side so much easier than the Garfield bridge.



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Q8. Spring Creek Corridor cont.

I can wind around on the green belt to get to the footbridge. Prefer improvements to Garfield and Madison/Flint.

Best South side option here.

No strong feelings.

The southern end of town lacks a corridor that connects the Green belt/West Laramie to the rest of town. This would be a great corridor to figure out.

no idea where that is, don't go to west very much.

Maybe.

This is a preferable corridor to Riverside. That said, the overpass would cross the greenbelt and would need to consider it's impact. Let's make sure the overpass would not be noisy to take away from the beauty of that stretch along the river.

This seems like a useful corridor for many people, although I personally wouldn't have much purpose for it except for recreation

Would be good for residents in the south end of west Laramie. I do not travel this area but can see the utility of it

Along by safe way to access West Laramie

For me at my current living location, this would be a great route and probably the one I'd use the most. Driving and biking

Unknown

greenbelt and interstate crossing is good but getting into town gets tricky

This appears to be the most costly and difficult access route. I'd rank this one at the bottom of the list.

It would be nice for WyoTech students to have another route because they drive like fools and I'd like them to not use the way I use.

I would only use this infrequently

This would be nice to avoid mounting the interstate, but come winter, it'll be infested with trucks and lot lizards.

Connect Greenbelt across 3rd street east along Spring Creek

Would be great if you could travel from the east to the west side of town on a safer path

This wild be beat for connecting east side to west laramie

Here again, are you proposing only vehicular and pedestrian traffic or vehicular as well?

Yes, this would be a lot. And valuable. And I would use it.

this would be very convenient for bikes

This would be very beneficial for high school students

yes please work on this



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Q8. Spring Creek Corridor cont.

I would use this often for both bike travel and foot

This is very important – front burner!

Very interested in this opportunity for getting to the southern side of Laramie without having to go through downtown.

If this is part of the existing green belt, replacing the wood bridge would be a HUGE upgrade! Not only for walk and bike ability but for our snowplow drivers as well!

I80 already does this fine. Unless you build through the lumber junkyard and another bridge over the river, it'd be a waste of money.

Great bypass for access to south Laramie other than getting on I80

This would be a good investment. While the northern corridors could certainly be improved, they at least exist. By cutting through neighborhoods and occasionally jumping out into traffic, you can bike east-west on several northern routes. Let's make a big investment into opening up a southern route, and spend less on smaller things that could make the other routes better.

This would be great as a road or bike path.

A reasonable alternative to the riverside corridor

Allows for easier access to South Laramie.

I think it would be best because Riverside is too far south, and the others would add too much congestion to downtown area. Also Harney access is already very close to the Madison, why not connect Madison from West Laramie to Harney.

This would be amazing for getting down town quicker from where we live!

Great opportunity to connect the green belt with spring creek trail

This pathway would be ideal, though I fear expensive. But an East/West crossing North of I80 could eliminate the need to negotiate I80 on/off ramp traffic with Pedestrian/Cycle traffic if there were options to connect to Soldier Springs and Fort Sanders Rd heading to the South.

Great idea! Sounds expensive.

I like this location



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Q8. Riverside Corridor cont.

Responses
<i>I like the idea of making it easier for people to access the green loop using existing infrastructure to keep costs down. I also think development in this area is necessary as it's generally unsafe for anyone not driving.</i>
<i>I would love this as an alternative route</i>
<i>That might be a nice , but not useful if just going into town</i>
<i>Again much of this is already in place and I would love to utilize it if the no trespassing restrictions were removed from the Access off Riverside to Blackfoot. A small section of sidewalk would be also needed just under I80 on 3d street bridge.</i>
<i>I do not live in this area and do not feel I would utilize it.</i>
<i>It would be useful to me.</i>
<i>Sounds good to me!</i>
<i>This would be a great corridor to have for folks who live on the south side of town, and would open up lots more recreational bike-loop opportunities connecting West Laramie to the Cement Plant and Sand Creek Road.</i>
<i>Neat idea, but there's no good connection from the tree area to this corridor for biking/walking.</i>
<i>I think this would be the least useful corridor</i>
<i>This would be a nice bike route.</i>
<i>I don't see a benefit to having a path here.</i>
<i>It's just as easy to get on the Interstate at this point and get off at the West Laramie exit. This would be a waste of all resources involved.</i>
<i>I also didnt know this existed.</i>
<i>money could be better spent elsewhere, such as a fixing the sidewalks in town</i>
<i>Greenbelt bike path is great but does not connect into commercial areas in the area</i>
<i>I was unaware of this corridor</i>
<i>N/A</i>
<i>All good</i>
<i>The greenbelt trail is important to be for its removal from lots of infrastructure and adding this corridor would make that point moot. Those that are on the southern side of Laramie can still use the I-80 connection where the north side doesn't have a close corridor that would be resolved with two of the other options</i>
<i>This would be incredibly convenient for people on the south end of town to get to West Laramie without taking the highway or driving through town to get to Snowy Range</i>
<i>Never used it</i>
<i>This sounds like an awesome idea</i>



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Q8. Riverside Corridor cont.

This seems like the lowest priority, though it would be nice.

another good option to the south side of town to bring access in on surface streets not the highways.

Too far South? Not sure about development and if this would be useful for most people, feels out of the way.

Yes! Connect to the Greenbelt Trail! Great idea!

I like this idea. Extending the bike path through here would be really nice. And, it would be easy for cyclists to get to the paved path through much of Laramie that ends at Walmart. I've always wanted to be able to safely ride my bike from my West Side home to Walmart.

I would be interested in this from a recreation standpoint and connecting to the greenbelt

Paved

Interesting for connecting to the fairgrounds and county services. A connection to the East side of the tracks other than 3rd St to Skyline would allow better bike/walking access to East and South Laramie allowing those communities a direct connection as well.

My preference is that time and funding are invested further North.

This connects a lot of nothing to nothing. There are roads that come close, but crossing 287 near the cement plant is scary.

No.

No idea where that is.

Please don't add traffic to this area.

Any traffic going to the snowies on highway 230 coming up from 287 would use this corridor to avoid taking i-80 to hwy 130. This would put immense amounts of traffic on Riverside and would be loud and dangerous for recreates going to and from and on the greenbelt. Not in favor

This is a cool idea. It would improve access to areas south of 80, such as the fairgrounds, wydot, etc

Seems like it would be an easy way to add connection to the green belt with little effort. Seems like a better option for souther connections than the spring creek alternative

This would be nice for some travel but difficult by bike to get from the eastern edge of it back into the city. Biking from South of 180 to the North and then crossing 3rd is difficult.

Unknown

feels a little far out of the way

This seems to me to one of the least costly ways to establish automotive connectivity between West and East Laramie in the Southern region of the City. With additional parking area and a connection to the Greenbelt Trail, this connection could also enhance usage of the Trail

It would be great for this area of town to be cleaned up, it looks so ugly.



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Q8. Riverside Corridor cont.

Not sure I would use this much

Sounds fun, but useful in the near-term.

Connect to Green belt

I would love more development here. You have the foot bridge in place thank you!

would be great if connected to greenbelt

This would be a nice recreational route

It would be great to be able to connect to the Fairgrounds neighborhood from the Greenbelt

Would be cool for a recreational bike ride to connect across the railroad. But seems least useful in a day-to-day context. This would be a "nice to have" in my book. But anything that doesn't get on the other side of i-80 should be considered a secondary goal.

Unaware of this

This would be so cool! If it's possible, a bike/ walk trail near the old tail crossing would be nice. Similar to the Hiawatha trail but shorter.

Connecting riverside to 287 does make some sense but again i80 already kinda does this...

Great bypass for access to south Laramie other than getting on I80

The west half of this corridor seems awesome, but it doesn't really achieve the goal of connecting east and west Laramie. Dropping folks out south of the 80/287 junction means they still have to navigate a dangerous intersection.

Would love if these were connected. It would be great for long gravel bike rides and dog walks.

This would be awesome

Too far south. Similar to Curtis St. Does not give access to downtown laramie without driving way out of the way.

Opening this as a thoroughfare makes sense.

I do not know how you would connect south third into the green belt over the RR tracks, but it would be super awesome if it was!

This would be an ideal corridor for connecting Green Belt traffic to South of I80. Currently Tie Plant Rd is marked as Private Property/No Trespassing.

I used to live in this neighborhood and wished there was a way to get from my house to the greenbelt

Also great idea to connect to green belt. There should be a green belt all around town.

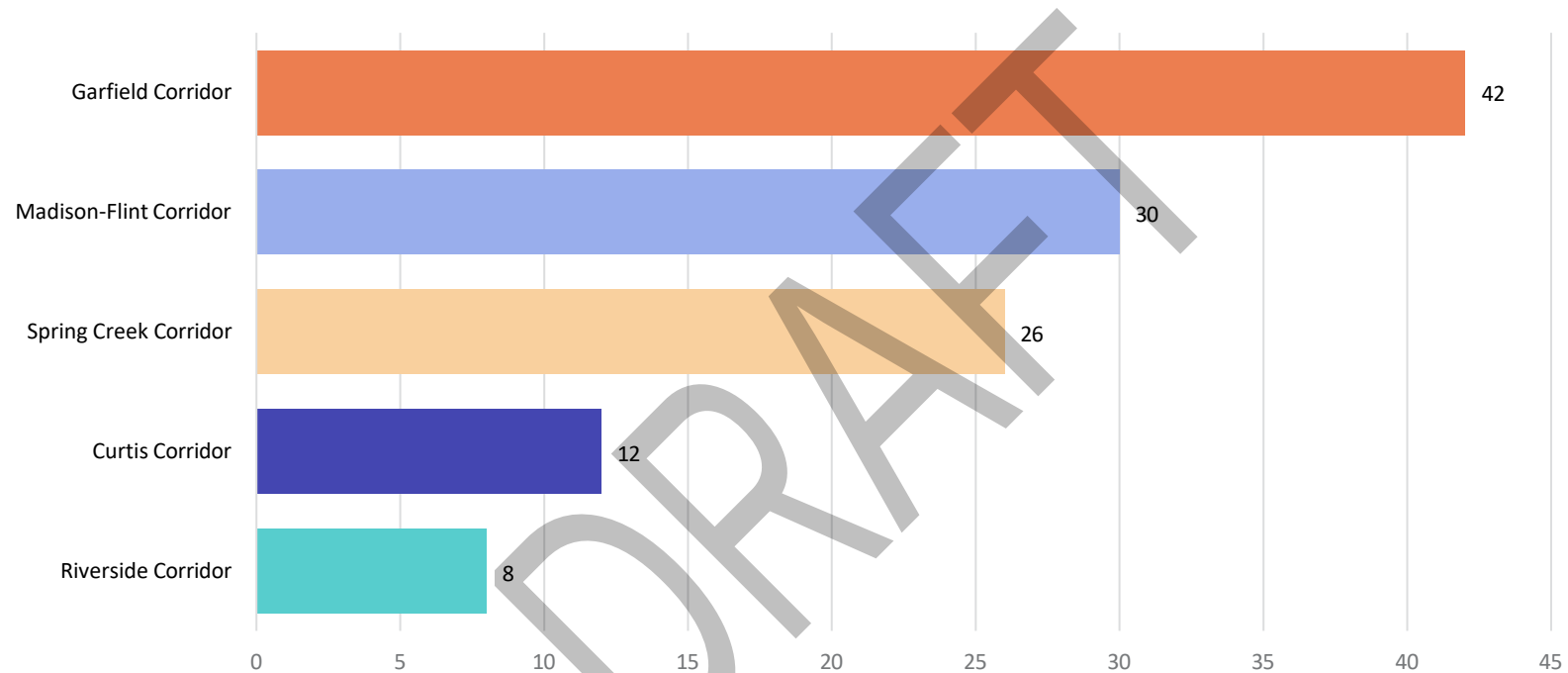
Be a good addition



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Section 4: Where should we invest?

Q9. Among the 5 corridors, select on the map which 1 or 2 corridors should we invest in first? (119 responses)



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Q10. Rank the corridors from most important (1) to least important (5) to you? (162 responses)



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Section 5: Final thoughts?

Q11. What else should we know about improving connectivity to and from West Laramie? What is your transformative change? (103 responses)

Responses
<i>Raise income tax by 1% and pay for better roads and connectivity throughout the city or something along those lines.</i>
<i>I'm thrilled this is being looked at and I hope some new and needed changes happen.</i>
<i>As mentioned before, a truck route would be nice to keep large semi trucks from traveling through the middle of town.</i>
<i>Connect the side walks from interstate on snowy range road all the way to side walk on Clark street. It was started but no one ever followed thur to connect them</i>
<i>I primarily commute by bicycle and try to use the multiuse pathways as much as possible especially when cycling with my kids. Traveling by bike on a pathway rather than the roadway is more stress free and encourages parents to bring kids along. More multiuse paths would encourage more bicycle transportation and could relieve some parking & congestion issues downtown during the busy summer months.</i>
<i>Snowy Range Rd through "downtown" West Laramie is dangerous for biking, inadequate space and torn up between traffic lane and sidewalks. I bet you already know this, but wanted to be sure.</i>
<i>I'm really only interested in improved bike/walk access. Anything that can avoid being on a road would be fabulous.</i>
<i>Paved separate bike path t between West Side and Wedt Laramie</i>
<i>Guided bike tours of those options that exist today (with snacks at the end of the guided tour). In particular, reach out to students at Linford so kids can get themselves to the Library during the summer.</i>
<i>I heard that the greenbelt was going to be connected from west Laramie to east such as through the open area south of the high school. A lot of people in my neighborhood would use that a lot I feel.</i>
<i>Public transportation!!!! Relying on UW for this as the city has done in the past does not work. Laramie needs real transportation options since we have real winters and the poorest communities away from grocery stores and health facilities.</i>
<i>Please see my comments to previous questions.</i>
<i>I recommend choosing careful where to cross the river and the green belt. Choosing the wrong spot means the path will be flooded much of the year. This the city needs to be ready to make an investment in a raised boardwalk in some spots if those are chosen.</i>
<i>Many families on the west side need free transportation to the grocery stores as there isn't really a grocery store in West Laramie. West Laramie needs sidewalks and gutters so it's ADA accessible.</i>
<i>It would be nice to have more paved, maintained roads in West Laramie. It's difficult to get places when roads are not plowed and are always washboard.</i>
<i>Find a safe bike path that doesn't close when the Laramie River comes up</i>



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Q11. Cont.

If the goal is to get more people to want to "visit" West Laramie, I'd first like to see a West Laramie coalition that mimics the downtown coalition - there needs to be street improvements, business incentives, infrastructure upgrades, etc. Right now, local people are going THROUGH West Laramie, not to it. There's not a real reason to spend all this connectivity money when all we need to do is access the airport, mountains, etc. Now, if your goal is to get people from West Laramie to Laramie proper, I think the access we have now is sufficient. There doesn't seem to be a backlog of traffic.

Give them access to SafeRide

Host a Farmer's Market in West Laramie!

Relocate the railroad. If you did that, the current rail space could be designed as a public park space with multiple at grade throughputs. Major east-west roads like Sheridan could be extended. Construct underground bike paths under the railroad that connect to designated bike paths on the road. In addition to the challenge of the railroad, the other challenge is connecting west Laramie west of the river to Laramie. This is almost impossible by non-motorized transport given lack of pedestrian lanes and the speed of vehicles on 130. A paved pedestrian/bike path that is not along 130 but goes directly from Grand Ave to Kiwanis park might help. North South connectivity should also be considered. For instance, underground pedestrian and bike paths at 3rd, 9th, 15th, and 30th would be very helpful. Crossing grand avenue anywhere without a crossing light as a pedestrian or biker is dangerous.

My transformative change would be to be able to have multiple ways of getting to and from without a vehicle. More urban adventures!

if it shows on the Wyoming 511 application, it will be better!

Please do not alter the historic Garfield Street Pedestrian Bridge, in any way. This beloved landmark, built in 1930, is a delight to longtime residents as well as visitors of all kinds. The beautiful, rare, steel bridge is a crucial part of the personality and atmosphere of Laramie. Please let it be.

Pave the roads in West Laramie, create more bike lines/sidewalks

More public transport options and bike lanes

Really would like walkable sidewalks. There's a ton of missing sidewalks are sidewalks that are just plain useless because they are so ruined.

I think those considerations for where you build more bridges should be based on where new communities are being added. There is a lot of building north and south and I think residents who live further north and south may respond differently.

Aside from a hot air balloon taxi.. i mostly get around via bike. A really nice bikepath connection through spring creek would be great to reach the greenbelt. Ideally as an overpass that is used to provide a gateway to the city. Like the Reno arch. The gateway bridge could have little parklets on either side and be decorated to highlight the great amenities that laramie has

If there was public transportation from west Laramie to the university I would take it daily.

I love the bike or walk to campus but it's a short season for not driving.



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Q11. Cont.

trying to force more "multimodal" traffic onto the "Garfield corridor" after it connects with Snowy Range is a BAD idea. This is a major highway intersection with heavy truck and vehicle traffic. Keeping easy VEHICLE access to the side streets, and BUSINESSES should be the first thought and priority to this area.

Investing in and improving the Madison and Spring Creek corridors to provide greater "multimodal" access seem like logical and good opportunity's to interconnect with existing trail and paths around town.

Vehicle traffic is terrible around Snowy Range Road and Wyotech. A traffic management plan, we road adjustments (lights or roundabouts) NEED to be addressed. That alone will help with the bike/pedestrian safety and bottleneck that occurs there. An additional route or two that doesn't have to go under the Snowy Range Road I-80 underpass would be great.

Think about impact to current neighborhoods and consider future development options for the town to grow.

More bike lanes in West Laramie would be highly appreciated

As a senior citizen, wish there was a bus stop in west Laramie

Don't make an already congested area more congested. Something is wrong with the traffic lights in Laramie - they often turn yellow and then people have to wait for a non-existent car to pass, same thing with green arrows. This is something to keep in mind.

I think that because the railroad goes right where all the changes want to be made that it's not an easy task and it may not happen because the railroad is what essentially brought most people to Laramie to begin with and the RR isn't too keen on changing their structure just because of crossings. But I love the idea of trying to solve the problem of getting more people to and from west Laramie more easily.

Extending the pedestrian/bike paths 100% so that it's easy and safe to navigate from West to East!

I welcome a connection, but please do not put additional roads or bridges through the West Side. It's such a small neighborhood... it's quiet... we love it here (especially after removing the Clark St bridge... we do not want another bridge!!) Running a connection north of the West Side (Curtis Corridor) or south of the West Side (Spring Creek or Riverside Corridors) will provide connection without destroying our West Side neighborhood.

I appreciate your efforts.

Increased information/signage about access should be part of the conversation. There are little dirt roads and paths but it's not clear if they connect or are public property.

City planner could ensure services (grocery store, urgent care/hospital) are available in the area.

Just getting to the walking path is my personal priority. And being able to walk/bike into downtown on the path would be really cool.

More things to do or go to in west Laramie- like shops and see its safeness and friendliness

Having dedicated space/lanes on paths for bikes and pedestrians would be nice for safety and different speeds. There would be an interesting opportunity to involve mountain bike trail builders to make side features that could bring added enjoyment and incentive to taking a corridor. In the same vein involving local artists or sculptors could also bring added value to these pathways.



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Q11. Cont.

We already have some wonderful bike trails connecting to West Laramie but the city doesn't even maintain or improve the existing trails at all so why waste money to make more if they will abandon taking care of them once they are built.

Thank you for gathering information. It will be wonderful to have better bike/foot access from West Laramie to East Laramie.

Ensuring clear accessibility, pathways, signage, for people with disabilities, walkers/bikers, runners, strollers etc. to be visible for them as well as drivers. Installing more protective bike paths and pedestrian crossing lights. Limiting amount of inclines/grades to not deter people from using a walkway or crossing. Give people reasons to explore both sides of Laramie while keeping in mind environmental factors like wind, high water, etc. to may deter one from venturing to both sides.

Mass transit would be wonderful.

Lower the speed limit on Snowy Range Road to 30mph for its entire length. Get rid of the 0.9 mile segment of 45 mph

I don't go often to the west so...I have no feedback

I think using the Greenbelt (expanding maybe) would be super helpful in connecting

Some connection south of I80 like the spring corridor would be a huge help. Also a bike lane near Snowy Range would be good since the road is so busy. Don't just paint a line on Snowy Range though. The road is too busy for that. Build an actual path off the road.

The biggest issues in my opinion relate to the lack of sidewalks and safe biking/walking space to get to the greenbelt when in West Laramie. The greenbelt is an excellent connection to East Laramie (though access from the greenbelt to Spring Creek would be what it is lacking most). But from Riverside and other parts of West Laramie the lack of sidewalks makes getting to the greenbelt not as safe.

In addition to the increased opportunities for recreation, an improved central walking/biking corridor would be helpful for promoting bicycle and walking commuting, both as a lifestyle and for those who have no other transportation option. Laramie is a wonderful town for biking and walking (even in winter, although I know that is not realistic for many people); I greatly appreciate projects and surveys like this--thank you. Also, very cool web app/map!

Widening the pedestrian bridge would be cool so that you could have 2 bikes pass each other and not have to get off a bike and walk over it

I feel the biggest challenge in West Laramie is the lack of paved roads, curb and gutter, and proper drainage in the residential areas. Back when West Laramie was annexed into the city we were given all kinds of promises for improvements to roads and curb and gutter. Our parents and many of the residents at that time paid thousands of dollars and the money was never used for the improvements. We did get city water and sewer but the roads have not been paved as promised. I feel that the lack of developing this area has led to safety issues for the residents. I also feel that the lack of curb & gutter contributes to residents neglecting their properties due to the precedence that dirt roads, poor drainage and failure of the city to enforce regulations regarding junk properties sets for neighborhoods. A grant for beautification, improving road ways and developing the infrastructure within the W L would be of more importance to us and I would guess to say 90 % of the WL residents.

If you go Madison Flint please be nice to me. My house is right there close to the interstate underpass.

Kill this and save our tax money.



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Q11. Cont.

Parking on the west side of the pedestrian bridge to encourage fewer cars in downtown and a little bit more walking. Slower speed limit until past Garfield on Snowy range.

A bus route from the gateway gas station to downtown would open up travel for many low income and elderly people who live near snowy range

Providing safe access to downtown via bike or walking paths.

Pave the roads

I THINK YOU HAVE ENOUGH PROBLEMS MAINTAINING THE ROADS AND PATHS THAT YOU HAVE WITHOUT ADDING ANYMORE PROBLEMS THAT YOU WILL NOT MAINTAIN. YOU SHOULD WORK ON FIXING THE PROBLEMS THAT YOU ALREADY HAVE. OUR WEATHER WHICH YOU CANNOT DO ANYTHING ABOUT CAUSES OUR PATHS, WALKS AND ROADS TO REQUIRE YOUR UNDIVIDED ATTENTION. FIX AND MAINTAIN WHAT YOU HAVE !!!!!!!

I would really love the roads in west Laramie to be paved. This should be a top priority.

Understanding the flow of traffic on the west side would be ideal and how we can better improve these areas. There are a ton of people around 4:20pm on the week days that get out of Wyotech and cut across the snowy range gas stations parking lot because traffic is so backed up at the corner. Improving sidewalks and providing more opportunities for walking paths in our own neighborhoods. Many of the West sliders walk on the roads and prefer not to bike due to having to ride alongside not only cars and trucks but semis is less than ideal. Creating a bike corridors that bypasses Snowy range and takes you to either the green belt or some other proposed route would be really nice! And creating a biking path that goes through some more scenic areas would be nice. I know you can bike on the greenbelt but there are so many people that get really annoyed when a bike goes past them on this path. Lastly, please bring in the voices of the snowplow drivers (parks and mosquito) into this decision.

Public transportation would be a huge benefit

Another path over the rail yard between the pedestrian bridge and I80 . Accessing the green belt near Trihydro you are forced to go quite a ways north to cross over the tracks and the go back south if you were headed somewhere in the spring creek area

Truly transformative would be a vehicle and pedestrian combo bridge to replace the current pedestrian bridge in the Garfield corridor. We only have Curtis, Harney and i80 to go anywhere, but downtown is a top destination. Parking in West side is limited and intrusive to those residents by the bridge. This is a pipe dream, but anything else is a waste of money as it relates to vehicle traffic routes. You can invest and build on footpaths, greenbelt, etc all you want... but the far majority of West Laramie residents drive everywhere we go

Why wasn't Garfield used before?

Please pave and sidewalk the dirt roads!

I believe it's important to keep bikeways as safe as possible to share the roads with cars. I want people of all ages to enjoy biking across all of Laramie on a regular basis.



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Q11. Cont.

Paved roads, sidewalks, storm sewers, requiring residents to remove trash and junk from yards

The Snowy Range Road and Adams intersection is awful and prohibitive. People going to/from work and WyoTech classes make it difficult to cross.

Nothing is that far—it would be nice to focus on walking and biking routes, rather than always prioritizing cars.

Add a sidewalk/ walk path all the way along Garfield from the footbridge to the territorial prison.

Paved roads in West Laramie would help access to all the corridors

Dogs must be leashed on new paved biking and walking paths created in the Madison Flint Corridor. Currently the area is wide open and many dogs are off leash due to the wide open space. Perhaps consider a fenced in dog park area for people to let their dogs off leash. This would encourage obeying leash laws if there is a fenced dog park area provided in the new Corridor.

Transportation via bicycle would benefit from paved paths. Hoping one day the streets in West Laramie also get paved.

We'd love if roads like South Fillmore Street would be paved as they're currently gravel.

Just having any public transportation that went to the West Side Neighborhood and West Laramie to Downtown, the University area, Safeway, the Walmart area would be great.

Additionally - West Laramie is a bonafide food desert. It would be awesome to have a real grocery store - not a Dollar General, in the West Laramie. Encouraging mixed used development seems important to me and steps away from that antiquated idea of city planning where zoning should be separated by use.

Having multiple ways to get to and from West Laramie is my primary concern. I vary my route based on where I'm going to or coming from.

A connected Greenbelt path from the Laramie River to the Pilot Hill Rec area, allowing full East/West transportation across the city, would be a remarkable improvement to the livability of the city of Laramie. Though, in general, I think Laramie's focus on interconnecting its various center neighborhoods to the rising disconnected developments.

I think an additional pedestrian bridge would be helpful

I love the West Side, but more time, energy, and money is spent on this neighborhood and how it feels than any other in town combined. There has not been a semblance of consensus amongst its own residents. What is the payoff for the rest of town with all of this? What if it stayed a sleepy little neighborhood with some great amenities and deep history? I'm willing to be convinced otherwise, but the narrative has remained consistent that the neighborhood wants to be thriving without changing anything.

I just want safer ways to get to the west side without driving



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Survey #1 Scoring Methodology

Question 9 asked respondents which corridors should be prioritized for investment and allowed participants to choose their top two corridors. Each corridor's share of the 59 total participants (a total of 119 responses were counted, as participants were allowed to select multiple answers) was calculated and grouped into three tiers based on relative support: Garfield and Madison-Flint (highest support, score 3), Spring Creek and Off-Corridor (moderate support, score 2), and Curtis and Riverside (lowest support, score 1). Although Off-Corridor was not included in this activity, it was assigned a score of 2 to reflect its moderate support across other engagement feedback.

Corridor	Votes	% of Total (59)	Score (1-3)
Curtis	12	20%	1
Madison-Flint	30	51%	3
Garfield	42	71%	3
Spring Creek	26	44%	2
Riverside	8	14%	1
Off-Corridor	–	–	2*
Total Responses: 119	*Off-Corridor did not appear in this activity but was assigned a neutral score of 2 since off-corridor improvements mentioned in general participants feedback, ensuring they were accounted for in the total scoring.		



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Intercept Surveys

There were five pop-up engagement opportunities that were conducted during the first phase of the engagement process in April 2025, led by students from the University of Wyoming. Pop-up engagement included intercept surveys and attendance of existing community events. Locations for these pop-up engagement opportunities included the Garfield Footbridge, Optimist Park, JSI Grill, Bud's Bar, and the Discover Laramie Event at WyoTech.

Discover Laramie Event (4/05/2025)

- Engaged with 40 people
- Distributed Survey #1 flyers
- Voting on corridors

Corridor	Total votes
Curtis	1
Madison-Flint	5
Garfield	6
Spring Creek	6
Riverside	5



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Garfield Footbridge (4/16/25)

- Engaged with 10 people
- Distributed Survey #1 flyers
- Visited 7 downtown businesses with community boards

Optimist Park (4/12/2025)

- Engaged with 35 people
- Distributed Survey #1 flyers

Bud's Bar (4/10/2025)

- Engaged with 25 people
- Distributed Survey #1 flyers

JSI Grill (4/11/2025)

- Engaged with 19 people
- Distributed Survey #1 flyers
- Voting on corridors

Corridor	Total votes
Curtis	0
Madison-Flint	1
Garfield	1
Spring Creek	2
Riverside	1



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Scoring Methodology

Each corridor's total number of votes was tallied from 28 responses. The raw vote totals were then divided into three equal bins to create a 1-3 scoring scale, where 1 represents the lowest level of support and 3 represents the highest. The top two corridors (Garfield and Spring Creek) received a score of 3, the next two highest corridors (Madison-Flint and Riverside) received a score of 2, and the lowest corridor (Curtis) received a score of 1.

Corridor	Votes	% of Total (28)	Score (1-3)
Curtis	1	4%	1
Madison-Flint	6	21%	2
Garfield	7	25%	3
Spring Creek	8	29%	3
Riverside	6	21%	2
Off-Corridor	–	–	2*
Total Responses: 28	*Off-Corridor did not appear in this activity but was assigned a neutral score of 2 since off-corridor improvements were mentioned in general participants feedback, ensuring they were accounted for in the total scoring.		



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Phase 2

Survey #2

The purpose of the second survey is to gather community input on which improvements within the corridors, and which corridors should receive priority investment by allowing participants to allocate a hypothetical budget across those areas. The survey received a total of 90 responses, 65 submitted responses, 25 unsubmitted responses, and 162 bounce visitors. The survey was open between June 6 through August 13.

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Section 1: What corridors are you interested in?

Q1. *Place a point on the map in the neighborhood where you live* (37 responses)



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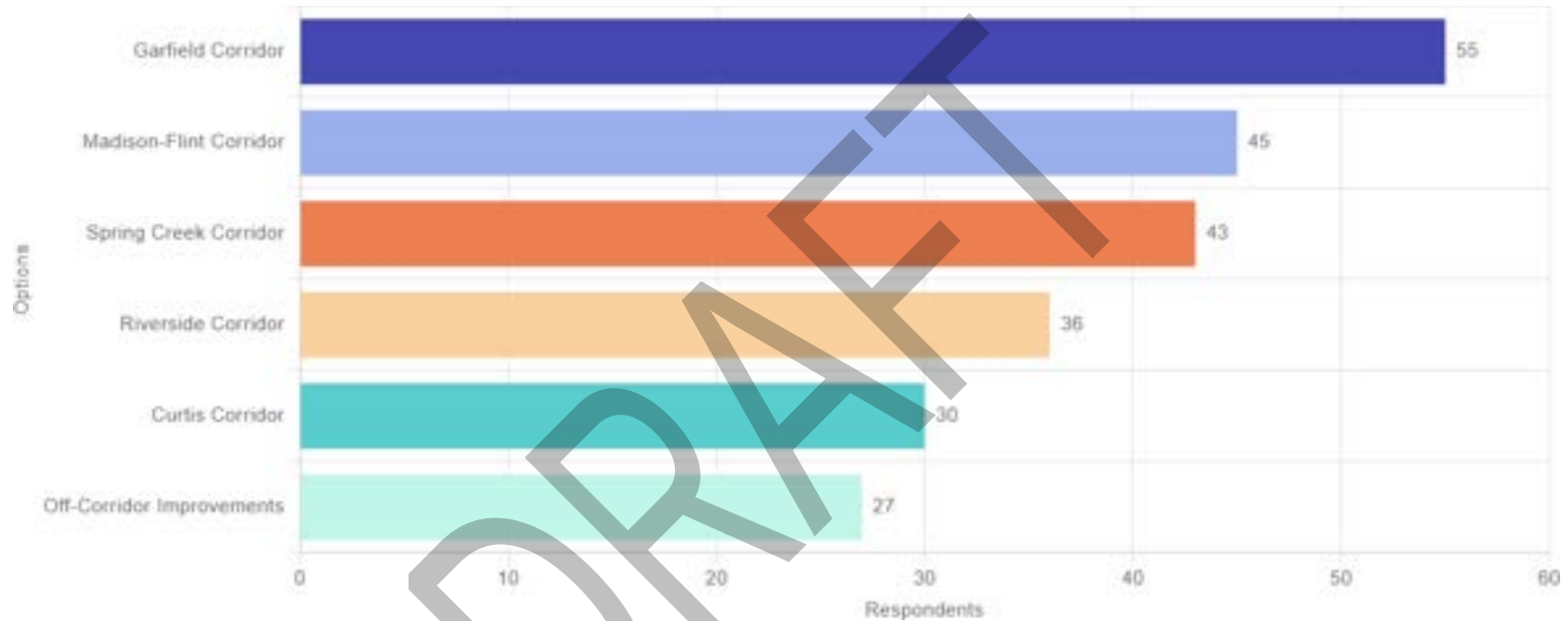
Q2. Which corridors are you interested in providing feedback for? (Select all that apply).(85 responses)



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Section 2: Where should we invest?

Q3. If you only had \$10 to spend, which improvements would you invest in for the Curtis Corridor? (24 responses)



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Q4. *What other improvement(s) would you invest in for the Curtis Corridor?* (8 responses)

Responses

A bus stop with a consistent schedule

Planning for future outer green “beltway” that connects to Cirrus Sky

Currently the path across i-80 is on the south side of the road making it difficult to transition back on to Curtis near the Petro to head west on the dirt road to link up with Welsh Lane.

as a pedestrian crossing at “B” I-80 on/off ramps is intimidating, once you do it you will know what I mean. You are trusting that those coming off of I-80 are paying attention that you are crossing and same goes for those getting onto the interstate. It’s especially intimidating because it is mostly semi traffic and it is harder for them to see pedestrians. A lighted flashing signal would be nice rather than just stop signs.

Biggest issue to biking this corridor is crossing the interstate on and off ramps- it is always sketchy and I avoid going this way

Traffic lights on over pass

Spend the money on improving rainwater run-off in the area.

No more bike lanes



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Q5. *If you only had \$10 to spend, which improvements would you invest in for the Madison-Flint Corridor? (35 responses)*



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Q6. What other improvement(s) would you invest in for the Madison-Flint Corridor? (9 responses)

Responses

A bus stop with a consistent schedule

New decking to the bridge on the Greenbelt behind Gustave A Larson Company

I love the idea creating a shared use path along the Hans Peak Railroad path. I use this path already several times a week as do many others. Creating a bridge at clark or lewis would really build on that idea and draw more pedestrian/bike traffic to that route.

Na

Currently I use the underpass on Madison and then head down greenbelt to pedestrian bridge, but improved bike infrastructure on harney bridge and road would make it possible to use that bridge too

Pave from the interstate to the green belt

Paving west Laramie, stop signs in west Laramie. Not everything revolves around parks and pathways

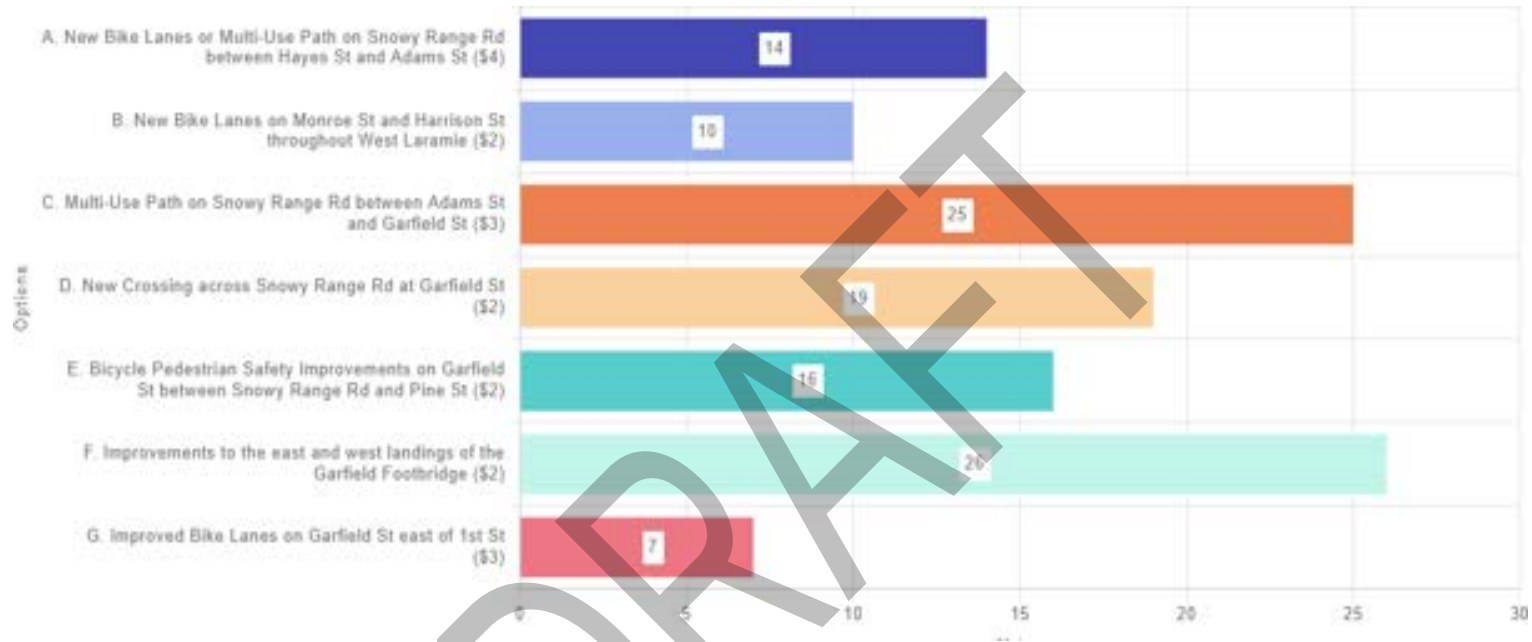
Spend the money on improving rainwater run-off.

No more bike lanes



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Q7. If you only had \$10 to spend, which improvements would you invest in for the Garfield Corridor? (40 responses)



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Q8. What other improvement(s) would you invest in for the Garfield Corridor? (14 responses)

Responses

Definitely safer foot/bike travel along Snowy Range between Adams and Garfield

A bus stop with a consistent schedule

The on ramp for I 80 Eastbound on Snowy Range Road is terrifying. I've almost been hit as a pedestrian in the crosswalk multiple times.

Create a bike/pedestrian only path with no stops all the way from 1st street up to Boulder Dr. Makes no sense to create paths that share car traffic or that don't take you to places within the heart of Laramie.

Improvements to sidewalks / accessibility where needed

I didn't use all of my allocated \$10 because I would like to put \$4 more dollars towards improvements to the east and more importantly the west landings of the Garfield Footbridge.

Na

I want the road over the railroad again. this seems like a good spot

Biggest problem movement would be safer bike travel along snowy range road in west Laramie by interstate on ramp. I go this way when greenbelt is flooded and it's a bit sketchy going by the on and off ramps

None

Solar panels, car charging stations, more bus stops.

Landscaping, beautifications, signage

Spend the money on improving rainwater run-off.

No more bike lanes



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Q9. *If you only had \$10 to spend, which improvements would you invest in for the Spring Creek Corridor? (33 responses)*



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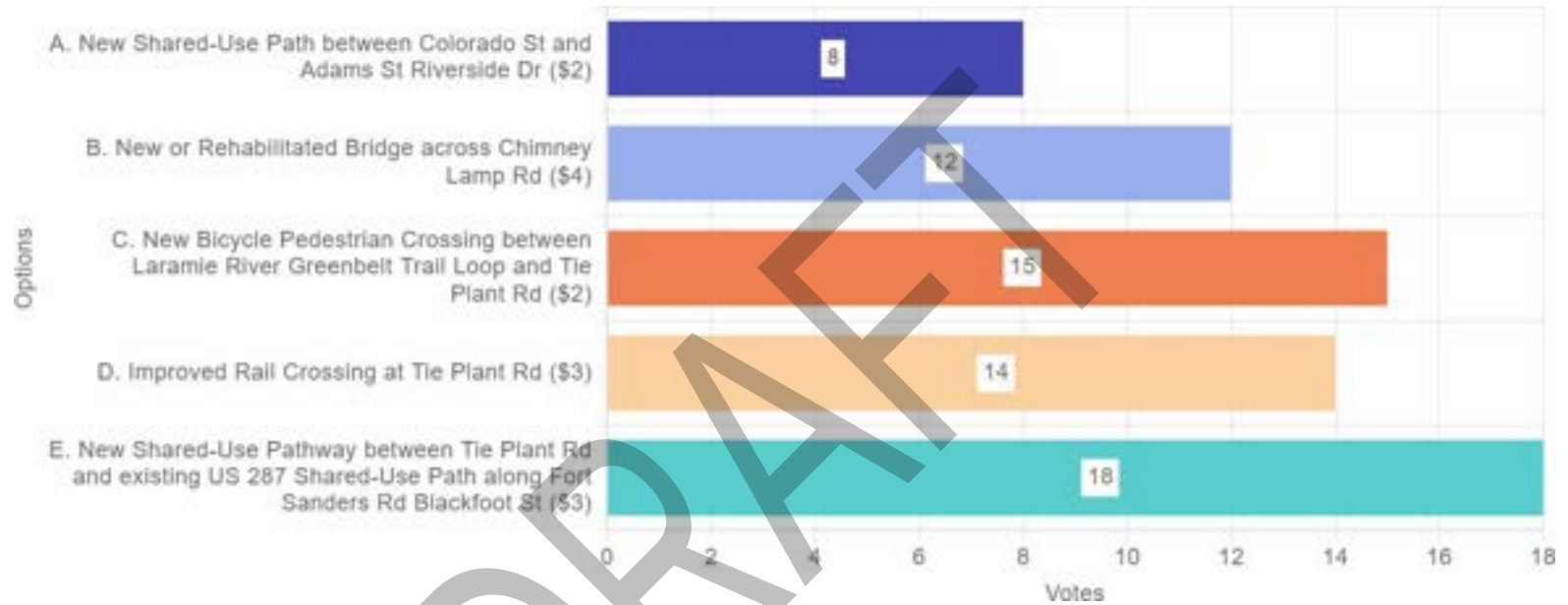
Q10. What other improvement(s) would you invest in for the Spring Creek Corridor? (10 responses)

Responses
<i>A bus stop with a consistent schedule</i>
<i>Safety improvements for pedestrians on third street at the interstate.</i>
<i>A more pedestrian friendly crossing on 3rd Street</i>
<i>I would be open to D or E. E would need some safety measures for non-motorized crossing of the i-80 ramps. Also, the 15th street bridge to Skyline road could use bike improvements and has the same issue as Curtis Street with going from a shared path to merging on-street..</i>
<i>Na</i>
<i>A pring creek/russel connection to venture dr would alleviate the traffic coming off of i-80 at the eastbound exit ramp</i>
<i>Shade trees along south path</i>
<i>Drainage</i>
<i>Spend the money on improving rainwater run-off.</i>
<i>No more bike lanes</i>



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Q11. *If you only had \$10 to spend, which improvements would you invest in for the Riverside Corridor? (25 responses)*



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Q12. *What other improvement(s) would you invest in for the Riverside Corridor? (7 responses)*

Responses

A bus stop with a consistent service

Planning that allows for future outer green “beltway” that would eventually connect to Pilot Hill is important

It would be great to be able to use the green belt to access roads further south without having to go through the i-80/287 interchange.

Include crossing across 287

Superior connection between Skyline and 287

Lighting , safety improvements

Spend the money on improving rainwater run-off.

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Q13. *If you only had \$10 to spend, which off-corridor improvements would you invest in? (15 responses)*



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Q14. What other off-corridor improvement(s) would you invest in? (8 responses)

Responses
<i>A bus stop with a consistent service</i>
<i>Dedicated pedestrian phase signals in places where it makes sense - I have been nearly mowed over by cars turning left on solid greens without yielding too much</i>
<i>Dust pollution from Dirt Streets in West Laramie. We all breathe it everyday. Smoke from Fires is not as severe as the daily intake of breathing this dust. Daily, multiple times a day I use a leaf blower to remove dust from patio furniture. I would love to hear from you and discuss further. Riding bike and walking in dust pollution at the levels we experience is NOT HEALTHY i</i>
<i>None. We want clean water, good streets and emergency services</i>
<i>adding bike lanes ON Snowy Range Rd and Hwy 230 from the West side to the west boundary of town.</i>
Roads
<i>Spend the money on improving rainwater run-off.</i>
<i>No more bike lanes</i>



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Q14. *If you only had \$10 to spend, where in Laramie would you invest? Select any corridor more than once to spend the full budget! (\$10) (58 responses)*



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Section 3: Final Thoughts?

Q16. *What is your “can’t miss” opportunity related to the Reconnecting West Laramie Plan that the City should invest in? (7 responses)*

Location Description	Please describe your opportunity:
Boulder Dr and E Garfield St	<i>Start on 1st street and end on Boulder Dr.</i>
S Pierce St and Monroe St	<i>Can we make one of the roads parallel to Snowy Range in West Laramie pedestrian friendly, kind of like Iverson is by the University?</i>
McCue St and Snowy Range Rd	<i>Improving pedestrian & bicycle access along this stretch of Snowy Range (west of interstate to Garfield) is a must.</i>
S 1 st St and Russel St	<i>A road (for vehicles) connection in the south so that i-80 doesnt have to be used by commuters</i>
Soldier Springs Rd, south of Budget Inn	<i>A connection to skyline for traffic from west Laramie for vehicle/pedestrian/bike would be fantastic. Currently impassible for pedestrians and bikes and even getting across that area coming off I80 in west Laramie to cross over to sky line is sketchy at best coming off the off ramp and navigating across 287</i>
I-80 and Madison St	<i>Use over pass</i>
Location near proposed Riverside corridor crossing, west of railroad	<i>Connecting trail</i>



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Q17. *Where would you want to build a foot/bike bridge over the railroad tracks?* (60 responses)



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Scoring Methodology

Public Support scoring is based off of Question 15 of the survey. Participants were asked how they would invest \$10 among the corridors, with the option to allocate funds multiple times. Each corridor's share of total votes (580 total) was compared, and scores were assigned on a 1-3 scale, where the top two (Garfield and Spring Creek) received a score of 3, the next two received a score of 2 (Madison-Flint and Off-Corridor), and the bottom 2 received a score of 1 (Curtis and Riverside).

Corridor	Votes	% of Total (580)	1-3 Score
Curtis	54	9%	1
Madison-Flint	101	17%	2
Garfield	142	24%	3
Spring Creek	130	22%	3
Riverside	46	8%	1
Off-Corridor	59	10%	2
Total Responses: 58			



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WyoTech Car Show 06/07/2025

The WyoTech Car Show took place on June 7, 2025, at the WyoTech Campus. Outreach was led by city staff and the consultant team, engaging approximately 50 attendees. The team used two methods of engagement including a pom-pom jar for a voting activity as well as maps displaying all corridor strategies, allowing people to place a sticker on each strategy and allowing for the strategy to be ranked low-high priority. The ranking activity only received 10 responses, so the PomPom jar activity was used for the scoring methodology. The PomPom Jar activity had three options for people to choose from: (A) A bridge between Snowy Range Road and the existing Garfield Footbridge, (B) A crossing on the southern edge of town, north of the interstate, connecting the Greenbelt Trail to the Spring Creek Trail, or (C) No crossing: allocate funds to other priority projects.

A total of 30 votes were cast, evenly split between options A and B. In addition, participants used stickers on display boards to rank specific strategies by priority. Project team members distributed Survey #2 flyers during the event.



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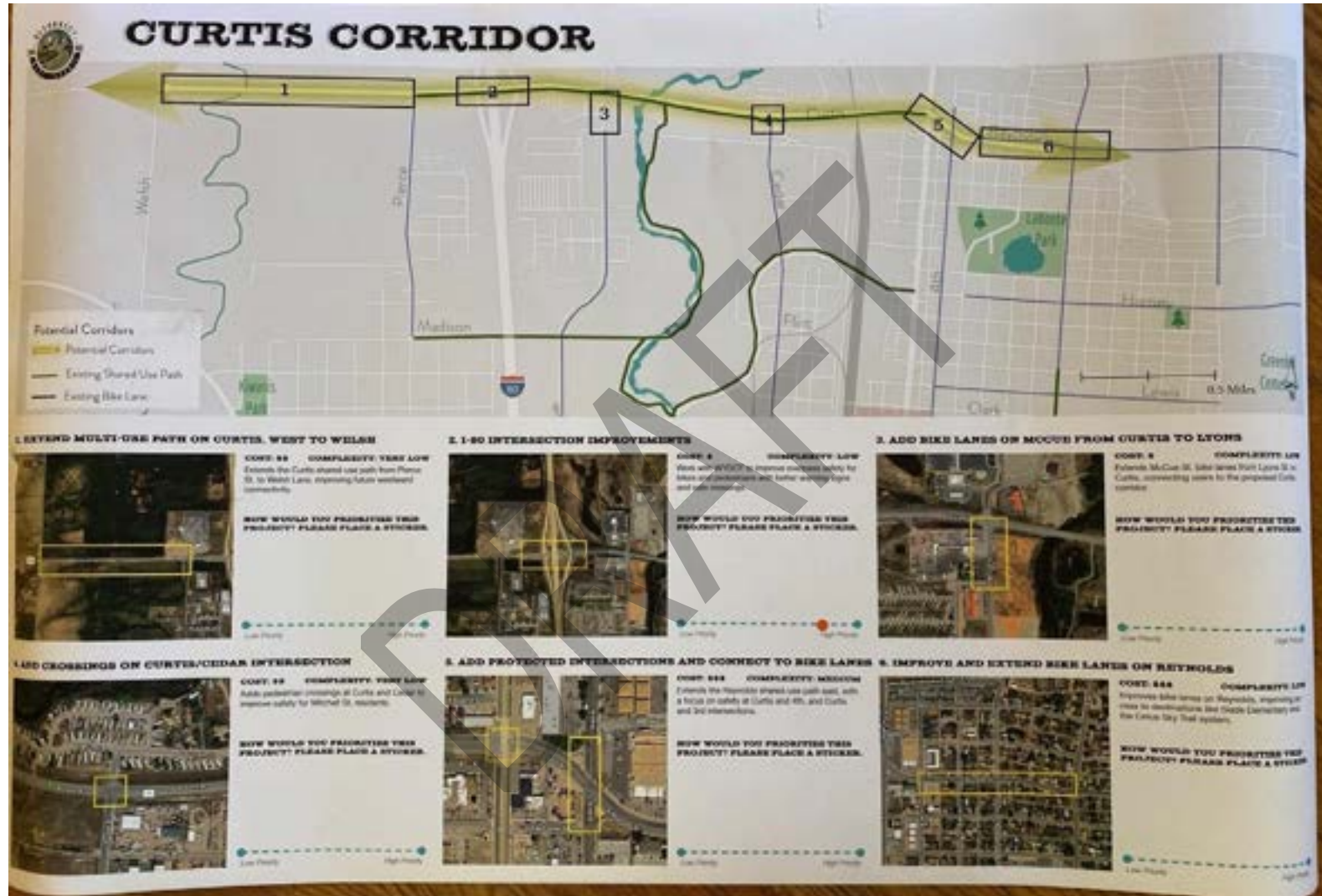
Scoring Methodology

During the outreach activity, participants voted on preferred bridge options- Option A (north of the Garfield Footbridge, including Curtis and Madison-Flint), and Option B (south of the existing bridge), including Spring Creek and Riverside). Each option received an equal share of total votes and votes were divided evenly among bridges. Because both options received similar levels of support, the bridges were each assigned a score of 2 on the 1-3 scale. Garfield and Off-Corridor locations were not included in this activity.

Bridge	Option	Votes	% of Total (30)	Score
Curtis	Option A	15	50%	2
Madison-Flint	Option A	15	50%	2
Garfield	not included	—	—	2*
Spring Creek	Option B	15	50%	2
Riverside	Option B	15	50%	2
Off-Corridor	Not included	—	—	2*
Total Responses: 30	<i>*Off-Corridor and Garfield did not appear in this activity but were assigned a neutral score of 2 since both were mentioned in general participants feedback, ensuring they were accounted for in the total scoring.</i>			



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Pride in the Park 06/14/2025

City of Laramie staff attended Pride in the Park, tabling for the Reconnect West Laramie project. Staff distributed Survey #2 flyers and were available to receive project feedback and answer project questions.



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Farmers Markets

June 20

Outreach was led by city staff and the consultant team, engaging with approximately 70-80 attendees. The team used pompom jars for a voting activity on three options: (A) A bridge between Snowy Range Road and the existing Garfield Footbridge, (B) A crossing on the southern edge of town, north of the interstate, connecting the Greenbelt Trail to the Spring Creek Trail, or (C) No crossing: allocate funds to other priority projects.

A total of 93 votes were cast, 33 choosing Option A, 51 choosing Option B, and 12 choosing Option C. The project team distributed Survey #2 flyers during the event.

Scoring Methodology

In this activity, votes were divided evenly among the bridges, within each option. Option A included Curtis and Madison-Flint, while Option B included Spring Creek and Riverside. Each bridge's share of the total 93 votes was compared, and bridges with higher percentages (Spring Creek and Riverside) received a score of 2.

Bridge	Option	Votes	% of Total (93)	Score
Curtis	Option A	33	35%	2
Madison-Flint	Option A	33	35%	2
Garfield	not included	—	—	2*
Spring Creek	Option B	51	55%	3
Riverside	Option B	51	55%	3
Off-Corridor	Not included	—	—	2*
Total Responses: 93	<i>*Off-Corridor and Garfield did not appear in this activity but were assigned a neutral score of 2 since both were mentioned in general participants feedback, ensuring they were accounted for in the total scoring.</i>			



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Farmers Markets

June 27

City of Laramie planning staff tabled at the June 27th, 2025 Farmers Market. During the event, staff distributed Survey #2 flyers leading to the survey and answered questions from residents on the project.



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Farmers Markets

September 12

On September 12, the consultant team and city staff engaged approximately 60 individuals at the farmers market, gathering feedback on project area priorities. Individuals could vote on their favorite concepts and strategies.

Concept	Corridor	Votes	Other Comments
Roadway Bridge from 2 nd Street to Venture Avenue	SC	34	<i>Continue Bill Nye Street connection</i>
Pedestrian Bridge from 2 nd Street to Laramie River Greenbelt Trail	SC	32	
Pedestrian Space and Plaza at Garfield Bridge in West Laramie	GAR	23	<i>Raised crosswalk concept for pedestrian space and plaza at Garfield Street</i>
Pedestrian and Bike Improvements to Curtis and Reynolds Street and 4 th and 3 rd Street with Existing Alignment	MF	23	<i>Extend bike lanes through school zones with improved traffic control</i> <i>Focus on Mitchell Street for both bike and vehicle traffic</i> <i>Desire for more greenery near protected intersections</i>
Pedestrian Space and Plaza at Garfield Bridge and 1 st Street	GAR	20	<i>Flooding concerns on 1st Street</i> <i>Interest in making this section pedestrian-only and converting one block of Grand Avenue to one-way traffic.</i>
Trailhead to Laramie Greenbelt at Flint Road and Intersection Improvements	MF	15	<i>Suggestion to add Clark Street Bridge with directional access (Clark east-only, Snowy Range west-only)</i>
Improve Bike and Pedestrian Crossing at Curtis Street and I-80	CUR	5	
Future Phase: Re-Align Curtis Street and Reynolds Street at 4 th Street	CUR	4	





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Additional In-Scope Comments

- A few community members expressed strong support for Riverside corridor, specifically community members living in West Laramie near the proposed corridor
- Better crossings on Harney Street

Comments Outside of Project Scope

- Request for the following locations to be included in the public transportation plan: laundry facilities, mental health facilities,
- Albany Community Health Clinic, along 1st Street, connection to Washington Park area; Bus stops along all parks, having an app to track the bus.

Other requests

- Area around Walmart, request for better bicycle infrastructure getting to the store
- More bike parking on Grand Street, bike parking close to FedEx
- Safer crossings on 3rd Street near Undine Park
- Need crosswalk on Custer and 3rd Street
- Request to narrow Iverson St
- Better crossings across Harney Street
- Request to continue Laramie Green Belt Trail further north



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Jubilee Days

The City of Laramie engaged the community during Laramie's Jubilee Days including the following events:

- Freedom Has a Birthday July 4
- Pancake Breakfast July 11
- Laramie Brew Fest July 12

Survey flyers for Survey #2 were distributed during the events and staff were available to answer questions and receive project feedback.

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Albany County Fair 07/31/2025

City staff and the consultant team participated in the Albany County Fair Family Night on July 31. The team engaged with approximately 20 individuals. Several individuals expressed stronger support for the three central corridors, Madison, Garfield, and Spring Creek, with particular interest in Spring Creek as a potential southern pedestrian and bicycle connection. There was also notable support for enhancing access to the Garfield footbridge. The project team distributed flyers for Survey #2 during the event.



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Community Bike Ride 09/12/2025

Approximately 15 participants, including three project team members, joined the community bike ride on Friday, September 12. The group met at the Laramie Farmer's Market near the Garfield Footbridge and rode a route highlighting key project strategy locations. Stops included the east side of the Garfield Footbridge, west landing area of the Garfield Footbridge, the Laramie Greenbelt Trail (near the proposed location of the Spring Creek corridor), and the Flint Avenue Trailhead and crossing. The ride provided participants with an opportunity to share feedback on proposed site improvements and ask questions about the project



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Project Area Feedback	
Location	Feedback
East Side Garfield Footbridge	• Refine bus stop/bridge ramp landing to ensure comfort and safety of cyclists as they depart the ramp • Strong support for expanded pedestrian walkways and expanded plazas • Consider formalizing 1st Street's (currently informal) 2-way traffic for bicycles, 1 way traffic for cars. • Sight Triangles • Bush shelter; can bus move? • Crossing intersection of 1st Street and Grand Ave
West Side Garfield Footbridge	• Ensure plaza design accommodates downhill bike speed and navigation off ramp. ("Keep it fun!")
Laramie Greenbelt Trail near Spring Creek Corridor	• "Complete Street" option seems too large and costly; will require significant investment and additional study • Strong support for bike/pedestrian bridge option • Maintain option to study a direct connection from existing pathways directly across 3rd street along with current proposed re-route to future Bill Nye traffic signal. • Bike/ped connection on South 2nd Street • Optional Park, pave parking lots • Beware of the right turn lane and bike/ped
Flint Avenue Trailhead and Crossing	• Crossing should prioritize where residents cross more often • Direct crossing at Flint Street is important as safe route to Cedar is very 'out of the way' leading to unsafe crossings for convenience • Garfield and Snowy Range Road intersection should be a prioritized crossing; there are existing speed concerns at this intersection • Wayfinding will be important to access city parcel behind private drives. • Garfield and Clark Option • Bike/ped bridge over Snowy Range



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Reconnect West Laramie

Reconnect West Laramie is a comprehensive planning effort to improve multimodal transportation connections between West Laramie, the West Side, and Eastern Laramie. These connections would enhance mobility, safety, equity, and economic vitality for Laramie residents, visitors, business owners, and employees.

Several barriers separate Western Laramie from other areas of Laramie. These barriers include the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR), Snowy Range Road, the Laramie River, and Interstate 80 (I-80). Residents and commuters traveling to and from West Laramie may also face several obstacles throughout their journey, including sidewalk and bicycle facility gaps, challenging roadway crossings, and limited wayfinding.

This report summarizes existing conditions, challenges, and potential opportunities for improving multimodal mobility and connectivity in the project area. The report establishes the foundation for meaningful public engagement and development of effective solutions to overcome existing mobility challenges.



Study Area



Laramie, Wyoming, is a spirited town of approximately 32,000 residents with abundant access to outdoor recreation, deep western roots, and a vibrant cultural scene. West Laramie is a neighborhood of the city with over 3,000 residents, known for its scenic views in a quiet, rural setting. Though West Laramie and West Side are about 1.5 miles and 0.5 miles away from Downtown Laramie respectively, the three areas are separated by an interstate, a river, and a railyard. As Laramie continues to expand, integrating pedestrian, bicycle, transit, and local vehicular pathways is key to ensuring safe and welcoming travel between neighborhoods, all while preserving the natural beauty and character of the community. Figure 1 presents the project area.



Figure 1: Study Area



Purpose

Reconnect West Laramie will plan multimodal connections to seamlessly integrate all neighborhoods in Laramie, including West Laramie and the West Side. The Reconnect West Laramie Plan features the following goals:



Create
intuitive
connections
for all ages
and abilities



Improve
safety for
pedestrians
and
bicyclists



Enhance
connectivity
for vehicles,
pedestrians,
and cyclists



Develop
convenient
and
accessible
transit
services



Expand
access
to jobs,
services,
education,
and
recreation



Previous and Ongoing Efforts

Over the past several years, the City of Laramie has invested in improving multimodal connections in the project area. These previous and ongoing efforts form the foundation for **Reconnect West Laramie** and will be carried forward through the study's recommendations. Through these efforts, specific multimodal barriers have been identified as well as the next steps for actionable solutions. Priority multimodal barriers from previous and ongoing efforts are summarized below:

Multimodal Infrastructure in West Laramie

Residents of West Laramie have noted that multimodal infrastructure in West Laramie needs to be improved. Unpaved local roadways are a key constraint in West Laramie that previously have limited the implementation of new multimodal infrastructure. Many unpaved local roadways in West Laramie lack sidewalks and the lack of paving makes these roadways uninviting for cycling and walking, especially in poor weather conditions. Paving local streets would promote economic development, make the streets more inviting to cyclists, and would allow for the installation of curb, gutter, and sidewalk improvements to better serve pedestrians.

The City of Laramie Public Works Department has also identified paving local streets in West Laramie as a priority to help improve drainage and stormwater management throughout the community. Laramie's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 includes the construction of a new water line and stormwater outfall project on portions of Wyoming Avenue and Colorado Street. This project includes paving the roadways and installing new sidewalks and shared use paths. Though these streets are first in line for new multimodal infrastructure, additional improvements will be made in unison with other stormwater and drainage improvement projects in West Laramie as funding becomes available.



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Previous and Ongoing Efforts



Figure 2: West Laramie Road Surface Type & Sidewalk Infrastructure

Currently, multimodal improvements in Laramie are funded through the local city budget. These limited funds must be allocated across a broad range of needs, from public safety to infrastructure maintenance, community programs, and more. While multimodal improvements are important, they often compete for funding with other pressing issues.

Reconnect West Laramie presents an opportunity to expand the funding resources available for multimodal improvements. Project recommendations can attract outside funding through federal, state, and regional grants and other external sources. Seeking external funding sources not only alleviates the burden on local budgets, but also enables the City to implement larger projects, such as the construction of pedestrian bridges and off-street bike lanes, or implementing improved public transit options.



Previous and Ongoing Efforts

Multimodal Infrastructure Connecting to and from West Laramie

The City of Laramie recently initiated work on the West Laramie/ West Side Shared Use Pathway Connector Project, which will produce engineering plans, specifications, and estimates to build a shared use pathway between West Laramie and the West Side between Snowy Range Road and Pierce Street via the former LHP&P railroad alignment. This corridor is a clear candidate for improved multimodal access between West Laramie and the West Side due to the alignment of the Madison Street underpass of I-80 and the Laramie River Trestle Bridge. The Reconnect West Laramie will align future recommendations with the Connector Project's preferred conceptual design.

Active transportation barriers have also been noted along Snowy Range Road, especially between I-80 and Garfield Street. This stretch of road has high vehicle speeds and volumes but lacks sidewalks and bike lanes. Reconnect West Laramie will align future recommendations with the West Laramie / Snowy Range Road Corridor Pedestrian / Bicycle Feasibility Study which recommended shared-use pathways, on-street bike lanes, and corridor beautification in this area.



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Previous and Ongoing Efforts

Multimodal Infrastructure Connecting to and from West Laramie (continued)

The absence of local transit services in Laramie may impact individuals without access to a car, limiting their ability to safely and conveniently reach essential destinations such as grocery stores and medical appointments. This lack of mobility disproportionately impacts low-income individuals, seniors, and those with disabilities, who otherwise may not be able to secure reliable transportation.

The expansion of direct and convenient multimodal access from West Laramie aims to bridge the gap to key Laramie destinations. These destinations include Downtown Laramie, Safeway, Walmart, the University of Wyoming, schools, medical facilities, and many other destinations presented in Figure 4 on Page 12. Previous planning efforts, referenced in the Appendix on Page 34, have identified the need to safely and conveniently cross I-80 and the UPRR to reach these destinations from and in West Laramie by vehicle, transit, bike, and on foot.



Previous and Ongoing Efforts

Reconnecting Communities Grant Application

The City of Laramie recently pursued the Reconnecting Communities grant to identify multimodal opportunities to bring together West Laramie, the West Side, and Eastern Laramie. To support their grant application, the City hosted a series of outreach efforts to better understand the support for the project and the types of connections residents desire that would provide better access throughout the City. In total, the City hosted three workshops and administered an online survey.

Based on feedback and discussions with Laramie residents, business owners, students, and stakeholders, many initial concepts received merit to be studied in greater detail in the future. These included:

- Garfield Pedestrian Bridge: Study options to expand functionality of the footbridge to accommodate a wider variety of users, complete with observation platforms, ramp improvements, and weather protection
- Transit Circulator (underway): Study various transit options, routes, and other logistics that would best support the needs of Laramie residents
- Non-motorized Pathways: Study existing pathway assets and designate routes and crossings for additional trails and bikeways that would better connect the community



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Previous and Ongoing Efforts

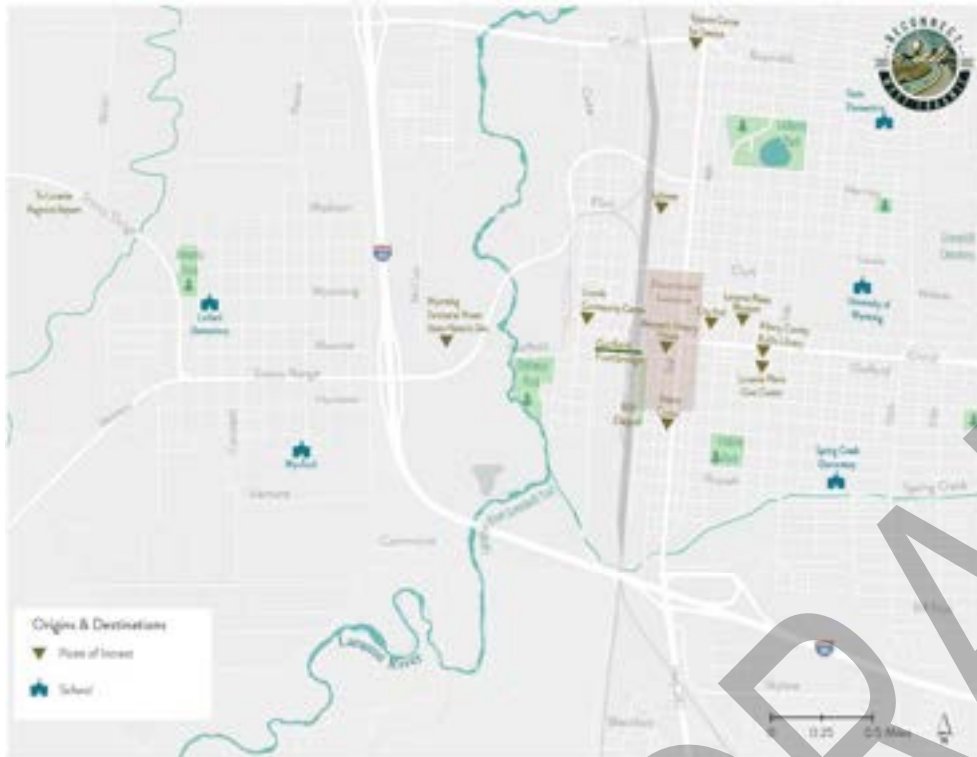


Figure 3: 2016 Parks Master Plan (Updated for 2025)

The City of Laramie Parks and Recreation Master Plan, adopted in 2016, is particularly insightful to **Reconnect West Laramie**. The plan noted recommended on-street bike lanes and shared use paths throughout the City of Laramie. The recommended multimodal network and implemented facilities from the 2016 plan are noted in Figure 3.



Destinations



Laramie is home to many local and regional destinations that offer cultural, environmental, economic, and social benefits to residents and visitors alike. These destinations should be easily and conveniently accessible by all modes of transportation, especially by transit, bicycle, and on foot. These destinations include a mix of recreational, educational, cultural, and economic points of interest, highlighted in Figure 4.



Figure 4: Destinations



Existing Transportation Assets

Laramie's residents and visitors utilize a range of existing formal and informal active transportation infrastructure and corridors in the project area. This infrastructure provides a strong multimodal foundation that will be utilized to create a stronger, more connected network.



Laramie River Greenbelt

The Laramie River Greenbelt Trail is 5.75-mile paved north-south trail running alongside the Laramie River. The trail generally runs from its northern terminus at Curtis Street, extending south past I-80 via an existing underpass. In addition to Curtis Street, the trail has connection points to Snowy Range Road, Garfield Street, Park Avenue/ Spruce Street in West Side, and Industry Drive.



Curtis Off-Street Bikeway

The Curtis Off-Street Bikeway is a nearly 1.50-mile shared use facility located along the southern side of Curtis Street between Pierce Street and 3rd Street. The bikeway connects directly to the northern terminus of the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail. This facility provides convenient multimodal access across I-80 and UPRR in northern Laramie.

Existing Transportation Assets



West Laramie Connector Project

The West Laramie Connector Project, currently in progress, will develop preliminary plans, specifications, and estimates for a shared-use pathway connector from Madison Street at Adams Street in West Laramie to Snowy Range Road at Flint Street in the West Side. The connector would make use of the Laramie River Trestle Bridge and the Madison Street Underpass along the Hans Peak Railroad alignment.



Garfield Pedestrian Bridge

The Garfield Pedestrian Bridge opened in 1930 to provide Union Pacific workers access to the railyard without crossing the tracks on foot. The nearly 900-foot-long Pratt through truss bridge is a visual icon for the community. The bridge is the only pedestrian/bicycle connection for West Laramie and West Side residents to cross the Union Pacific railyard.



Existing Transportation Assets



Snowy Range Overpass

Opened in 2018, the four-lane Snowy Range Overpass has a shared use path on the southern end and a sidewalk on the northern end. This bridge is a major link between Eastern and Western Laramie for drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians. The bridge's location was chosen by the public as the best location for this crossing.



Transit

The University of Wyoming's Transportation Services Division operates transit in Laramie to provide students, faculty, staff, visitors, and the local community safe, reliable, and efficient transportation solutions. The transit system includes UWYO Roundup, consisting of three fixed bus routes, SafeRide, an on-call service operating late nights and weekends, and a Paratransit service for individuals unable to ride fixed routes.

The Eppson Center for Seniors operates their Senior Assisted Transportation Service (S.A.T.S.), offering door to door assisted transportation in Laramie's city limits for medical, personal, and social appointments. S.A.T.S operates 8:30 am to 3:30 pm Monday through Friday.

Existing Transportation Assets



Laramie also maintains on-street bicycle facilities highlighted in blue in Figure 5.



Figure 5: Existing Transportation Assets



Existing Pedestrian and Bicycle Activity

Laramie sees a significant amount of walking and bicycling activity on city streets, designated trails, and informal pathways. Strava Metro*, a software platform that aggregates active transportation use data, consolidates walking and bicycling trip data to identify hot spots and corridors where residents and visitors most commonly travel.

In Laramie, residents and visitors most commonly walk in and around the University of Wyoming (UWYO), in LaBonte Park, around Undine Park, and along the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail. Laramie streets that see the most pedestrian traffic include:

- 13th Street: UWYO to Arnold Street
- 9th Street: Bradley Street to Iverson Avenue
- Iverson Avenue: 4th Street to 15th Street
- Garfield Street & Pedestrian Bridge: Greenbelt Trail to 1st Street

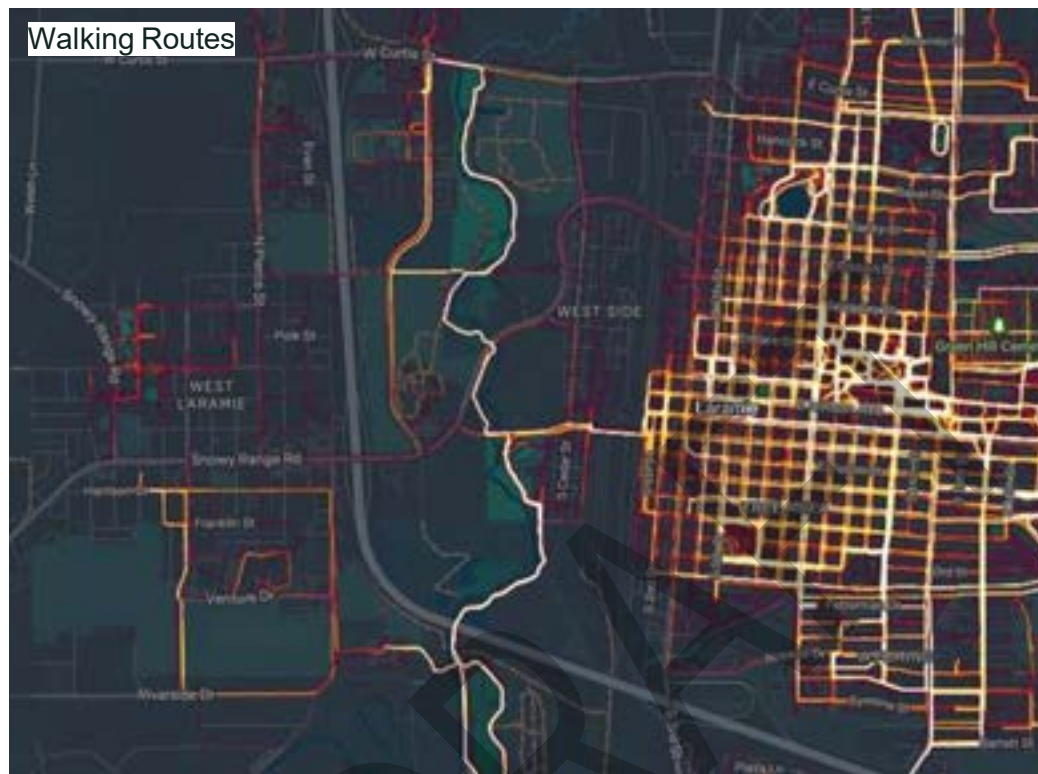
In West Laramie, many walking trips extend from the Greenbelt Trail Industry (South) Trailhead, and include loops between Adams Street, Harrison Street, Colorado Avenue, and Riverside Drive. Many walking paths also are shown to and from Kiwanis Park.

Utilizing Strava Metro data, Figures 6 and 7 show common walking and bicycling routes for Laramie residents and visitors. Brighter (whiter) colors showcase heavy corridor use, whereas dimmer colors, such as orange or red demonstrate less common corridor use.

**Note: Strava Metro, while valuable for understanding active transportation patterns, may have limitations related to underrepresentation of certain demographics and skewed user groups.*



Existing Pedestrian and Bicycle Activity



Source: Strava Metro

Figure 6: Common Walking Routes in Laramie



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Existing Pedestrian and Bicycle Activity

Residents and visitors most commonly bicycle along the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail, around Undine Park, and within and around the University of Wyoming campus. Laramie Streets that see the most bicycle traffic include:

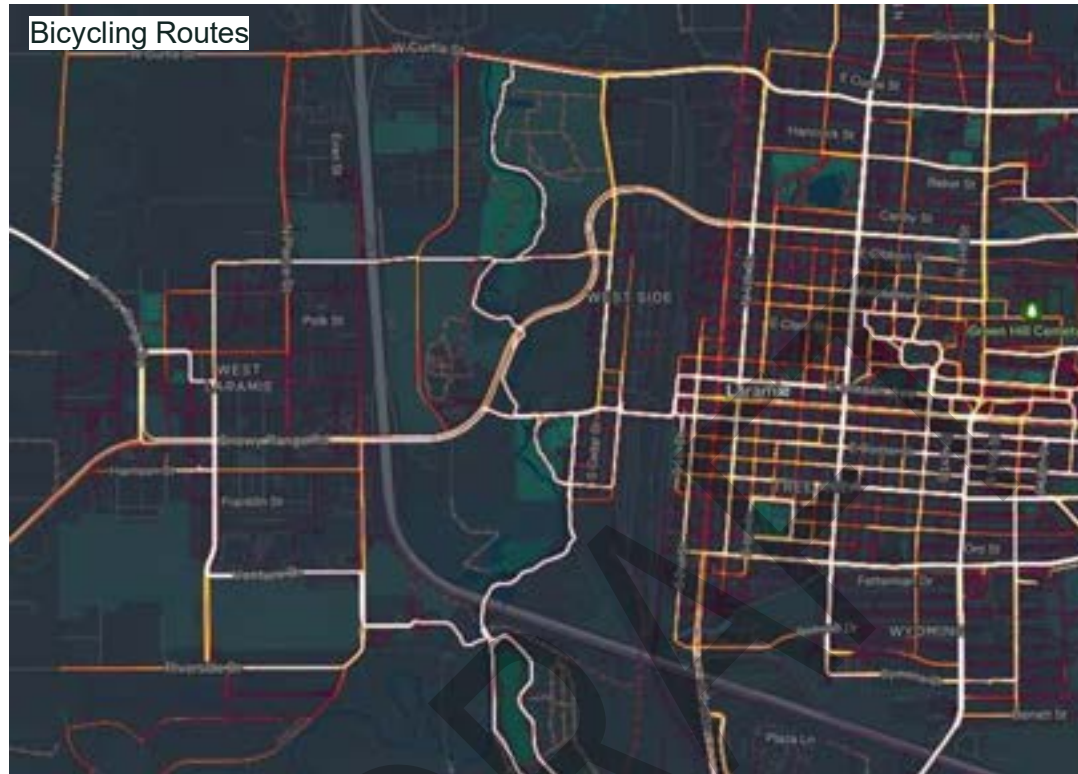
- Snowy Range Road: from beyond Welsh Lane to beyond 22nd Street
- 9th Street: from north of Reynolds Street to Symons Street
- 15th Street: from Grand Avenue to Skyline Road
- Garfield Street: from Snowy Range Road to beyond 18th Street

Bicyclists commonly use the informal pathway along Madison Avenue to enter and exit West Laramie and cross McCue Street. This connection will be formalized in the future through the West Laramie Connector project, which is currently in the design phase. Colorado Avenue, Venture Drive, and Riverside Drive are other common bicycle routes used in West Laramie.

Laramie BikeNet is a local resident-led organization dedicated to promoting safe, convenient, and fun cycling opportunities in and around Laramie. BikeNet provides resource maps for recommended bicycling routes within the City of Laramie and in nearby recreational areas. For more information on these recommended bicycling routes in Laramie, visit laramiebikenet.org/maps.



Existing Pedestrian and Bicycle Activity



Source: Strava Metro

Figure 7: Common Bicycling Routes in Laramie



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Traffic Volumes



Figure 8: Annual Average Daily Traffic

The Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT) provided 2023 annual average daily traffic (AADT) volumes for numerous roadway corridors in the project area. Figure 8 shows AADT in the project area. The highest AADT volumes in the study area are observed on Snowy Range Road, 3rd Street, and Curtis Street near I-80.



Constraints

Active transportation constraints discourage travel by walking and bicycling and can include missing or incomplete infrastructure, physical barriers, high levels of traffic stress, and seasonal weather. Addressing these constraints will help close the gap between driving and other modes of transportation, improving community safety, accessibility, and resilience.



Crossing I-80 and the Union Pacific Railroad

The most substantial barriers between West Laramie and the rest of the city are I-80 and the UPRR rail yard. There are only four opportunities to cross the 2-mile stretch of I-80 to and from West Laramie between the Curtis Street overpass and the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail undercrossing, including the Madison Street undercrossing and at Snowy Range Road. The existing opportunities to cross UPRR to and from West Laramie and the West Side are at Curtis Street, Snowy Range Road, and the Garfield Pedestrian Bridge. Among these crossing opportunities, connections between them may be indirect for users or lack necessary multimodal infrastructure linking these connections to nearby neighborhoods.



Constraints



Missing Multimodal Infrastructure

Missing multimodal infrastructure is common in West Laramie, the West Side, and in other critical locations connecting the neighborhood to the rest of the city. There are no sidewalks along Snowy Range Road between I-80 and Garfield Street, a notable gap along an existing corridor connecting to West Laramie. In addition, there are no bicycle facilities on Snowy Range Road, underscoring the lack of east-west bicycle connections in the city. In West Laramie, many residential streets are not paved and do not have sidewalks. Pierce Street, one of the major north-south roadways in West Laramie, is paved, but is missing sidewalks between Madison Street and Monroe Street. In terms of vehicular traffic, there is also demand for a local east-west connection to reduce the need to drive on I-80.



Constraints



Crossing Snowy Range Road

There are limited marked crosswalks across Snowy Range Road on either side of I-80. West of I-80, Snowy Range Road only provides three crossing opportunities in West Laramie, at Pierce Street, Colorado Street, and Jefferson Street, creating a barrier between residents on either side of Snowy Range. East of I-80, there are no crossing opportunities on Snowy Range Road until Cedar Street, over 1 mile away, limiting access to assets such as the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail or the Wyoming Territorial Prison.



Constraints



Limited Transit Services

No fixed-route transit operates to, from, or within West Laramie. University of Wyoming does operate SafeRide, an on-call service is designed to offer “safe rides” home to users between the late-night hours of 10 pm and 2 am on weekdays. Limited access to transit services in West Laramie diminishes accessibility for all users, especially those who do not have access to a personal vehicle. Limited transit access also reduces opportunities to conveniently travel between West Laramie and other neighborhoods during inclement weather.

Opportunities

Identifying multimodal network opportunities is essential to creating an efficient and accessible transportation system. Five potential east-west corridors are identified as key opportunities to improve connections to and from West Laramie within the project area. These opportunity corridors would help provide residents with contiguous and direct multimodal access.



Curtis Opportunity Corridor

The Curtis Corridor is the northernmost opportunity corridor. This corridor is located at the northern boundary of West Laramie and would utilize Curtis Street and Reynolds Street. This opportunity corridor takes advantage of the existing Curtis Off-Street Bikeway which provides multimodal access across I-80 and the UPRR via existing overpasses. This opportunity corridor also links to the northern terminus of the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail.



Opportunities



Madison - Flint Opportunity Corridor

The Madison – Flint Corridor would generally follow Madison Street in West Laramie, Flint Street in West Side, and either Lewis Street, Clark Street or the existing Snowy Range overpass to cross. This opportunity corridor would utilize the existing Madison Street undercrossing and the Laramie River Trestle Bridge via the Hans Peak Railroad alignment. If a new bridge at Lewis Street or Clark Street is selected for the preferred alignment, this opportunity corridor faces a challenge crossing the UPRR between Snowy Range Road and the Garfield Pedestrian Bridge.

Opportunities



Garfield Opportunity Corridor

The Garfield Corridor is central to West Laramie, utilizing Snowy Range Road west of its intersection with Garfield Street, and then Garfield Street and the Garfield Pedestrian Bridge east of that intersection. This opportunity corridor exists today as the sole multimodal pathway between the West Side and Downtown Laramie south of Snowy Range Road. Connectivity improvements in this corridor would close gaps between neighborhoods and better activate the Laramie River Greenway and the Wyoming Territorial Prison State Historic Site.



Opportunities



Spring Creek Opportunity Corridor

The Spring Creek Corridor is the southernmost opportunity corridor, generally located along Venture Drive in West Laramie, adjacent to I-80 between the Laramie River and 3rd Street, and along Spring Creek Drive in Eastern Laramie. This opportunity corridor aims to establish a local east-west corridor in southern Laramie, providing better accessibility to major destinations including WyoTech and Spring Creek Elementary School. This opportunity corridor would require infrastructure investments to cross over I-80, the Laramie River, and the UPRR.

Opportunities



Riverside Opportunity Corridor

The Riverside Corridor is an exploratory opportunity that may utilize an existing at-grade rail crossing via Blackfoot Street from US 287. West of the rail crossing, Tie Plant Road connects to Chimney Lamp Road and Riverside Drive. This corridor is separated from the southern loop of the Laramie River Greenbelt Trail by approximately 100 feet.



Opportunities



Figure 9: Opportunity Corridors



Early Community Engagement Activities

In late January 2025, the Reconnect West Laramie project team met separately with the City of Laramie's Parks & Recreation and Public Works Departments. The meetings provided clarity on the city's short-term projects as well as long-term vision for multimodal transportation, recreational opportunities, and connectivity. The meetings also emphasized the importance for Reconnect West Laramie to align with the City's Parks & Recreation Master Plan (2016), and the adopted Capital Investment and Construction Plan for Fiscal Years 2025 & 2026.

The project team presented the study's work plan and schedule to the Laramie Planning Commission on January 27, 2025 and to City Council on January 28, 2025. The Planning Commission and City Council were both invested in ensuring that public engagement is meaningful and robust for the study's duration, and were supportive in better connecting West Laramie, West Side, and Eastern Laramie with enhanced multimodal connections.

The project team also presented draft elements of this Existing Conditions Report to the Laramie Traffic Safety Commission on March 13, 2025. The traffic safety commission provided great insight on the greatest transportation challenges currently facing Laramie, and provided feedback on the most feasible connections among the proposed opportunity corridors.



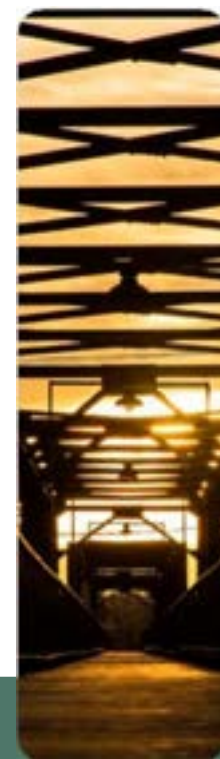
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Next Steps

The existing conditions summary is one of the first steps within **Reconnect West Laramie** project effort. Future steps include initiating a creative and multifaceted public engagement program to solicit feedback and gain support for a transportation plan by the public, Union Pacific, and city, county, and state elected officials. Public engagement efforts will be initiated with a series of stakeholder meetings beginning in March 2025 and key public engagement efforts are targeted to begin in June 2025.

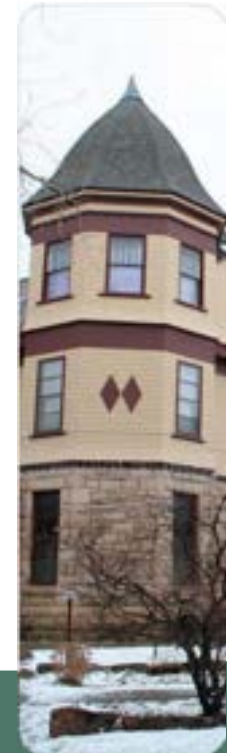
In future phases on the planning effort, the project team will coordinate a visioning workshop, develop alternatives based upon stakeholder insight, and ultimately select preferred alternatives complete with illustrative exhibits. The **Reconnect West Laramie** final plan is anticipated to be complete by the Winter of 2025/2026.



Appendix: Previous Plans

In the past several years, the City of Laramie has completed a series of relevant planning and engagement efforts in the project area. These relevant planning and engagement efforts include:

- Reconnecting Communities Memo (2023)
- Downtown Development Plan (2011)
- Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2016)
- The West Laramie / Snowy Range Road Corridor Pedestrian / Bicycle Feasibility Study (2016)
- Wayfinding Master Plan (2018)
- Thrive Laramie: A Community and Economic Development Action Strategy for the Next 10 Years (2020)
- Major Street Plan (2024)
- EPA Brownfields Technical Assistance Conceptual Redevelopment Plan (2022)
- West Side Vision (2024)
- Bicycle & Pedestrian System Report (2018)



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Appendix: Previous Plans

Reconnecting Communities Memo (2023)

The Reconnect West Laramie project is funded by a Reconnecting Communities Planning Grant and is intended to address barriers created by the Union Pacific Railyard and Interstate 80 (I-80), which have separated residents living west of these corridors from Downtown Laramie, the University of Wyoming, and healthcare services. The grant aims to improve connections between Laramie's West Side, West Laramie, and Eastern Laramie. To support the original grant application, the city hosted a series of outreach events, including workshops at Pedalpalooza, the Linford School Open House in West Laramie, and the Higher Ground Fair on the West Side to gather community input related to connectivity. The city also published an online survey for additional feedback. These events engaged a diverse range of residents, including students, cyclists, downtown business owners, families, educators, agricultural workers, low-income residents, and social workers.



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Downtown Development Plan (2011)

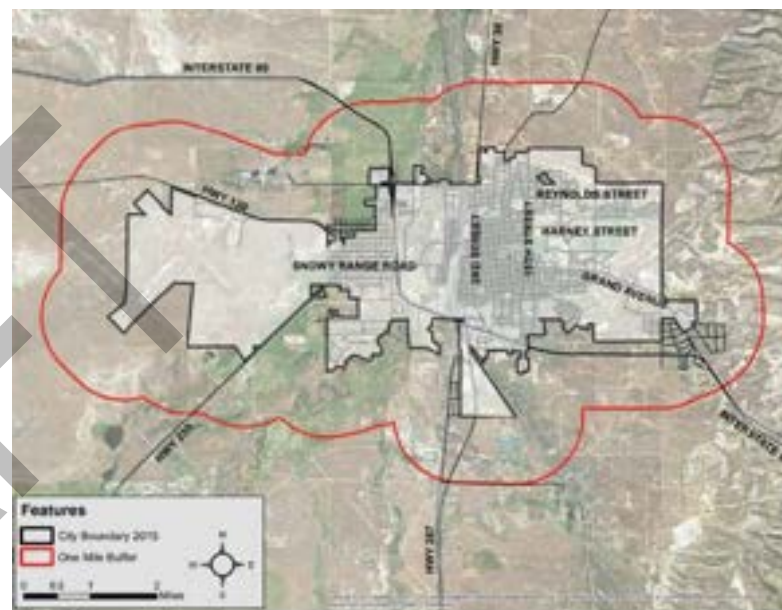
The Downtown Development Plan Update was completed in 2011 as a partnership between the City of Laramie and the Laramie Main Street program. This collaborative effort involved a team of consultants working alongside the City and Main Street program to assess the current physical conditions of downtown Laramie, identify opportunities to enhance its appeal as a destination, and outline strategies to attract investment. The plan focuses on improving infrastructure, promoting downtown's unique characteristics, and creating an environment that fosters economic growth and community engagement. By addressing these key areas, the plan aims to strengthen downtown Laramie as a vibrant, thriving hub for both residents and visitors.



Appendix: Previous Plans

Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2016)

The 2016 Parks and Recreation Master Plan was developed to achieve Laramie's vision for parks and recreation. The plan was shaped by public input, background information, and the expertise of the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee. Key goals include providing equitable parks and recreation services to all areas of the community, developing a parks, trails, and natural areas system tailored to Laramie and its surroundings, and establishing new parks in areas of deficiency or alongside new developments, treating parks as vital infrastructure. The plan also aims to enhance the community's visual appeal through beautification of City-owned areas, plan for future community needs with foresight, and create a sustainable funding mechanism that supports growth and development. Additionally, it calls for the creation of a continuous bike and pedestrian mobility loop connecting parks and natural areas and encourages collaboration with Albany County to secure permanent access to natural areas east of the city and the National Forest. These goals form the foundation for future parks and recreation development in Laramie.



City of Laramie Boundary and one mile buffer, 2015



Appendix: Previous Plans

The West Laramie / Snowy Range Road Corridor Pedestrian / Bicycle Feasibility Study (2016)

In 2016, the City of Laramie, through its Parks and Recreation Department, received a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant to conduct a feasibility study for planning a shared-use bike path along Snowy Range Road in West Laramie. The study area spans from Cleveland Avenue to Garfield Street. Both the Laramie Comprehensive Plan and the Parks and Recreation Master Plan support the inclusion of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure in this area. Furthermore, the Parks and Recreation Master Plan highlights the Interstate-80/Snowy Range Road interchange and the Snowy Range Road/Highway 130 intersections as key beautification corridors.



Appendix: Previous Plans

Wayfinding Master Plan (2018)

The 2018 Laramie Wayfinding Master Plan aimed to develop Laramie as a visitor destination by boosting visitor engagement with location attractions, curating the visitor experience, and spurring overnight visitation. The Master Plan established wayfinding signage design along with sign locations based upon City destinations. The plan recommended 34 high-speed directional trailblazer signs, 18 low-speed directional trailblazer signs, 2 pedestrian map signs, and 6 parking directional signs. About ten (10) vehicular signs were recommended along Snowy Range Road in West Laramie.



Appendix: Previous Plans

Thrive Laramie: A Community and Economic Development Action Strategy for the Next 10 Years (2020)

The recommendations outlined in Thrive Laramie are designed to guide Laramie toward its envisioned future as a vibrant cultural hub, a center of educational excellence, and a thriving economic opportunity for all its current and future residents. The plan emphasizes the importance of collaboration among Laramie stakeholders to collectively bring this vision to life. By working together, Laramie can foster growth and success over the next decade and beyond, positioning itself as a dynamic and inclusive community. The strategies and actions proposed in this plan serve as a roadmap to ensure Laramie's continued growth and prosperity, fostering a community where all individuals can thrive.



Appendix: Previous Plans

Major Street Plan (2024)

The “Major Street Plan” map, developed in 2024 by the Wyoming Department of Transportation, City of Laramie, and Albany County, provides a comprehensive overview of the region’s existing and future street network. It includes existing road classifications such as Principal Arterials, Minor Arterials, Collectors, and Interstates, along with proposed future roadways in these categories. The map also identifies Local Streets, City Limits, a One Mile Buffer surrounding the city, and University of Wyoming (UW) property. The purpose of creating the Major Street Plan for Laramie 2024 is to strategically plan for future street alignments, facilitating the growth of an effective and well-connected transportation system. This plan serves as a critical tool for guiding transportation infrastructure development in the region.



Appendix: Previous Plans

EPA Brownfields Technical Assistance Conceptual Redevelopment Plan (2022)

In 2022, The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization (OBLR) provided technical assistance to Laramie to develop a conceptual site design plan for the West Side Laramie Brownfield site (4G Enterprise). The plan was created using background and planning information from the City of Laramie and feedback from three virtual stakeholder engagement sessions held between September and November 2021. These sessions brought together community organizations and public members to help shape the vision for the site. While the pamphlet offers a framework for future development, it is important to note that details such as building materials, business types, and park designs are yet to be finalized. The conceptual plan is intended to provide a dynamic vision for the property and the community's future development.



Appendix: Previous Plans

West Side Vision (2024)

In 2024, the City of Laramie City Council and Planning Department, in partnership with two students from the University of Colorado Denver's Urban and Regional Planning Master's Program, initiated the West Side Vision community visioning study. The study aimed to create an engagement process that listens to residents and builds on the existing strengths of Laramie's West Side neighborhood. Its primary goal was to capture the dreams, concerns, and desires of West Side residents in a document that could be presented to decision-makers in Laramie. West Side Vision seeks to provide a unified voice for residents, with the hope that the expressed desires will serve as a catalyst for future compatible development, community initiatives, and ongoing engagement.



Appendix: Previous Plans

Bicycle & Pedestrian System Report (2018)

This report was prepared to assist the legislature, local communities, and state agencies—including WYDOT, the Departments of Health, Tourism, State Parks, and the Business Council—in better understanding the opportunities, benefits, and challenges associated with bicycle and pedestrian pathways and natural surface trails. This report represents the first state-level effort of its kind to study these issues in Wyoming and to provide recommendations to the legislature and relevant agencies.







RECONNECT WEST LARAMIE: TASK 3 – VISION AND ALTERNATIVES MEMO

Draft
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INTRODUCTION

Project Overview

Reconnect West Laramie is a comprehensive planning effort to improve multimodal transportation connections between West Laramie, the West Side, and Eastern Laramie. These connections would enhance mobility, safety, equity, and economic vitality for Laramie residents, visitors, business owners, and employees.

Project Objectives



Create intuitive connections for all ages and abilities



Improve safety for pedestrians and bicyclists



Enhance connectivity for vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists



Develop convenient and accessible transit services



Expand access to jobs, services, education, and recreation

Report Objectives

Several physical barriers separate West Laramie from other areas of Laramie. These barriers include the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR), Snowy Range Road, the Laramie River, and Interstate 80 (I-80). Residents and commuters traveling to and from West Laramie also face obstacles including sidewalk and bicycle facility gaps, challenging roadway crossings, and limited wayfinding.

Building from the existing conditions report and input from the public and stakeholders, this report analyzes potential strategies – both small and large – for improving multimodal mobility and connectivity in Laramie. The analysis is paired with a summary of the Laramie visioning workshop, which weighted the benefits and constraints of a range of potential improvements for five opportunity corridors.

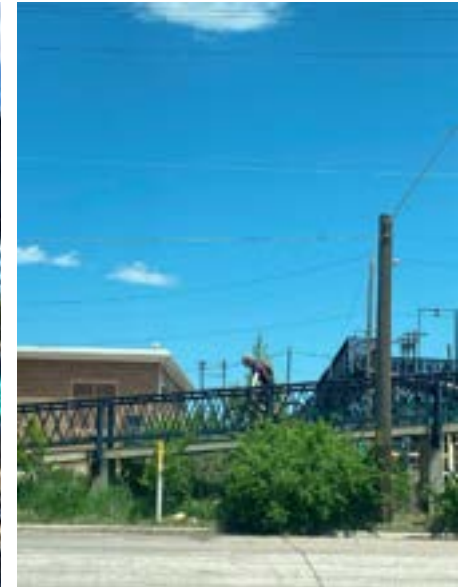




Figure 1: Project Area with Opportunity Corridors



ALTERNATIVE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

Process Overview

The alternatives development process for **Reconnect West Laramie** follows a six-step course of action to develop recommendations to improve connectivity and accessibility between West Laramie, West Side, and Eastern Laramie. Infrastructure alternatives include a mix of pedestrian, bicycle, transit, and vehicular strategies intended to improve access for all residents regardless of their mode of transportation.

This report identifies an initial set of alternatives, summarizes the project design charrette completed with city staff, and presents the refined alternatives that were advanced to be shared with the Laramie community. The community's feedback will be used to evaluate the refined alternatives and to recommend preferred alternatives. The evaluation of alternatives and recommendation of preferred alternatives will be captured in Task 4: Preferred Alternatives Report.

The alternatives are established using an analysis of existing conditions, past efforts, and prior public engagement. The alternatives are categorized into the five opportunity corridors, with some alternatives listed as off-corridor strategies. In total, 39 strategies are identified to improve connectivity and access to and from West Laramie. The strategies range from small treatments such as new crosswalks and sidewalk connections, to transformative investments, such as a new overpass over the existing Union Pacific corridor.

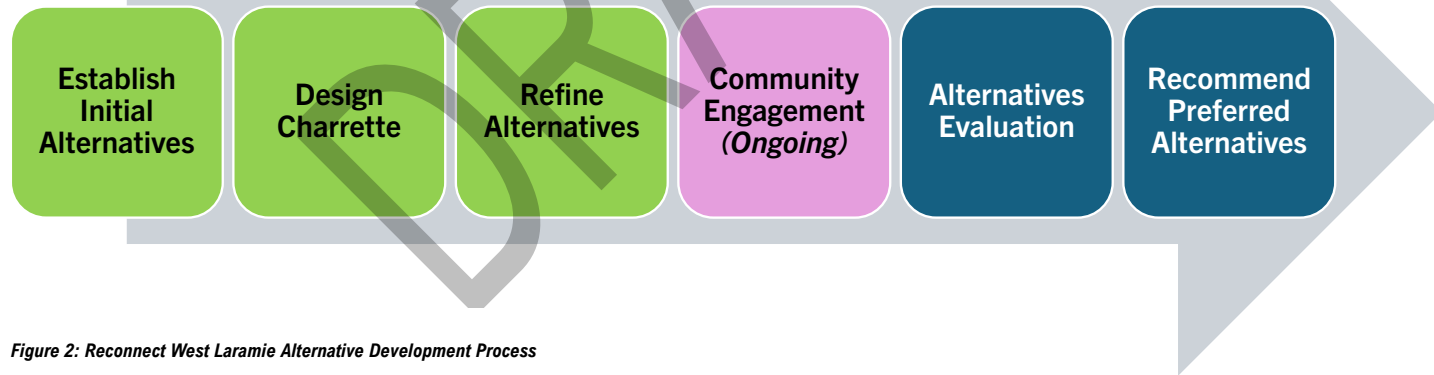


Figure 2: Reconnect West Laramie Alternative Development Process



STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS

Overview

A series of stakeholder meetings were conducted with local community groups and other public agencies to solicit input for the study related to multimodal connectivity challenges and opportunities. Meetings with BikeNet, a local bicycle advocacy group, the Laramie Chamber Business Alliance, the Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT), Laramie Main Street, West Side League of Neighbors, and the Historic Preservation Board and WY State Territorial Prison are summarized here.

Stakeholder Meeting Outcomes

BikeNet

The meeting with BikeNet included participation from about a dozen members of the organization. There was strong support for all corridors except the Riverside corridor, which was viewed as a lower priority unless future development increased demand. The Madison-Flint corridor received broad support, particularly for a new bike/pedestrian bridge north of the existing Garfield Footbridge to better connect into downtown. The unused right-of-way from the former Clark Street bridge was identified as a key opportunity. The Spring Creek Corridor was recognized as an important east-west connection to the Greenbelt Trail and Eastern Laramie.

In the Curtis Corridor, 3rd Street/ Hwy 287 and Reynolds Street were identified as high-traffic areas with low comfort for cyclists and pedestrians. There was strong support for protected bike lanes or low-traffic alternatives rather than traditional on-street bicycle lanes. Intersections, particularly at 3rd Street and I-80, were seen as major safety barriers, with calls for improved signage and connectivity. In the Madison-Flint Corridor, poor conditions west of Pierce Street and high traffic intersections at 3rd, 4th, and Harney Streets were noted as key obstacles. For the Garfield Corridor, riders often use Garfield Street to avoid traffic and parked cars. The existing footbridge is too narrow for some users, such as trishaw riders, though any changes must consider its historic character. Both the Spring Creek and Riverside Corridors had significant safety concerns at the Hwy 287 connection and/or crossing.

Laramie Chamber Business Alliance

Discussions with the Chamber and business included a meeting with Chamber staff and visits to individual businesses along Snowy Range Road in West Laramie. There was strong support for the Spring Creek Corridor as a much-needed east-west connection across Laramie. The Garfield Corridor also received support for targeted improvements. The Curtis Corridor was highlighted as a key opportunity corridor due to its potential for future development. Both Spring Creek and Curtis were valued for connecting residents to essential destinations such as grocery stores, healthcare, and other services.

Participants raised numerous concerns about safety for pedestrians and cyclists, particularly along Snowy Range Road, citing narrow sidewalks, limited traffic enforcement, and the need for protected bike facilities. The lack of stop signs near Monroe and Harrison Streets in West Laramie was also noted. Additional areas flagged for traffic safety improvements included Reynolds Street, the I-80/Adams Street intersections, and multiple Snowy Range Road crossings. Feedback emphasized the need for regular maintenance of the Greenbelt Trail, including pothole repairs and winter plowing. Some concerns were expressed over the potential loss of parking with new bike facilities on Lewis Street, Clark Street, and Garfield Street.

WYDOT

The meeting with WYDOT centered on the challenges and opportunities for improved multimodal connectivity along Snowy Range Road and across the two I-80 interchanges in West Laramie. WYDOT confirmed there are no major improvement plans currently in place for Snowy Range Road, aside from a resurfacing and ADA upgrade project scheduled for 2029. Challenges were noted regarding pedestrian and bicycle use along Snowy Range due to high traffic volumes and limited crossing points, with support for using parallel corridors instead. The planning team and WYDOT discussed the potential use of installing HAWK signals or pedestrian bridges to facilitate crossings on Snowy Range Road. WYDOT expressed openness to a range of crossing solutions, provided proper processes are followed, and supported by data and engineering judgement. Coordination with WYDOT will continue through regular check-ins during the project, and the planning team will return with initial recommendations in the summer or fall.

Laramie Main Street

Meeting attendees strongly supported connectivity improvements along Snowy Range Road, Madison Corridor, and Garfield Corridor. They emphasized that a potential future Clark Street pedestrian bridge should align with future land uses and placemaking goals. Participants expressed interest in better wayfinding from trails to downtown, downtown bike storage, and improving access across the Garfield Bridge while preserving its historic architecture. There was support for off-site parking solutions, such as an expanded lot or garage, to make space for improved bike infrastructure. Enhancing cyclist comfort on 3rd Street was a key concern. Additionally, concerns were raised by West Laramie businesses feeling disconnected from downtown activity due to limited walkability, signage, and safe crossings. Attendees also showed interest in contributing to placemaking efforts and encouraging bike/pedestrian trips downtown through incentives like local business gift certificates. The group also emphasized the value of small, visible improvements (e.g., pop-up crosswalks, planters, murals, wayfinding) and creative community engagement, and expressed a desire to align Reconnect West Laramie and Main Street efforts under a shared vision for Laramie.

West Side League of Neighbors

The group emphasized a strong support for prioritizing the Snowy Range Corridor as a main active transportation route, despite current safety concerns. Additionally, the group expressed strong support for Garfield, Spring Creek, and Madison-Flint for improved bicycle and pedestrian connections across Laramie. Safety concerns centered on vehicle speeds on Cedar Street and a lack of kid-friendly infrastructure, as well as unsafe crossings at Snowy Range Road and the Harney Street Bridge. Participants advocated for creative wayfinding solutions including signage and painted trail markers. Overall, there was strong opposition to investing in Clark Street bridge improvements if Snowy Range Road and the Garfield Footbridge already exist. Additional recommendations included better crossings at 3rd Street and Harney, and public space improvements for the Madison-Flint corridor.

Historic Preservation Board & WY State Territorial Prison

Meeting attendees highlighted the importance of improving connectivity along Snowy Range Road, Madison, and Garfield. There was strong enthusiasm for a citywide loop trail and making bike/ped routes more intuitive and continuous. Safety concerns focused on crossings along Snowy Range, with suggestions for a HAWK signal near Murdoch's and interest in a pedestrian bridge at Clark Street. Tourism and placemaking were discussed, with support for connecting the Prison to downtown, using the Prison as a trailhead or transit stop.



LARAMIE STAFF VISIONING CHARRETTE

Overview

A collaborative virtual charrette was held on May 6, 2025 with the City's Planning, Engineering, and Parks and Recreation departments to review each of the five proposed corridors, and to discuss the feasibility of range of improvements in each corridor. A virtual charrette white board was hosted on Miro, an online collaborative whiteboard program, which allowed all participants to edit, mark-up, make comments to alternatives in real-time. Meeting participants walked through each corridor and alternative, providing their strengths/opportunities, weaknesses/ threats, as well as any general comments.

Corridor Summaries

The team focused on long-term planning efforts in the Curtis Corridor, where future development and annexation could shape multimodal infrastructure needs. The favored alternative in this corridor features extensions of the existing multi-use pathway both east and west, as well as improving the pedestrian and bicycling experience over I-80 and at 3rd Street and 4th Street. On the eastern side of the corridor, a connection to the Cirrus Sky Trail would help bolster connectivity to other recreation corridors.

The Madison-Flint Corridor is commonly used by residents even though existing infrastructure is limited. A key challenge in the corridor is the crossing at Snowy Range Road, which may require a HAWK signal or other high-visibility treatment. It was noted that this corridor is generally the most attractive east-west corridor for bikes and pedestrians, and should be advanced with that priority. A new pedestrian bridge over the over the UP rail yard at Lewis or Clark was identified as a potential long-term strategy for this corridor.

The Garfield Corridor is seen as a major opportunity for placemaking and improved access to Optimus Park, with suggestions for lighting, signage, better footbridge landings, and a traffic-calming roundabout or neighborhood traffic circle at Garfield Street and Cedar Street to improve safety and create a sense of place. The Snowy Range Road and I-80 interchange was discussed as a significant obstacle, with a long-term redesign needed to improve multimodal facilities. In the interim, staff suggested prioritizing alternate north-south routes (e.g. Harrison and Monroe Streets) in West Laramie.

The Spring Creek Corridor was discussed as an opportunity for a multimodal (including vehicular and transit) east-west connection across I-80 and the UPRR. The team emphasized the importance of connecting Spring Creek Trail at 3rd Street, and raised the possibility of a new crossing of the rail corridor to complete this connection. If constructed, this corridor would provide good connectivity east-west between West Laramie and Eastern Laramie and could help alleviate traffic from Snowy Range Road. It would also better tie the WyoTech campus to Eastern Laramie.

The Riverside Corridor was identified as an alternative east-west vehicular and multimodal connection between West Laramie and US-287, especially if the Spring Creek Corridor becomes too complex or costly. The Riverside Corridor includes an existing at-grade rail crossing, which could potentially be converted for public use with Union Pacific's cooperation. The team also discussed the importance of leveraging WyoTech's expansion to incorporate a shared-use path along the southern edge



Figure 3: Snapshots of Virtual Charrette Board for the Garfield Corridor





Figure 4: Snapshots of Virtual Charrette Board for the Madison-Flint and Spring Creek Corridors