

Peaks to Plains Trail

Clear Creek Segment

MONTHLY ARCHIVES: APRIL 2018



Denver Post Highlight: Historic Welch Ditch On Track For Repairs

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By HOLLY GRAHAM

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Hikers and history buffs rejoice: Historic Welch Ditch will reopen in 2020 as part of the Peaks to Plains Trail project.

Historic irrigation flume will be part of Peak to Plains Trail

Welch Ditch, an old irrigation trench near the mouth of Clear Creek Canyon partially closed because of safety concerns, is scheduled to reopen to the public...

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Peaks to Plains Trail Receives Colorado Lottery 2018 Starburst Award

Posted on **May 24, 2018** by [peakstoplains](#)

Jeffco Open Space, along with Clear Creek County Open Space, is thrilled to be awarded a Colorado Lottery 2018 Starburst Award for the Peaks to Plains Trail in Clear Creek Canyon Park. Starburst Awards recognize excellence in the use of Lottery funds for community and conservation projects. Winners are chosen based on the creativity of the project, economic and social impact on the community, and whether the project achieved its goal.

The project area recognized is a collaborative effort between Clear Creek and Jefferson Counties, as well as the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), on a 4-mile segment of the Peaks to Plains Trail that straddles both counties in Clear Creek Canyon. Three miles of this segment [opened to the public on July 28, 2016](#) after more than three years of challenging design, permitting and construction. The final mile in this segment located in Jefferson County opened to the public with a [cable cutting ceremony on September 29, 2017](#). The project would not have been possible without a \$4.6 million grant from Great Outdoors Colorado, funded by the Colorado Lottery, which was awarded in 2012 as part of the River Corridors Initiative.

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MONTHLY ARCHIVES: DECEMBER 2018



Jeffco Open Space Receives \$9.75 million from DRCOG

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[Jeffco Open Space](#) recently applied to the [Denver Regional Council of Governments \(DRCOG\)](#) Board of Directors to request funding for a 3-mile segment of the Peaks to Plains Trail in the furthest East portion of [Clear Creek Canyon](#). The request was made through DRCOG's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). On November 28, the DRCOG Board of Directors approved \$9.75 million to fund the East Clear Creek Canyon segment of the Peaks to Plains Trail.

The East Clear Creek Canyon segment of the Peaks to Plains Trail project, which the \$9.75 million award will fund, is a \$29.9 million project that includes an approximately 3-mile segment of trail, three pedestrian bridges, one improved underpass beneath U.S. Highway 6, multiple creek access locations for visitors, and two parking lots totaling roughly 100 spaces. The segment runs from the west end of Highway 6 Tunnel #1 to Huntsman Gulch. The timeline for design and construction is between 2021 – 2023. This segment builds at the mouth of Clear Creek Canyon of the Peaks to Plains Trail is estimated to be completed in 2020.

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