

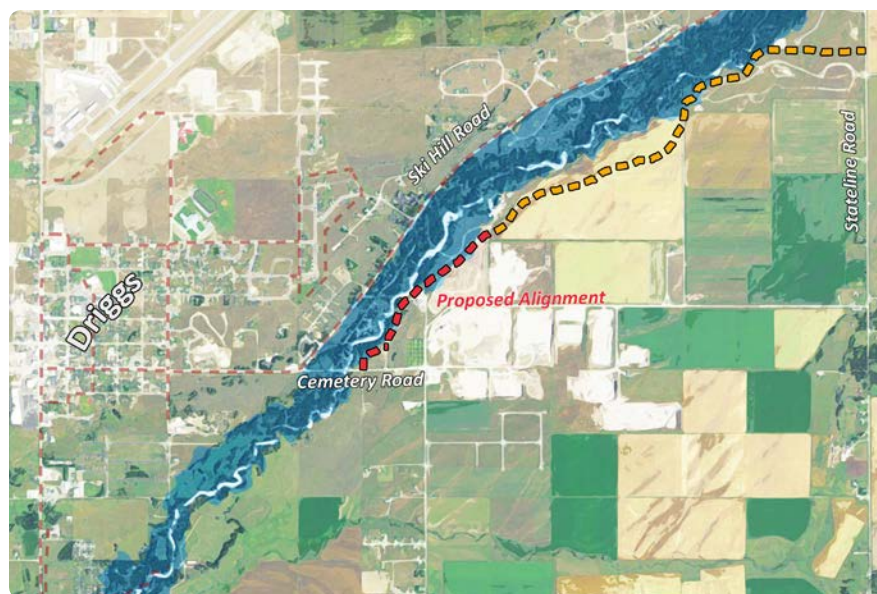


What is the Teton Creek Corridor Project And what will it do?

The **Teton Creek Corridor** project is a collaborative effort between local Teton Valley nonprofits and private citizens. The project has a number of goals in the Teton Creek corridor east of Driggs:

» Pathways and Public

Access: The project will establish a new 2.5-mile paved pathway from Cemetery Road to Stateline Road along the Teton Creek corridor for non-motorized use, subject to seasonal closure to protect critical winter range for big game species. The pathway will create a safe, family-friendly recreational opportunity easily accessible from Driggs, connecting local families to nature and the Valley's agricultural heritage, and providing economic benefits for the entire community.



» **Agriculture:** The project will strive to maintain productive farmlands along the Teton Creek corridor through conservation easements, protecting Teton Valley's agricultural heritage.



» **Stream Habitat:** The project will stabilize more than 5 miles of Teton Creek streambed, reducing flooding risk for private property and the City of Driggs and improving stream function and habitat.

» **Riparian Habitat:** The project will improve and protect important wildlife habitat along Teton Creek.



» **Community Development:** Project partners will work with interested landowners to improve existing developments and make them more compatible with community goals.





Questions?

Who is this project for?

Everyone! This project is meant to be an asset for everyone in Teton Valley. This project will build a publicly available paved pathway that can safely be used by local families and visitors for free.

What are the goals of the project?

The project will provide a safe pathway for Teton Valley residents and visitors right next to the City of Driggs, support Teton Valley's agricultural heritage, improve stream function and wildlife habitat, and provide economic benefits.

When will we be able to use the pathway?

The partners aim to break ground for the pathway in 2018. Once completed, public access will be allowed, but will be limited to the pathway. We ask that you respect private property and natural areas.

Who will pay for it?

Local nonprofit groups will fund the acquisitions, construction and some maintenance costs.

Who is involved?

This project has relied on the joint efforts of generous private landowners and various community organizations including Teton Valley Trails and Pathways, Teton Regional Land Trust, Friends of the Teton River, Valley Advocates for Responsible Development, the Community Foundation of Teton Valley, American Rivers and the LOR Foundation.

“The Teton Creek Corridor will provide safe and enjoyable places for people of all ages to experience the outdoors without having to travel outside of Teton Valley.”

- Juanita Flores

“A bike path along Teton Creek would be a great amenity for Teton Valley, and we imagine ourselves using it regularly”

- Max and Joann Woolstenhulme

“As someone who grew up spending much of my time fishing, hunting, and camping along Teton Creek, I would love to see a bike path for my family and others to enjoy”

- Barton Birch

How does this benefit our community economically?

Studies have shown that pathways and trails increase nearby property values by 4-8%, resulting in increased tax revenues that can offset maintenance costs. Moreover, pathways like this attract visitors to Teton Valley, equating to more dollars spent at local businesses.

How is this project possible?

Local nonprofit groups worked with willing, private landowners. Through those landowners' generous contributions, this project became possible.

How can I learn more or get involved?

Please visit our website at tetoncreekcorridor.org or contact any of the nonprofit organizations listed at the bottom of the page. All of the partners are interested in getting local citizens involved in the project.



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