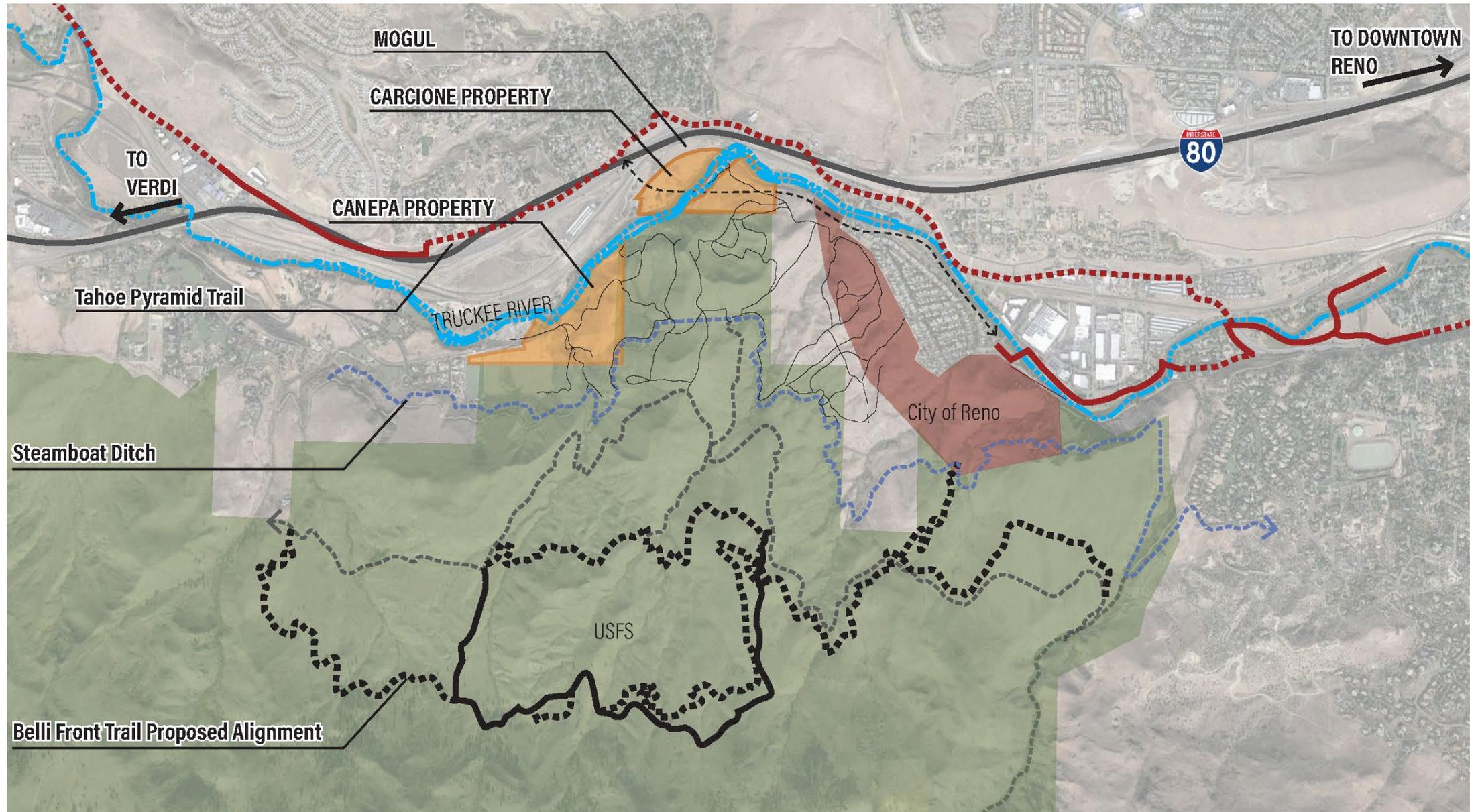


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Recreation Access Plan**
Washoe County Open Space
and Regional Parks Commission
June 7, 2022

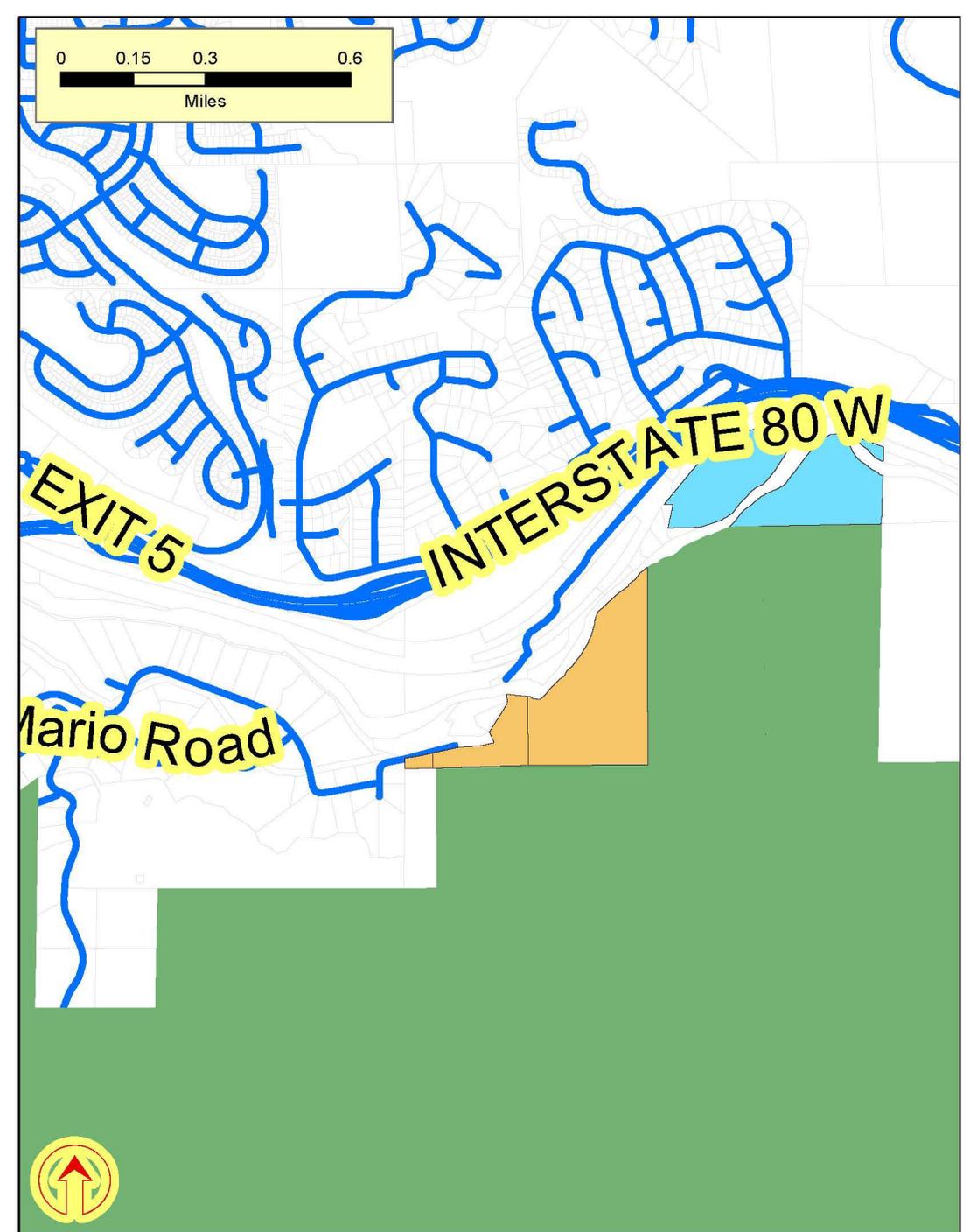
Regional Context



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Intro...

- **Canepa Ranch acquired in 1997 and 2002**
- **One parcel that is part of Canepa Ranch is co-owned by Washoe County and the Nevada Division of Wildlife (NDOW)**
- **Carcione Open Space acquired in 2008 and 2015**
- **2010 Verdi Area Plan identifies a proposed trailhead on the Canepa Ranch property**
- **2019 Regional Parks and Open Space Master Plan also identifies a proposed trailhead on the Canepa Ranch property**



Goals

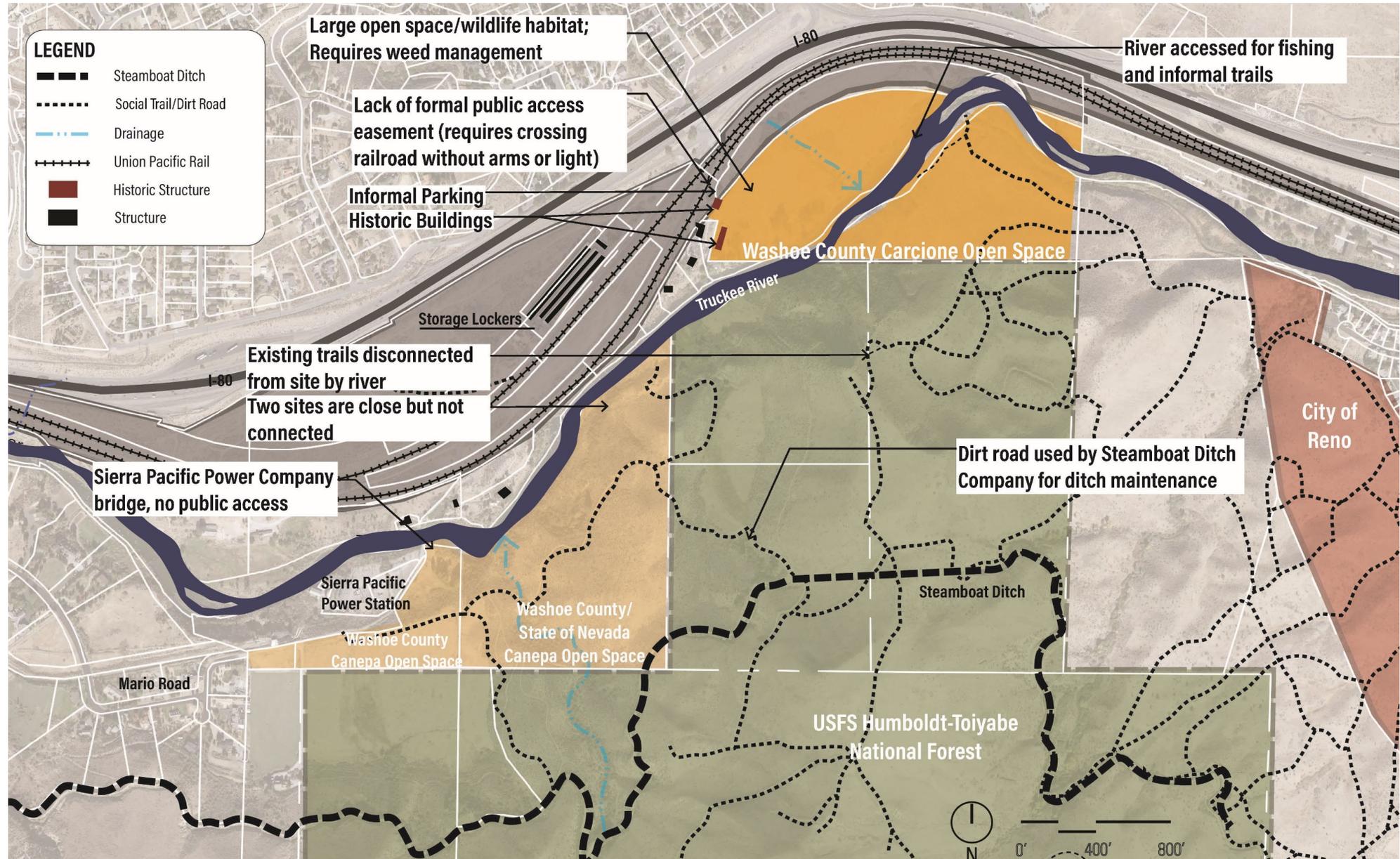
- **Improve public access to county owned parcels**
- **Improve frontcountry and Truckee River access**
- **Improve backcountry access to the Sierra**
- **Connect to existing and future trails**
- **Connect users to the site's history and natural resources**
- **Manage visitor use**
- **Improve public safety and ADA accessibility**
- **Protect and conserve natural and historical resources**



Existing Conditions – Carcione Property



Site Analysis – Carcione Property



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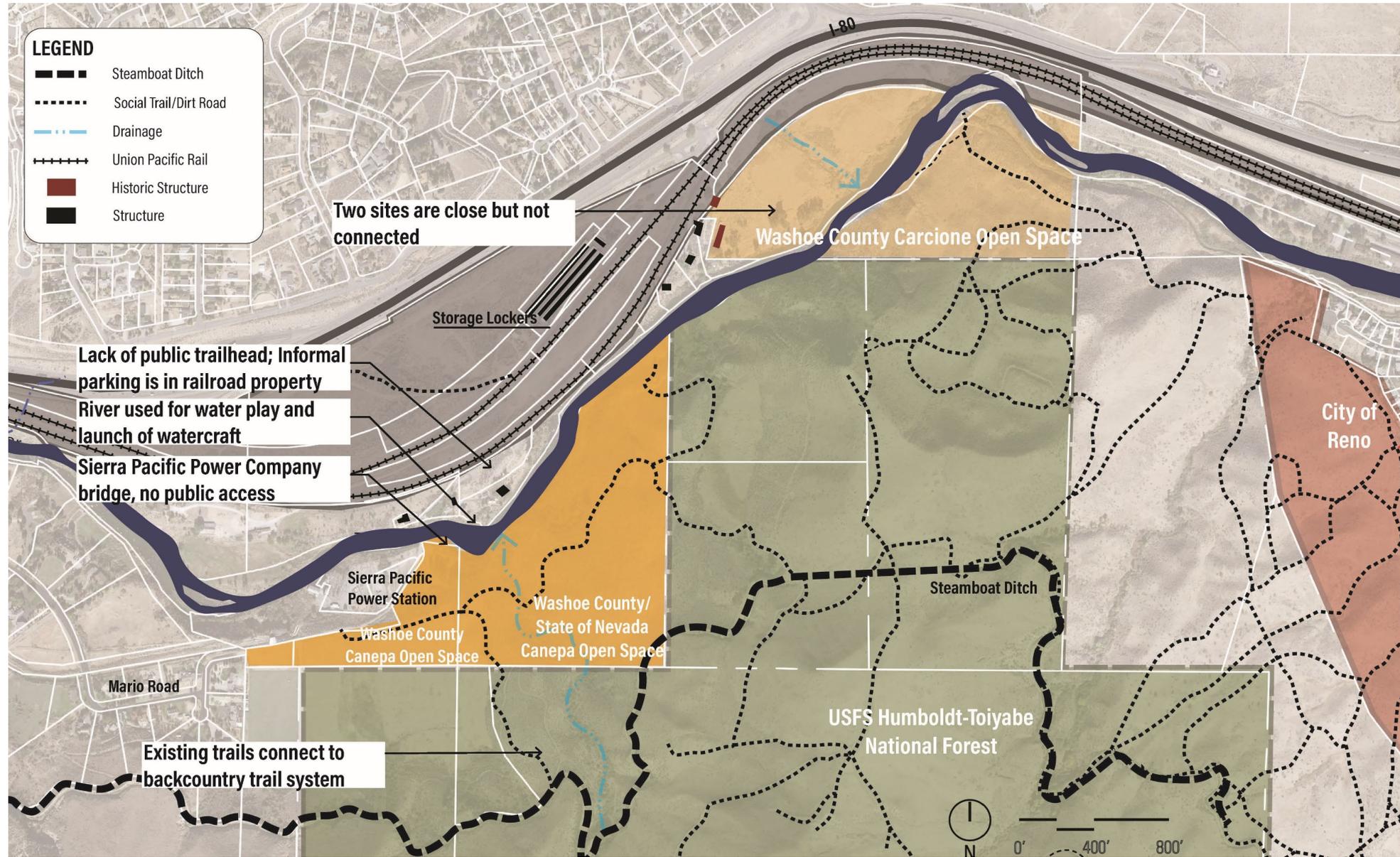
Existing Conditions – Canepa Property

“The Canepa family wanted to preserve access to this land for public use.

They continue to love the ranching way of life. They enjoy the outdoors, with animals and the family wants the land to remain open for others to enjoy. This was the intent of the family.”

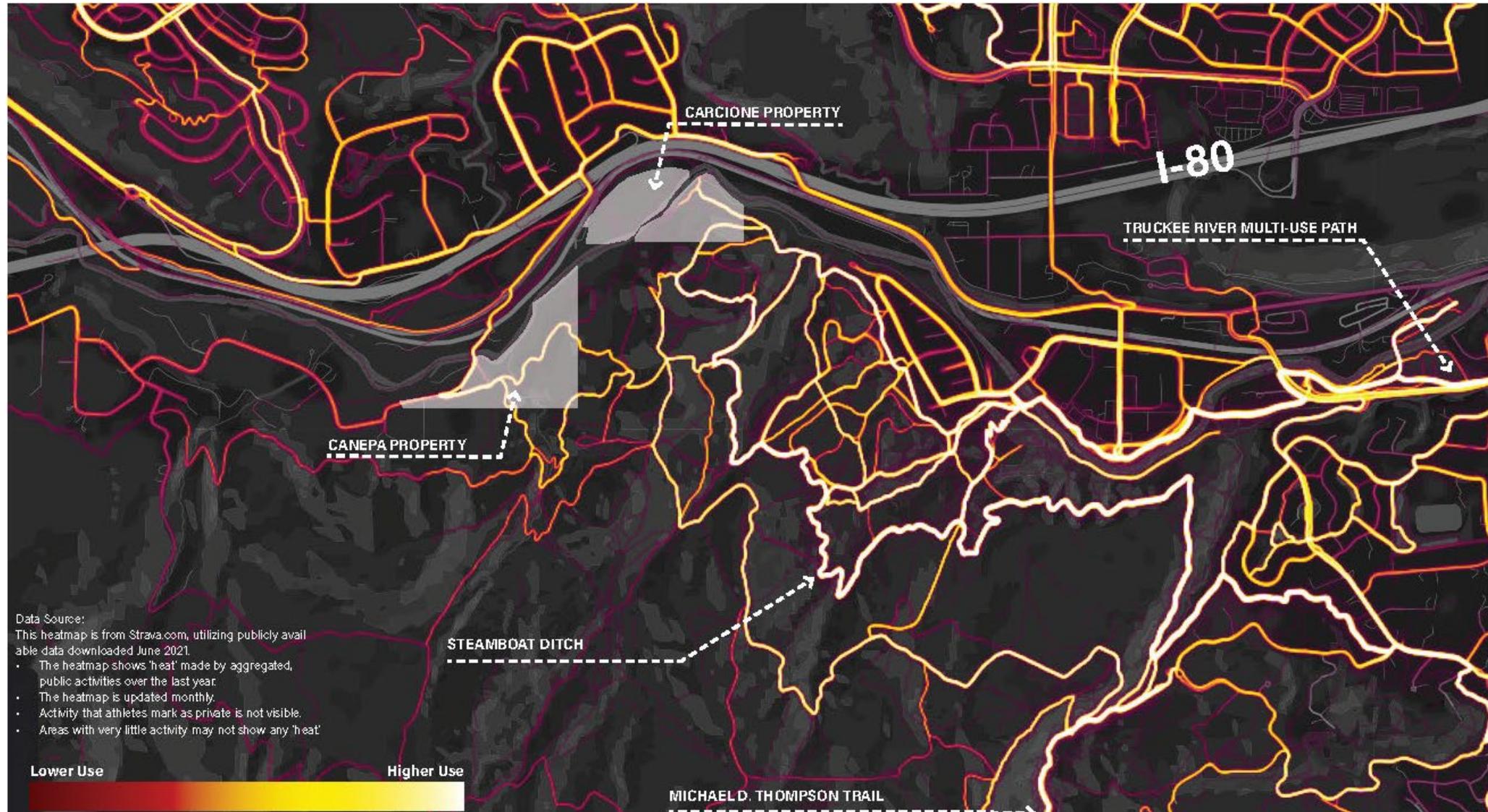
Text for a Canepa Trailhead Plaque

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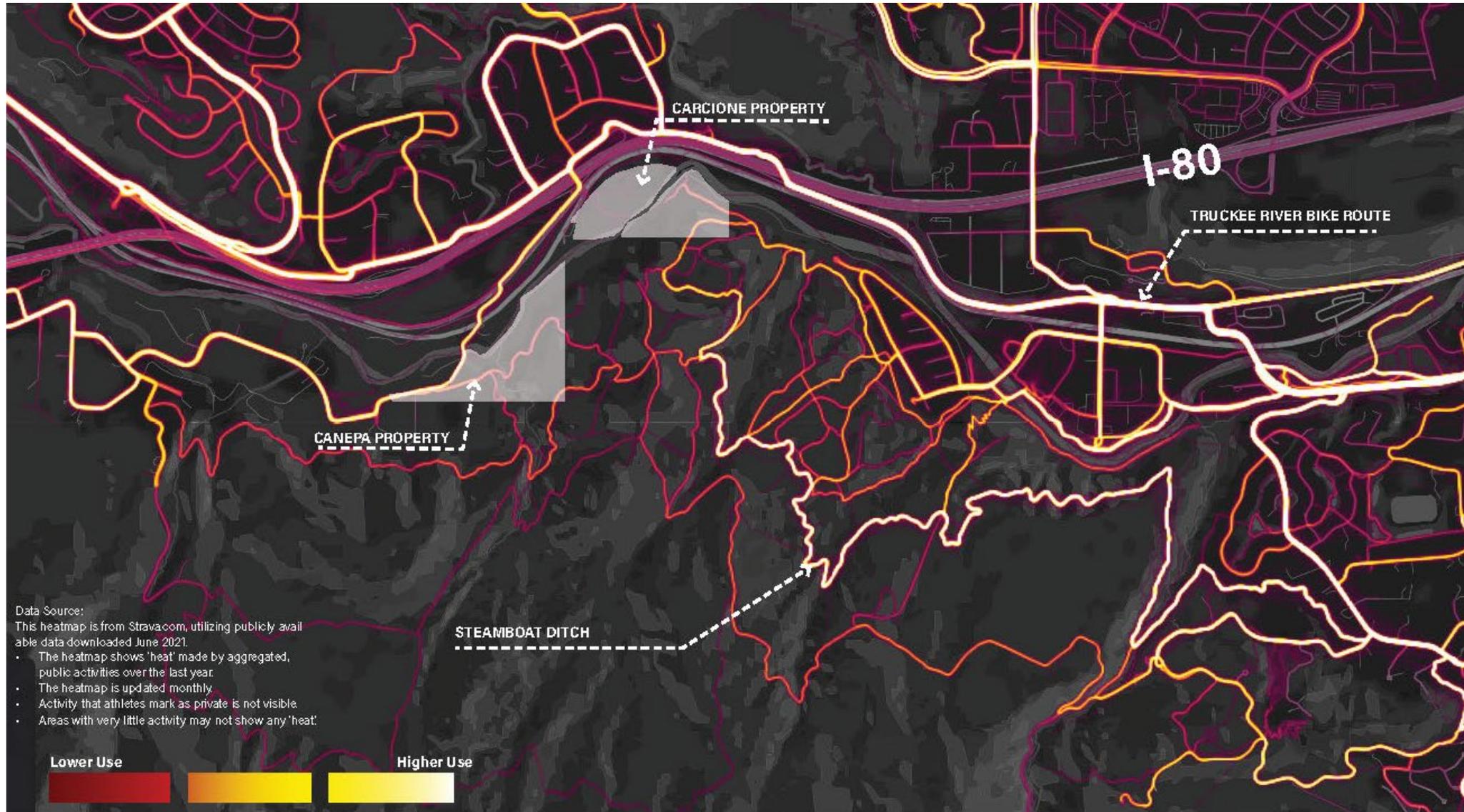
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Walking Heat Map



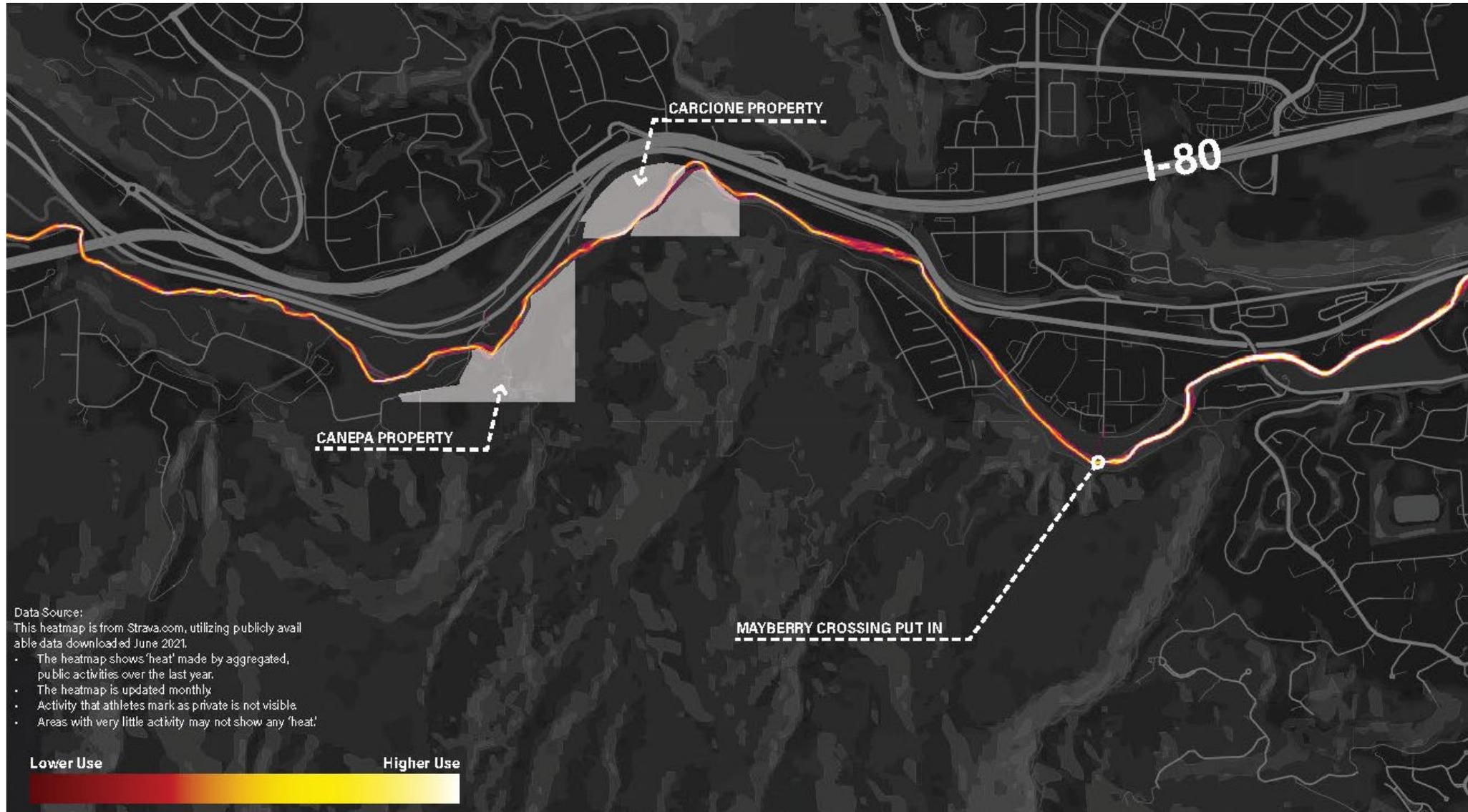
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Bicycling Heat Map



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Water Activity Heat Map



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Program Elements – Parking and Access

- Vehicular access and parking are proposed on both the Canepa and Carcione properties to allow for ease of use and circulation. An appropriate number of ADA parking stalls shall be included at each trailhead parking area.
- Vehicular access is proposed off the Mogul exit for the Carcione property with a required Crossing Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad (UPR) to cross the railroad tracks.
- Vehicular access is proposed at the end of Dori Bell Lane for the Canepa property. Dori Bell Lane ends at County property and public access will continue onto the adjacent county parcels.



Program Elements – Trailhead Amenities

- Restrooms
- Map kiosks
- Directional/wayfinding signage
- Rules and regulations signage
- Interpretive signage
- Trash receptacles
- Dog waste station
- Seating
- Shade (trees and/or structure)



Program Elements – Frontcountry Trails

- Frontcountry trails are trails close to access roads and amenities such as running water and bathrooms.
- Trail tread between 6-10 feet wide and the surface is generally smooth.
- The frontcountry trails on these properties are proposed to have day use trails and loop trails, along with interpretive elements such as signage to explain elements of the site.



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Program Elements – Backcountry Access

- Provide non-motorized regional connections to new and future backcountry trails on Forest Service land with improved wayfinding for hikers, runners, bicyclists, and equestrians.
- Single lane trail tread between 18”-36” wide.



Program Elements – Cultural Resource Protection

- The Avansino Family Ranch House is proposed to remain and proposed to follow the recommendations of the previously prepared Mothball Plan & Targeted Condition Assessment.
- Educational signage is proposed to be included in the final design and implementation of the recreation access plan.
- Measures should be taken to reduce opportunities for dumping and vandalism which include construction of gates and fencing to limit vehicle access to the parking areas only.



Program Elements – Truckee River Access

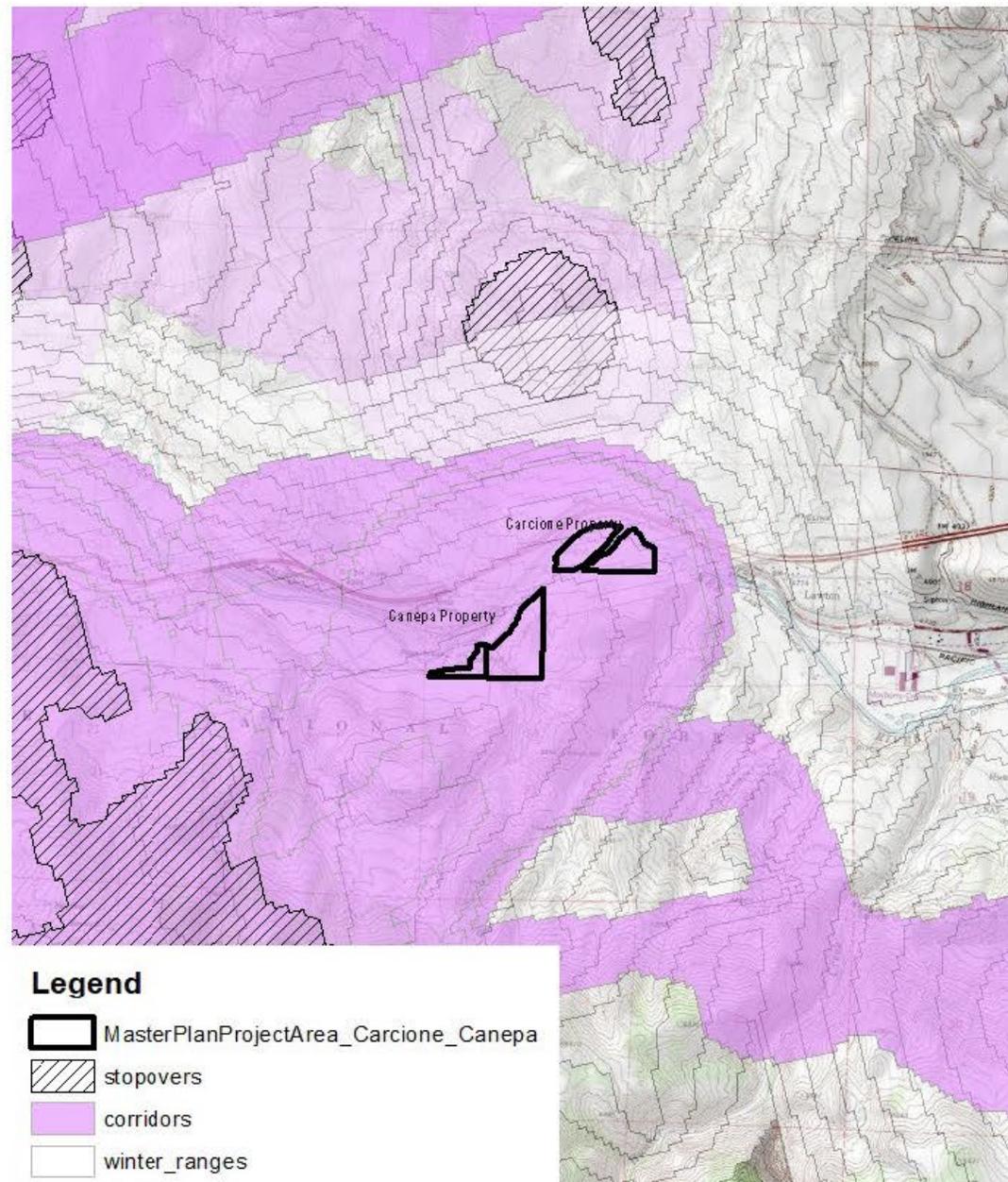
- ADA access is proposed to be provided to the river in key locations.
- ADA access is proposed to be provided to the proposed bridge crossing the Truckee River.
- Informal access is proposed to be maintained along the river edge for fishing.
- There is an opportunity for a non motorized watercraft put in/take out at both properties accessing the Truckee River.





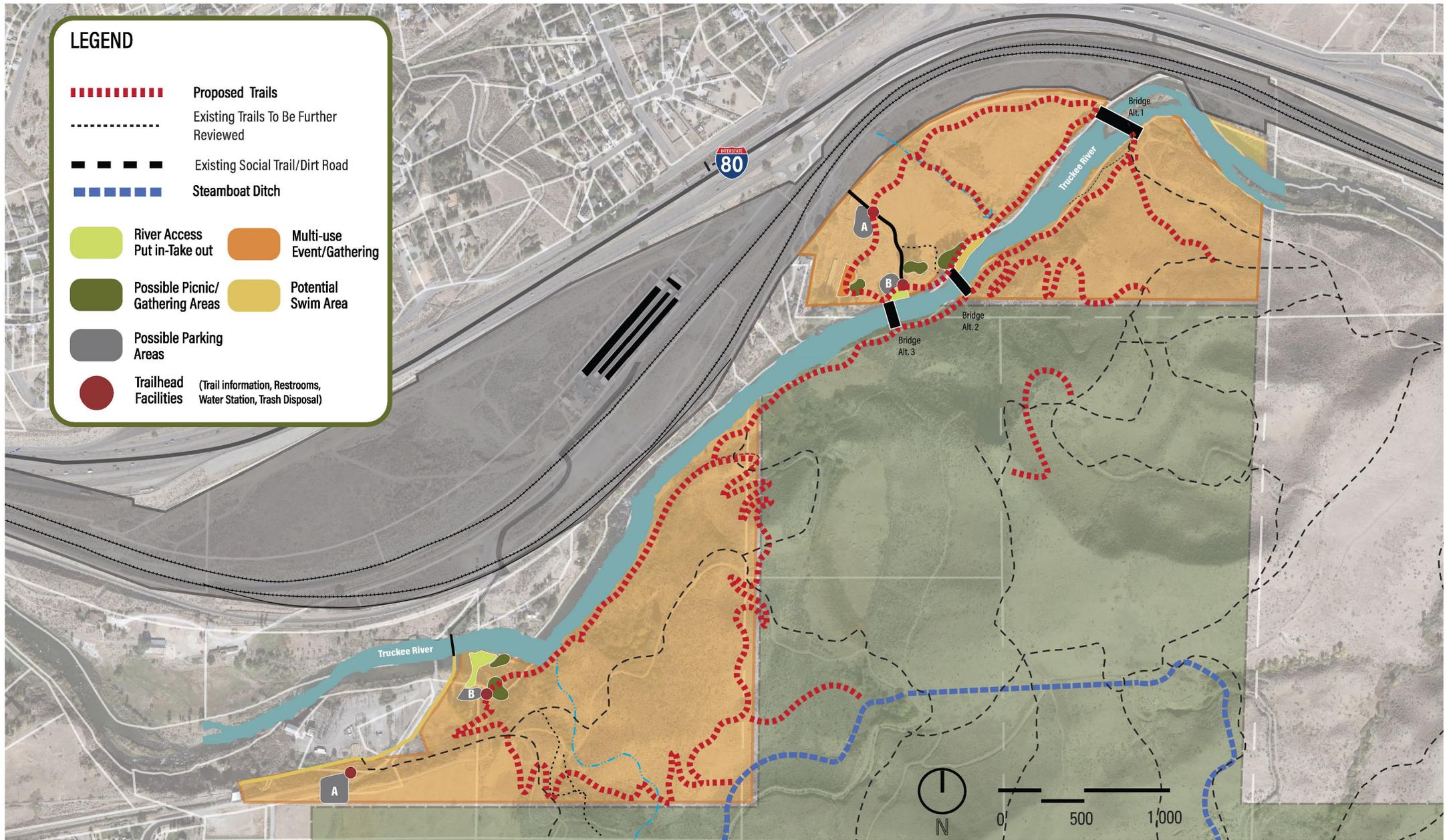
Mule Deer Habitat

- The plans shown in this document have been developed with input from NDOW to protect the mule deer habitat and will not impede migration with limited roads and fences throughout the properties. At a minimum it is recommended that dogs be required to be on leashes on all public lands during the winter mule deer migration (December 1 - March 30).



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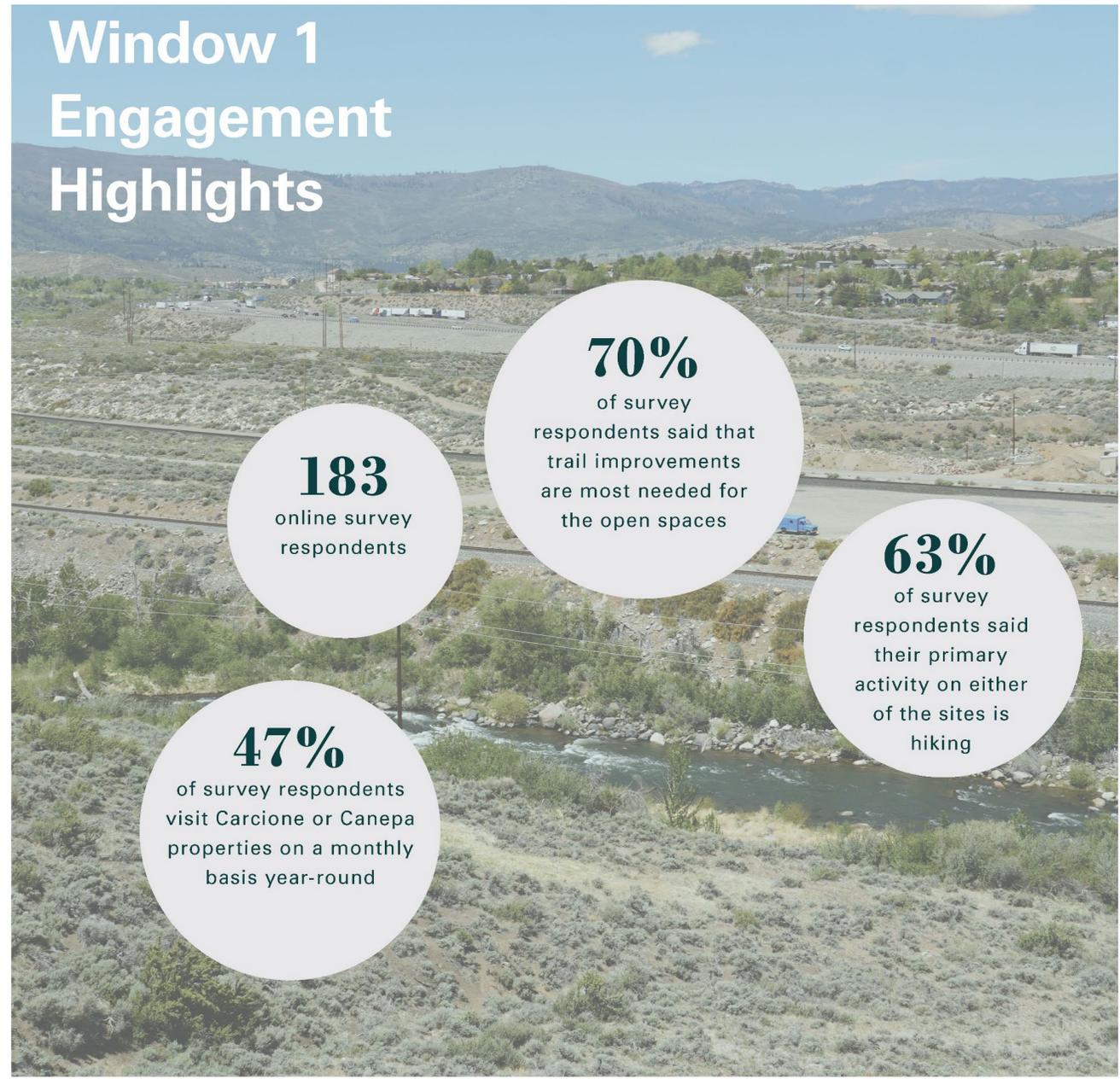
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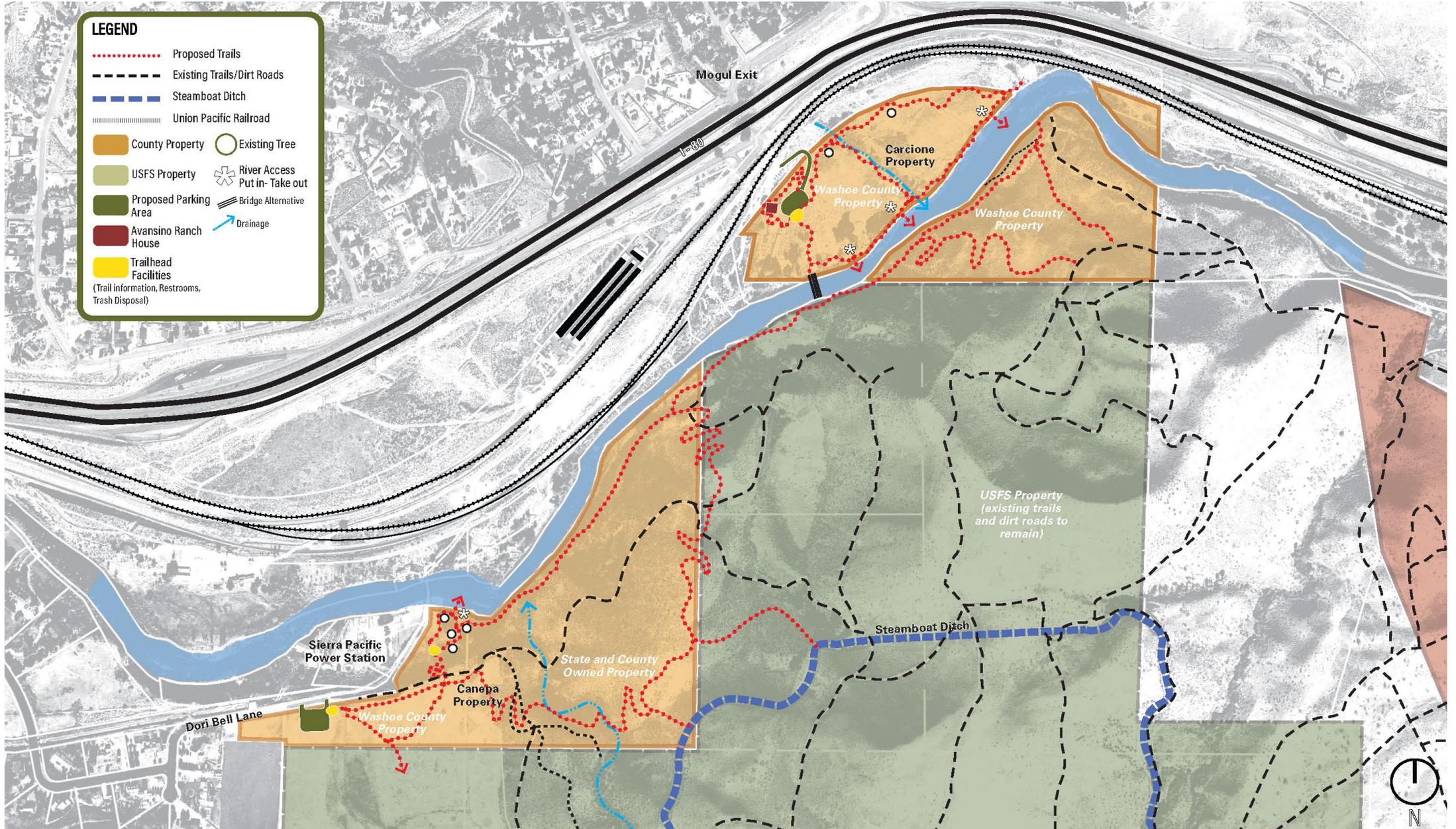
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Sept. 9, 2021
- **Public Online Survey**
Sept. 10 to Nov. 1, 2021



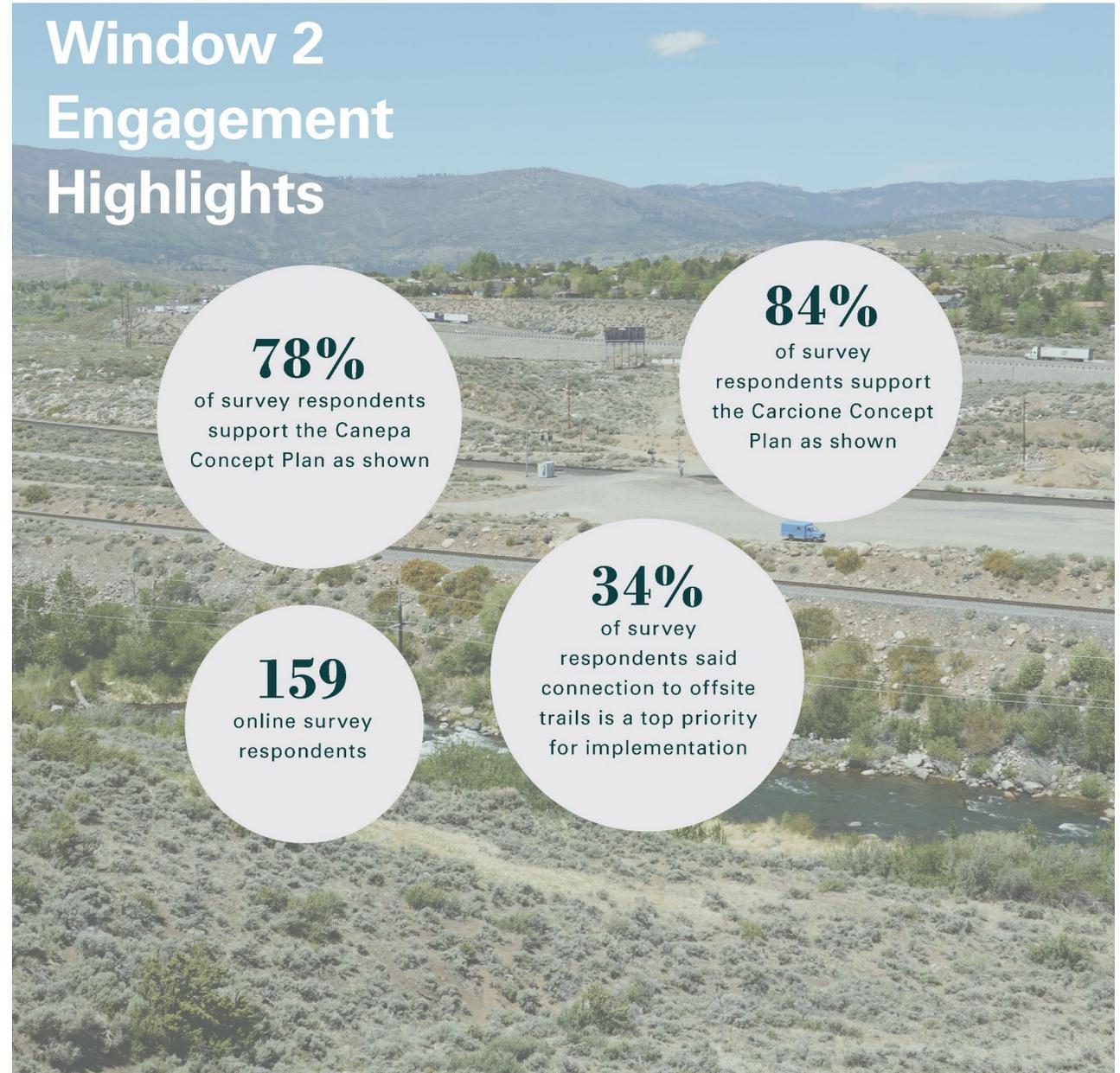
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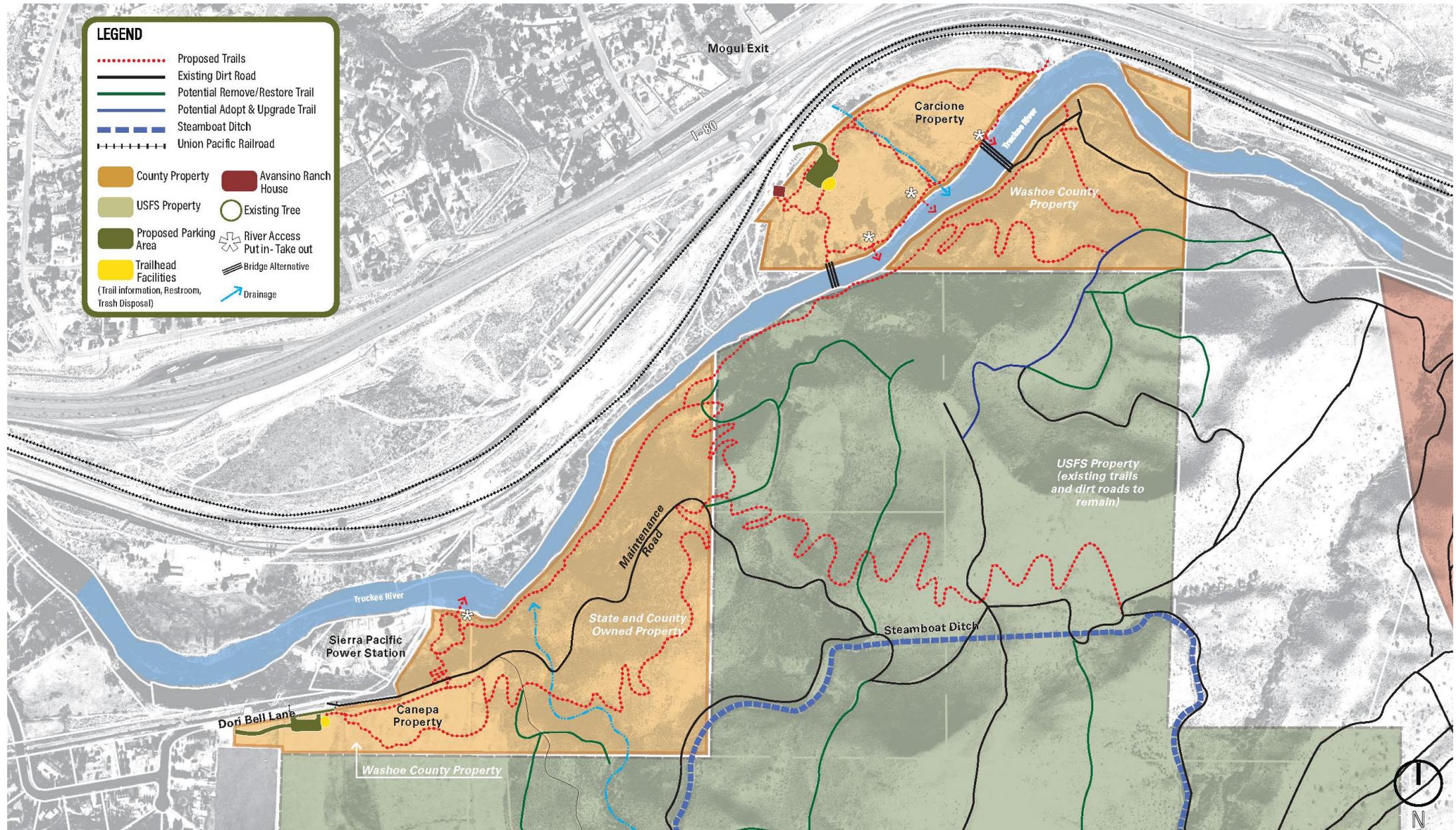
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Dec. 9, 2021
- **Public Online Survey**
Dec. 10, 2021 to Jan. 18, 2022
- **Additional neighborhood feedback**
- **Washoe County Staff attended a meeting with the Belli Ranch Estates HOA on Jan. 25, 2022**
- **The plan was also shared by county staff at the West Truckee Meadows/Verdi Township Citizen Advisory Board Meeting on Jan. 18, 2022**

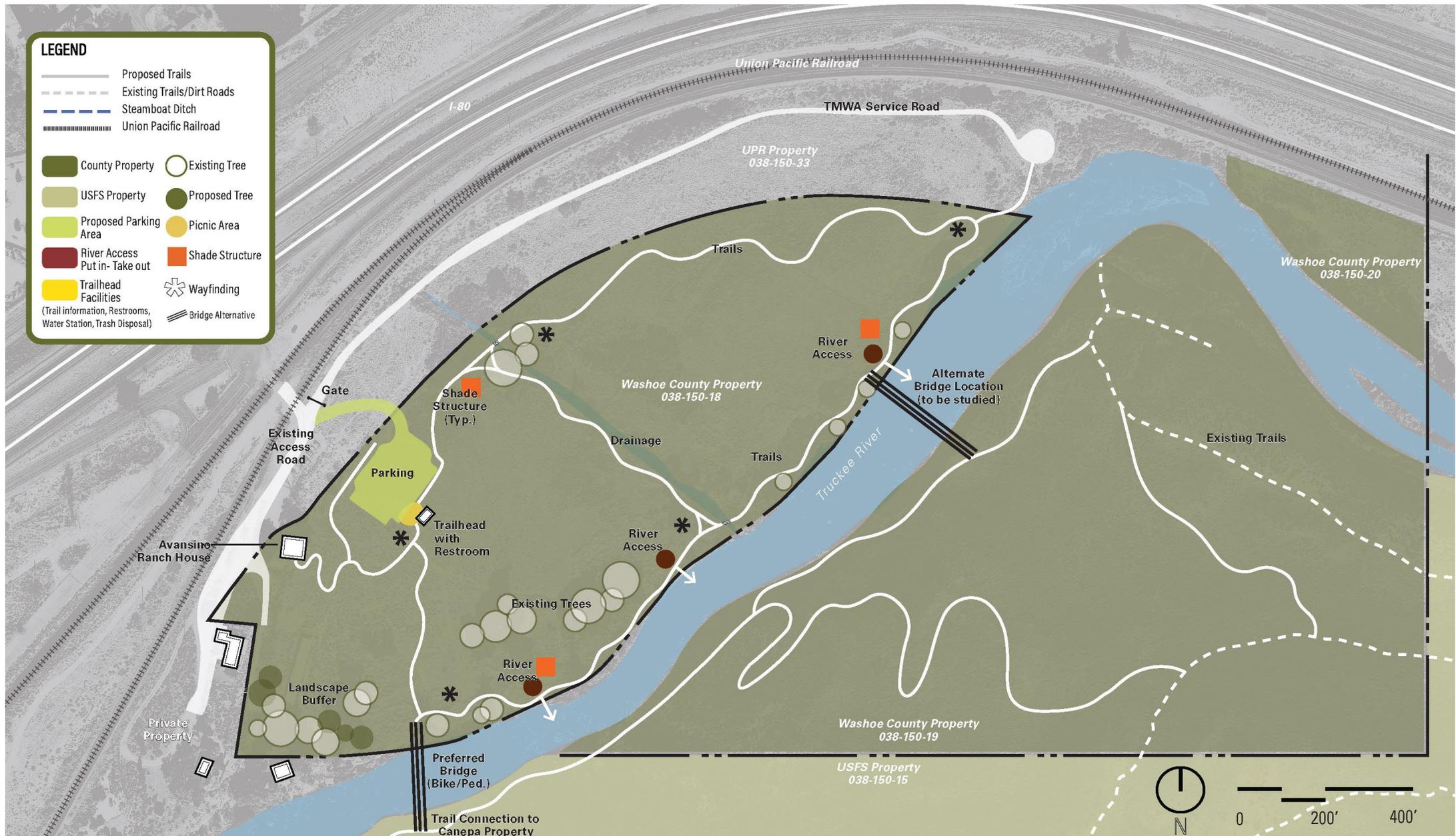


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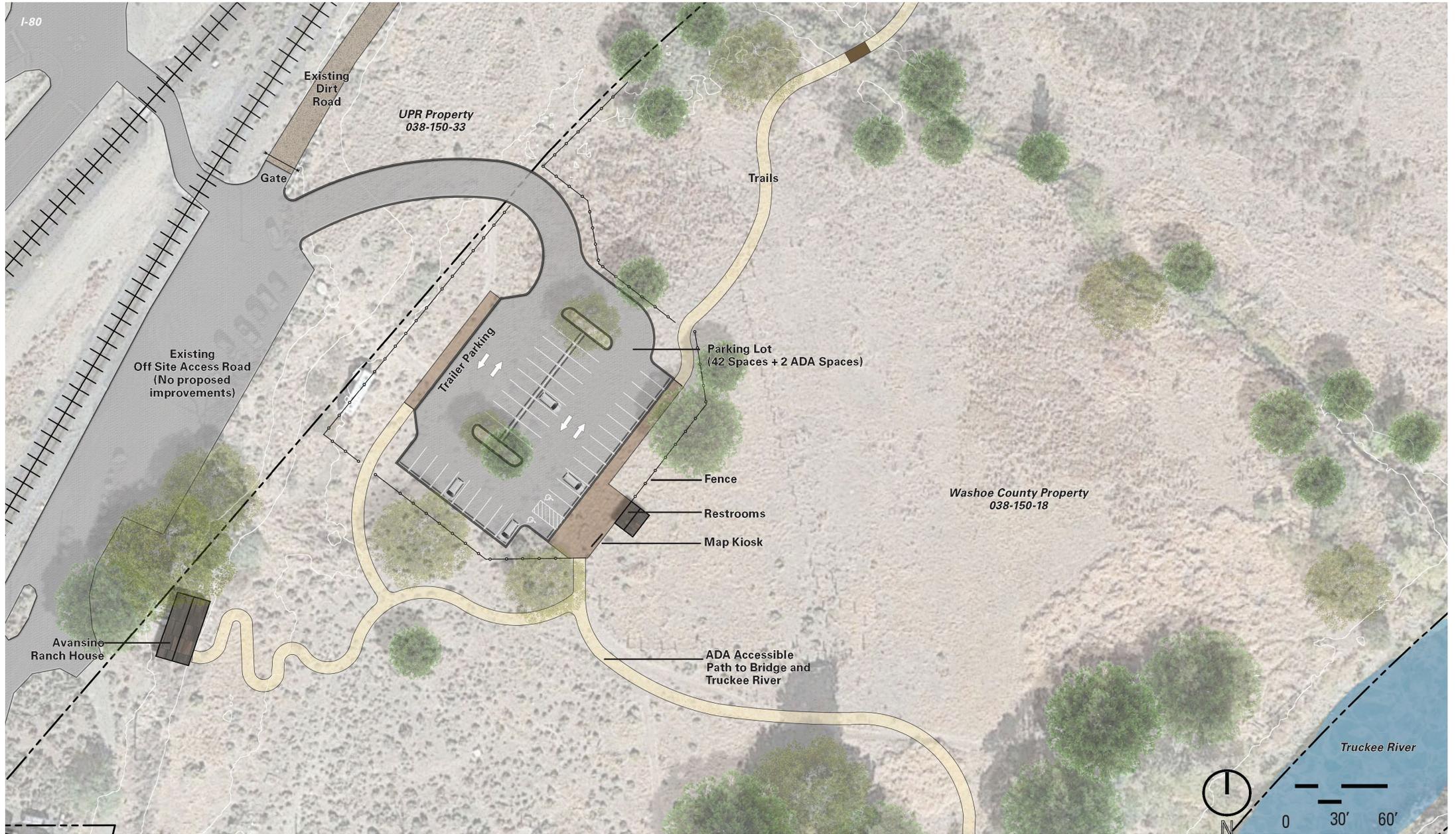
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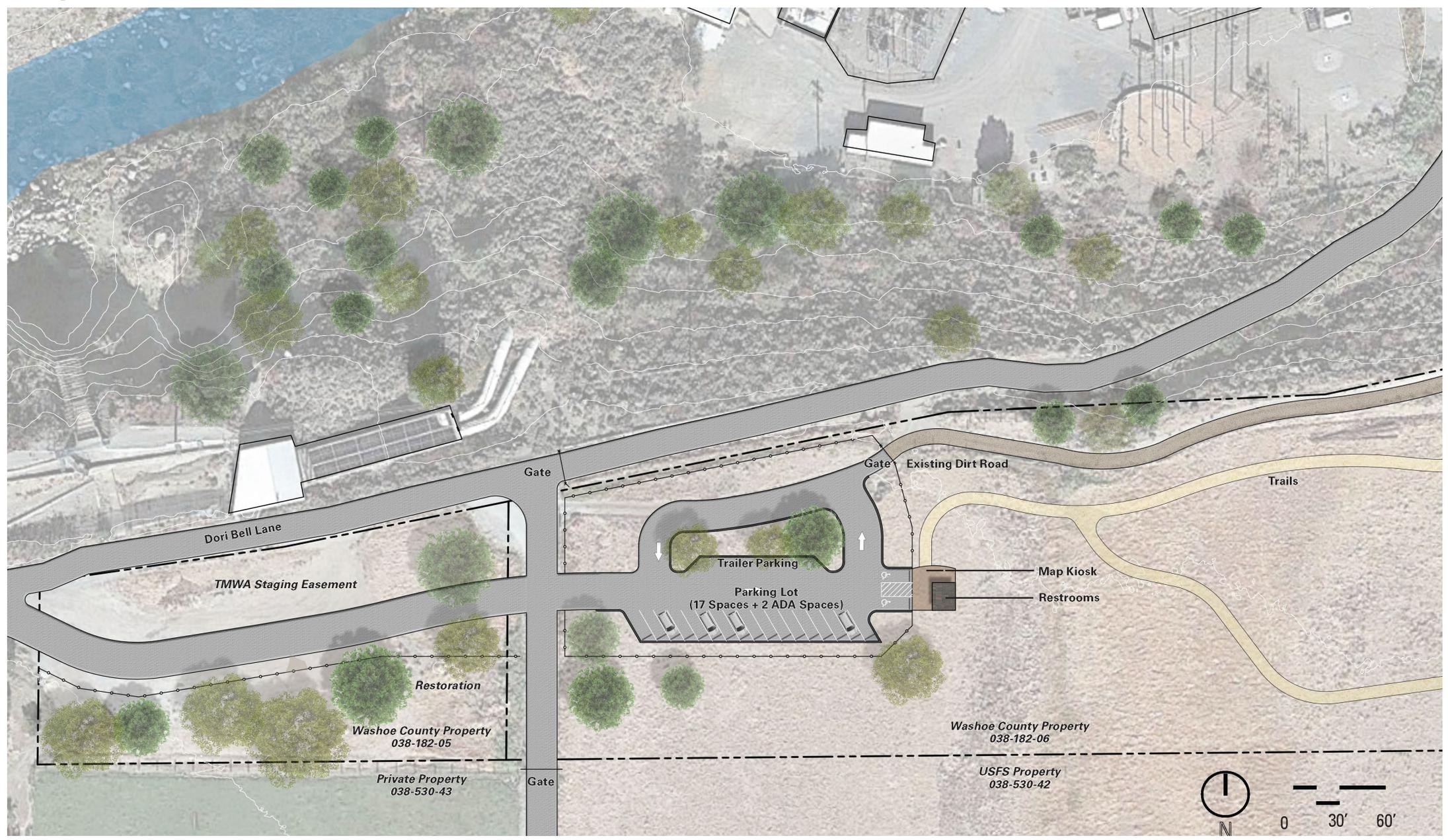
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Next Steps

- **Approval by the Washoe County Regional Parks and Open Space Commission**
- **Funding Sources**
- **NEPA**
- **Survey Work including a boundary survey, title report, verifying all easements, and conducting a field survey showing topography, structures, utilities, vegetation, and other pertinent information.**
- **Geotechnical Investigation in the locations for any new structures including bridges and restroom buildings.**
- **Hydrology Studies to review and study all drainages, soils, flood zones, riverbank and channels, FEMA flood zones.**
- **Comply with traffic, emergency management, and Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District requirements.**
- **Recommendations for ranger presence to address illegal activities and homeless encampments.**



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