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# Guide to Farmington Trails

Explore the wonderful trails in Farmington Utah





Welcome to Farmington Trails!

Did you know that whether you're a resident of Farmington or a visitor, you're an easy 10-minute walk or drive to a trail where you can walk, jog, run, hike, bike, horseback ride, or just relax and watch the sunset?

It's true! Every single resident has access to over 150 miles of connected trails that are now ready to use. This book serves as an all-access guide to let you know where to go, how to get there, and what you might see along the way.

But before we proceed with the insider details, we must give credit where credit is due: The Farmington Trails Committee.

This committee is an official advisory committee to the Farmington City Council, and was given a charter to provide non-motorized trails in the city.

Along with the support of the city and 50 volunteers who worked hard to build and maintain the trails, the committee has been able to give residents and visitors a wonderful recreational experience for all levels of experience. The goal of this project is to provide a better quality of life through the use of these trails.

Throughout this guide, you will find descriptions of 39 trails, complete with full-color maps to help you find your way.

Come and enjoy a day on the trails or spend all week for an exhilarating vacation that will provide rejuvenation and the added bonus of a healthy mind and body.

John Muir said it best, "In every walk with nature one receives far more than he seeks."

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# Welcome to Farmington Trails

## How to Use This Guide

The first thing you want to do when using this guide, is to start with the master map foldout in the center of this booklet. Once there, find the trail you would like to use, and then look for the trail name printed along the trail. Once you know the name of the trail, go to the Table of Contents and search for the trail name. Doing this will direct you to the page with complete information about the trail with a detailed map and how to find the trailhead. A summary of this information is also found in the “Trails at a Glance” chart starting on page 12.

The trails are described separately in this guide in numerical order. There are 39 trails numbered 1-39. Some trails have subsections that are indicated by the trail number, followed by a period and the number of the section.

You can also search for trails based on difficulty level, simply by looking at the “Trails by Type and Difficulty” chart starting on page 24. In general, the trails in the city are easy, the trails on the foothills are moderate, and the trails in the mountains are strenuous.

## U.S. Forest Service Approved Trails

The trails in the mountains shown with a dashed line are not official U.S. Forest Service trails. These trails exist, but they are not maintained by the USFS. These are to be used at your own risk.

The Bonneville Shoreline Trail route (Trail #1) has not yet been finalized by the BST Coalition. Please stay on the trail to avoid straying onto private land. All of the trails in this guide are approved only for non-motorized travel except the Bonneville Shoreline Trail (#1.6) between Farmington Canyon and Steed Canyon, the Historical Trail (#2), the Farmington Bay Trail (#27), and the Great Western Trail (#30.1 and #30.2).

If you see violations or vandalism, we ask that you don't confront violators, but please call the Farmington City Police at 801-451-5453 for city trails. The Davis County Sheriff should be called at 801-451-4141 for other trails. In an emergency, call 911.

## Help Keep Our Trails Clean

Please don't litter. Help us by picking up any trash you may see. This also applies to dogs. Please clean up after your dog. Many conscientious trail users carry a spare plastic bag in their pocket in case they find trash to carry out. If we all help a little, we can accomplish a lot.

Only camp in areas with existing fire rings. Watch for and observe fire hazard ratings announced to the public. Take care not to pollute the streams. This is our drinking water.

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## Trail Completion Times

The times listed in this book to complete each section of trail are approximate and will vary widely depending on the trail user. The times given are for a typical trail user in fairly good physical condition.

For trails with an elevation change, the time listed is to hike uphill. The time to come back down the trail is not included. When planning your outing, be sure to allow time for your return route.

## Wilderness Trail Markers

The trails in the mountains are left as natural as possible to allow you a true nature experience. Follow the occasional trail “reassurance” markers to stay on the trail. One marker means you are on the trail. Two markers on the same tree mean this is a point of interest or the end of the trail. Three markers on the same tree mean “danger.” Do not go beyond three markers. A marker on two trees across from each other means it is a “gateway” as you pass between the two trees. This is often used at a trail intersection to show the start of another trail section.

Sometimes a pile of rocks called a “cairn” is used to mark the trail. If there is a rock beside the stack of rocks, it is pointing the way to go. See page 7 for a picture of a cairn.

For the ultimate aid in following the trail, use a GPS-enabled device. See page 8 for details on how to download a free KMZ file with detailed maps.

## Trail Etiquette Reminders

- Ride, skate or walk with the flow of traffic as far to the right side of the trail as practical. Groups should be in single file when other trail users are present. Do not block the trail.
- Walk on the uphill side of the trail when in the mountains. This helps to widen the trail and to avoid soft shoulders.
- Slow down and use caution when approaching or overtaking other pathway users. Remember to regularly check behind you for approaching traffic. Before passing another trail user from behind, make your approach known well in advance. A friendly greeting such as, “Hello, passing on your left,” or ringing a bell is considerate and works well. Show respect when passing by slowing to a walk or even stopping. Anticipate other trail users around corners or in blind spots.

- Give animals extra room and time to adjust to you. When passing horses, use special care and follow directions from the horseback riders. Ask if you are uncertain what to do.
- Stay on existing trails and don't create any new paths. This is especially important for operators of 4WD vehicles and off-highway vehicles (OHVs). Avoid wet or muddy trails.
- Be sure to pack out at least as much as you pack in.
- Respect trail and road closures. Avoid possible trespass on private land, and obtain permits and authorization as may be required.
- Remember: Bikers yield to hikers, and hikers and bikers yield to horses. When hikers meet, those going uphill have the right of way.

### **Trail Safety Reminders**

- Neither Farmington City, the Farmington Trails Committee, nor the U.S. Forest Service can guarantee the safety of the trails. Please use caution and hike safely.
- Hike with a friend or two, so that you will have help in case you are injured. A third person could go for help.
- Always carry plenty of drinking water to avoid dehydration. Remember that dehydration can happen even in cold weather.
- Carry a cell phone to call for help if you need it.
- Having basic first aid supplies is always wise.
- Let someone know where you will be and what time you plan to return.
- Wear head and arm coverings or sun block in sunny or high altitude areas.
- If hiking as a group, make sure no one gets left behind.
- Know your personal limitations and don't go beyond your physical abilities.
- Know what plants and animals to avoid. See page 28.
- Watch out for poison ivy and poison sumac. Remember, "Leaves of three, let it be." If exposed, wash well with soap and water then seek medical attention.
- The most dangerous creature you might encounter would be a rattlesnake in warm weather. The snake is just as afraid of you as you are of it. Keep in mind that you have encroached on its home. Give it room to escape.
- Use a hiking stick for added stability. A stick is also a great tool for scare away snakes.



*This is a rock cairn to mark the trail. The rock to the side points the way. A G2Chipman signature cairn is shown with a light rock over a dark.*

# Welcome to Farmington Trails continued

## Website

Go to <https://parksandrec.farmington.utah.gov/trails/> for the latest trail news, maps, and information.

## Free GPS Download

There is a digital map you can download free to your smart phone, tablet, or GPS device. This map is an overlay of all the trails in the Farmington system that includes hundreds of points of interest, trail features, and pictures. This highly accurate tool is the easiest way to find the trails and stay on the path, which is critical to both the safety and enjoyment of the experience.

If you have a smart phone or tablet, you will first need to download the Google Earth app.

From the website listed above, download the FarmingtonMap.kmz file to your device. From there, activate Google Earth, then click on the File tab in the upper left of the screen and select *Open*. Browse to the location in your electronic device where you uploaded FarmingtonMap.kmz file and select the file. From there, click *Open*.



Google Earth should now zoom into the map of Earth to the Farmington trails. Each trail will have the same color coding as in this guide book and the same trail names, numbers, and sections. The .kmz file may be viewed at home as well on a home computer. This can be very useful when planning a walk or hike.

## Like us on Facebook & Instagram

Like us on Facebook at Farmington Trails to chat with other trail users, learn of group hikes, and share your trail adventures. This is also a great place to report problems you have seen or to make suggestions on how to improve our trails.

## Stay Current

The Farmington City Parks Recreation Arts and Trails Advisory Board (PRAT) meets regularly and makes recommendations to the City Council regarding the trails system and related events and programming. If you are interested in following the PRAT, visit [www.farmington.utah.gov](http://www.farmington.utah.gov) and select PRAT Committee from the drop down menu under Government.



## **Volunteer**

We love volunteers, and if you have time to help us with a one-time event or on an ongoing basis, go to our website or call Farmington City at 801-451-2383. There is also information on how to volunteer to be a Trail Chief and oversee an assigned trail on page 187.

## **Enjoy Nature**

We have a great trail system here in Farmington. Take time to reconnect with nature and feel its healing influence. We hope to see you soon on the trails. Come and enjoy your trails with us.



*Section of Farmington Bay Trail  
photo by Lyle Gibson*

## Trail Attributes



**Hiking:** A single-track trail, usually located in a wilderness area. While some hiking trails may be used by mountain bikers, a hiking trail is usually rougher than a bike trail.



**Walking/Jogging:** This indicates the trail is smooth and easy, best for walking or jogging.



**Mountain Biking:** Mountain bike trails are usually located in the wilderness area where the terrain is rough.



**Road Biking:** Bike trails are typically paved or on smooth terrain.



**Equestrian:** A route used for horseback riding.



**Disabled Accessible:** These trails and boardwalks are smooth enough for wheelchair travel.



**Dogs Allowed:** Your best friend can travel the trail with you, provided you have a leash. Please remember to pick up after your dog.



**Less than an hour:** Round-trip, this trail or segment takes less than an hour.



**Family-Friendly:** Recommended for kids. The trail is typically paved or has a smooth surface and is rated easy.

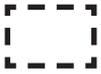


**Waterfall:** This indicates that there is a waterfall accessible from the trail.



**Stroller Access:** These trails are paved and smooth for easy stroller use.

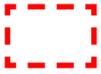
# Map Legend



Municipal Boundary



Official Trail



Leisure Areas



Non USFS Trail



Parks



Direction of Map: North



Trailhead



Mountain Peak



Trailhead with Parking



City Hall



Point of Interest



Police Station



Point of Interest -  
Historical Trail



Fire Station



Waterfall



School



Camping Area



Library



Bridge



Parks and Rec



Trail Kiosk



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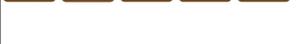
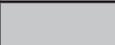


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# Trails at a Glance

#	Trail Name	Miles	Trail Attributes	Pg#
<b>1</b>	<b>Bonneville Shoreline (BST)</b>	<b>13.20</b>		
1.1	Harvey Section	1.00		32
1.2	Bella Vista Section	0.55		32
1.3	Grandview Section	1.05		32
1.4	Compton Section	3.17		32
1.5	Steed Section	4.38		36
1.6	Davis Section	2.20		36
1.7	Park Connection Section	0.67		38
1.8	Freedom Hills Section			38
<b>2</b>	<b>Historic Trail</b>	<b>4.52</b>		42
<b>3</b>	<b>Wolverine Trail</b>	<b>4.02</b>		
3.1	Upper Section	2.71		56
3.2	Lower Section	1.31		58

#	Trail Name	Miles	Trail Attributes	Pg#
<b>4</b>	<b>South Frontage Road Trail</b>	<b>2.23</b>		
4.1	North Section	1.35		60
4.2	South Section	0.88		60
<b>5</b>	<b>Oakridge Preserve Trail</b>	<b>5.07</b>		
5.1	Heritage Park Section	1.49		62
5.2	Shepard/Frontage Section	1.68		62
5.3	Wetland Section	1.90		64
<b>6</b>	<b>Legacy Trail</b>	<b>3.79</b>		66
<b>7</b>	<b>D&amp;RGW 'Rail Trail'</b>	<b>3.07</b>		68
<b>8</b>	<b>Great Salt Lake Shoreline Trail</b>	<b>1.93</b>		
8.2	Buffalo Ranch Section	1.93		70

# Trails at a Glance continued

#	Trail Name	Miles	Trail Attributes	Pg#
<b>9</b>	<b>Shepard Creek Trail</b>	<b>5.50</b>		
9.1	Summit Section	2.43		72
9.2	Camp Spur Section	0.15		72
9.3	Foothill Section	0.38		74
9.4	Waterfall Section	0.23		74
9.5	Somerset East Section	0.32		78
9.6	Somerset West Section	0.75		78
9.7	Main Street Section	1.24		78
<b>10</b>	<b>Haight Creek Trail</b>	<b>2.40</b>		
10.1	Farmington Hollow Section	0.45		80
10.3	Wetland Section	0.71		82
10.4	Hunter Creek Section	1.24		82
<b>11</b>	<b>Farmington Creek Trail</b>	<b>6.28</b>		
11.1	Upper Canyon Section	1.84		84
11.2	Lower Canyon Section	1.62		86
11.3	Pond Section	0.59		88

#	Trail Name	Miles	Trail Attributes	Pg #
11.4	Lagoon Section	1.40		88
11.5	Legacy Events Center Section	0.83		92
<b>12</b>	<b>Farmington Spine Trail</b>	<b>4.48</b>		
12.1	Upper Canyon Section	1.85		94
12.2	Lower Canyon Section	2.63		96
<b>13</b>	<b>Buffalo Ranch Trail</b>	<b>5.20</b>		
13.2	Farmington Greens Section	1.21		100
13.3	1525 West Section	1.18		100
13.4	East Ranch Section	1.72		100
13.5	Farmington Ranches Park Section	1.09		102
<b>14</b>	<b>Rudd Canyon Trail</b>	<b>0.69</b>		104
<b>15</b>	<b>Patsy's Mine Trail</b>	<b>1.55</b>		
15.1	Mine Section	0.80		106
15.2	City Access Section	0.75		106
<b>16</b>	<b>Hornet Canyon Trail</b>	<b>1.47</b>		
16.1	Waterfall Section	1.02		110
16.2	Grotto Section	0.45		112

# Trails at a Glance continued

#	Trail Name	Miles	Trail Attributes	Pg#
<b>17</b>	<b>Steed Creek Trail</b>	<b>5.79</b>		
17.1	Summit Section	1.80		114
17.2	Cliffs Section	1.32		116
17.3	Cliffs North Section	1.18		116
17.4	Subway Section	0.69		116
17.5	Lower Canyon Section	0.27		118
17.6	Woodland Park Section	0.53		120
<b>18</b>	<b>Davis Creek Trail</b>	<b>6.56</b>		
18.1	Summit Section	1.47		122
18.2	4th Waterfall Section	0.85		122
18.3	2nd Waterfall Section	0.48		124
18.4	Hell Hole Section	0.64		124
18.5	Camp on the Mount Section	0.53		124
18.6	Prayer Rock Section	0.31		124
18.7	Indian Annie Section	0.45		124
18.8	El Capitan Section	0.61		124
18.9	1st Waterfall Section	0.48		128

#	Trail Name	Miles	Trail Attributes	Pg#
18.11	Urban Nature Walk Section	0.74		132
19	Freedom Hills Trail	1.85		134
20	Farmington Upper Terrace Trail	2.09		
20.1	Main Section	1.45		136
20.2	Cliffhanger Section	0.64		138
21	Fruit Heights Upper Terrace Trail	1.75		140
22	Francis Peak Trail	6.29		
22.1	Summit Section	2.36		142
22.2	Elk Loop Section	0.71		142
22.3	Lower Canyon Section	2.02		142
22.4	Farmington Canyon Section	1.20		142
23	Nature Center Trail at Farmington Bay	2.75		144
24	Old Aqueduct Trail	1.33		
24.1	Head Gate Section	0.50		146
24.2	Mill Flume Section	0.83		146
25	Bountiful Peak Trail	5.50		
25.1	Summit Section	2.26		148

# Trails at a Glance continued

#	Trail Name	Miles	Trail Attributes	Pg#
25.2	Luge Section	0.93		148
25.3	Equestrian Section	0.93		150
25.4	Hiker Section	1.38		150
<b>26</b>	<b>Ford Canyon Overlook Trail</b>	<b>2.58</b>		
26.1	East Section	0.88		152
26.2	West Section	1.70		152
<b>27</b>	<b>Farmington Bay Trail</b>	<b>20.72</b>		154
<b>28</b>	<b>'03 Fire Trail</b>	<b>1.40</b>		156
<b>29</b>	<b>Hidden Meadows Trail</b>	<b>0.50</b>		158
<b>30</b>	<b>Great Western Trail</b>	<b>9.91</b>		
30.1	Francis Peak Section	4.86		160
30.2	Farmington Flats Section	2.24		162
30.3	Gold Mountain Section	2.81		162
<b>31</b>	<b>G2Connector Trail</b>	<b>1.51</b>		
31.1	North Section	0.72		164
31.2	South Section	0.79		166
<b>32</b>	<b>Old North Trail</b>	<b>2.90</b>		
32.1	Summit Section	1.50		168
32.2	Lower Canyon Section	1.40		170

#	Trail Name	Miles	Trail Attributes	Pg#
33	Cattleman Trail	0.86		172
34	Triumph Trail	2.15		174
35	Flag Rock Trail	1.93		176
36	Centennial Trail	2.49		178
37	Farmington Regional Park	2.5		180
38	Bamberger Bridge Trail	0.14		182
39	The Farm - Mountain Bike Park			184



*photo by Keith Jensen*

*Flag Rock (POI #17)*



*photo by Amy Shrumway*

*Old Aqueduct Trail (#24)*

## Points of Interest

- 1 **Frog Rock** - Known for generations, this rock looks like a frog preparing to leap. It is located on the Bonneville Shoreline Trail north of Farmington City. See page 189.
- 2 **Scott Nye Memorial** - Find an inspirational message and warning from a young man who lost his life on this spot. See page 35.
- 3 **Wolverine Den** - A large animal lived under this rock – perhaps a wolverine.
- 4 **The Sphinx** - She guards this pyramid-shaped mountain like her sister in Egypt. See page 188.
- 5 **Window Cave** - Find a cave/mine with a 15' horizontal shaft including a "window."
- 6 **Beach Cobblestones** - These stones were smoothed by the ancient Lake Bonneville lapping against the hillside. See page 77.
- 7 **Farmington Jade** - This field of low-grade jade includes a large flat specimen in the Farmington Upper Terrace Trail. See page 77.
- 8 **Lagoon Animals** - From this point on the Lagoon trail some of Lagoon's zoo animals such as buffalo and elk can be seen.
- 9 **Indian Princess Grave** - Visit the sacred spot where Chief Little Soldier's daughter and her baby are buried. See page 35.
- 10 **Mill Flume Relics** - The wound metal pipe flume from pioneer days fed Willard Richards' grist mill paddle wheel.
- 11 **Farmington Cave** - Visit a large cavern located at the start of the Farmington Creek Trail near the canyon trailhead.
- 12 **Aqueduct Headgate** - This old concrete intake structure gathered water from the creek.
- 13 **Mystery of the Tire** - Can you solve the mystery or even discover what it is?
- 14 **Jade Hill** - An outcropping of Farmington jade is throughout this area.
- 15 **Panorama Point** - From this vantage point, you can see miles up and down the valley.
- 16 **Spine Subway** - This natural depression will take you right up the ridge.

- 17 **Flag Rock** - Veterans erected a flag pole here with an American flag that barely survived the '03 fire. It honors the fallen victims of 9/11. The distance from the 100 North trailhead to the base of the flag pole is the same as the height of the former World Trade Center towers.
- 18 **Patsy's Mine** - Locate the entrance to a "haunted" old silver mine. Before being blocked off, this mine included ~140' horizontal shaft, side shaft and secret chamber.
- 19 **Eagle Rock** - This rock looks like a 12-foot-tall bald eagle perched on a rock guarding the Patsy's Mine Trail. See page 188.
- 20 **Tracy's Tower** - This is a great rock for rope climbing practice.
- 21 **Bob's Boulder** - The Hornet Creek Trail passes over this rock where climbers repel.
- 22 **Bullwinkle's Chair** - Sit in a stone seat with a stylized back loosely resembling moose antlers.
- 23 **Big Foot Rock** - This looks like the sole of a size #110 boot.
- 24 **The Grotto** - Find a hidden spring, waterfall, water weep, and wading pool. See page 112.
- 25 **Mezzanine Rock** - This structure juts out into Hornet Canyon and features a curved entryway and "opera box" seating.
- 26 **Steed Subway** - Make use of this half-mile long natural depression in a trough leading up the ridge.
- 27 **Cliff Lookout!** - Enjoy a great overlook on top of Farmington's grandest cliff.
- 28 **Trogdor Rock** - A 300-foot-long rock. See its face and eye at the top.
- 29 **Landslide Meadow** - This small, level meadow high on the mountain was caused by a landslide long ago.
- 30 **Geocache Altar** - Find a large altar made of rocks with a hidden geocache at a peak midway up the mountain.
- 31 **Gold Meadow** - This meadow turns golden in the spring with yellow wild flowers.
- 32 **Indian Bathtubs** - These three pools may have once provided a place for ancient inhabitants to wash. This is a great place to refresh yourself after a hot summer hike. See page 130.

## Points of Interest continued

- 33 **Indian Annie Rock** - Watch this Indian maiden age a lifetime in a day as the shadows lengthen. Use your imagination to see her headdress surrounding her lighter face. See page 188.
- 34 **Indian Cave** - This retreat next to the creek has given shelter throughout the ages. See page 174.
- 35 **Lightning Strike Tree** - This tree's prominent vertical stripe is dramatic evidence of a lightning strike. The sap boiled then oozed out the length of the tall tree.
- 36 **Midway Peak** - Climb a large rock tower up the Triumph Trail halfway to the mountaintop.
- 37 **Pretty Valley** - Enjoy a delightful meadow high on the mountainside a great place to play Capture the Flag or to enjoy nighttime stargazing.
- 38 **El Capitan Rock** - This towering rock in the scrub oak has a flowing texture and organic appearance. It is the largest rock on the hillside. See page 127.
- 39 **Wolf Head Rock** - Use your imagination to find the wolf's eye, teeth, and the blood on his muzzle from his last kill. It was named by Jason Stowell when he was a Cub Scout on a hike with his den. See page 189.
- 40 **Prayer Rock** - Pause at a large flat rock with a 360° panoramic view. This is a good location for meditation.
- 41 **Christmas Tree Lane** - Walk the lane and become one with the evergreens.
- 42 **Beehive Tree** - The trail takes a turn at this landmark juniper tree that resembles a classical Deseret beehive.
- 43 **Hell Hole** - A deep forest protects campers from the hot sun. A beautiful waterfall is nearby. The mountain to the west blocks the freeway noise, creating a peaceful place to camp.
- 44 **Old Abe Tree** - The circumference of the trunk of this old giant is 18 feet.
- 45 **Moose Run Ridge** - Moose tracks are everywhere on this forested ridge.
- 46 **Fern Meadow** - Discover a meadow filled with five-foot-tall ferns on the G2Connector Trail. Springs are everywhere.
- 47 **Farmington Lake** - This high mountain lake is a rewarding destination for dedicated hikers.

- 48 **Farmington Flats** - Play in a highland meadow with an improved campground.
- 49 **Hawk Rock** - Watch the hawks soar over Ford Canyon from this commanding vantage point. See where the '03 fire leveled a large forest.
- 50 **Hidden Meadows** - The mountainside conceals three large meadows.
- 51 **Moss Rock** - This moss-covered rock overlooks a shaded campsite next to a creek. See page 110.
- 52 **Neighborhood Bike Park** - Neighbors got together to build this fun course for kids to ride.
- 53 **Robert N. Hasenyager Great Salt Lake Nature Center** - Enjoy a true nature experience, exploring wetlands and crossing creeks without getting your feet wet. This was Bob Hasenyager's final gift to the City.
- 54 **USU Bontanical Center** - 920 S. 50 W. in Kaysville. Learn about plants to use for landscaping or just stroll around the trails among several ponds.
- 55 **Two Kings Rock** - This rock formation resembles two kings, with one bowing to the other. See page 158.
- 56 **Farmington Pond** - Enjoy a pleasant afternoon with a picnic, fishing, or just feeding the ducks. Restrooms are available.



*Neighborhood Bike Park (POI #52)*



*photos by Amy Shumway*



# Trails by Type and Difficulty

Note: All distances are one way. The times listed are for uphill travel. The trails with the “\*” require hiking another trail to get to the one listed.

## EASY

### Walking/Jogging/Hiking Trails

- #2 Historic Trail [4.5 miles; 2.5 hours]
- #4.1-4.2 South Frontage Road Trail [2.2 miles; 1 hour]
- #5.1-5.2 Oakridge Preserve Trail - North Sections [3.2 miles; 1.5 hours]
- #5.3 Oakridge Preserve Trail - Wetland Section [1.9 miles; 1 hour]
- #8.2 Great Salt Lake Shoreline Trail - Buffalo Ranch Section [1.9 miles; 1 hour]
- #9.5-9.7 Shepard Creek Trail - City Sections [2.3 miles; 1.3 hours]
- #10.1 Haight Creek Trail - East Section [0.5 mile; 15 minutes]
- #10.3-10.4 Haight Creek Trail - West Sections [2 miles; 1 hour]
- #11.3-11.4 Farmington Creek Trail - City Sections [2 miles; 1 hour]
- #11.5 Farmington Creek Trail - Fairgrounds Section [0.8 mile; 45 minutes]
- #13.2-13.4 Buffalo Ranch Trail - Buffalo Ranch Sections [4.1 miles; 1.5 hours]
- #13.5 Buffalo Ranch Trail - Farmington Ranches Park Section [1.1 miles; 30 minutes]
- #18.11 Davis Creek Trail - Urban Nature Walk Section [0.7 mile; 20 minutes]
- #19 Freedom Hills Trail [1.9 miles; 1.5 hours]
- #23 Nature Center Trail at Farmington Bay [2.8 miles; 1.5 hours]
- #37 Farmington Regional Park [2.7 miles; 1.5 hours]
- #38 Bamberger Bridge Trail [0.14 miles; 15 minutes]

### Road Biking Trails

- #6 Legacy Trail [3.8 miles; 30 minutes]
- #7 Rails-to-Trails [3.1 miles; 20 minutes]

### Mountain Biking Trails

- #1.1-1.7 Bonneville Shoreline Trail [13.2 miles; 1.5 hours]
- #11.3-11.5 Farmington Creek Trail [2.4 miles; 20 minutes]
- #27 Farmington Bay Trail [20.7 miles; 2 hours]
- #30.1-30.3 Great Western Trail [9.9 miles; 1 hour]
- #39 The Farm Mountain Bike Park [trails for multiple skill levels]

### Horseback Trails

- #1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7 Bonneville Shoreline Trail [12.5 miles; 2.2 hours]
- #13.4 Buffalo Ranch Trail - Buffalo Ranch Sections [1.7 miles; 45 minutes]
- #21 Fruit Heights Upper Terrace Trail [1.8 miles; 30 minutes]
- #27 Farmington Bay Trail [20.7 miles; 3 hours]
- #30.1-30.3 Great Western Trail [9.9 miles; 2 hours]

## **MODERATE**

### **Hiking Trails**

- #11.1-11.2 Farmington Creek Trail [3.5 miles; 3 hours]
- #14 Rudd Canyon Trail [0.7 mile; 45 minutes]
- #15.1-15.2 Patsy's Mine Trail [1.6 miles; 1.5 hours]
- #16.2 Hornet Canyon Trail - Grotto Section [0.5 mile; 30 minutes]
- #18.9 Davis Creek Trail - 1st Waterfall Section [0.5 mile; 30 minutes]
- #20.1-20.2\* Farmington Upper Terrace Trail [2.1 miles; 1.3 hours]
- #21 Fruit Heights Upper Terrace Trail [1.8 miles; 1 hour]
- #24.1-24.2\* Old Aqueduct Trail [1.3 miles; 1 hour]
- #28\* '03 Fire Trail [1.4 miles; 1.5 hours]
- #29 Hidden Meadows Trail [0.5 miles; 30 minutes]
- #35\* Flag Rock Trail [1.9 miles; 2 hours]

### **Mountain Biking Trails**

- #11.1 Farmington Creek Trail [1.8 miles; 45 minutes]
- #19 Freedom Hills Trail [1.9 miles; 20 minutes]
- #39 The Farm Mountain Bike Park [trails for multiple skill levels]

### **Horseback Trails**

- #11.1 Farmington Creek Trail [1.8 miles; 45 minutes]

## **STRENUOUS**

### **Hiking Trails**

- #3.1-3.2\* Wolverine Trail [4 miles; 7 hours]
- #9.1, 9.3 Shepard Creek Trail [2.8 miles; 5.5 hours]
- #12.1-12.2 Farmington Spine Trail [4.5 miles; 7.5 hours]
- #16.1-16.2\* Hornet Canyon Trail [1.5 miles; 2.5 hours]
- #17.1-17.2, 17.4-17.5 Steed Creek Trail [4.1 miles; 7 hours]
- #18.1-18.4, 18.8-18.9 Davis Creek Trail [4.5 miles; 7.5 hours]
- #22.1, 22.3-22.4\* Francis Peak Trail [5.6 miles; 10 hours]
- #25.1-25.2, 25.4\* Bountiful Peak Trail [4.6 miles; 7 hours]
- #26.1-26.2\* Ford Canyon Trail [2.6 miles; 5 hours]
- #31.1-31.2\* G2Connector Trail [1.5 miles; 2 hours]
- #32.1-32.2\* Old North Trail [2.9 miles; 5 hours]
- #33\* Cattleman Trail [0.9 mile; 1.5 hours]
- #34 Triumph Trail [2.3 miles; 4.5 hours]
- #36\* Centennial Trail [2.5 miles; 5 hours]

### **Horseback Trails**

- #25.1-25.3\* Bountiful Peak Trail [4.1 miles; 4 hours]
- #32.1-32.2\* Old North Trail [2.9 miles; 3 hours]

# Wild Flowers by the Trail



*photo by Amy Shumway*

Silvery Lupine



*photo by Amy Shumway*

Sego Lily



*photo by Gayle Stewart*

Tufted Evening Primrose



*photo by Amy Shumway*

Common Yarrow



*photo by Lani Shepard*

Yellow Salsify or Goatsbeard



*photo by Amy Shumway*

Utah Milkvetch



*photo by Amy Shumway*

Arrowleaf Balsamroot



*photo by Lani Shepard*

Wasatch Beardtongue or Penstemon



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Prickly Pear Cactus



*photo by Amy Shumway*

Wavyleaf Thistle



*photo by Terry Stephens*

Mertensia or Bluebells



*photo by Lani Shepard*

Blazing Star

# Plants to Avoid



photos by Todd Argyle

**Poison Ivy** - Causes a severe rash with most people. Remember: "Leaves of three, let it be." Wash with soap and water.



photos by Lani Shepard



**Myrtle Spurge** - All plant parts contain a poisonous white milky sap that can cause serious skin irritation.



**Stinging Nettle** - Can irritate the skin. Likes to grow near water. Wash with soap and water.



photo by Lani Shepard

**Dyers' Woad** - A non-native weed taking over Utah. Only goats will eat it. Has a stubborn corkscrew root.



**Puncture Vine** - produces a thorn in July that will puncture bare feet and bike tires.

# Wildlife Awareness and Safety Tips

Farmington's hiking trails and open spaces are home to an abundance of wildlife, including cougar, coyote, mule deer, elk, moose, racoon and rattlesnakes. The following pages contain a few tips to help you avoid conflicts with wildlife and enjoy your outdoor experience.

## Hike and Recreate Responsibly

- Never approach, try to touch, or feed wildlife. Always observe from a distance.
- Stay alert at dawn and dusk, when wildlife is more active.
- Stay on designated trails.
- Do not hike or jog alone. Recreate with a companion.
- Make noise while you hike, like talking or whistling, to alert wildlife to your presence and allow it to move away from you.
- Keep dogs leashed, especially on trails.
- Do not let your dog chase or "play" with wildlife.
- Be extra cautious in the spring when wildlife are raising young and in the fall when deer, elk, and moose are in "rut" or breeding.
- Keep a clean odor-free campsite. Never store food or scented items in your tent.
- Do not burn or leave trash in the fire pit.
- Stay away from animal carcasses. They may be kills that are being guarded.

## If You Encounter Wildlife

- Always give the animal a clear escape route. Do not crowd the animal.
- Stay calm. Do not run from wildlife.
- Pick up pets and small children.
- If you need to discourage an animal from approaching you, stomp your feet and clap your hands. Shout in a loud authoritative voice. Throw sticks or rocks.
- If attacked, fight back.
- If you hear a rattlesnake, stop and listen to find where the rattle sound is coming from. Don't jump or run. Slowly back away.
- If a moose or deer knocks you down, curl into a ball, protect your head and lie still until the animal retreats.



For more information please visit  
[www.wildawareutah.org](http://www.wildawareutah.org)

# Wildlife Awareness and Safety Tips cont'd



Tracks lack nail prints because they have retractable nails.

**Cougar**, also known as the mountain lion, puma, catamount, or panther. Adults weigh 90-200 lbs. These solitary animals usually hunt at dawn and dusk. Their main prey are mule deer.

## If you encounter a cougar:

- Stop. Stay calm.
- Never run from a cougar.
- Do not approach a cougar.
- Maintain eye contact.
- Do not crouch or squat.
- Pick up small children/pets or keep them close.
- Make yourself look bigger by waving your arms or jacket above your head. Talk firmly in a loud voice, back away slowly and leave the area.
- Fight back if you are attacked.

## If you encounter a coyote:

- Never let your dog chase or “play” with coyotes.
- Do not approach a coyote.
- Pick up small pets.
- If a coyote approaches you, try to frighten it away.
- Do not run or turn your back on a coyote that has approached you.



**Coyote** attacks on humans are rare. They are curious and often observe humans from a distance. Adults weigh 20-45 lbs.



**Red Fox** coats may be shades of red to black, but all have a white tip at the end of the tail. Adults weigh up to 12 lbs.



## Domestic Dog



## Raccoon



If you encounter aggressive wildlife, contact your Utah Division of Wildlife Resources office at (801) 476-2740.

After hours, call the Farmington Police Department (801) 451-5453. They can contact a conservation officer to handle the situation.

*Though mule deer, elk, and moose may be active during the day and night, they are mostly out at dawn and dusk. Only males have antlers. Females with young may be aggressive in the spring. Males may be more aggressive during the fall breeding season.*



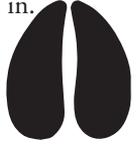
**Mule Deer** live throughout Utah, in many habitats.

2-3 in.



**Elk** are found in the mountains in summer and foothills in winter.

4 1/2 in.



**If you encounter a moose:**

- Do not approach. Give the moose a lot of space.
- Back away if a moose exhibits signs of aggression: neck hair standing up, snout licking, ears back.
- Stay calm. Do not run away. Talk quietly and slowly back away in the direction that you came.
- If a moose charges you, hide behind something solid.
- If a moose knocks you down, curl into a ball to protect your head and lie still until the animal retreats.



**Moose** prefer forested areas with meadows and wetlands. Males weigh up to 1,200 lbs. Moose can run at 35 mph.



6 1/2 in.

**Rattlesnakes** are commonly found near rocky talus slopes. They are important to Utah ecology. Look carefully where you place your feet and before you sit on the ground, rocks, or logs. Wear closed-toed shoes.



**If you encounter a snake:**

- Leave it alone. Never poke, handle, or harass a snake.
- If you hear a rattle, don't jump or panic.
- Locate the origin of the sound before moving.
- Keep at least five feet away from the snake.
- Warn other hikers in the area.
- If you can't tell if the snake is venomous from a distance, leave it alone and treat it as if it were venomous.
- Rattlesnakes are protected by Utah law.

*Learn about Utah's venomous and non-venomous snakes at [www.wildawareutah.org](http://www.wildawareutah.org).*

## #1.1-1.4 Bonneville Shoreline Trail - North Sections

**Length:** 4.8 miles  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 2.5 hours on foot  
**Elevation Gain:** 433 feet



### Features:

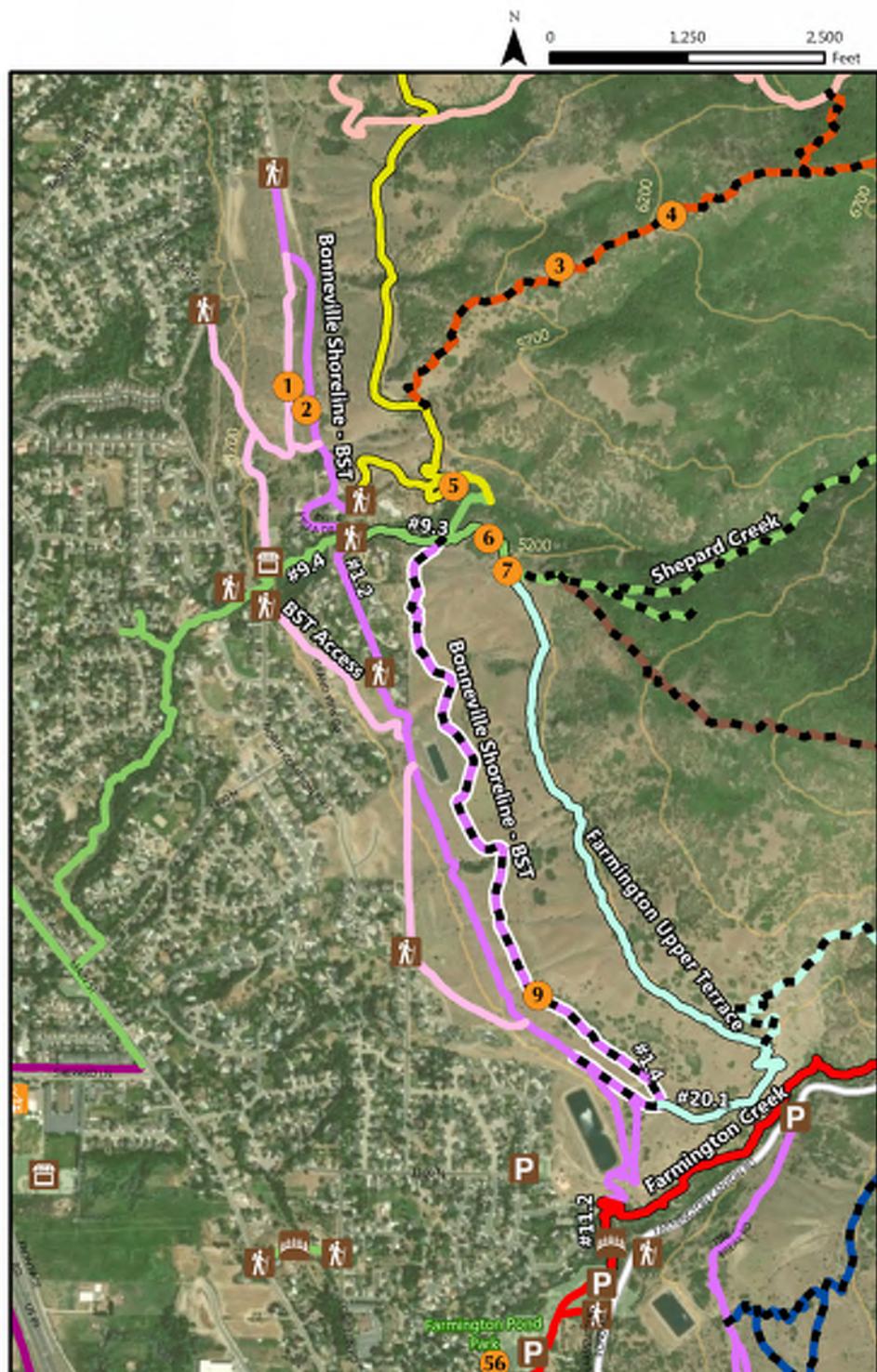
- These four sections of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail give access from the Shepard Heights and Somerset Subdivisions to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail to the north.
- This trail is suitable for most categories of users.
- Visit Frog Rock (POI #1), a boulder that resembles a fat frog preparing to leap.
- Find an inspirational message and warning from a young man who lost his life on this trail at the Scott Nye Memorial (POI #2).
- Visit the Indian Princess grave (POI #9) and read the historical plaque.
- The large parking lot at Farmington Pond is ideal for horse trailer parking.

**Description:** These four sections of trail are the north end of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail (BST) in the Farmington area. Section 1.1 runs from the south end of 1800 E. in Kaysville to the north end of Farmington using two routes to connect with Bella Vista Drive. Section 1.2 runs south on a sidewalk the length of Bella Vista Drive then descends down a gravel road on the south end to a maintenance road by a pump house with a green roof. Section 1.3 starts on a jeep road off Mahogany Road in Fruit Heights then goes up to the north end of Bella Vista Drive. A branch runs through the Hidden Springs Subdivision down to the waterfall on North Compton Road then connects to the BST with a footpath ascending diagonally to the southeast across Grand View Drive to the pump house. Section 1.4 continues on south from the pump house to Farmington Canyon. There is also a parallel path to this one just east of the highest houses. The parallel path, which is not for horses, starts on the Shepard Creek Trail section #9.3 then runs south on the east side of two reservoirs to reach Farmington Pond, passing the Indian Princess grave (Point of Interest (POI) #9) on the way. All of the slopes are gentle along the foothills and give a great view of the city below.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - North Compton Road:** From Main Street go east on 1400 N. to North Compton Road, turn left and go to Shepard Creek by a small waterfall. Park here. The trailhead is just south of the creek.

**Access #2 - Fruit Heights:** From South Mountain Road in Fruit Heights, turn east on East Oaks Drive and wind up the hill to 1800 E. (Davis Blvd). Turn right and drive to the end of the road. The trail goes due south.



*Nature always wears the colors of the spirit. -Ralph Waldo Emerson*

## #1.1-1.4 Bonneville Shoreline Trail - North Sections *cont'd*

**Access #3 - Bella Vista Drive:** From Main Street, go east on 1400 N. to North Compton Road, turn right then left on Grand View Drive. Go up the hill to Bella Vista Drive, then turn left and drive to the end of the road. To reach the parallel path east of the houses, stop at Shepard Creek before you reach the end of the road and go east through a chain-link fence opening. Go halfway up the first slope behind the houses and look for a trail heading south.

**Access #4 - Pump House:** From Main Street, go east on 1400 N. to North Compton Road and turn right then left on Grand View Drive. Go up the hill to Bella Vista Drive then turn right and drive to the end of the road. The trail descends to the pump house with a green roof.

**Access #5 - Point of View Park with Parking:** Go east out of Point of View Park which you reach from Main St. at 1350 N., then go to the top of 1300 S.

**Access #6 - Farmington Pond Trailhead with Parking:** This is the preferred north access for equestrians to the BST. From Main Street go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.), and take the first left into the Farmington Pond area. Take the right fork to reach the trailhead. Park in the gravel area and look to the north to spot the bridge over Farmington Creek. Cross the bridge and go up the hill.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is in excellent shape with a packed dirt base or sidewalk.



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*I remember a hundred lovely lakes, and recall the fragrant breath of pine and fir and cedar and poplar trees. The trail has strung upon it, as upon a thread of silk, opalescent dawns and saffron sunsets. -Hamlin Garland*

## #1.5-1.6 Bonneville Shoreline Trail - Steed Section

**Length:** 4.4 miles

**Time:** 2 hours

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 488 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy stunning sunsets across the lake on this fairly level north/south trail.

**Description:** This section of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail joins Farmington Canyon to Davis Canyon. This is a very popular trail running north and south along the shoreline of the ancient Lake Bonneville. This mostly double-track trail takes you south from the Farmington Pond Trailhead. This trail section provides connections to several trails, including Farmington Creek, Farmington Spine, Rudd Canyon, Flag Rock, Patsy's Mine, Steed Creek, Triumph, and Davis Creek.

### Access Locations:

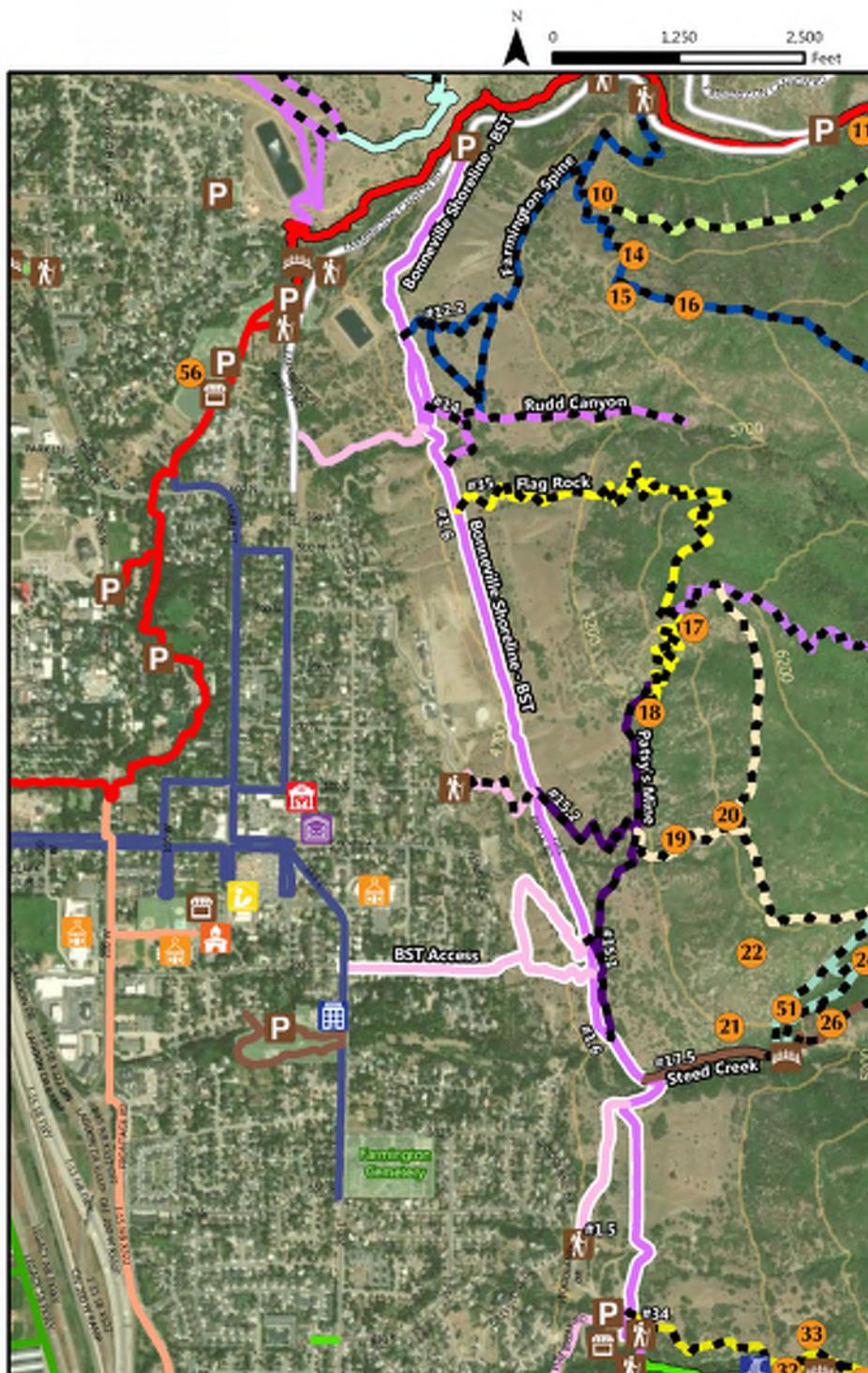
**Access #1 - Farmington Pond Trailhead with Parking:** From Main Street go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.), then take the first left into the Farmington Pond area. Take the right fork and park in the gravel area. Look to the north to spot the bridge over Farmington Creek. The trailhead is located south of the bridge crossing and the trail ascends the slope to your right where it crosses Farmington Canyon Road. As you cross the road you will see the trail on the other side. This is "The Farm" mountain bike park (see trail #39). The eastern section of the Rise Up segment of the Farm can be used by hikers and eventually joins the Weber Basin Aqueduct Road (WBAR) or "firebreak road," which the trail follows to Davis Canyon near 900 South.

**Access #2 - 100 North:** From Main Street, drive east up 100 N. and park at the end of the road. Hike straight up the steep hill to the east until you reach the BST, which is also the firebreak road on this section. You can also hike to the northeast up a jeep road to reach the north section of the BST.

**Access #3 - 200 South:** Drive east up 200 South until the paved road ends. Park and walk due east up a steep hill to the WBAR. You can't miss this 15-foot-wide road on the side of the mountain.

**Access #4 - Reservoir with Parking:** The trailhead is across from the reservoir off Little Valley Road (about 800 South). Little Valley Road is reached by turning east off 200 East at 500 South then driving up the road as it bends south to the reservoir where there are places to park. Walk down the road 100 feet and look for the trail to your right in a grove of trees. Ascend a small hill, then turn to the east for a short distance before hiking north for almost a mile.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is fairly smooth with a gravel and dirt base and some rocky sections.



*The butterfly counts not months but moments, and has time enough.*  
*-Rabindranath Tagore*

## #1.7-1.8 Bonneville Shoreline Trail - South Sections

**Length:** 2.5 miles

**Time:** 1.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 484 feet



### Features:

- The BST is a fairly level north/south trail.
- Enjoy stunning sunsets across the lake.
- The trail is suitable for all four categories of users.
- Pull-through horse trailer parking is available at Freedom Hills Park.
- The BST is part of a larger trail system that provides access to all the eastern canyon trails.

**Description:** Section #1.7 connects the BST at Davis Canyon to Centerville. Section #1.8 connects Freedom Hills Park to the BST with a horse trail running to the northeast.

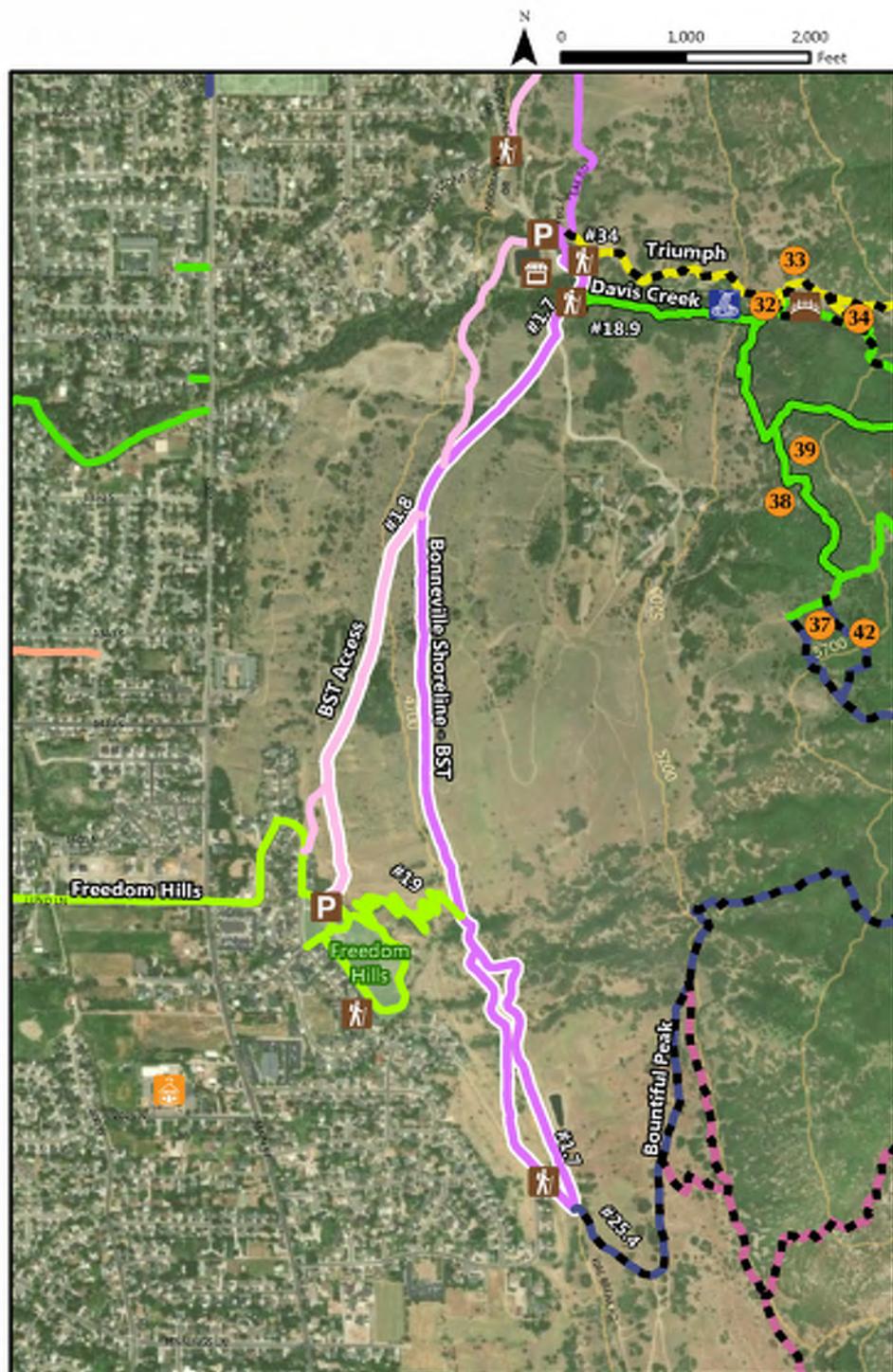
The BST is a system of trails intended to eventually run from Nephi, Utah to Preston, Idaho. The trail generally follows the shoreline terraces left by the ancient Lake Bonneville 15,500 years ago. The highest shelf is at 5,150 feet, the Bonneville Level, then the Provo Level at 4,800 feet, followed by the Stansbury Level at 4,450 feet and finally, the Gilbert Level at 4,200 feet. In the Pleistocene Era (Ice Age), the lake covered a third of Utah. Around 14,500 years ago, melting ice caused lake levels to rise. Lake Bonneville overflowed at Red Rock Pass, Idaho, breaking through a natural dam. The flood lasted a year and dropped the lake 350 feet to the Provo Level. The lake floor rose 200 feet in a textbook case of isostatic crustal rebound.

The current route near Farmington has not been officially approved by the BST Coalition at this time, but it generally follows the Weber Basin Aqueduct Road (WBAR), also known as the firebreak road. The tread base is loose dirt with rocky sections. As a reward for their efforts, hikers can enjoy beautiful sunsets over the Great Salt Lake.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Reservoir Trailhead with Parking:** The trailhead is across from the reservoir off Little Valley Road about 800 South. Little Valley Road is reached by turning east off 200 East at 500 South then driving up the road as it bends south to the reservoir where there are places to park. Walk south on the road 500 feet to a side road that continues south.

**Access #2 - Freedom Hills Park Trailhead with Parking:** Off 200 E., turn east on Lund Lane (1700 S.) and wind up the hill. Take the first right and continue on to



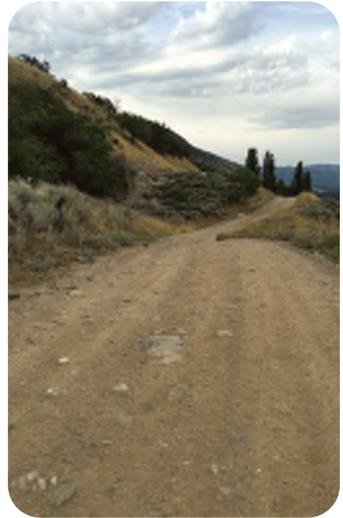
*Sunshine is delicious, rain is refreshing, wind braces us up, snow is exhilarating; there is really no such thing as bad weather, only different kinds of good weather. -John Ruskin*

## #1.6-1.7 Bonneville Shoreline Trail - South Sections cont'd

Freedom Hills Park. Park here. Look for the trail heading northeast up the hillside behind the horse hitching post. A winding trail due east of the park provides an alternate access for bikers and hikers.

**Access #3 - Centerville:** Go east off Main St. in Centerville at 1825 N. Wind through the subdivision up the mountain to the firebreak road. Continue to follow the road northward.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is fairly smooth with a gravel and dirt base and some rocky sections.





photos by Amy Shumway

*Few are altogether deaf to the preaching of pine trees. Their sermons on the mountains go to our hearts; and if people in general could be got into the woods, even for once, to hear the trees speak for themselves, all difficulties in the way of forest preservation would vanish. -John Muir*

## #2 Historic Trail

**Length:** 4.5 miles

**Time:** 2.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 102 feet



This is an interesting tour of some pioneer-era and other historic sites along the main residential streets in old-town Farmington. It is a self-guided tour that you can drive if you are in a hurry or, better yet, walk and be able to read the information on the historical plaques. Most of these sites are private residences, so you will not be able to go inside unless you have made special arrangements with the owner.

**Self-Guided Historical Tour:** Park at Farmington City Hall at 160 S. Main St. You may wish to get a cool drink of water, get information, or pick up a Master Trails Map. Walk north to the Davis County Memorial Courthouse (#1) on the southeast corner of State and Main. The sexton at the Recorder's Office can give you directions to the graves in the Farmington cemetery. Read the plaques (#2) in front of the Courthouse to learn when Davis County was founded. Another plaque (#3) on the other side of the monument right next to the street tells about Captain Davis, an important founding father of our city. Travel east on State St. to #4. Turn right (south) on 100 E. to #5. Come back north on 100 East and travel back west on State Street to Main Street and turn right (north). Visit #6, the site of the old "FC&M." Stroll up Main Street, learning about historic sites on both sides of the street, #7-#12.

Turn right (east) on 100 N. to #13. Turn left (north) on 100 E., where you can visit sites #14 - #22 along both sides of street. Turn left (west) on 500 N. and go down to Main Street, visiting sites #23, #24 and #25. At Main Street, turn left (south) and proceed down the street to sites #26 - #40 (on both sides of the street). Then visit the Farmington City Historical Museum (#42).

Head down (west) 100 North to sites #43 - #45, then continue down 100 West to State Street. Turn right (west) and visit sites #46 and #47. You are now at 200 West, the old Bamberger Railroad, and entering the Clark Lane National Historic District (#48). Sites #49 - #63 are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The tour will take you down the north side of State Street first, then return up the south side.

As you return, heading east on State Street back toward the Courthouse, visit #64, then turn onto 100 West for #65-67. As you return to State Street, notice the "Three Sisters," #68, #69, and #70, on the north side.



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Back at Main Street, enjoy a beautiful row of craftsman-styled bungalows across from the Courthouse at #71 - #74. This concludes the tour. We hope you enjoy learning more about Farmington's pioneer heritage.

### List of Sites

1. **Davis County Memorial Courthouse** 1930, State and Main. Farmington is the county seat, with the courthouse at its center. *Listed on the Farmington City Historic Landmarks Register.*



2. **Davis County monument at courthouse** (on U.S. flag base, facing courthouse), State and Main. Davis County was established on 10/5/1850.
3. **Pioneer monument at courthouse**, (on U.S. flag base, facing State Street), State and Main. Erected in 1939, it honors founding father Captain Daniel Davis from the Nauvoo Legion.

4. **VanFleet Hotel**, c. 1850, 88 E. State St. Thomas and Electa Hunt built this home in the 1850s and ran a tavern out of one section. Hyrum and Anita VanFleet purchased it in 1907. They turned it into the



VanFleet Hotel, which catered mainly to teamsters traveling between Salt Lake City and Ogden, Farmington being a day's drive from either city. When a fire damaged the hotel in 1913, the VanFleets rebuilt the damaged areas and added porches on the north and east sides. The hotel served as an officers' club for Hill Air Force Base during WWII. In 1953, Anita VanFleet remodeled it into apartments. Dr. Berrett Packer bought the building in 1995, renovated it, and turned it into modern dental offices. (Plaque on east side.) *Listed on the National Register.*

5. **Stayner-Steed House/Mackegg Hotel**, 1872, 79 S. 100 E. This pioneer-era hotel, now a private home, was built of native rock by Arthur Stayner. *Listed on the National Register.*
6. **Site of FC&M Building**, 1891, Northeast corner, State St. and Main, On this corner in 1891, the Farmington Commercial and Manufacturing Company opened for business. At two stories tall and with a footprint of 76

x 100 feet, it was the largest store in town. The “FC&M” sold everything from fresh meats to building supplies, hardware, and shoes. It was added onto many times with, among other additions, an office for the Farmington branch of the American Telegraph & Telephone Co. in 1896. *Listed on the National Register.*

7. **Site of JD Wood’s Mercantile**, 1891, 25 N. Main (Remodeled). Jonathan David Wood and Fannie Goble Wood started the first little store in Farmington in 1855, running it out of their home near 37 North 100 East. Their son, JD Wood, carried on the family tradition when he opened his mercantile here in 1891. He sold groceries, candy, fresh produce, shoes, dry goods and coal for many years.
8. **Alfred Stevenson home**, wood frame, 1886, 36 N. Main St. *Listed on the National Register.*
9. **Stevenson rock barn**, 1855, 56 N. Main St. Daniel Randolph Williams built this beautiful rock barn as a pioneer livery stable. The girders and beams are hand-hewn from logs that were spliced together using wooden pegs to secure the jointed parts. It is currently a private residence and art studio. *Listed on the National Register.*
10. **Walter Rampton home**, brick, 1905, 57 N. Main St. Walter Rampton was the village blacksmith before he became a merchant. In 1907, he opened Farmington’s first drug store, Rampton Drug. Walter Rampton, Jr. was raised in this home and was Farmington’s mayor from 1930-1932. *Listed on the National Register.*
11. **One story wood-frame home**, c. 1890, 58 N. Main St. Wood-frame buildings were rare in early Farmington. It is currently Aunt Addy’s Country Home boutique. *Listed on the National Register.*
12. **Millinery Shop**, siding over adobe, c. 1880, 79 N. Main St. Joseph E. Robinson built this store for shop owners Elizabeth Cowley Brown and Dora Watson Robinson, who sold millinery and ladies’ furnishings and coats. This building has seen many uses over the years, including a private residence, a café, a hair salon, and offices. *Listed on the National Register.*
13. **Current school district Kendell Bldg**, 100 N. 70 E. The bell in the Kendell Building’s tower came from the old Farmington Academy, built in 1888.
14. **James D. Wilcox & Anne Robinson Wilcox home**, 1870, 100 N. 93 E. This 2-story building was the “Downtown” home of the city’s first mayor and his wife. Wilcox served at the time of the city’s incorporation, in 1892. The rock

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lean-to was added before 1916 and gives the house a “saltbox” shape. *Listed on the National Register.*

15. **One-story pioneer home**, rock, c. 1860, 147 N. 100 E. This home was sold to the Mills family in 1868 and was later the home of Alice and Monroe Sill. The walls, composed of granite gneiss stone, are 21 inches thick.
16. **Rawl Udy home**, brick, 1892, 189 N. 100 E. Sugar beets were grown on this property and the sugar was sold to ZCMI (Zion’s Cooperative Mercantile Incorporated), the West’s first department store.
17. **Pioneer public building**, adobe, 1855, 192 N. 100 E. The original building was a bowery, then the second school in Farmington, and later served as a church. It is now a residence. Several additions have been added over the years. The rock facade is 20<sup>th</sup>-century.

18. **One story pioneer home**, rock, c. 1875, 200 N. 93 E. Notice the beautiful “thimble-spooled” turned pillars on the south porch.



19. **Elias VanFleet home**, rock, c. 1870, 93 East 300 N. (a.k.a. 307 N. 100 East) VanFleet was an early pioneer and a veteran of the Black Hawk War, from 1865 to 1867.

20. **Franklin D. Richards & Rhoda Harriett Foss Richards home**, 1863, 386 N. 100 E. Rock cellar in back. The quartz and granite rocks were hauled from Farmington Canyon. The walls are 33” deep, lined with adobe bricks, plastered over and whitewashed. Richards was an LDS Church apostle. Foss was the widow of Willard Richards prior to her marriage to Franklin. (The 100 East block between 400 North and 300 North is the location of numerous homes built by Willard Richards for his wives.) *Listed on the National Register.*



21. **George Q. Knowlton home**, brick, 1909, 400 N. 93 E. Knowlton Elementary is named for this early educator. *Listed on the National Register.*

22. **VanFleet/Elias Richards home**, rock, c. 1870, 463 N. 100 E.

23. **Truman & Ortentia Leonard home**, 2-story rock, 1863, 500 N. 94 E. The first couple married in the LDS Nauvoo Temple, the Leonards settled in Farmington in 1850 and built an adobe house on this site in 1853. They expanded it with the large stone section in 1863. After their deaths, LDS apostle John Taylor bought the house, tore down the original adobe section and replaced it with the existing brick addition. (Plaque on north side.)
24. **John W. Taylor, Janet and May Rich home**, brick, 1902, 500 N. 49 E. This home is the sole example of the “foursquare” form of architecture in the city. Taylor was an LDS apostle and the son of John Taylor, third president of the LDS Church. *Listed on the National Register.*
25. **Lewis Edwin Abbott home**, stucco over brick, 1903, 15 E. 500 N. This turn-of-the-century home sits on the site of the settlement’s first cemetery plots.
26. **John W. Hess & Caroline Workman Hess home**, brick, 1882, 488 N. Main St. John W. Hess was the Farmington LDS Ward’s third bishop in 1855, serving for 27 years. He built homes for his seven wives and 63 children along Main Street. *Listed on the National Register.*
27. **John W. Hess & Mary Ann Steed Hess home**, brick, 1880, 479 N. Main St. *Listed on the National Register.*
28. **Brick cottage**, 1926, 410 North Main St. This home is also the site of an early tannery. *Listed on the National Register.*
29. **Miller home and farm**, brick, 1890, 351 N. Main St. Site of 1849 adobe home of Daniel Miller & Hannah Bigler Miller. Daniel turned the first furrow in Farmington. In 1890, Charles A. Miller, their son, tore down the original house and built this 2-story red brick home on its site. The 1849 barn and granary still stand. *Listed on the National Register.*
30. **One story pioneer home and farm**, rock and wood siding over adobe, 331 N. Main St. *Listed on the National Register.*
31. **George Chaffin home**, brick, 1895, 310 North Main St. There was originally a United Order shoe shop to the east of this home. *Listed on the National Register.*
32. **Rock Church**, 1862, 272 N. Main St. This is the site of the first LDS Primary



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meeting for 224 children on August 11, 1878. Construction on the church began with only \$12 in cash in 1862, under Brigham Young's supervision. When its first addition was built in 1941, Lynn Fausett painted a mural in the old chapel depicting the first Primary.



The church was enlarged again in 1980. *Listed on the National Register.*

33. **Charles Penrose cabin**, log, 1861, 272 N. Main St. (behind church). This cabin was built in 1861 for Charles Penrose, who wrote several hymns for the LDS Church. It has been moved several times from its original site on the southwest corner of 300 North Main Street. It was relocated to the church grounds in 1956. The cabin and the many historical artifacts it houses are preserved and maintained by the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers. *Listed on the Farmington City Historic Landmarks Register.*
34. **Jacob Miller home**, rock, 1875, 245 N. Main St. Miller's family was one of the first five to settle the Farmington area in 1848. The original blueprint of this home was drafted by the architect of the Rock Chapel across the street. Secret rock cellars sealed off in the basement were, presumably, once used to hide polygamists from federal authorities. *Listed on the National Register.*
35. **Brick bungalow**, 1926, 211 N. Main St. This home illustrates a type of residence popular throughout Farmington and the United States from 1900 to 1940. *Listed on the National Register.*
36. **Haight-Union Hotel**, siding over adobe, 1857, 208 N. Main St. This 2-story hotel was built by the area's first pioneer, Hector Haight, often called the "Father of Farmington." Many early dignitaries stayed here, including Brigham Young. *Listed on the National Register.*
37. **Period-revival cottage**, brick, 1925, 207 N. Main St. Many charming period-revival homes were built during the 1920's, 1930's and 1940's. *Listed on the National Register.*
38. **Simple Victorian home**, brick, 1893, 177 N. Main St. This home is typical of the type of house built locally during the Victorian era.
39. **Pioneer-era adobe home**, c.1860-1870, 139 N. Main St. As with most of

Farmington's pioneer adobe buildings, the fragile bricks have been stuccoed over to protect them from water damage.

- 40. Judge Harold H. Robinson home**, 1923, 127 N. Main St. This 2-story, hip-roofed colonial is reminiscent of fine homes found on the east coast. Judge Robinson once joked that the cannon at the old Farmington City Hall was pointed directly at his home. He took it personally and had the cannon rendered unusable by filling it with cement and then pointed elsewhere.
- 41. Current Farmington City Hall**, 160 S. Main Street. (Not along the walking tour path.)
- 42. Farmington Historical Museum**, brick, 1907, 110 N. Main St. James H. Robinson supervised the construction of this building in 1907. In 1917, Farmington City purchased it for use as a City Hall, part of it serving as a library until 1964. Farmington's Lion's Club took over the lease in 1970 and graciously donated it in 2002 so the City could use it as a museum. The Farmington Historical Museum opened in July 2004. It is open Wednesdays from 1-4 p.m., and may be visited at other times by appointment (leave a message at 801-451-2357). *Listed on the National Register.*



- 43. Oliver Robinson barn**, rock, 1872, 100 N. 67 W. Built as a hay barn for animals, this beautiful rock barn was converted into apartment residences around 1900, and into a single-family home in the 1940s by Zelda and Fred Tidwell.
- 44. Joseph Lee Robinson home**, adobe, 1854, 94 N. 100 W. This two-story, hall-parlor home was built by the Robinsons, one of Farmington's first five settler families, who arrived here in 1849. Joseph Lee Robinson served as the area's first LDS bishop, and each of his five wives lived in this house at some point. Oliver Lee Robinson, Joseph's eldest son, lived here later. Several cottages were built behind the house for plural wives.
- 45. Robinson family home**, stuccoed adobe, 1865, 100 N. 104 W. Joseph Lee Robinson's family built an adobe house here in 1865. In 1874, his son and daughter-in-law, Joseph Elijah Robinson & Dora Robinson, moved in and added to the home. Joseph, the youngest son of Joseph Lee and Maria Wood Robinson, was the first white male child to be born in Farmington on February 2, 1849. His son, R.C. "Doc" Robinson later lived here and

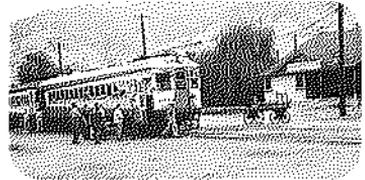
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received the Carnegie Award for bravely rescuing two women from the massive Farmington flood of 1923.

46. **Thomas Rogers & Aurelia Spencer Rogers home**, adobe, 1867, 142 West State St. Aurelia Rogers organized the first LDS Primary Organization for children (see #32). Originally a 2-room adobe house with a front porch, the exterior was rocked over in the late 20<sup>th</sup>-century.



47. **Pioneer schoolhouse/Bamberger station**, adobe, 1855, 184 West State St. Originally Farmington's third schoolhouse, then the Bamberger Train Station, this building is now a private residence.



48. **Clark Lane National Historic District:**

Accepted to the National Register of Historic Places in 1997, this is the first nationally listed historic district in Davis County, encompassing the homes on State Street (formerly "Clark Alley" or "Clark Lane") between 200 West and 400 West.

49. **John Leavitt/Timothy Clark & Lucy Rice Clark home**, adobe, rock, and brick, 208 West State St. John Leavitt, an important railroad man, built the original 2-room adobe house (northeast corner) in 1862. The Clark family built a 2-room rock addition to the west in 1873 and a 2-story brick central passage wing (in front) in 1881. While raising 8 children here, they rented the two



upstairs bedrooms to railroad workers and travelers. An ardent suffragist and active in politics, Lucy became the first woman to cast a vote at the Republican National Convention in 1908. In 1918, Edmond and Elizabeth Whitaker bought the house, enlarged the kitchen and added the craftsman-styled front porch. *Listed on the National Register.*

50. **James and Millie Millard home**, brick, 1955, 220 West State St.

51. **Edmond Whitaker & Elizabeth Wood Whitaker**, wood frame, 1950, 256 West State St. Edmond and Elizabeth Whitaker built this house on the west side of their property and retired here when their children were grown, moving from tour house #49. Their family had a dairy farm and an onion farm a few blocks to the west. After a fire, the building was remodeled in the 1980s.

52. **Nathan George Clark & Esther Laurretta Ford Clark home**, brick, 1899, 268 West State St. Nathan Clark was the third son of Ezra T. Clark and his second wife, Susan Leggett Clark. This Victorian home remained in the Clark family until it was sold to Lagoon in the 1990s. This property also contains the district's only barn on the National Register of Historic Places. Originally, this house was the most elaborate and intricate of the gingerbread-style homes in the district. *Listed on the National Register.*

53. **Amasa Lyman Clark & Alice Steed Clark home**, brick, 1885, 290 West State St. This 1½-story cross-wing "T" Victorian home is capped by intersecting gable roofs of differing heights. Although Alice died in 1895, Amasa remarried and lived here for most of



his long life. He was the cashier of the Davis County Bank when his father, Ezra T. Clark, established it in 1892, and he became bank president in 1945. He was Farmington's mayor from 1908 to 1912, and it was during his administration that electricity came to Farmington. It is said that this house was the first in Farmington to have running water, from a tank mounted outside the kitchen window. *Listed on the National Register.*

54. **Joseph S. Clark home**, brick, 1895, 340 West State St. Built for Joseph Smith Clark, the design of this 1½-story brick cross-wing house was influenced by the Queen Anne style. It is the most elaborate home of its kind in the district. Joseph helped settled Georgetown, Idaho, and managed the family ranch for many years. He was president of the Davis County Bank. The top story was destroyed by fire around 1920 and was not rebuilt. Instead, the home was updated to a one-story bungalow. In 1979, the current owners rebuilt the upper story to match the original house. *Listed on the National Register.*

55. **Ezra T. Clark & Mary Stevenson Clark home**, rock, 1856, 368 W. State St. The original adobe structure was a two-story, single pile, side passage plan

with a gable roof parallel to the street. It replaced a two-room log home that the family lived in during the first 6 years of the settlement, located about 300 feet southwest of the Ezra T. Clark Monument. The first alteration to the original structure, c. 1868, consists of two single-story wings added to each side of the original two-story structure. This house was the family gathering place. Ezra was a successful rancher and farmer. He was the founder and first president of the Davis County Bank. He was also the founder and CEO of the Farmington Commercial & Manufacturing Company. *Listed on the National Register.*

56. **Edward Franklin Clark & Aureta Potter Clark home**, brick, 1925, 382 W. State St. This bungalow represents a type of residence popular throughout Farmington and the United States during this period of time. Edward F. Clark, grandson of Ezra T. Clark, was an employee of Miller Floral for many years, and he also served as a Justice of the Peace in Farmington from 1926-1970. *Listed on the National Register.*
57. **Pioneer monument/Clark Park**, 1948, 400 West 50 North. The Ezra T. Clark Monument and Park was constructed in 1948 to celebrate the 100-year anniversary of the Clark family's settlement in Utah and the significant contributions they made to Davis County and the state. The monument marks the site where the family settled in 1850. Some of their descendants still live here today.
58. **Orson Richards Clark & Lucile Barlow Clark home**, brick, 1940, 399 W. State St. This Period Revival cottage is the district's lone example of a vernacular expression of the English Tudor style. It was home to Orson Clark, a rancher, a teacher, and a grandson of Ezra T. Clark. *Listed on the National Register.*
59. **Hyrum Don Carlos Clark & Ann Eliza Porter Clark home**, wood frame, 1908, 367 W. State St. Wood-framed buildings of this age and older are rare in Farmington. Hyrum and Ann left Farmington in 1880 to seek their fortune first in Idaho and then in Star Valley, Wyoming. Ann found the winters in Wyoming too rigorous, so Hyrum built this house for her in 1908. Hyrum returned to Farmington in his later years of life. *Listed on the National Register.*
60. **Susan Leggett Clark home**, brick, 1886, 335 West State St. This Second Empire Victorian home, built for Ezra Clark's second wife, replaced a smaller (probably adobe) home built for her on the lot in 1861. Its straight mansard roof with a hipped crown, pierced by gable dormers on all facades, is typical

of the style. In the book, *A Mormon Mother*, Annie Clark Tanner writes about her life growing up in this house across the street from her father's first wife's home. *Listed on the National Register.*

61. **Eugene Henry Clark & Sarah Sessions Clark home**, brick, 1900, 307 West State St. Built in 1900 for the sixth child of Ezra and Susan Leggett Clark, this 1½-story Victorian Eclectic design is composed of a rich



variety of elements from a number of Victorian-era architectural styles. The top story was destroyed by fire in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century and then rebuilt. This home is known for having some of the best fruit orchards in Farmington. *Listed on the National Register.*

62. **Annie Clark Tanner home**, brick, 1901, 291 West State St. Annie was the daughter of Ezra T. Clark and his second wife, Susan Leggett Clark. For a decade following her polygamous marriage to Joseph Tanner in 1883, she lived in hiding and moved frequently, finally returning to Farmington to a home of her own, an old pioneer adobe house her father gave her. In 1901, with financial help from her father, Annie tore down the old home and had this Victorian Eclectic house built. Her autobiography, *A Mormon Mother*, describes how her husband left her and their ten children without support in 1913. She built a rental house next door and also rented rooms in the main house to famous orchestra musicians employed at Lagoon. She worked for her neighbors doing washing and scrubbing floors for 15 cents an hour to pay for her children's education. Six of her children received a college education, including her son, O.C. Tanner. *Listed on the National Register.*

63. **Thomas & Martha Sanders home**, 1925, 207 West State St. The foundation of this house was completed in 1925, and the basement was occupied through 1940 when the main floor was completed as a single-story, hip-roofed bungalow by Thomas and Martha Sanders. Thomas Sanders was a carpenter who helped build many of the homes in the Farmington area. He was also employed by Miller Floral in the 1920's. *Listed on the National Register.*

64. **Craftsman-style bungalow**, brick and stucco, 1920, 137 W. State St.

65. **Late Victorian home**, brick, 1912, 86 S.100 W.

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**66. Dahl/John Walsh home**, brick, 1898, 73 S. 100 W. Built for a Swedish couple by the name of Dahl, this charming home was then sold to LDS bishop John Walsh. Walsh is credited with persuading the church's headquarters to hire artist Lynn Fausett to paint the Primary mural in the rock church.



**67. Greenhouses**, about 50 South. You may notice the remains of the Elliott family's greenhouses at mid-block on both sides of 100 West. In the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, Farmington was billed as "The Rose City," due to its abundance of greenhouses and garden businesses, the largest being Miller Floral, located on 200 West where Farmington Junior High now stands.



**68. English Tudor home**, brick, 1929, 72 West State St. The "Three Sisters" (#s 68-70) are beautiful brick cottages, all built in 1929 in the English Tudor style, a picturesque, period-revival style popular in the early 20<sup>th</sup>-century.

**69. English Tudor home**, brick, 1929, 66 West State St.

**70. English Tudor home**, brick, 1929, 54 West State St.

**71. Nephi Palmer home**, 1929, 10 S. Main St. Nephi Palmer was a title abstractor who built this brick bungalow to function as both a home and office. It has four entryways, including one that led to his office. Like the next 3 homes on the tour, it shows off beautiful architectural features of the arts-and-crafts movement, which sought to counter the excess of the Victorian period by returning to pre-industrial-revolution times when



things were made by hand and displayed the craftsman's pride in the work.

**72. Hess home**, brick, 1922, 30 South Main St. Another example of this neighborhood's beautiful 1920s bungalows.

**73. Joseph & Annetta Udy home**, brick, 1920, 44 South Main St. This craftsman-style bungalow was built by Grant Clark (son of Amasa Clark and grandson of Ezra T. Clark) for the Udys, who lived here from the time it was built until they died in 1935. The home passed to their daughters, Marva Earl and Fontella Chaffin, who shared the residence for a time before Marva took full ownership. She lived in the home until 1985. The front rooms still feature the original gumwood, which was fashionable in houses of this style but quite an expensive upgrade, as it had to be imported.

**74. Craftsman-style bungalow**, brick, 1926, 54 South Main St.

#### **Other historic places of interest not on this tour are:**

- **Farmington City Cemetery**, 500 S. 200 E. It was established June 6, 1883 on land donated by William Kelsey Rice, a pioneer of 1847. Rice lived with his wife, Ann Victoria Rose, in a 2-room pioneer home built in 1867. You can visit the well-preserved west wing of their home just north of the cemetery at 443 South 200 East. At the cemetery, visit the graves of many early pioneers and see the map display. Inside the mailbox is a list of the graves alphabetically by last name. Records of plot locations are also available from the sexton at the courthouse.
- **Hector Haight home**, rock, 1867, 600 N. 121 W. Haight was the area's first pioneer settler, considered the "Father of Farmington." Another early settler, Henry Hinman, later lived in this home.
- **James Loynd home**, rock, 1868, 600 N. 82 W. Loynd served as frontier Justice of the Peace in 1878, and owned the first organ in Farmington. The second story is a modern addition.
- **Rock Mill**, 1852, Old Mill Road (east of Main Street on 600 North). This building was built as a water-powered grist mill by pioneer Willard Richards. His nephew, LDS Apostle Franklin D. Richards, enlarged and rebuilt it of rock in 1859. It has been a restaurant and is now a private home. No public access.

To learn more about the history of Farmington City and these historic places visit [www.farmingtonmainstreet.org](http://www.farmingtonmainstreet.org) and [www.clarklane.org](http://www.clarklane.org).

## #3.1 Wolverine Trail - Summit Section

**Length:** 2.7 miles

**Time:** 2.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 2589 feet



### Features:

- This is one way to get to Francis Peak, elevation 9515 ft.
- This trail gives you a great view of the valley all the way up the trail.

**Description:** This is an old hunter's trail going up the ridge of a mountain. It comes out on the road to Francis Peak. For a shorter hike, go a quarter of the way up, take a connecting trail to the north (Little Canyon) and return down a jeep road (section #3.2).

Section #3.1 includes the east part of the trail from Francis Peak down to the connecting trail and the connecting trail down to Little Canyon. Section #3.2 is the west part of the trail from the connecting trail down to the Fruit Heights Upper Terrace Trail (#21).

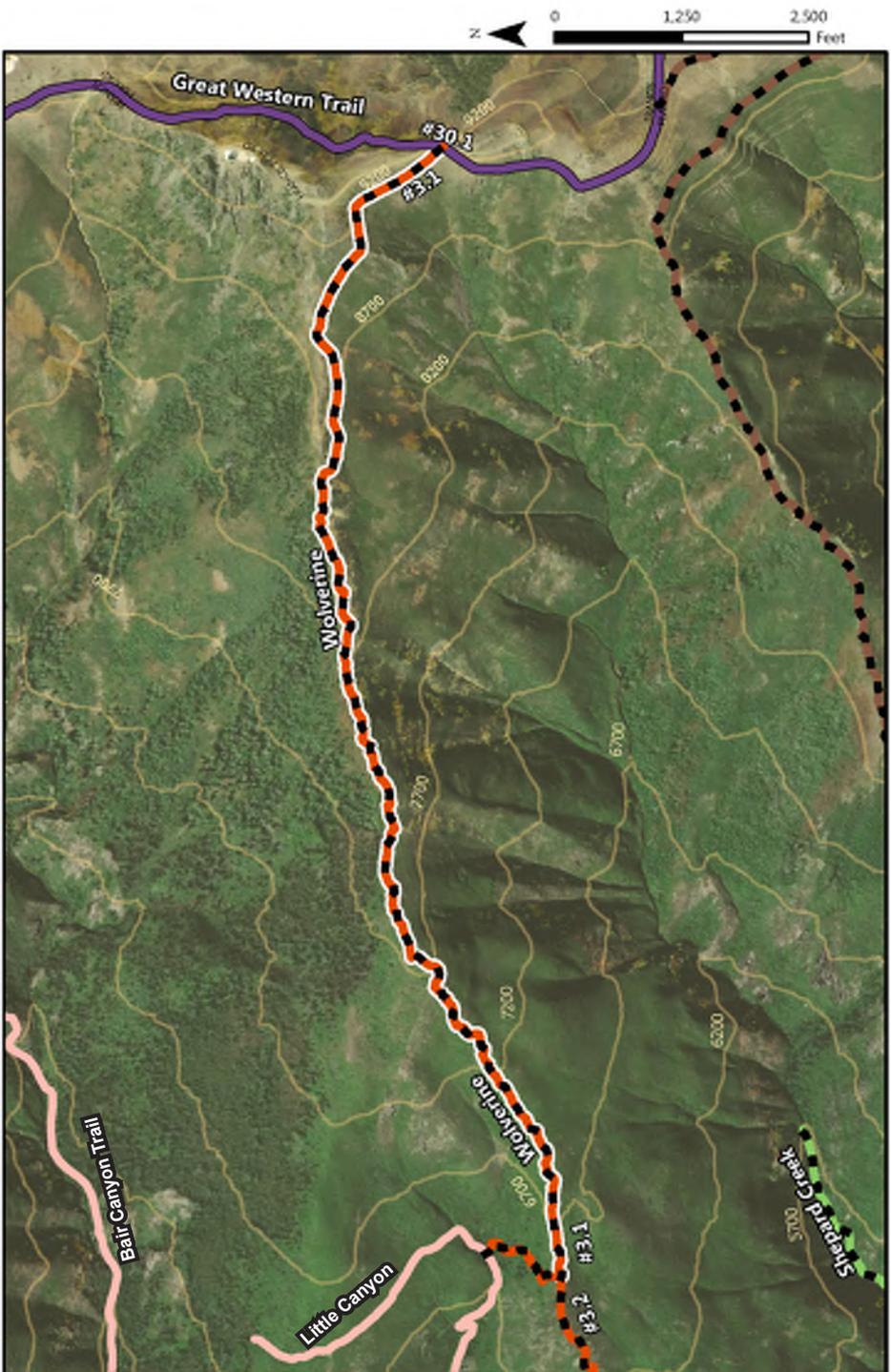
**Access Locations:** Reach this trail by hiking up the lower part of #3.2 or drive to the top near Francis Peak and hike down.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail is a dirt pathway left as natural as possible.



photo by Ron Robinson

*“Arise - the mountain awaits”*



*Nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness into you, and the storms their energy, while cares will drop off like autumn leaves. -John Muir*

## #3.2 Wolverine Trail - Lower Canyon Section

**Length:** 1.3 miles

**Time:** 2.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 1468 feet



### Features:

- Find what was thought to be a wolverine den (POI #3).
- Find the Sphinx Rock (POI #4) at the base of a pyramid-shaped mountain.
- After you reach the “camelback,” you can take a side canyon to make a loop.
- This is one way to get to Francis Peak, elevation 9515 ft.
- This trail gives you a great view of the valley all the way up the trail.

**Description:** Section #3.2 is the west part of the Wolverine trail. It starts from off the Fruit Heights Upper Terrace Trail (#21) and goes a quarter of the way up the canyon to a connecting trail to the north (Little Canyon).

### Access Locations:

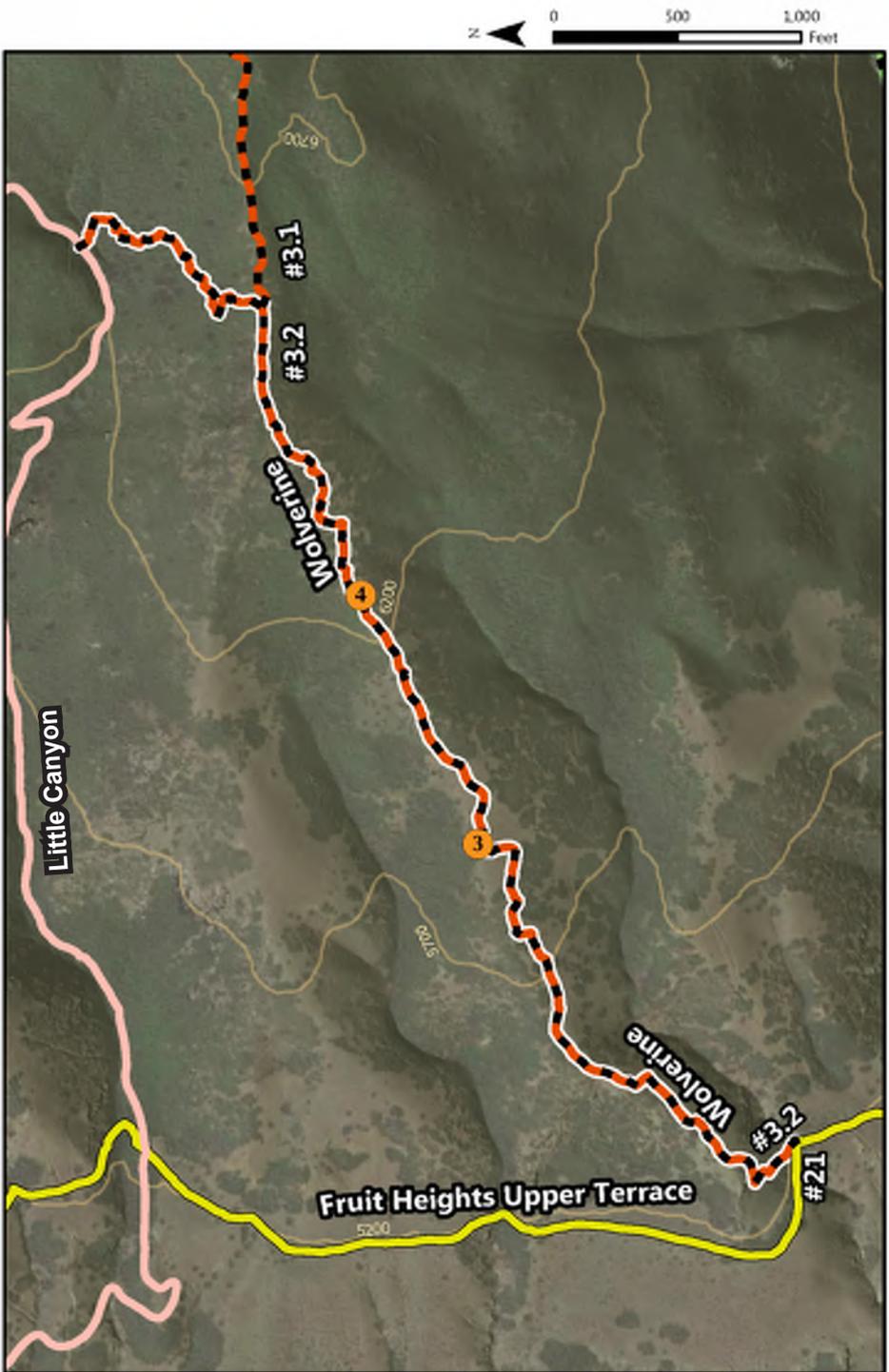
**Access #1 - Fruit Heights:** This trail access takes you up Little Canyon, which is north of Shepard Canyon. From South Mountain Road in Fruit Heights, turn east on East Oaks Drive (300 S.) and wind up the hill to 1800 E. (Davis Blvd). Turn left. Go north to the end of the street and park by the water tank that is up a short road to the east. Hike up the trail 100 feet then take the jeep road going southeast. This road goes about a half mile to the mouth of Little Canyon. Continue up the canyon another three quarters of a mile. After a switchback, look for a small connecting trail on your right that winds up the mountain to the ridge on the south. If you reach a large bend in the jeep road, you have gone too far.

**Access #2 - Farmington Trailhead:** Start on the south end of the Fruit Heights Upper Terrace Trail (#21). See the trailhead instructions listed on page 140. The Wolverine Trailhead is at the first small canyon you come to when hiking north.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail is a dirt pathway left as natural as possible.



photo by Rebecca Robinson



*Trees are the earth's endless effort to speak to the listening heaven.*  
-Rabindranath Tagore

## #4.1-4.2 South Frontage Road Trail

**Length:** 2.2 miles

**Time:** 1 hour

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 78 feet



### Features:

This trail is suitable for walkers and joggers to exercise off the roadway. The trail is close at hand to many residents for quick access. Read the trail kiosk at South Park to plan your next hike.

**Description:** This popular jogging/walking path is off the road on its own paved path for safety for part of section #4.1. This path offers security to trail users, being out in the open in view of others who could call for help if needed. Section #4.2 is on a sidewalk that connects to South Park (also known as “the skate park”).

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Lagoon Trail Junction:** From the Lagoon section of the Farmington Creek Trail (#11.4), go south at 100 N. 200 W. This is foot access only with no parking.

**Access #2 - Glovers Lane:** From Glovers Lane (925 S.), go north or south. Going north to the freeway off-ramp (370 S.), the trail is an excellent paved path separate from the roadway. Continuing north, the trail becomes a sidewalk on the east side of the street past Farmington Junior High to Clark Lane (Main Street). One block to the north, trail users can access the Lagoon portion of the Farmington Creek Trail (#11.4).

South of Glovers Lane (925 S.), the trail heads toward Centerville on the east side of the frontage road along a sidewalk. The trail parallels the frontage road, allowing easy on and off access. You will pass the Davis Creek Trail (#18.11) on your left.

**Access #3 - South Park Trailhead with Parking:** Park at South Park, located at 1384 S. Frontage Road. There is a large map on a trails kiosk at the south end of the park that shows the entire Farmington area trail system. The trail proceeds north from here along a sidewalk. You will pass the Davis Creek Trail Urban Nature Walk (#18.11) just before you reach Glovers Lane.



photo by GZChipman

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is smooth concrete or asphalt.



*It is not so much for its beauty that the forest makes a claim upon men's hearts, as for that subtle something, that quality of air that emanation from old trees, that so wonderfully changes and renews a weary spirit. -Robert Louis Stevenson*

## #5.1-5.2 Oakridge Preserve Trail - North Sections

**Length:** 3.1 miles

**Time:** 1.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 98 feet



### Features:

- The trail is close to many residents for quick access.
- The trail is suitable for walking, biking or jogging.
- Heritage Park is next to the trail.
- The trail leads to Cherry Hill in Kaysville.

**Description:** Section #5.1 starts at Main Street and 1800 N. across from Cherry Hill. The sidewalk continues south down to Shepard Lane. On the way you will find a paved jogging path around Heritage Park. At the park you can enjoy a basketball game on the court or a picnic on the grass.

Section #5.2 follows a sidewalk west from Main Street in Farmington, under Hwy-89, and past Oakridge Country Club Golf Course to 1525 W. It then goes north on a paved path east of I-15 to Pond's Park in Kaysville. The section of trail in Kaysville is called the "Kaysville Rotary Walkway" due to the generosity of the Kaysville Rotary Club.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Cherry Hill:** 1800 North across the street from the Cherry Hill Park in Kaysville.

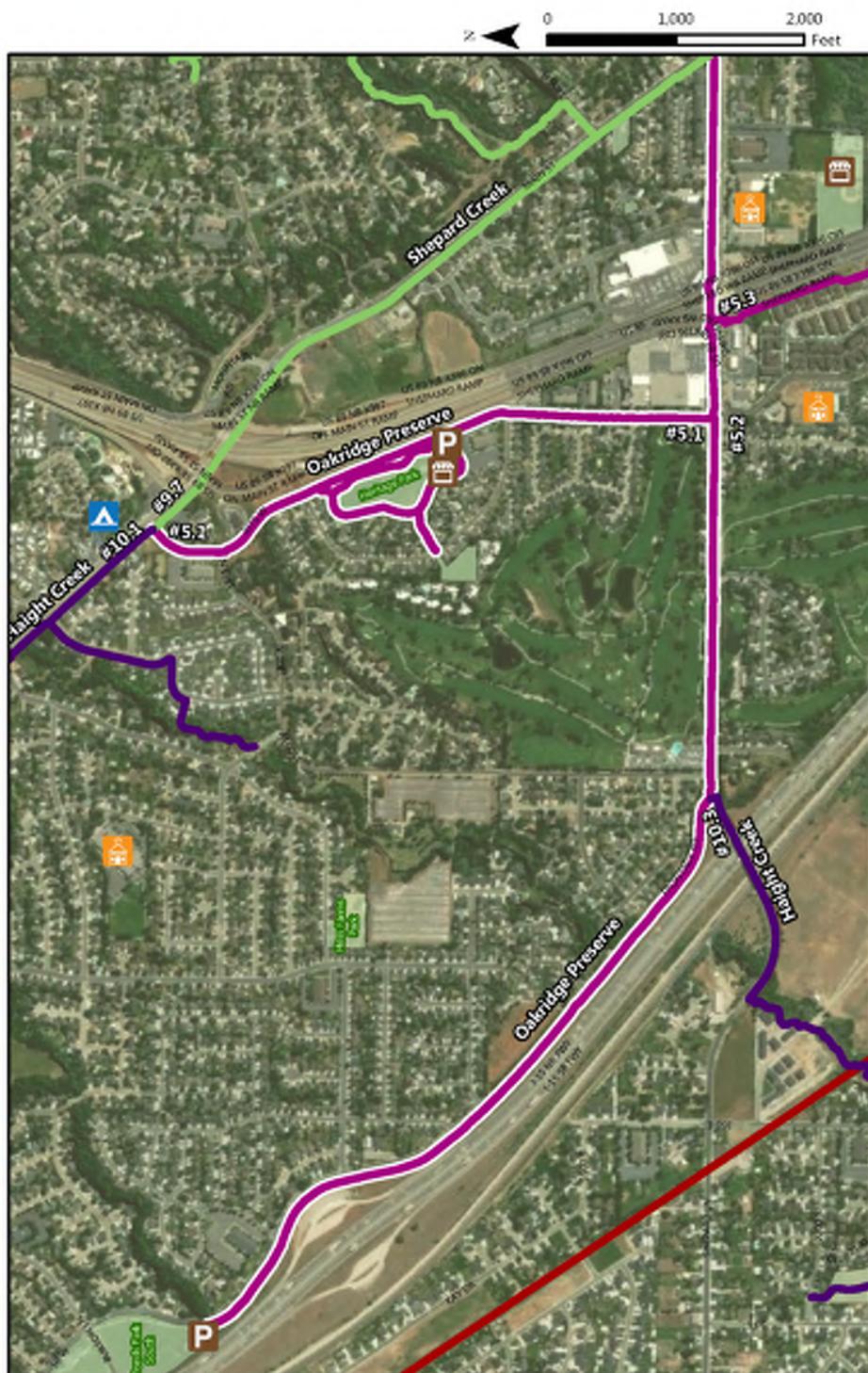
**Access #2 - Heritage Park Trailhead with Parking:** 1075 W. and about 1600 N.

**Access #3 - Maverik Trailhead with Parking:** Maverik Country Store, 957 Shepard Lane

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is smooth cement or pavement.



photos by Amy Shannaway



*Spring is nature's way of saying, "Let's party!" -Robin Williams*

## #5.3 Oakridge Preserve Trail - Wetland Section

**Length:** 1.9 miles

**Time:** 1 hour

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 29 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy exercising off the roadway on a smooth asphalt surface.
- The trail is close at hand to many residents for quick access.
- Explore a delightful wetland in the middle of the city.
- This is a great trail for residents in a high density area to stretch their legs.

**Description:** This trail hooks around the south portion of the Oakridge Golf Course and the Farmington Crossings Subdivision. You can walk a loop around the wetland south of Farmington Crossing. Watch the wildlife or sit on one of the comfortable benches to read a book while enjoying nature.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Shepard Lane Trailhead with Parking:** Maverik Country Store on Shepard Lane at 1075 W.

**Access #2 - Park with Parking:** Parking is available at a small park, accessed from the end of 1100 W.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is smooth asphalt. It will one day be extended west of the golf course back up to Shepard Lane.



photo by Amy Shumway



*For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is his also. -Psalm 95:3-4*

## #6 Legacy Trail

**Length:** 3.8 miles

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Time:** 30 minutes by bike

**Elevation Gain:** 35 feet



### Features:

- The trail is excellent for walking, jogging, or biking off the roadway.
- Enjoy a smooth and wide asphalt path.
- This is a great non-motorized commuter path that connects the communities.

**Description:** This is a commuter path for non-motorized users that parallels Legacy Highway. It is a smooth and straight path through Farmington and can be followed all the way into Salt Lake City. You will pass wetlands, Davis Creek, and ample benches on which to rest. The view of the mountains is great.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - FrontRunner Trailhead with Parking:** At the FrontRunner stop south of Park Lane, park in the northeast corner of the parking lot.

**Access #2 - Park Lane Village Trailhead with Parking:** Public parking at northeast end of Grand Ave.

**Access #3 - State Street:** State Street at 650 W.

**Access #4 - Farmington Parks and Rec Building:** 100 N. (Clark Lane) and 650 W. (Tippetts Lane) southeast of Farmington Parks and Rec. Building.

**Access #5 - 250 S. Trailhead with Parking:** 250 S. (reach from 650 W.).

**Access #6 - Glovers Lane:** Glovers Lane (925 S. just north of the overpass).

**Access #7 - Farmington High School Access**

**Access #8 - Miller Way**

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is in excellent shape with a smooth asphalt surface.





## #7 D&RGW 'Rail Trail'

**Length:** 3 miles

**Time:** 20 minutes by bike

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 47 feet



### Features:

- This trail is excellent for walking, jogging, or biking off the roadway.
- Enjoy a smooth and wide asphalt path.
- The trail is a great non-motorized commuter path connecting the communities.

**Description:** This is a commuter path for non-motorized users that follows the old D&RGW railroad right-of-way. It is a smooth and straight path connecting Farmington to Roy. This trail is part of the Golden Spoke trail network that connects 170 miles of trails from the mouth of Ogden Canyon in the north to Provo Canyon and Utah lake to the south. Head south on the Rail Trail to connect with the Legacy Trail (#6) in Centerville. The Legacy Trail continues south into Salt Lake City where it connects to the Jordan River Parkway Trail and eventually the Murdock Canal Trail. For those in Farmington who work nearby, this is an excellent straight path for riding a bike to work.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Shepard Lane:** Shepard Lane and 2100 W.

**Access #2 - Hunter Creek:** 950 N. and 1875 W.

**Access #3 - Burke Lane:** Burke Lane ~700 N. and ~1600 W.

**Access #4 - 140 N. Longhorn Dr.:** East end, just before cul-de-sac.

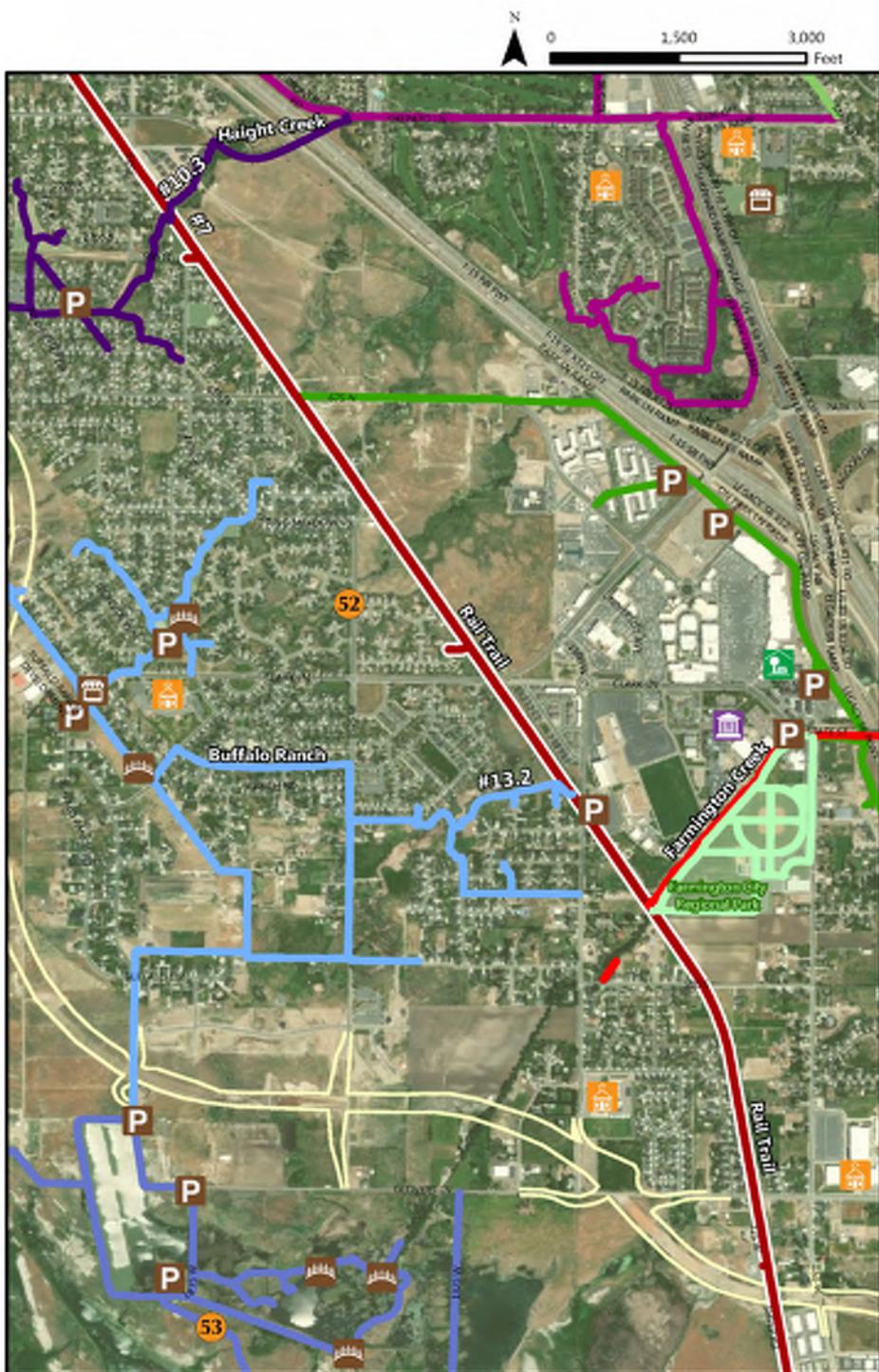
**Access #5 - Fairgrounds Parking:** Davis County Fairgrounds at 1100 W.

**Access #6 - Glovers Lane:** Glovers Lane (925 S.) and 800 W.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is in excellent shape with a smooth asphalt surface.



photos by Amy Shumway



*“Get a MOVE on” (More Outdoor Vigorous Exercise)*

## #8.2 Great Salt Lake Shoreline Trail - Buffalo Ranch Section

**Length:** 1.9 miles

**Time:** 1 hour on foot

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 12 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy viewing the waterfowl in three large ponds.
- The trail circles beautiful areas of open pasture.
- The trail is popular for equestrian use and has horse trailer parking.
- The sunsets are most striking.
- The trail is excellent for walking or jogging.

**Description:** This is part of a loop trail that circles beautiful areas of open pasture. The trail passes three large ponds with interesting waterfowl to observe. You also have a great view of sunsets across the Great Salt Lake. The Buffalo Ranch Trail (#13.4) completes the loop around the ranch.

### Access Locations:

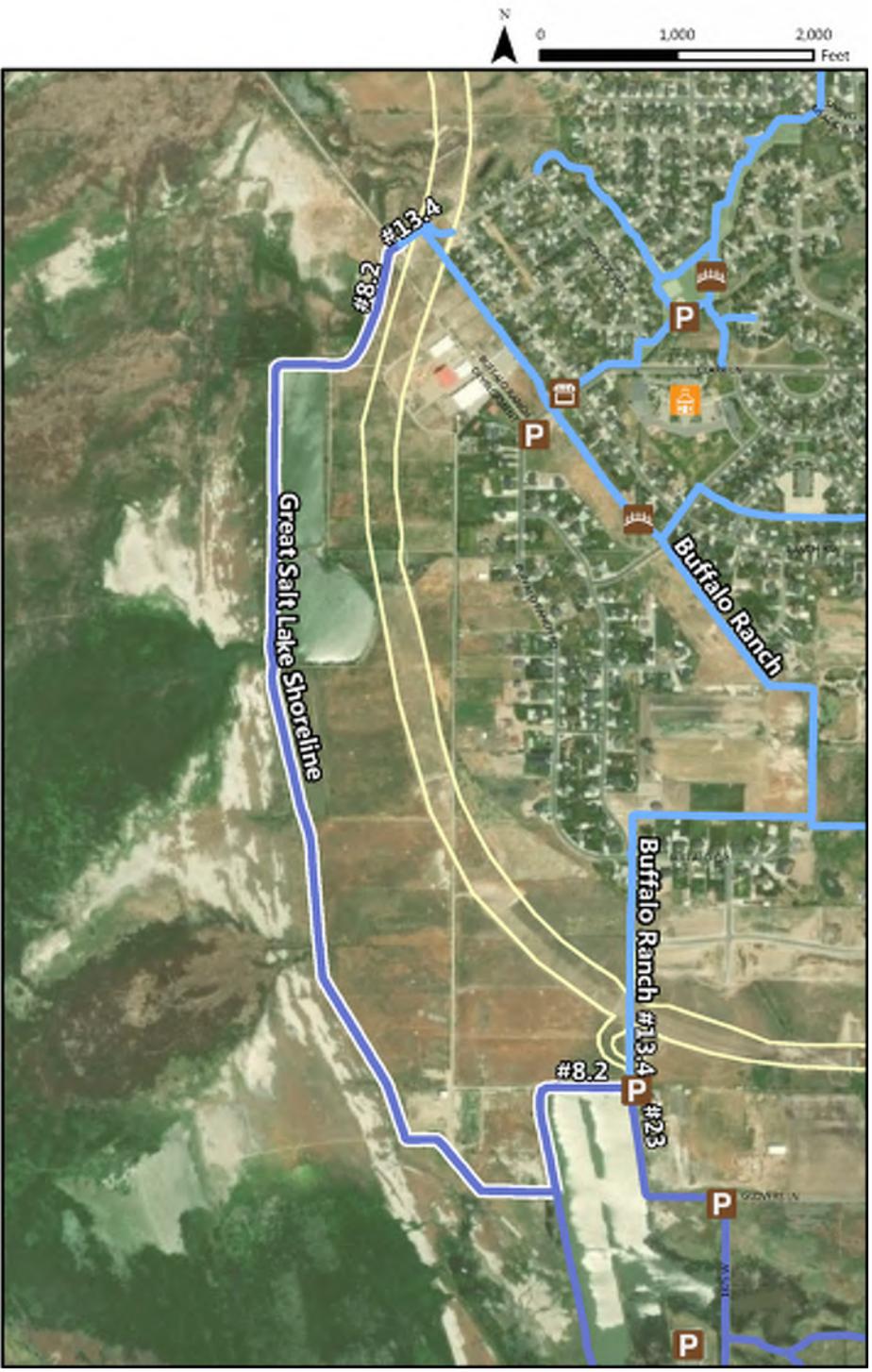
**Access #1 - 100 N. Trailhead with Parking:** From the middle of Farmington, drive all the way west toward the lake on State Street and Clark Lane. There is a parking lot at the trailhead. The trailhead is to the north by the power tower or south next to the parking lot. Upon completion of the West Davis Corridor, the Great Salt Lake Trail will be accessible by means of a crossing along the West Davis Corridor trail due east of Clark Lane.

**Access #2 - Glovers Lane Junction:** Drive all the way west toward the lake on Glovers Lane (925 S.), which you can reach from the south frontage road or 200 E. The trailhead is just west of the FAA radome (a.k.a. “the soccer ball”) after you pass a pond on the left.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is in excellent shape with a smooth line.



photos by Logan Ulrich



*Adopt the pace of nature: her secret is patience. -Ralph Waldo Emerson*

## #9.1-9.2 Shepard Creek Trail - Summit Sections

**Length:** 2.6 miles

**Time:** 5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 2626 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy beautiful views west toward the lake.
- This is a great hike and campsite for escaping the sun on hot summer days.
- Enjoy a pleasant, shady forest on the side of the canyon.
- Water is available after a short hike down the hillside to the creek.
- View high portions of Shepard Canyon from the easternmost point.

**Description:** This is a rigorous hike up a portion of Shepard Canyon with some steep climbs. A half mile up the canyon it is necessary to cross Shepard Creek, so avoid days with high runoff in the creek.

There is a beautiful campsite above Shepard Creek on the south slope of Shepard Canyon. Instead of taking section #9.1 which descends the hillside, continue straight ahead to the east to reach section #9.2. After a couple of hundred yards traversing the hillside through a beautiful grove of trees, the trail ends high above the creek in a pleasant campsite with perpetual shade.

### Access Locations:

**#9.1 Access Location:** Section #9.1 can be reached from the top of section #9.3 where the Farmington Upper Terrace Trail - Main Section (#20.1) heads south. The access to section #9.3 is described on page 74.

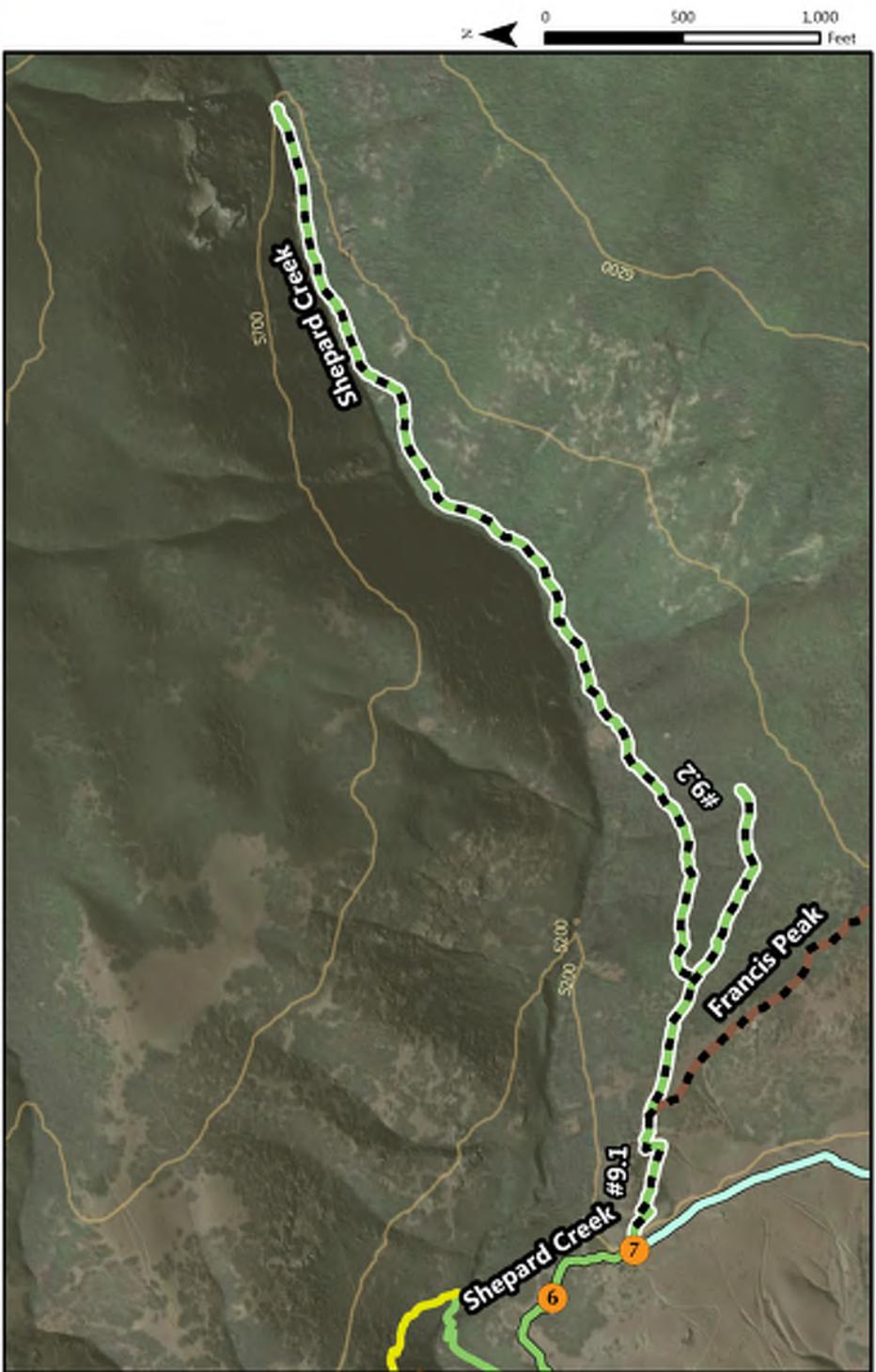
**#9.2 Access Location:** This section is a spur off #9.1 that leads to a secluded campsite. Go about a quarter mile up #9.1 to the camp split-off, which is the start of #9.2.

### Trail Surface and Status:

This trail is a dirt footpath with steep sections of loose gravel. Be careful!



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*I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. -Psalms 121:1*

## #9.3-9.4 Shepard Creek Trail - Lower Canyon Sections

**Length:** 0.6 mile

**Time:** 1 hour

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 533 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy a pleasant walk by a tree-lined stream.
- See beautiful views toward the lake.
- Step over the fine specimen of Farmington Jade (POI #7) on the trail.
- Find beach cobblestones from the ancient Lake Bonneville (POI #6).

**Description:** These trail sections provide access to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail (#1.2), the Farmington Upper Terrace Trail (#20), a mountainside campsite on the Shepard Creek Trail (#9.2), and the Francis Peak Trail (#22).

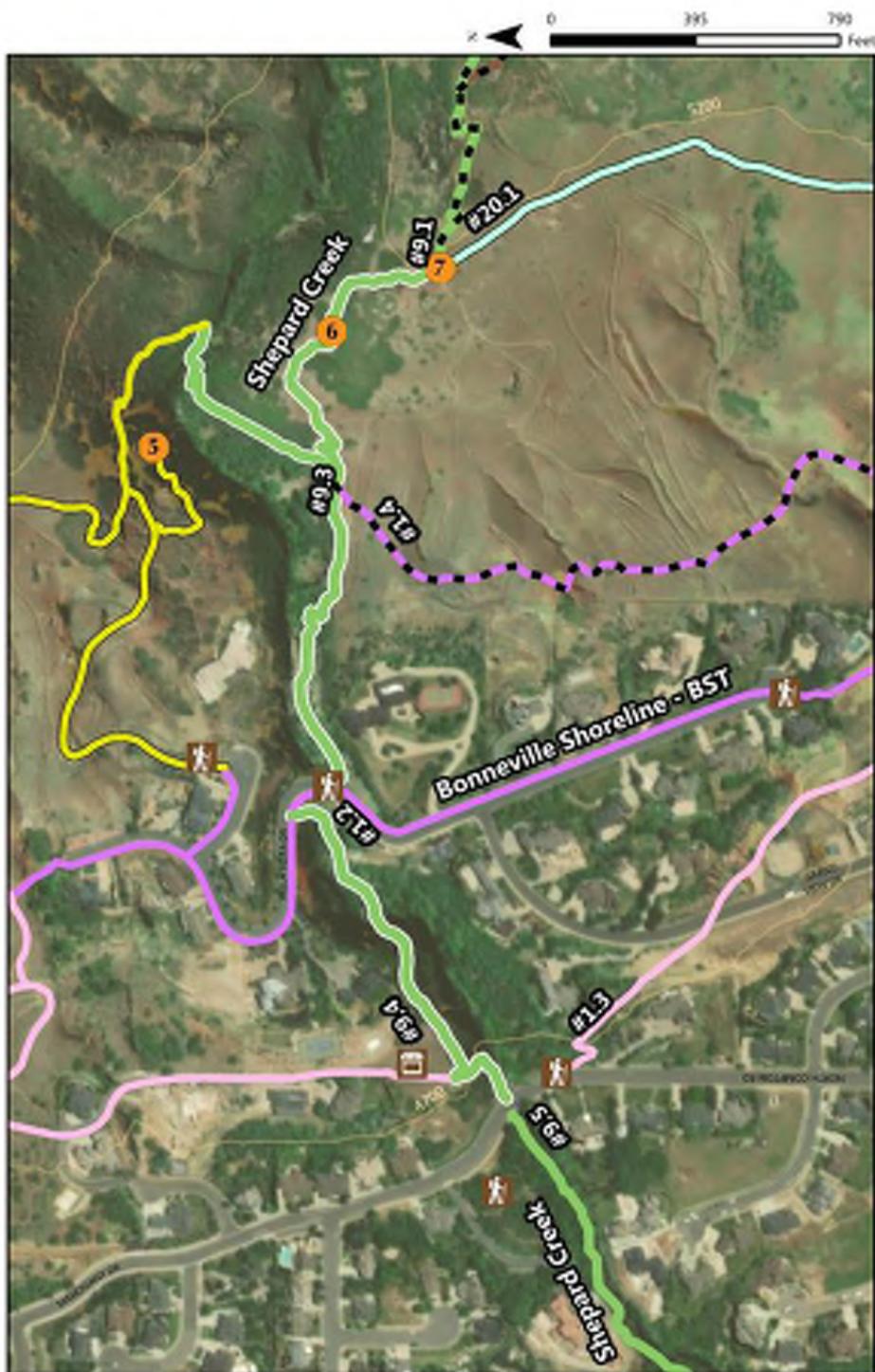
From the #9.3 Access described below, section #9.3 goes east up a dirt road about 300 feet. The trail then cuts to the right up the slope. Continue up the trail over railroad-tie steps, then head east beyond the chain-link fence and hike straight up the dirt road and trail on the left for 100 feet. Halfway up the hillside, the Bonneville Shoreline Trail (#1.2) intersects. Go up the hillside another 100 feet until the trail makes a switchback then reaches a jeep road. Go north (left) and follow this dirt road. After 100 feet, take the footpath up the side of a steep hill. Notice the rounded stones in the area (POI #6). These are beach cobblestones from the ancient Lake Bonneville that were smoothed by wave action against the shoreline 15,000 years ago.

At the top of the hill is the trailhead for the Farmington Upper Terrace Trail (#20.1), which goes south on a wide shelf on the mountainside all the way to Farmington Canyon. Section #9.1 begins here by going east up and over a rock outcropping.

### Access Locations:

**#9.3 Access - Bella Vista Drive:** From Main Street, go east on 1400 N. to North Compton Road. Turn right then left onto Grand View Drive. Drive up the hill to Bella Vista Drive. Turn left. Drive 200 feet to Shepard Canyon. Park alongside the road. Section #9.3 is to the east through an opening in a chain-link fence. Section #9.4 is to the west down a footpath paralleling Shepard Creek.

**#9.4 Access - North Compton Road:** This access is suitable for horses. From Main Street, go east on 1400 N. to North Compton Road. Turn left and drive to a small waterfall on Shepard Creek. Section #9.5 is to the west down a footpath that parallels Shepard Creek through a forested draw in the Somerset Subdivision



*In all things of nature there is something of the marvelous. -Aristotle*

## #9.3-9.4 Shepard Creek Trail - Lower Canyon Section cont'd

which was set aside as a conservation area. Section #9.4 is to the east up a hill past the waterfall. The trail makes a switchback for 100 feet until it heads east some distance above the creek. After a 10- to 20-minute hike, the trail will come out on Bella Vista Drive. Look up the canyon over your right shoulder to see the break in the chain-link fence where the trail continues as Section #9.3.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail is a dirt and gravel pathway with some tall railroad tie steps.



*"Explore a higher realm - Hike!"*

photos by Amy Stummacy



*For every person who has ever lived there has come, at last, a spring he will never see. Glory then in the springs that are yours. -Pam Brown*

## #9.5-9.7 Shepard Creek Trail - City Sections

**Length:** 2.3 miles

**Time:** 1.3 hours

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 350 feet



### Features:

- Relax on a beautiful tree-lined path near a stream.
- Enjoy the waterfall on North Compton Road.
- This trail provides access to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail and many refreshing mountain trails to residents living in the middle of the city.

**Description:** This is a pleasant hike through a forested draw set aside as a conservation area in the Somerset Subdivision. Enjoy this relaxing hike and unwind near a peaceful stream. A connection along Main Street to Cherry Hill and Shepard Lane is also included.

### Access Locations:

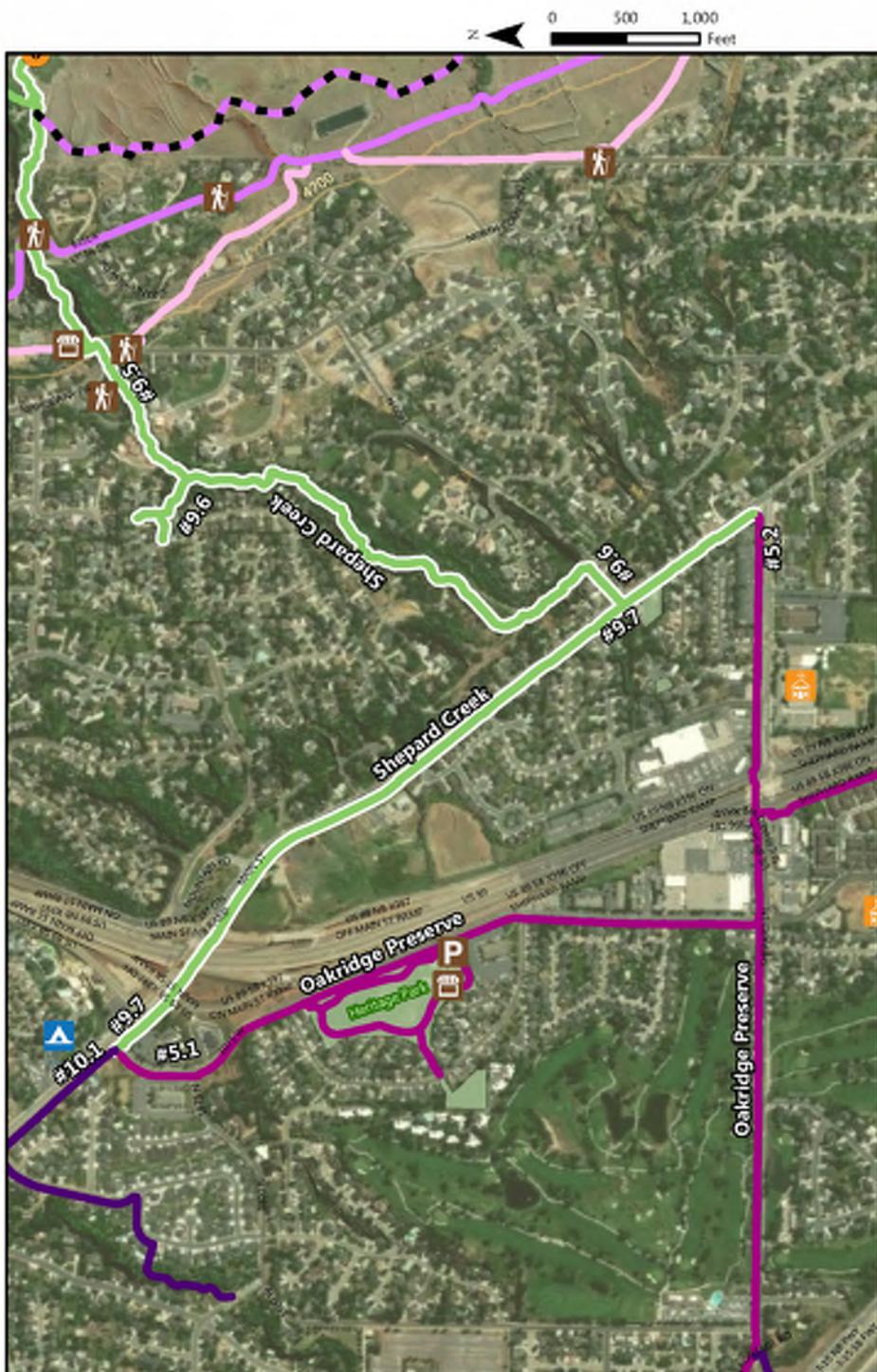
**Access #1 - North Compton:** Go east on 1400 North off Main Street to North Compton Road, turn left and go to Shepard Creek. Park here by the small waterfall. Several trails depart from this area.

The feeder access to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail departs in a southeasterly direction up the slope then diagonally across the face of the slope and Grand View Drive (see Trail #1.3). Section #9.5 goes west from North Compton Road. Halfway down the trail, a branch goes northwest into the Somerset Subdivision to Kensington Street. Section #9.6 starts at the Kensington split-off if you continue west. You will walk along a beautiful nature trail then come out to the south on 1400 N., a block east of Main Street.

**Access #2 - 1400 N.:** From the center of town, head north on Main Street until you reach 1400 N. Turn right and drive 200 feet, then park beside the road. The trailhead goes north through some trees by a dirt road. This leads to a hidden draw and stream. Follow the path that parallels the stream on the north side all the way east to North Compton Road. Section #9.7 goes north along Main Street on a sidewalk to Cherry Hill and some campgrounds.

**Access #3 - Kensington Street:** Go east off Main Street at the light on Somerset Street to Ramsgate Road on the left then turn left on Kensington Street. Section #9.5 goes east through a grove of trees (1850 N.).

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is a dirt pathway in good shape along a tree-lined stream.



*Another glorious day, the air as delicious to the lungs as nectar to the tongue.*

*-John Muir*

## #10.1 Haight Creek Trail - Farmington Hollow Section

**Length:** 0.5 mile

**Time:** 15 minutes

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 54 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy a pleasant nature walk through a beautiful hollow.
- Find a bench to sit on and read a book or just enjoy nature.
- If you are quiet, you may even see a deer or two.
- If you are up for a morning jog, make this part of your route.
- The trail was built by three Eagle Scout projects.

**Description:** This is a pleasant little nature walk through a heavily wooded hollow along Haight Creek. The trail starts at the southern edge of the Farmington Hollow Subdivision and emerges a short distance later in the middle of the subdivision. A sidewalk connection is available to the north providing access to Main Street in Kaysville, Cherry Hill, and the Oakridge Preserve Trail (#5.1) to the south. Please stay on the trail as private property is on either side.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - 1475 S.:** Go north off 1475 S. in Kaysville where the road crosses from Farmington over Haight Creek into Kaysville.

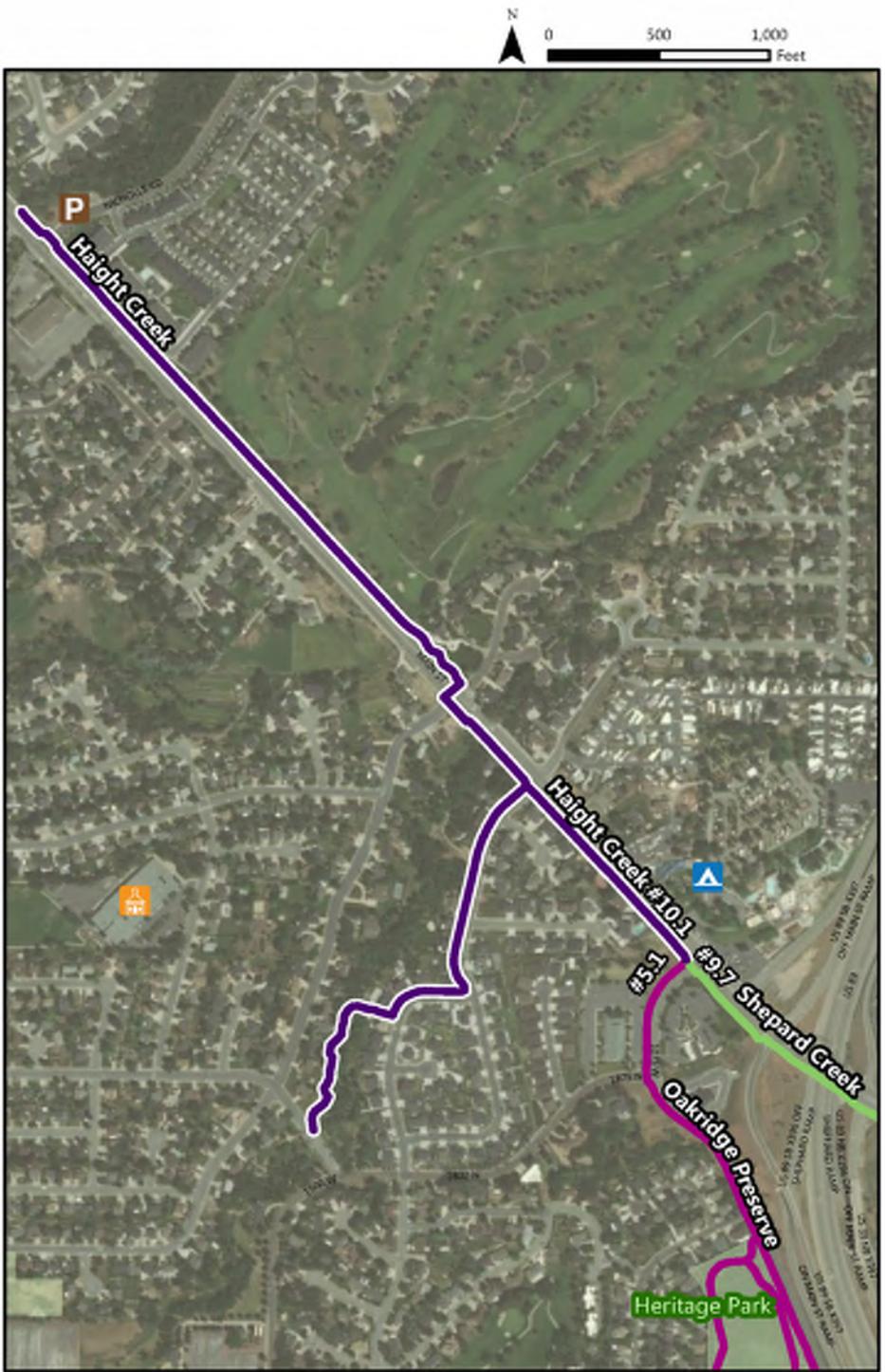
**Access #2 - Farmington Hollow:** 1900 N. Stayner Dr. in Farmington

**Trail Surface and Status:** An excellent nature trail with smooth, compressed “crusher fines” gravel.



photos by Amy Shumway

*“Rise above the mundane - Hike!”*



*What makes a river so restful to people is that it doesn't have any doubt - it is sure to get where it is going, and it doesn't want to go anywhere else. -Hal Boyle*

## #10.3-10.4 Haight Creek Trail - West Sections

**Length:** 2 miles

**Time:** 1 hour

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 89 feet



### Features:

- This is a pleasant wetland with benches for relaxation.
- Find a secluded seat for wildlife enjoyment.
- Enjoy a short boardwalk bordering a reed pond.
- The trail was built by a dozen Eagle Scout projects.

**Description:** This trail is named for Hector Haight, nicknamed the “Father of Farmington” as its original settler in 1847. The trail is a beautiful urban nature walk paralleling Haight Creek. There are plenty of cattails and willows for wildlife to hide in. Deer, foxes, raccoons, and pheasants can be seen in this delightful wetland.

Section #10.3 winds westward through a thicket and wetland to the Rail Trail (#7). Cross the trail and continue on the other side through another picturesque wetland and short boardwalk until you reach 950 N. 1950 W., where you will cross. This brings you to section #10.4, where you can stroll through the final wetland to an intersection with a bench then westward to 2125 W. or south to the end of the subdivision at 1875 W.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Shepard Lane:** Go west on Shepard Lane (-1200 N.) just beyond the I-15 overpass. Park at the Benchland Building on the right. You will find the path across the street at the end of the guardrail.

**Access #2 - 950 N.:** Go south off Shepard Lane at 2000 W. (350 E. in Kaysville) to the first stop sign. Park in this area. The trail crosses 950 N. to the north and south.

**Access #3 - 750 N.:** Walk west off 1875 W. at 750 N.

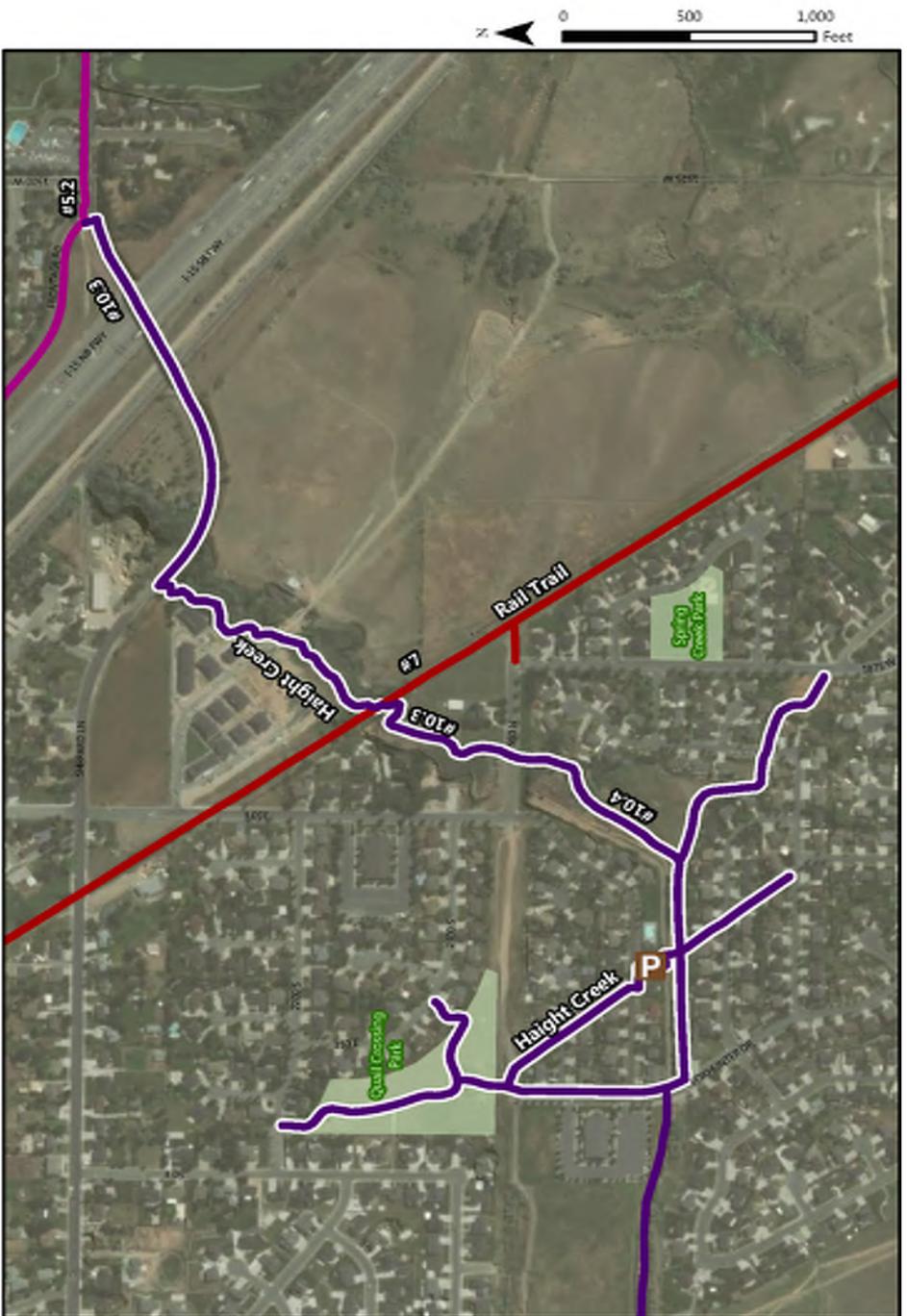
**Access #4 - Foxhunter Drive:** Walk east off 850 N. Foxhunter Dr. (2125 W.)

**Access #5 - Quail Crossing Park:** 190 E. 2300 S. Kaysville and 80 E. 2200 S. Kaysville.

**Trail Surface and Status:** An excellent nature trail with smooth gravel, native soil, and a short boardwalk.



photo by Amy Shumway



*The best remedy for those who are afraid, lonely or unhappy is to go outside, somewhere where they can be quite alone with the heavens, nature, and God. Because only then does one feel that all is as it should be and that God wishes to see people happy, amidst the simple beauty of nature. -Anne Frank*

## #11.1 Farmington Creek Trail - Upper Canyon Section

**Length:** 1.8 miles

**Time:** 2 hours

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 1166 feet



### Features:

- Your hike will parallel Farmington Creek in a scenic canyon and end at the site of the former Sunset Campground.
- Below Sunset Campground is a beautiful waterfall.
- Visit Farmington Cave (POI #11) near the beginning of the trail.
- The trail is suitable for all types of non-motorized travel.
- There are many refreshing tree-lined sections on the trail.
- Find “Bonnie & Clyde’s” bullet-ridden car near the top.

**Description:** This is the easternmost section of the Farmington Creek Trail. This is a very popular trail up the main canyon out of Farmington, and it is suitable for all types of non-motorized travel. The trail is wide and smooth enough for jogging and provides a pleasant excursion for those enjoying a healthy walk. The trail affords wonderful views of this narrow and scenic canyon. Halfway up the canyon, the top of the trail reaches the site of the former Sunset Campground. The most dramatic waterfall east of Farmington is just below the Sunset Campground area. Be careful while enjoying this beautiful waterfall.

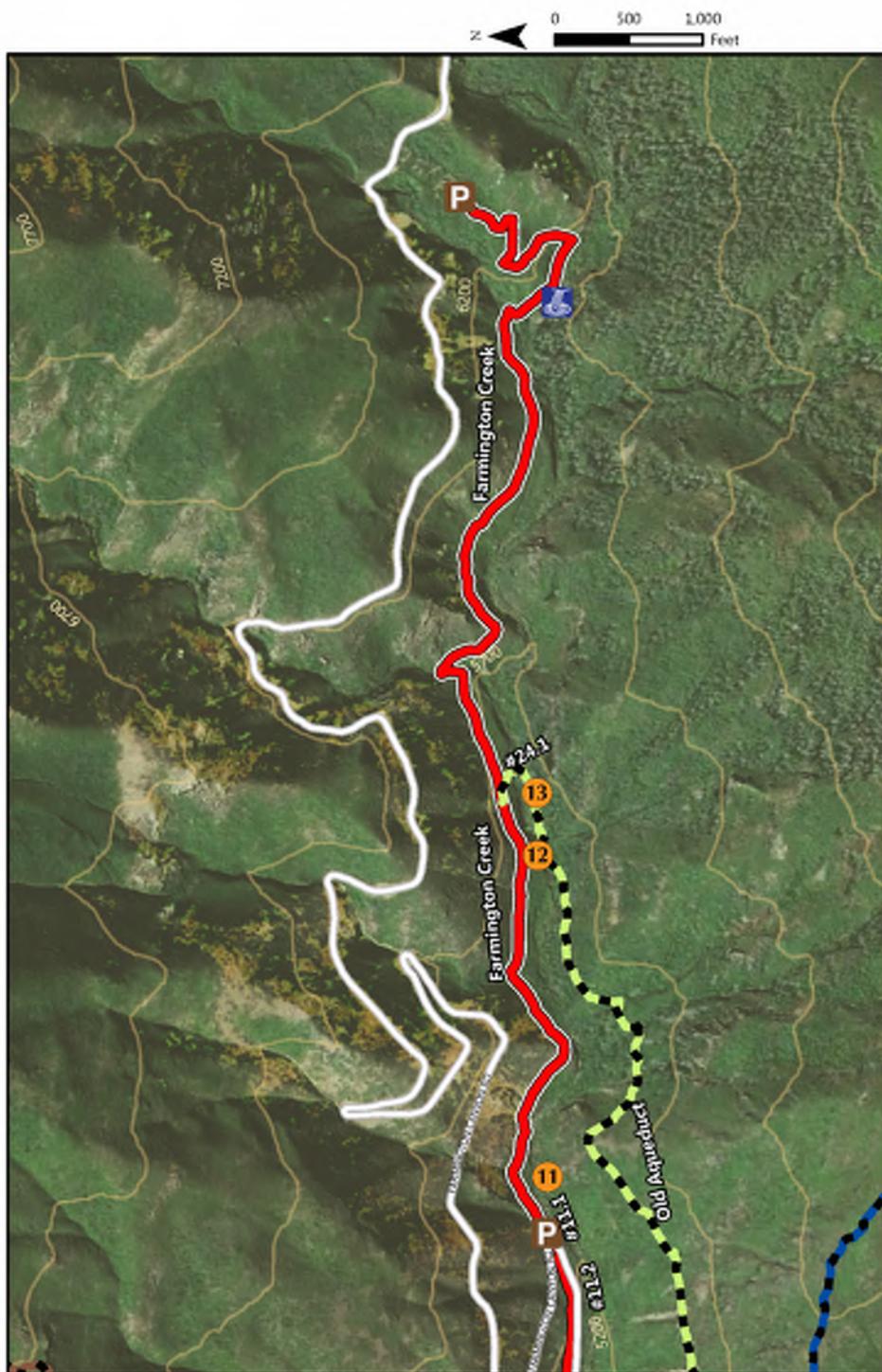
### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Sunset Campground:** The trail starts down the mountain from Sunset Campground halfway up Farmington Canyon. From the center of town, go north on 100 E. then up the canyon about five miles. Drive into the Sunset Campground area and go to the far west end where the trail starts at the middle of the loop road.

**Access #2 - Farmington Canyon Trailhead with Parking:** Access Farmington Canyon by driving north from the center of town on 100 E. then up the canyon. There is a small parking lot at the switchback where the pavement ends. Hike east up the canyon from here.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail a wide dirt path. Special thanks goes to the late Rick Robinson for his labor of love in improving this trail.

*O ye mountains high, where the clear blue sky arches over the vales of the free,  
Where the pure breezes blow and the clear streamlets flow,  
How I've longed to your bosom to flee!  
-From hymn: O Ye Mountains High, text by Charles W. Penrose*



*We do not see nature with our eyes, but with our understandings and our hearts. -William Hazlitt*

## #11.2 Farmington Creek Trail - Lower Canyon Section

**Length:** 1.6 miles

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Time:** 1 hour

**Elevation Gain:** 768 feet



### Features:

- Find ample parking at Farmington Pond.
- Follow the trail to an abandoned silver mine that is now sealed.
- This trail connects the city to the canyon.

**Description:** Section #11.2 continues east, paralleling the creek from Farmington Pond up to the end of the pavement on Farmington Canyon Road.

From the upper parking lot at the pond, cross the footbridge over Farmington Creek. Follow the switchbacks up a short hill and branch right on a trail that parallels the creek for a half mile to an old abandoned silver mine. A half mile farther up the canyon, you will reach a trail junction that provides access to the Francis Peak Trail (#22.4), or continue east about another half mile to reach section #11.1. This is where the pavement on the canyon road ends. There is a small parking lot at the switchback.

### Access Locations:

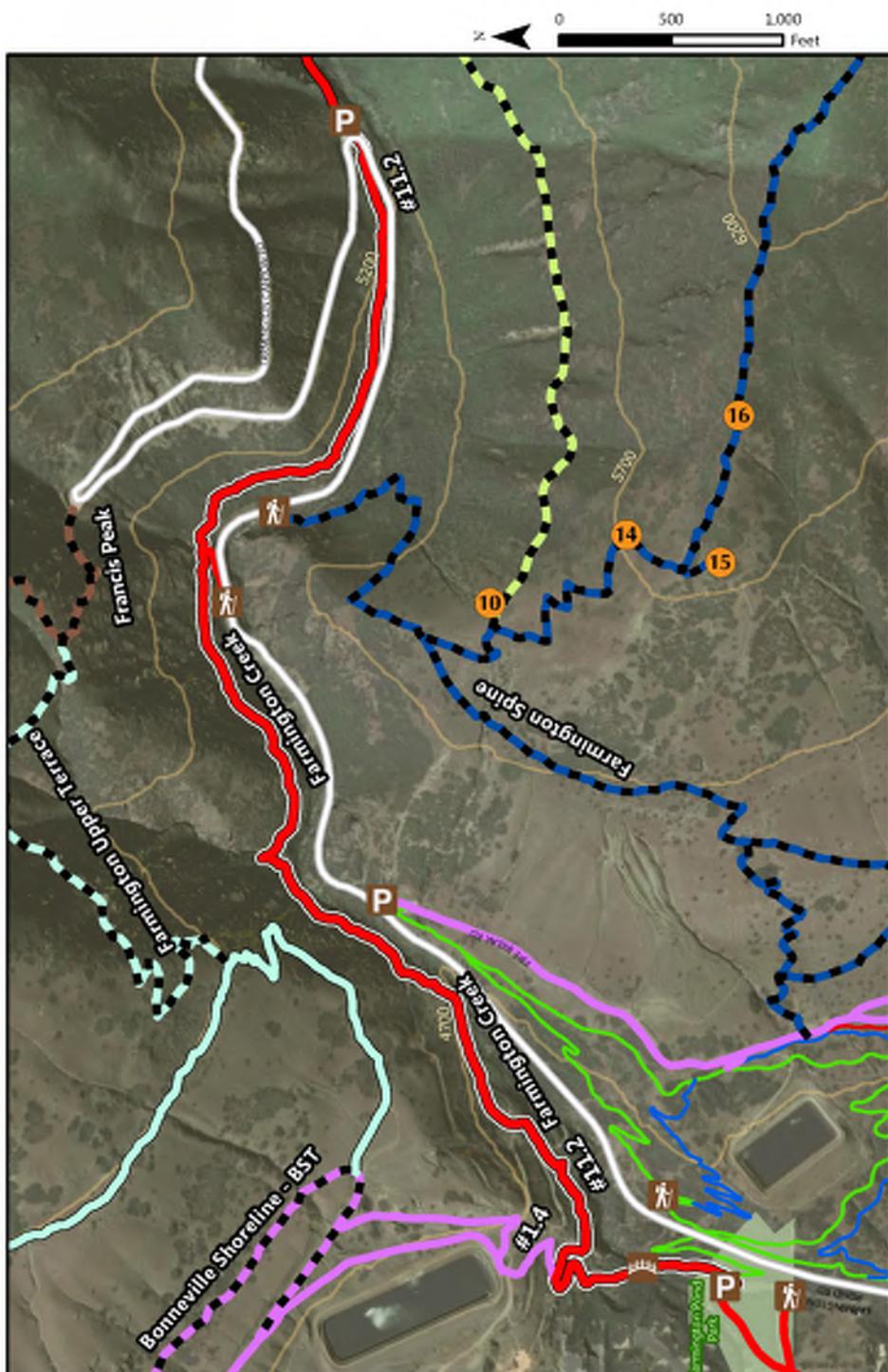
**Access #1 - Farmington Canyon Trailhead with Parking:** From Main Street, go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.). Continue up the canyon until the pavement ends. Cross the street and hike down the trail just above the paved road.

**Access #2 - Farmington Pond Trailhead with Parking:** From Main Street, go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.), and take the first left into the Farmington Pond area. Take the right fork to reach the upper parking lot by the pond. Section #11.2 is across the bridge then up the canyon to the east. The Bonneville Shoreline Trail also connects here. BST #1.4 is to the north across the bridge. BST #1.5 and #1.6 are to the south up the hill before the bridge crossing.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a narrow foot path with some rocky sections.



photo by Amy Shrumney



*For in the true nature of things, if we rightly consider, every green tree is far more glorious than if it were made of gold and silver. -Martin Luther*

## #11.3-11.4 Farmington Creek Trail - City Sections

**Length:** 2 miles

**Time:** 1 hour

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 232 feet



### Features:

- The trail is maintained all year.
- Enjoy a pleasant nature trail in the middle of the city.
- This is a great trail during summer heat because it is well shaded.
- The area has a fishing pond, picnic tables, and restrooms.
- View the animals in the back stalls of Lagoon's zoo.
- Equestrians have access to a loading/unloading area with ample parking for their trailers.

**Description:** Section #11.3 connects the Farmington Pond area to the Lagoon section (#11.4) on the south, to Farmington Canyon on the east, and to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail on the north and south. From the pond parking lot, you can walk south to the Lagoon area using the 600 N. pedestrian underpass.

Section #11.4 is the most popular trail in Farmington. It skirts the east side of the Lagoon Amusement Park and ends on the west at Clark Lane (State St.). This nature trail has many species of native trees and brush together with sights of fenced elk, buffalo, horses, and cattle. Other wildlife, including deer, geese, ducks, small birds, and mammals may also be observed. Four picturesque bridges cross Farmington Creek as you meander through a serene trail in the heart of the city.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Farmington Pond Trailhead with Parking:** From Main Street, go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.) and take the first left into the Farmington Pond area. Take the left fork to reach the parking lot by the pond. The trailhead is a paved path leading south at the bottom of the parking lot. A paved path also leads north behind the restrooms to connect to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail, sections #1.4 and #1.6, and Farmington Canyon to the east.

**Access #2 - Underpass Trailhead with Parking:** 90 West on Main St. in the middle of the "S" curve at 600 N. There are a few parking spots off the road to the south by the pump house. Use the pedestrian underpass to reach the pond to the north.

**Access #3 - 200 W. Trailhead with Parking:** There is parking in the cul-de-sac at the south end of 200 W., that you can reach from 600 N. Main St. at the west end of the "S" curve.

**Access #4 - 300 N. Trailhead with Parking:** The middle of section #11.4 is



*I go to nature to be soothed and healed, and to have my senses put in order.*  
*-John Burroughs*

## #11.3-11.4 Farmington Creek Trail - City Sections cont'd

accessible at the west end of 300 N, west of Main Street.

**Access #5 - 100 N:** Go to 100 N. 200 W. This is foot access only with no parking.

**Access #6 - 400 W. Trailhead with Parking:** Go to the west end of Clark Lane (State Street) where it intersects the frontage road at 400 W. next to the Lagoon Campground. Limited parking is available.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail is an excellent, wide, paved pathway.



*“Let your soul out for some fresh air – Hike!”*



photos by Amy Shrumway

## #11.5 Farmington Creek Trail - Legacy Events Center Section

**Length:** 0.8 mile

**Time:** 45 minutes

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 54 feet



### Features:

- This trail provides a safe east/west connection on a pedestrian sky bridge.
- Access the city park from this trail.
- This trail connects to both the Legacy Trail and the Rail Trail from the heart of the city.

**Description:** Section #11.5 starts just east of I-15 then uses a pedestrian sky bridge to reach a trail that parallels Farmington Creek, located east of the Justice Center and the Davis County Legacy Events Center. Farmington Park is to the southeast. Another parallel trail is planned on the other side of Farmington Creek next to the park.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Clark Lane Trailhead with Parking:** Go to the west end of Clark Lane (State Street) where it intersects the frontage road at 400 W. near the Lagoon Campground. Limited parking is available near the gazebo.

**Access #2 - Justice Center:** Park at the Justice Center on Clark Lane (State Street) just west of I-15. The trail is next to Farmington Creek on the southeast.

**Access #3 - Fairgrounds with Parking:** Go to the RV park, accessible from the southwest side of the Davis County Legacy Events Center off 1100 W.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail is an excellent, wide, paved pathway.



photos by Logan Ulrich

*There is no bad weather, just inappropriate clothing. -Sir Ranulph Fiennes*



*I think that I shall never see a poem lovely as a tree. -Joyce Kilmer*

## #12.1 Farmington Spine Trail - Upper Canyon Section

**Length:** 1.9 miles

**Time:** 3.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 1595 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy beautiful sunsets across the lake.
- This is a great hike for enjoying solitude.
- Pass through several beautiful forests.
- The trail is shaded most of the way.

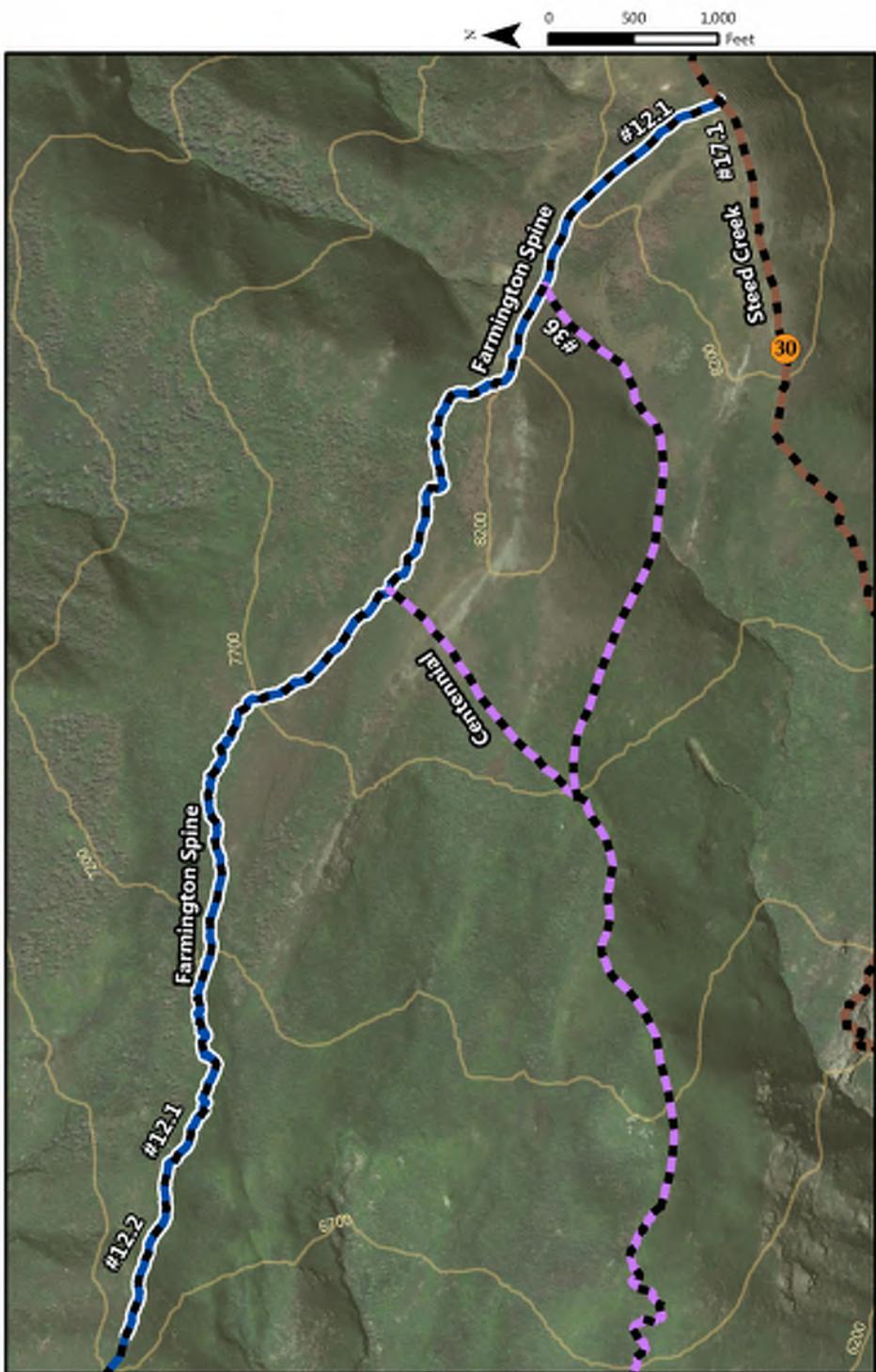
**Description:** This trail section starts at a rock altar halfway up the mountain where the trail connects to the Steed Creek Trail (#17.1) then descends down to the top of a “subway” section or natural depression on a ridge at section #12.2. You will pass through several beautiful forests of pine, aspen, maple, mountain mahogany, and finally, Gambel oak. You will be in shade most of the way. Look for aluminum marker discs to stay on the trail. With the trail users in the Farmington Trail System spread out over 146 miles of trails, you probably will have this section of the mountain all to yourself. Enjoy the quiet beauty of nature!

**Access Location:** Section #12.1 begins halfway up the mountain on the Steed Creek Trail (#17.1) at the “rock altar.” If you want to start at this end of the Farmington Spine Trail, hike up the Steed Creek Trail first to the rock altar then come down the Farmington Spine Trail (#12.1). See the instructions given for the Steed Creek Trail (#17).

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a wilderness trail with minimal disruption of the pathway for a more natural hiking experience. Watch for the markers to stay on course.



Photo by Erin Hill



*The quaking aspens applaud the serenade of the mountain breeze. -G2Chipman*

## #12.2 Farmington Spine Trail - Lower Canyon Section

**Length:** 2.6 miles

**Time:** 4 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 1987 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy beautiful sunsets across the lake.
- A side spur takes you to Panorama Point (POI #15) to see the entire valley.
- Use this trail to access the Old Aqueduct Trail (#24.2).
- There is Farmington Jade throughout this area. See Jade Hill (POI #14).
- The climb has an interesting “subway” or trail depression which makes the trail easy to follow (POI #16).

**Description:** Section #12.2 goes from the BST (#1.6) (firebreak road), ascends the foothills, and goes north to Farmington Canyon. The trail follows the ridge or “spine” of the mountain as you pass the trailhead to the Old Aqueduct Trail (#24.2) and begins seven switchbacks up the face of the mountain. At the last switchback, there is a short trail spur around the face of the west side of the mountain to a great viewing area at Panorama Point (POI #15). There is a flat jade rock to use as a bench and enjoy the view.

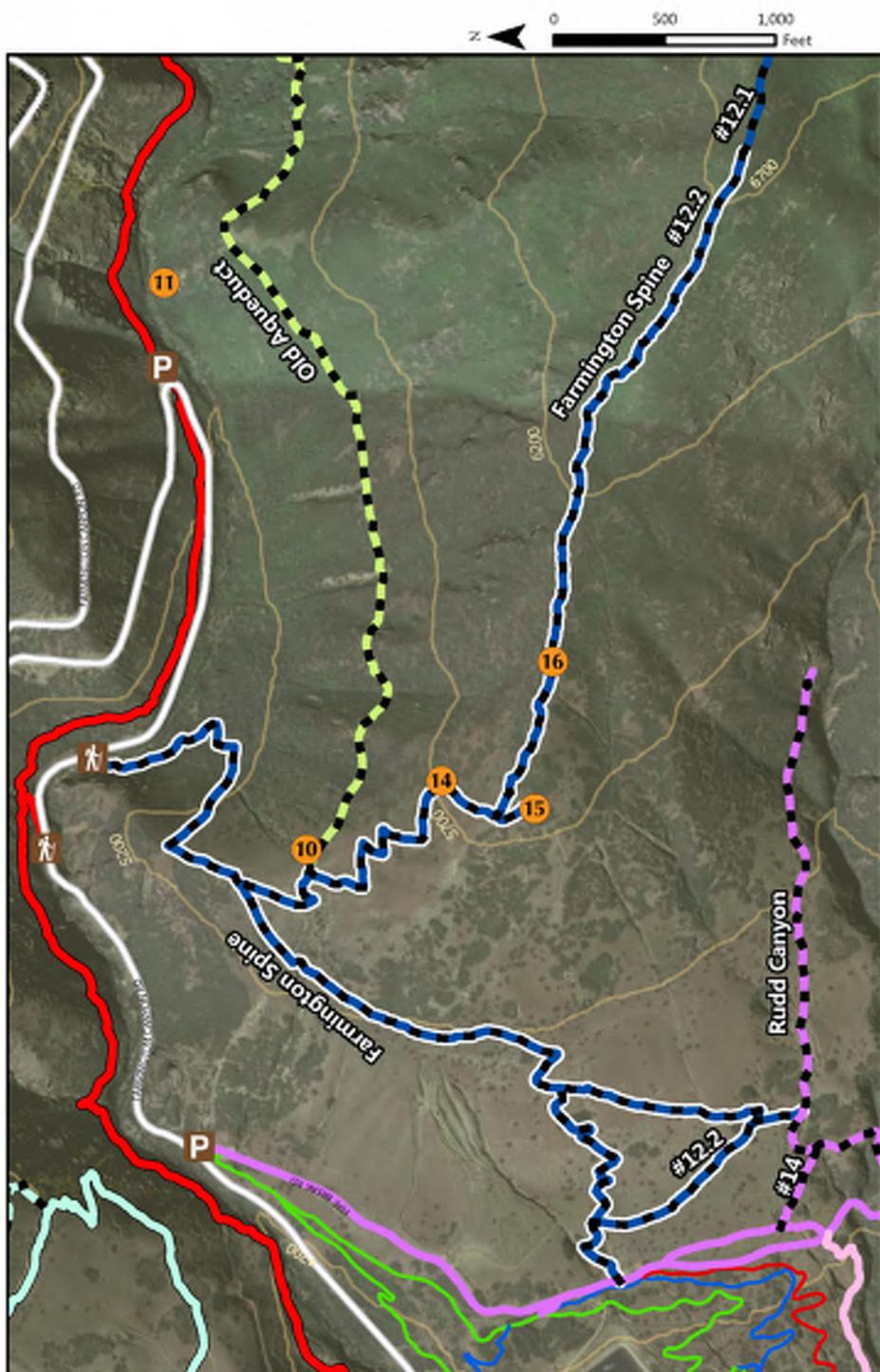
Return to the trail and look for the “subway” or natural depression on the ridge (POI #16). The natural depression makes following the trail easy. It goes straight up the top of the ridge to a “saddle” area where it joins section #12.1.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - BST:** From Main Street, go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.). Continue up the canyon to the firebreak road on your right. If you reach the bridge, you have gone too far. Drive or walk south along the firebreak road toward the first small canyon on your left (Rudd Canyon). Look for the trailhead at a draw before you reach the canyon. Go east through a buck rail fence then head east up the hillside. The trail ascends the hillside with some switchbacks. Turn north (left) when you reach the shelf and head toward Farmington Canyon. When you reach the ridge, turn east (right) and hike up the ridge.

**Access #2 - Rudd Canyon:** This is similar to Access #1 but a few hundred feet farther south. The trail ascends the hillside just north of Rudd Canyon as it parallels an old water pipe. Turn north (left) when you reach the shelf and head toward Farmington Canyon.

**Access #3 - Farmington Canyon Road with Parking:** This trailhead is about a mile up Farmington Canyon and is just after the bridge and bend in the road.



*Just living is not enough... one must have sunshine, freedom, and a little flower.*  
 -Hans Christian Anderson

## #12.2 Farmington Spine Trail - Lower Canyon Section cont'd

Park alongside the road where there is a parking area next to the creek. You will need to cross the creek on a log. Be careful. Do not attempt if the creek has high runoff. Follow the trail as it loops first south through a hollow then to the west up a hill to the ridge. Follow the ridge up.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a wilderness trail with minimal disruption of the pathway for a more natural hiking experience. Watch for the markers to stay on course.



*I am not bound for any public place,  
but for ground of my own where I  
have planted vines and orchard trees,  
and in the heat of the day climbed up  
into the healing shadow of the woods.  
-Wendell Berry*





photos by Logan Ulrich

*In some mysterious way woods have never seemed to me to be static things. In physical terms, I move through them; yet in metaphysical ones, they seem to move through me. -John Fowles*

## #13.2-13.4 Buffalo Ranch Trail - Buffalo Ranch Sections

**Length:** 2.4 miles

**Time:** 1.5 hours on foot

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 23 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy two boardwalks across the wetland.
- The trail circles a ranch with beautiful pastures.
- Section #13.4 is popular for equestrian use.
- The sunsets are most striking.
- Excellent for walking or jogging off the roadway on a smooth gravel surface.

**Description:** Section #13.2 winds through a wetland using boardwalks and smooth gravel pathways. It allows people from the fairgrounds at 1100 W. and adjoining neighborhoods to enjoy a pleasant escape on hectic days. The trail goes to 1525 W.

Section #13.3 provides two connections to section #13.4 from 1525 W. One connection is at 60 S. 1525 W., where there is a sidewalk behind the houses that will lead you to section #13.4. The other access is at 500 S. on 1525 W. going west.

Section #13.4 is the east half of a loop trail that circles beautiful pastures in a ranch with two ponds full of aquatic life. This section is suitable for horses. You also have a great view of sunsets across the Great Salt Lake.

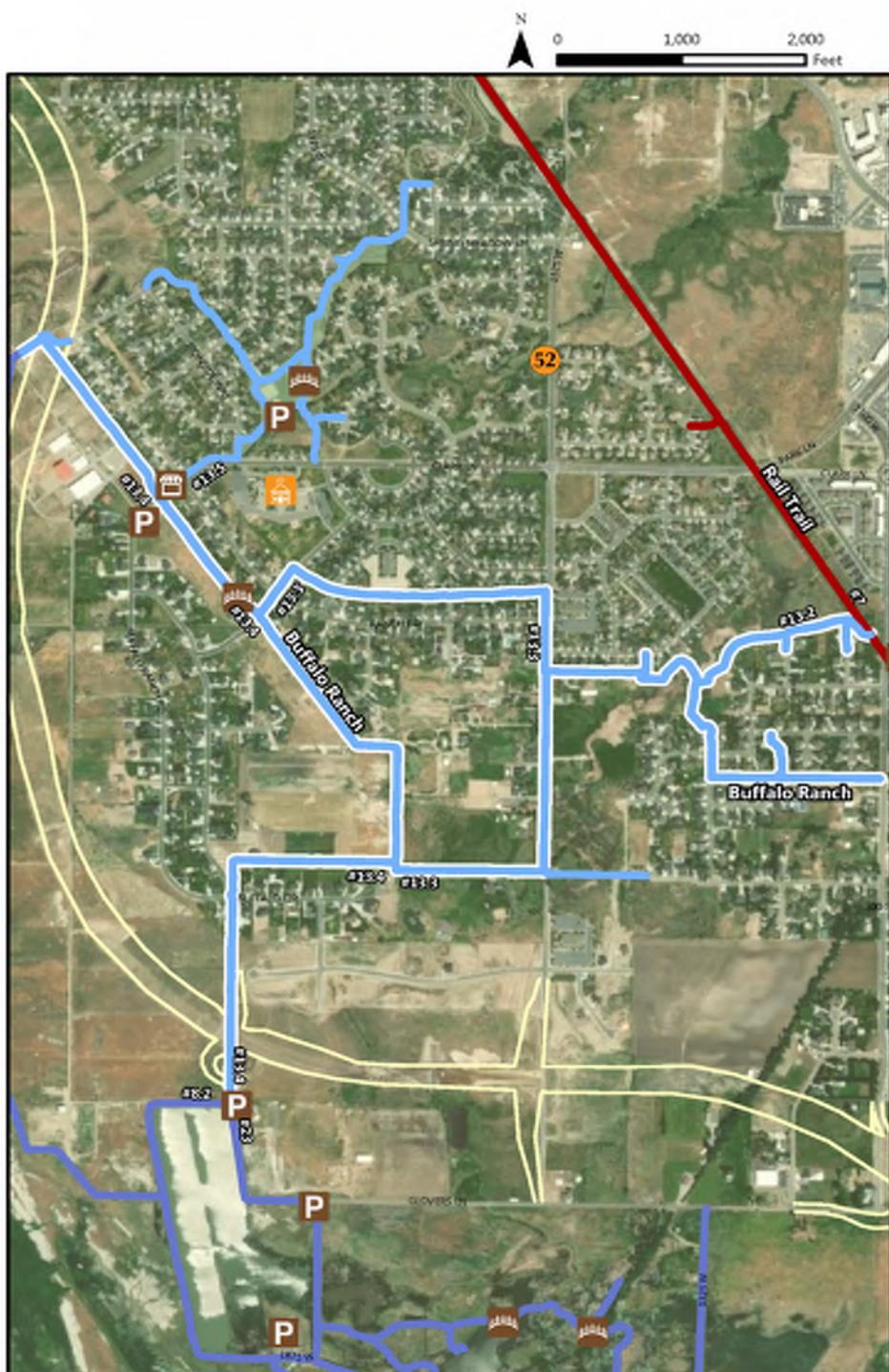
### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Fairgrounds Trailhead with Parking:** From the middle of Farmington, drive west on State Street, which becomes 100 N. Turn south (left) at 1100 W. and park at the Davis County Fairgrounds. Cross 1100 W. and start north down the Rails-to-Trails Trail (#7). After 100 feet, the trail is on the left. The trail winds westward to 1525 W.

**Access #2 - 100 N. Trailhead with Parking:** From the middle of Farmington, drive all the way west on State Street, which becomes 100 N. There is a parking lot at the trailhead. The trail heads north and south from the road.

**Access #3 - Glovers Lane:** Drive all the way west on Glovers Lane (925 S.), which you can reach from the south frontage road or 200 E. The trailhead is just north of the doppler radar (a.k.a. “the soccer ball”).

**Trail Surface and Status:** An excellent nature trail with smooth gravel and some sidewalks.



*To sit in the shade on a fine day and look upon verdure is the most perfect refreshment. -Jane Austen*

## #13.5 Buffalo Ranch Trail - Farmington Ranches Park Section

**Length:** 1.1 miles

**Time:** 30 minutes

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 23 feet



### Features:

- The trail is suitable for walking or jogging.
- Farmington Ranches Park is at the center.
- The park is a full-feature park with all the improvements.
- The trail is close at hand to many residents for quick access.

**Description:** This trail circles Farmington Ranches Park. The park has tennis courts, a playing field, a bowery, a playground, restrooms, drinking fountains, and parking.

Several trails from adjoining neighborhoods feed into the park from all directions, including one from the south that leads to Eagle Bay Elementary School.

### Access Locations:

Access #1 - North of Eagle Bay Elementary School across 100 N.

Access #2 - From Ironsides Way from the west.

Access #3 - From Stampede Drive to the northwest.

Access #4 - From Spring Meadow Lane to the northeast.

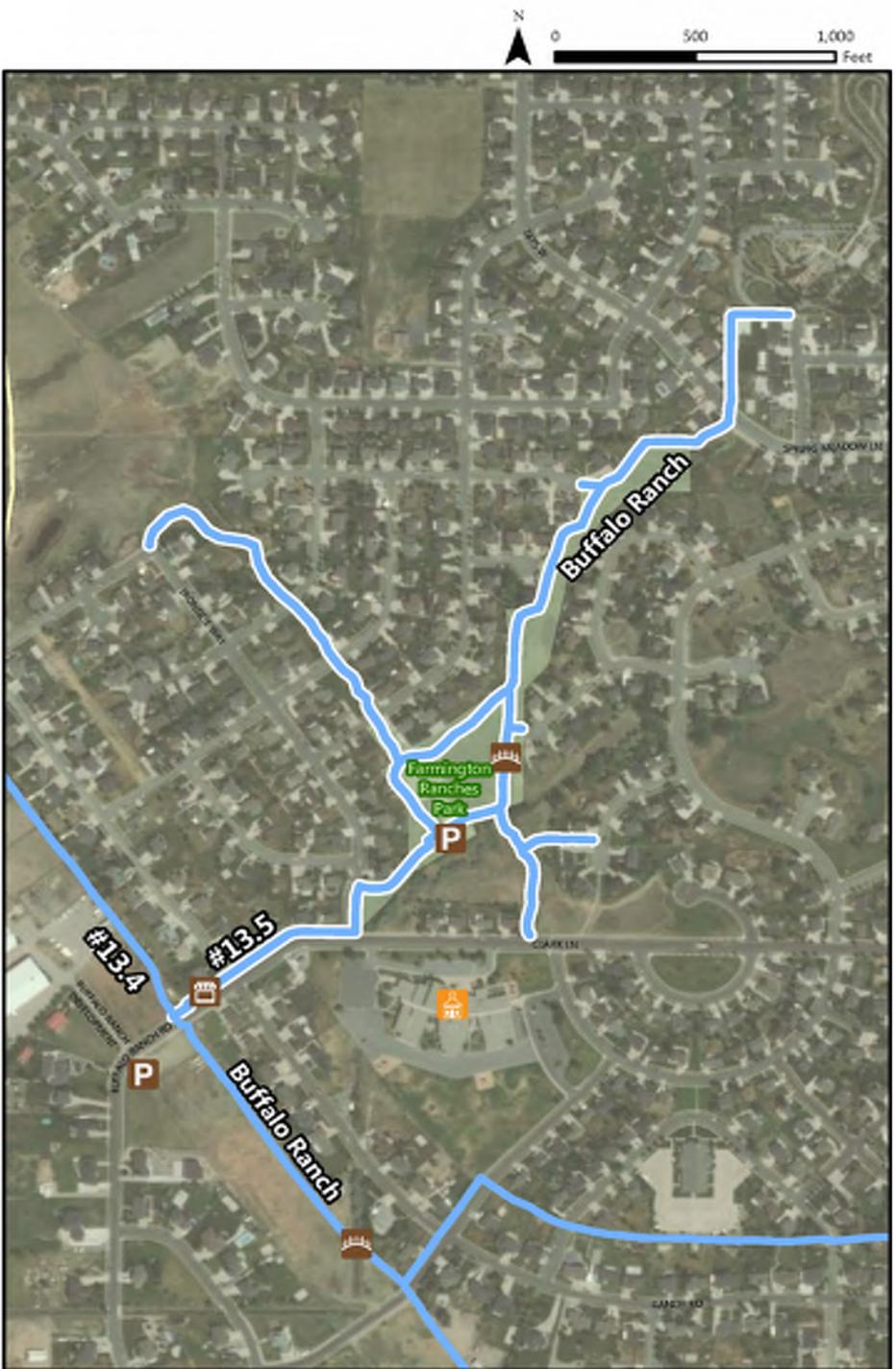
Access #5 - From North Country Bend Circle to the southeast.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is smooth cement or pavement.



photos by Amy Shumway

*Earth laughs in flowers. -Ralph Waldo Emerson*



*My recollection of a hundred lovely lakes has given me blessed release from care and worry and the troubled thinking of our modern day. It has been a return to the primitive and the peaceful. -Hamlin Garland*

## #14 Rudd Canyon Trail

**Length:** 0.7 mile  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 45 minutes  
**Elevation Gain:** 663 feet



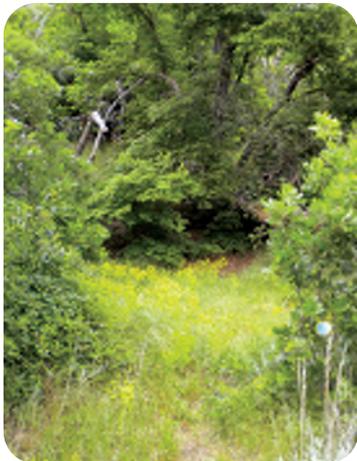
### Features:

- Features a small campsite within easy walking distance of the city.
- **Historical Note:** Flood waters from Rudd Canyon in 1983 destroyed several homes. One home was seen floating across Main Street on international news. The debris was trucked to Farmington Bay to create Goose Egg Island.

**Description:** This hiking path goes just a short distance up the canyon to a natural campsite (as in “no improvements”).

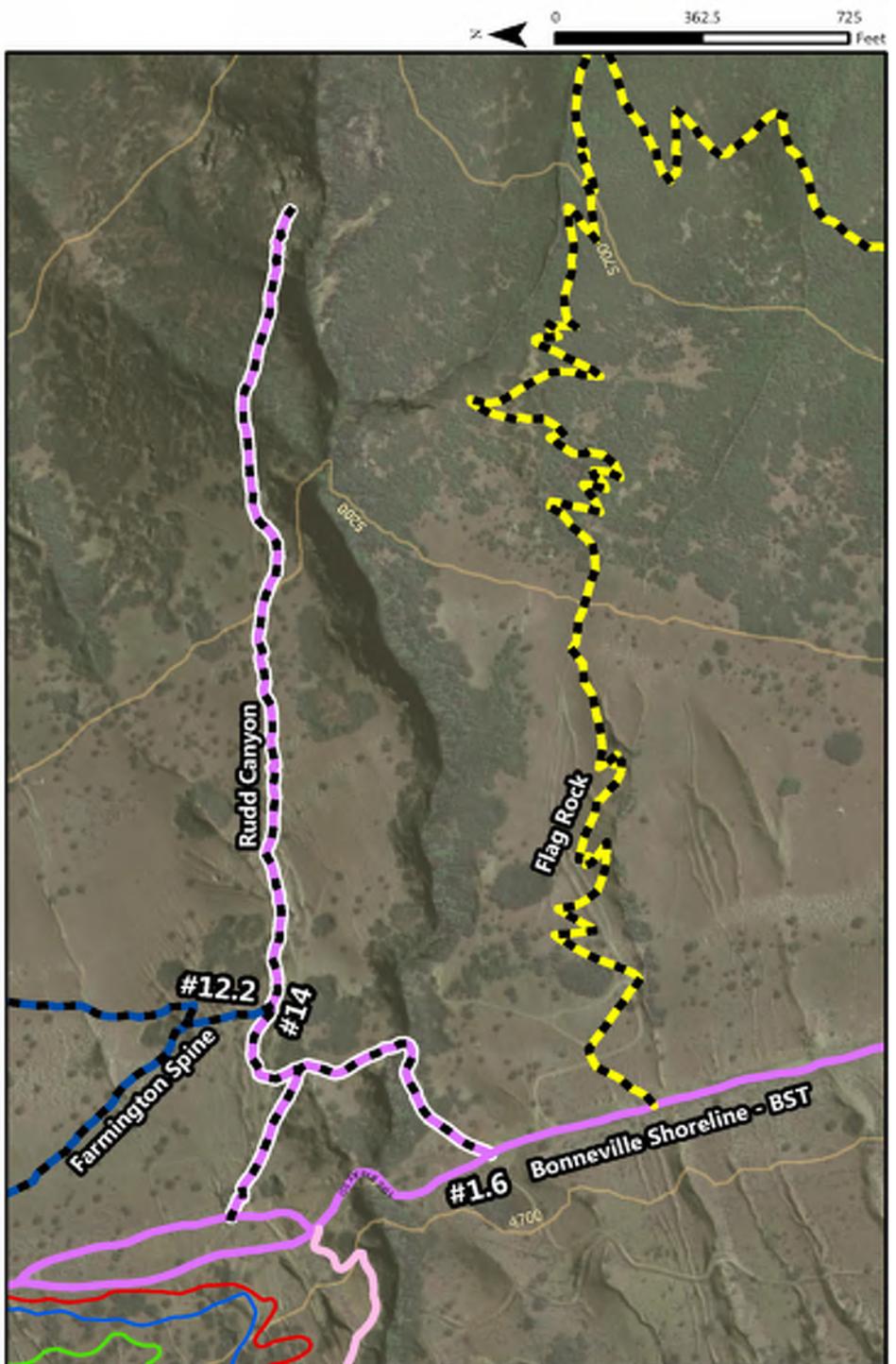
**Access Location:** From Main Street, go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.). Continue up the canyon to the firebreak road on your right. If you reach the bridge, you have gone too far. Drive or walk south along the firebreak road to the first small canyon on your left (Rudd Canyon). Look for the trailhead just before the canyon. There is a second access location just south of the canyon that joins the main trail after crossing the creek. The trail ascends the hillside parallel to an old metal water pipe. After you cross a shelf, the mountain will get steep. You can keep going east on the Rudd Canyon Trail for 200 hundred yards to where the trail currently ends. The Farmington Spine Trail (#12.2) branches off on the left just as you are about to enter the canyon.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a dirt path that is in good shape.



photos by Logan Ulrich

*“The right path in life always requires a climb.”*



*“Rise to new heights - Hike!”*

## #15.1-15.2 Patsy's Mine Trail

**Length:** 1.6 miles  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 1.5 hours  
**Elevation Gain:** 856 feet



### Features:

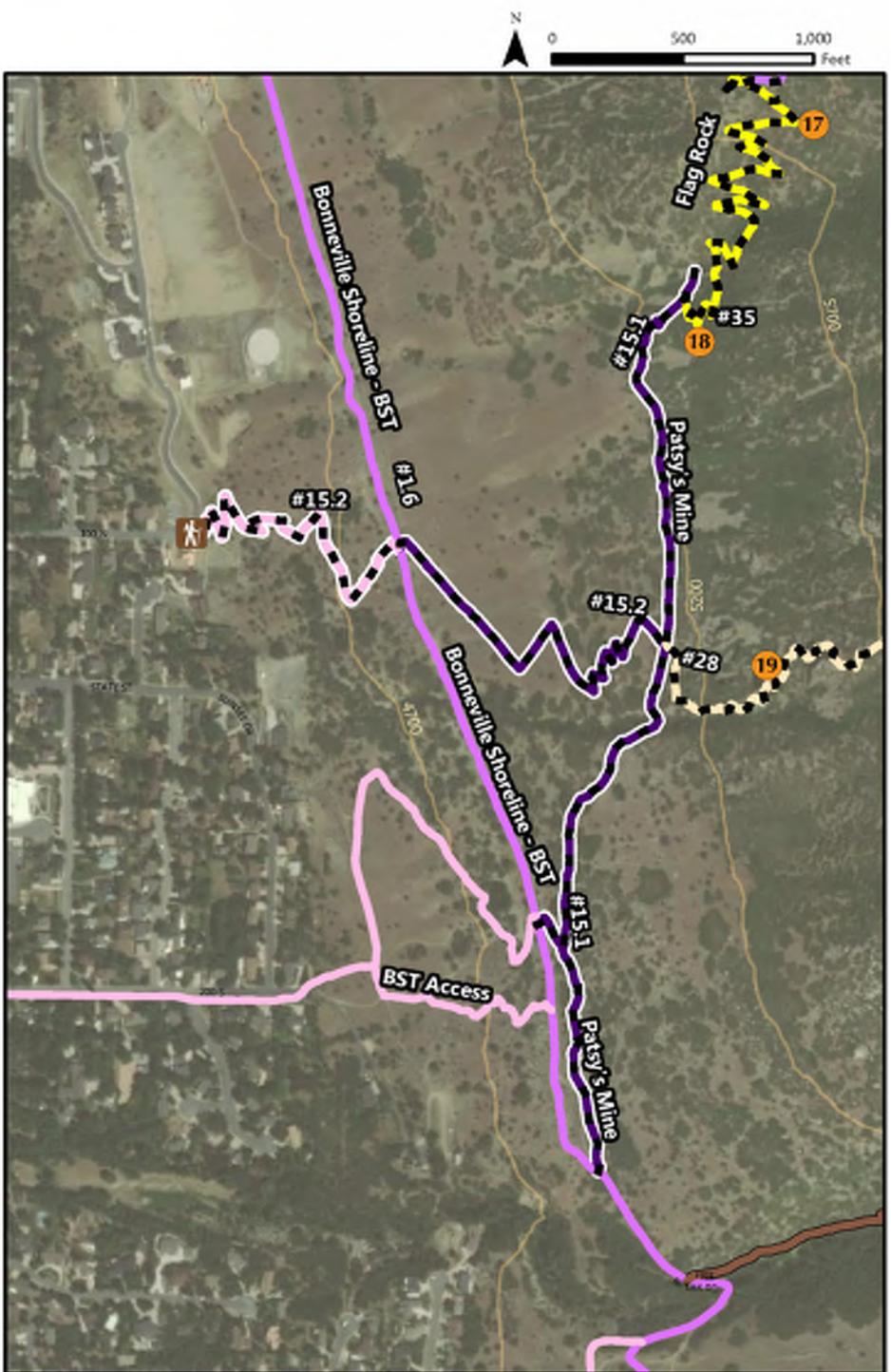
- This trail leads to the blocked entrance of a mine going straight back into the rock for 150 feet. This was dug by hand and later with steam power at the turn of the 20th century over a 20 year period by Patsy Morley, an Irish prize fighter. He hiked every day from his small back room apartment in the print shop on Main Street, certain he was about to hit a rich silver vein - until one day he mysteriously disappeared.
- The entire hike is along the face of the foothills and affords a panoramic view of the lake and Antelope Island.
- Watch for Eagle Rock (POI #19) halfway up the trail at an intersection with a bench. Look at this rock with a little imagination and see an enormous 12'-tall bald eagle perched on a boulder. "Tracy's Tower" is behind him (POI #20).
- Flag Rock is northeast of the mine on a rocky crag. The Flag Rock Trail (#35) splits off toward Flag Rock just before you reach the mine.

**Description:** This is a popular hillside trail leading to an the blocked entrance of an old mine carved into solid rock (POI #18). The hiker has a beautiful view of the valley. **NOTE: The entrance to the mine has been closed off and the mine shaft is no longer accessible.**

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - 100 N.:** This trailhead is off the Bonneville Shoreline Trail east of 100 N. To reach this section of the BST, drive to the far east end of 100 N. and park where the pavement ends. This trail provides access up to the BST and is part of section #15.2. Walk 100 feet up the jeep road and watch for the trail on the right. The trail switchbacks up the hillside to the firebreak road. Cross the road (BST) and take the trail up the hillside to an intersection by a bench. You are now on section #15.1.

**Access #2 - 200 S.:** This trailhead is off the Bonneville Shoreline Trail east of 200 S. To reach this section of the BST, drive to the far east end of 200 South and park where the pavement ends. This provides access up to the BST. Walk 200 yards straight up the foothill to the firebreak road. Cross the road and take a short switchback up about 30 feet to the trail that goes diagonally to the northeast up the hillside to an intersection by a bench. This is section #15.1.



*Look deep into nature, and then you will understand everything better.*  
*-Albert Einstein*

## #15.1-15.2 Patsy's Mine Trail continued

**Access #3 - BST:** This trailhead has a more gradual approach and is farther south off the Bonneville Shoreline Trail at about 300 South. As you approach from the south, notice that the firebreak road (which is also the BST) splits for a short distance. Section #15.1 begins as you pass between several large rocks at the split in the BST.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The dirt trail is in good shape all the way to the mine.



*Mine Prior to Closing - photos by Amy Shumway*



*Closed Mine Entrance - Photo by Lyle Gibson*



*photos by Amy Shumway*



***“Head to the hills - Hike!”***

## #16.1 Hornet Canyon Trail - Waterfall Section

**Length:** 1 mile

**Time:** 2 hours

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 1152 feet



### Features:

- The trail parallels a mountain stream and has some sections of tree cover.
- Visit Mezzanine Rock (POI #25), a flat rock jutting out into the canyon with a grand entryway, opera box, and stone benches.
- Find “Big Foot,” a stone foot size 110, located about 50 feet up the ’03 Fire Trail (#28) (POI #23).
- Sit in Bullwinkle’s Chair, a stone “chair” (POI #22).
- Don’t miss Bob’s Boulder (POI #21) as you cross over it on the trail.
- Hike to a waterfall that is visible from the valley during high runoff seasons.
- This trail provides a close look at the famous, rugged Farmington cliffs.

**Description:** This hiking trail leads up Hornet Canyon to a seasonal waterfall then loops south to a campsite up Steed Canyon. There are some steep climbs and an easy rock slide crossing. The trail offers a beautiful view of the canyon and its rugged cliffs.

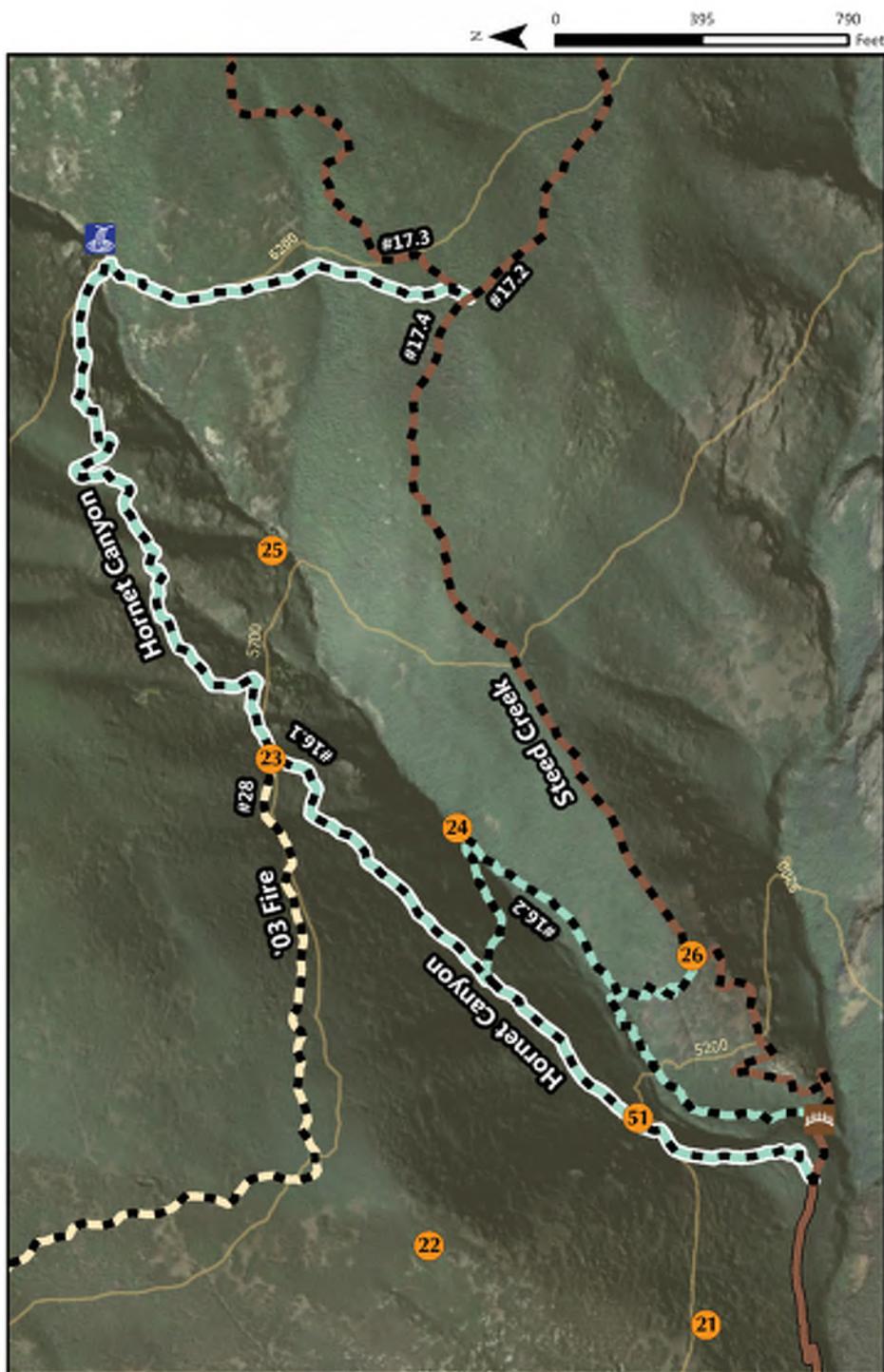
### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Steed Creek Junction:** The trailhead splits off from the Steed Canyon Trail (#17.5) about 1000 feet east from the Steed Canyon trailhead on the firebreak road (BST). If you reach Hornet Creek, you have gone too far. Backtrack about 100 feet and look for the north trail branch. The Steed Canyon Trailhead is on the Bonneville Shoreline Trail at about 300 South just north of Steed Creek. See instructions for access under the Steed Creek Trail (#17.5).

**Access #2 - Cliffs Junction:** This access is from a campsite at the top end of the Steed Creek Trail (#17.4) near the cliffs. For more information, see the Steed Creek Trail (#17.4).

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail is a dirt path with some loose rocks.





*The tumbling water is as a chorus of nature with a familiar tune that invites my soul to sing. -G2Chipman*

## #16.2 Hornet Canyon Trail - Grotto Section

**Length:** 0.5 mile  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 30 minutes  
**Elevation Gain:** 344 feet



### Features:

- The trail parallels a mountain stream with continuous tree cover.
- There are several shaded campsites with water only 20 minutes up the trail.
- Experience the grotto with its small waterfall descending into a pool (POI #24).
- Fresh water bursts from a huge spring out of the mountainside.
- There is a 30-foot long “water weep” dripping off an overhang.
- Green moss is everywhere.

**Description:** This hiking trail leads up the east side of Hornet Canyon to a beautiful grotto hidden in the canyon (POI #24). The grotto has a small waterfall, a pool of water, a huge spring bursting from the mountainside, a 30-foot long “water weep” off an overhang, and green moss everywhere. It is a delightful place to visit.

Before reaching the grotto, you will pass several shaded campsites. One is next to a large rock outcropping called “Moss Rock” (POI #51). Beware of the poison ivy near the creek.

### Access Locations:

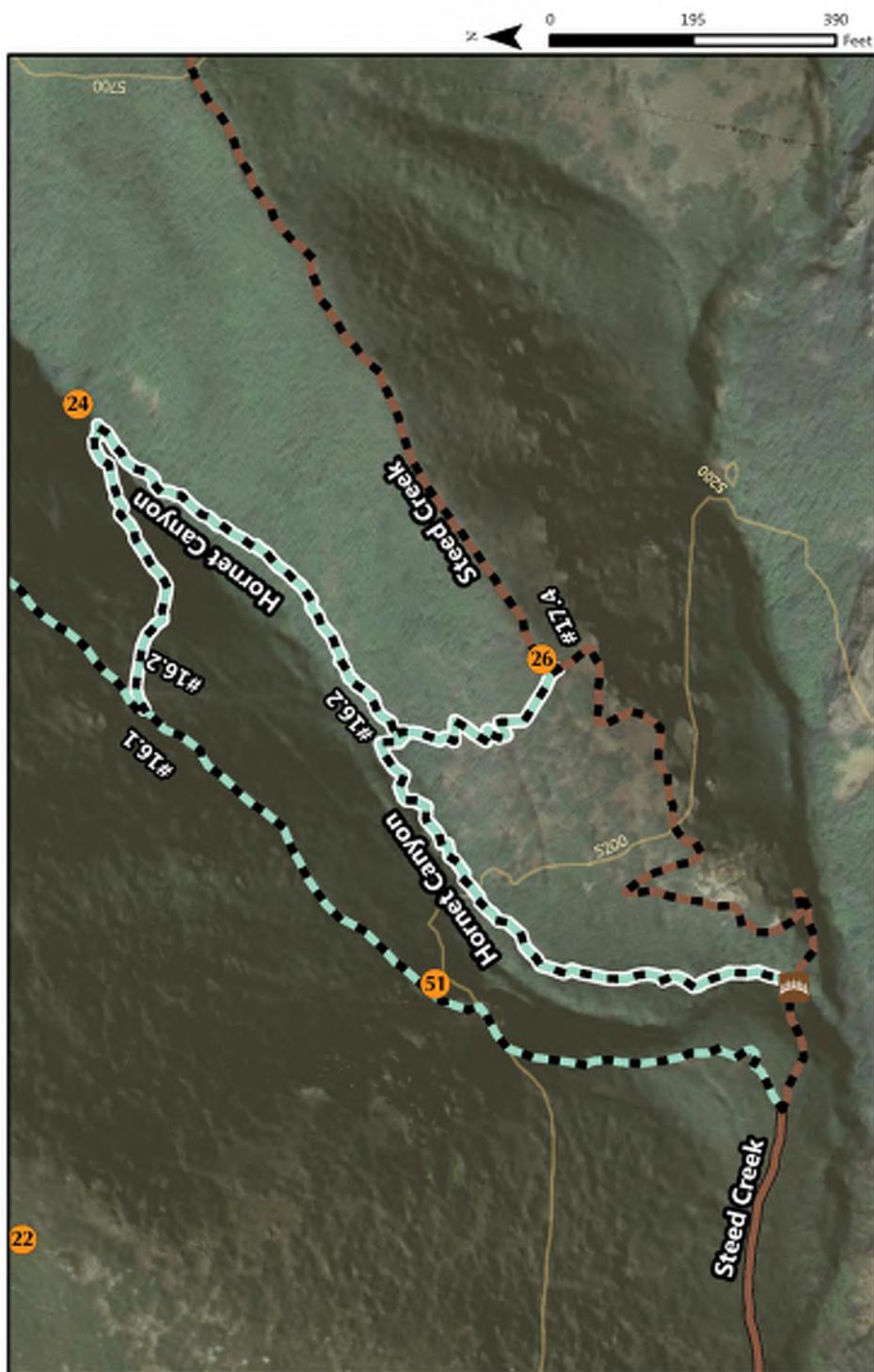
**Access #1 - Steed Creek Junction:** The trailhead splits off the Steed Canyon Trail (#17.4) just after you cross Hornet Creek. Follow the trail up Hornet Canyon right next to the creek. Note that Hornet Creek is only a trickle in the late summer.

**Access #2 - Hornet Canyon:** This access is south off section #16.1. Take the trail spur before the ‘03 Fire Trail split-off.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This dirt trail is grassy, narrow, and well-shaded.



photo by Steve Rossi



*The mountain is strong but the stream is patient. -Anonymous*

## #17.1 Steed Creek Trail - Summit Section

**Length:** 1.8 miles

**Time:** 3.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 868 feet



### Features:

- Find the “geocache altar” halfway up the mountain (POI #30).
- Climb all the way to the road on top of the mountain.
- Fantastic views await you!

**Description:** This section of trail takes you from the top of the cliffs, through a “saddle” area to a level camp, then up to the top of the mountain. Stay on top of the ridge as you climb. About a third of the way up, you will reach a large rock altar on an intermediate peak (POI #30).

To reach the top, keep climbing until it starts to level off and find a double-track trail. This will take you up to Skyline Drive, a road that traverses the top of the mountain.

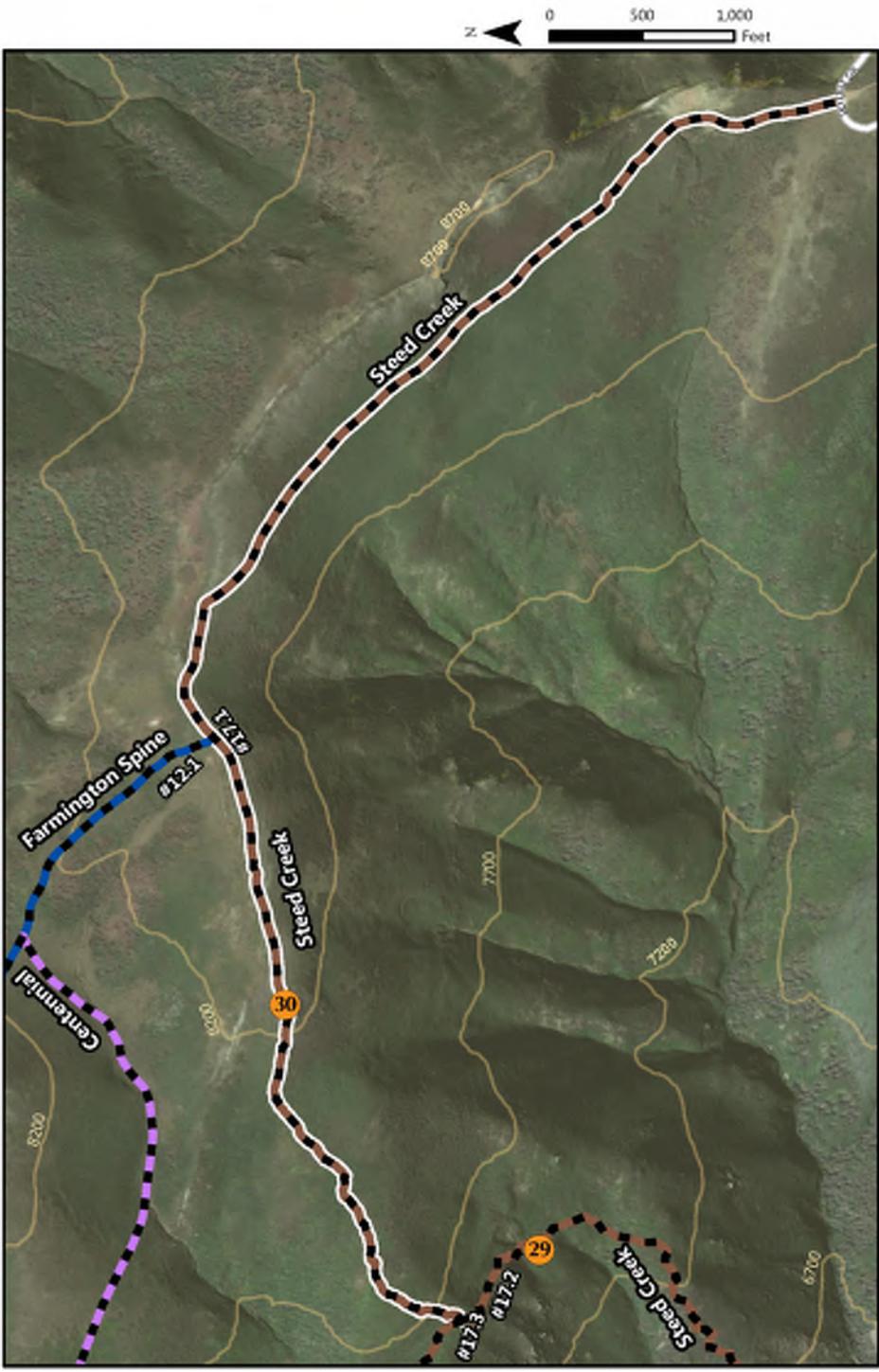
**Access Locations:** Reach this section of trail from section #17.2 when hiking up the mountain, or drive up Farmington Canyon Road to Skyline Drive and hike down from the top.

**Trail Surface and Status:** Most of the trail is in good shape with some steep sections. The far east end is in need of work but has markers to help you find the way. This is a wilderness trail and left as natural as possible.



photos by Ron Robinson

*Whenever the pressure of our complex city life thins my blood and numbs my brain,  
I seek relief in the trail; and when I hear the coyote wailing to the yellow dawn,  
my cares fall from me - I am happy. -Hamlin Garland*



*How glorious a greeting the sun gives the mountains! -John Muir*

## #17.2-17.4 Steed Creek Trail - Cliff Sections

**Length:** 3.2 miles

**Time:** 5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** ~1500 feet



### Features:

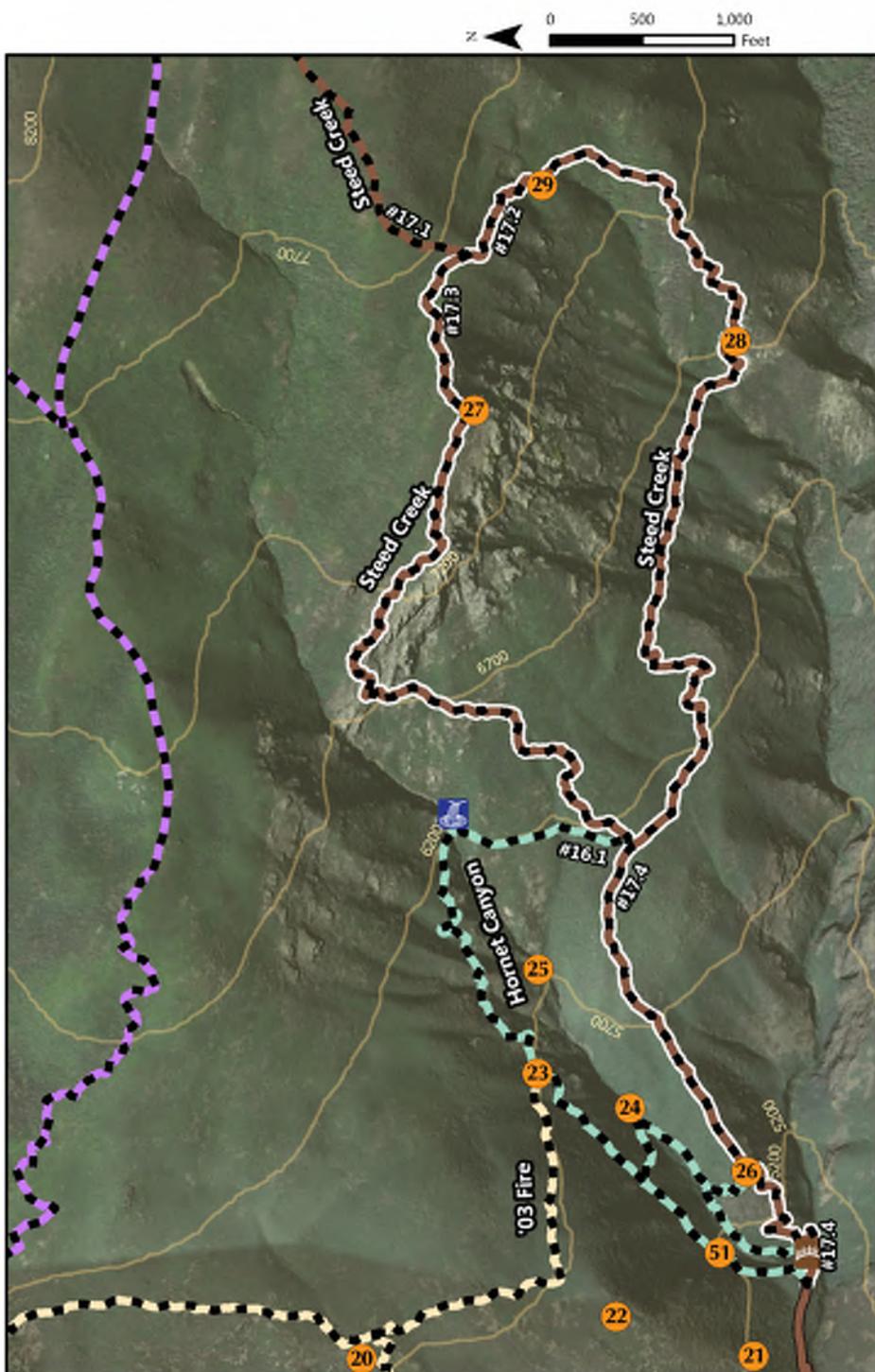
- A mountain mahogany grove follows you part way up the mountain.
- Beautiful wildflowers are a spring treat on this trail.
- The “subway bench” is a large rock at the start of the “subway” where you can sit in mahogany shade and see the southern part of Farmington.
- See the remnants of an ancient landslide, “Landslide Meadow” (POI #29).
- Stand on top of the Farmington Cliffs for a fantastic view and bragging rights (POI #27). Be careful ... the first step is a beaut!
- A mountainside forest campsite offers a pleasant place to rest.

**Description:** This is a beautiful hiking trail through several forests. If you have a day, you can hike to the top of the mountain. These sections of trail start at Hornet Creek, which is a third of a mile up Steed Canyon. Section #17.4 continues past a large, white rock outcropping called Sentinel Rock, located just east of Hornet Creek. Keep this rock to your right until you can see all of Steed Canyon. Ascend the ridge with Steed Canyon to your right until the trail seems to end on a promontory. Turn left, go 50 feet, and you will see the start of the “subway” (POI #26). The trail follows the subway, a natural depression, up the ridge toward the cliffs. There are mountain mahogany trees along the subway and wildflowers in the spring. Enjoy the campsite on the mountainside in a fairly level forest at the base of the majestic cliffs. Section #17.3 offers a shorter way to reach the cliffs by going up the north side.

From the forest in front of the cliffs, section #17.2 continues up the mountain to the southeast and traverses four draws. Ascend to the left of a long area of “slickrock” that features Trogdor, the “Gnome King,” at its top (POI #28). In good weather, you can actually climb on the slickrock if you are careful. Climb up the ridge trail where you then cross a heavily vegetated area and a small meadow formed by an old landslide (POI #29). Climb the next part of the mountain to a forest of tall aspen trees. Turn west and walk down a gentle slope to the top of the cliffs (POI #27). A fantastic view awaits you. The final climb to the mountaintop is another two miles from the top of the cliffs. Stay on top of the ridge as you climb and look for markers.

**Access Locations:** Access this trail from the Steed Creek Trail section #17.5.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a wilderness trail left as natural as possible with some steep sections.



*The mountain is God's temple for those who can see the cloth of nature as the divine tapestry. -G2Chipman*

## #17.5 Steed Creek Trail - Lower Canyon Section

**Length:** 0.3 miles

**Time:** 30 minutes

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** ~1500 feet



### Features:

- This section of trail provides access from the city to several other trails.
- There is a campsite at the mouth of Steed Canyon that you can drive to.

**Description:** This section starts at the BST about 100 feet north of Steed Creek. Go east up Steed Canyon.

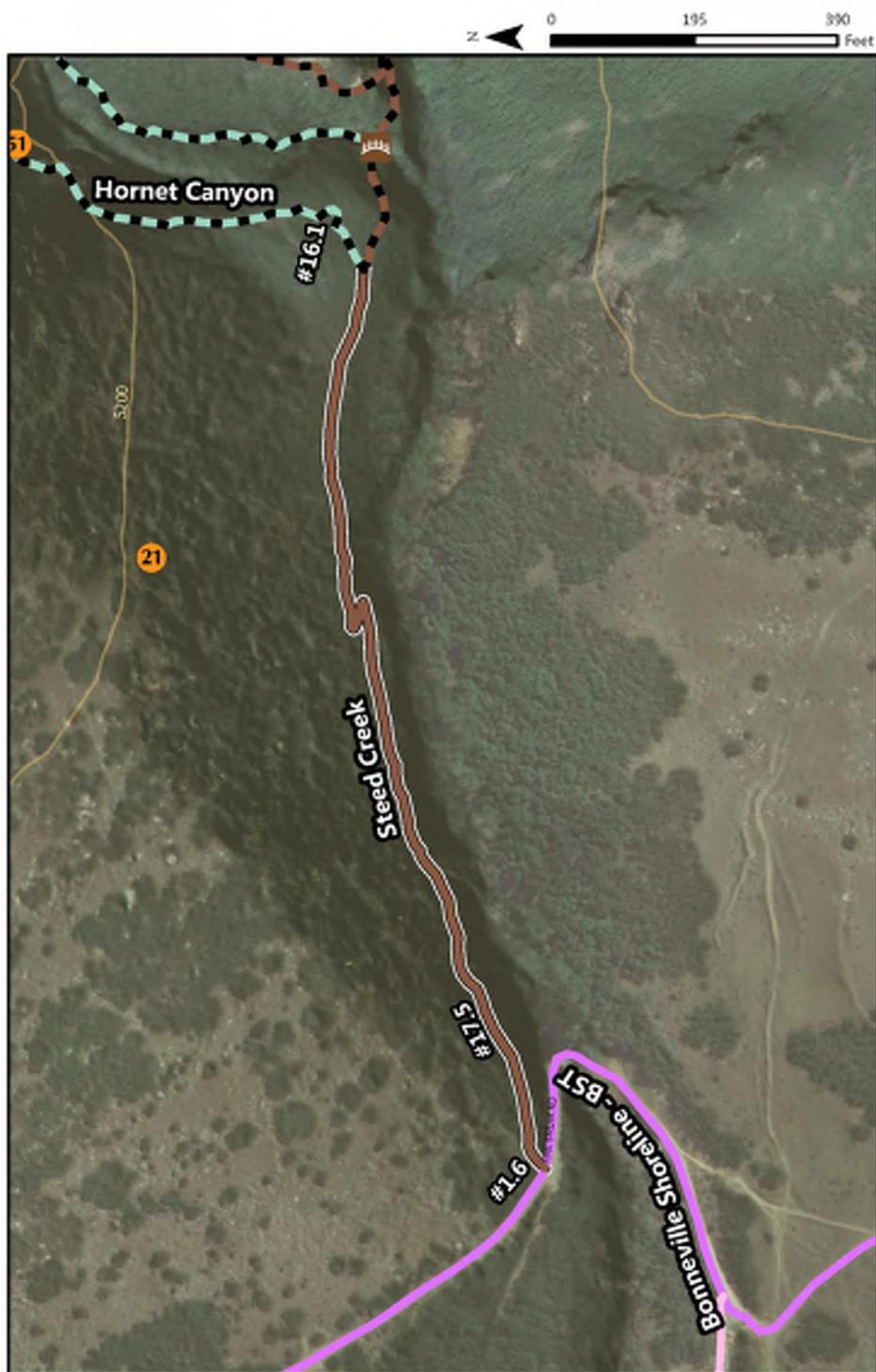
**Access Locations:** The trail access starts in the city limits at the east end of 200 S. Climb the hillside until you reach the firebreak road, which is also the Bonneville Shoreline Trail in this area. Go south a third of a mile. The trailhead is on your left just before you reach Steed Creek.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a dirt path that is easy to follow.



photo by G2Chipman

*The mind, in proportion as it is cut off from free communication with nature, with revelation, with God, with itself, loses its life, just as the body droops when debarred from the air and the cheering light from heaven. -William Ellery Channing*



*“Old hikers never die, they just climb higher one day”*

## #17.6 Steed Creek Trail - Woodland Park Section

**Length:** 0.5 miles

**Time:** 15 minutes

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 72 feet



### Features:

- The park is great for outdoor events, complete with picnic tables, a volleyball court, a large grassy area, a large pavilion, and a stage.
- Several trails wind through forested paths.
- Drinkable water is available.
- Restrooms are available at the entrance.
- There is plenty of off-street parking.
- You can reserve the park through the Parks & Rec Department for family reunions, etc.
- Activity kits can be rented from the Parks & Rec Department with sports items for playing in the park.
- Watch for announcements of plays and concerts in the park.

**Description:** This is a walking path through a beautiful park with natural vegetation. There are many picnic tables, drinkable water, parking, a streamside nature walk, a volleyball court, a small soccer field, and a stage for evening park performances.

From the park, you can walk up to 200 S. then up the hillside to Steed Canyon. The trails there (#17.1-5) will take you to the top of the cliffs then to the top of the mountain.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - 200 E. Trailhead with Parking:** 200 E. and 300 S. next to the police station. Parking is available in the parking lot west of the police station and down the hill.

**Access #2 - Joy Drive:** Take Aileen Way (75 W.) south from Farmington Elementary School (200 S.) to Joy Drive (~350 S.). Turn east to the bend in the road. Look for a path on the right between two chain-link fences leading to the park. This is the northwest entrance to Woodland Park and will put you on the trail.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The packed dirt trail is in excellent shape for an enjoyable stroll.



*Forests, lakes, and rivers, clouds and winds, stars and flowers, stupendous glaciers and crystal snowflakes - every form of animate or inanimate existence, leaves its impress upon the soul of man. -Orison Swett Marden*

## #18.1-18.2 Davis Creek Trail - Upper Canyon Sections

**Length:** 2.3 miles

**Time:** 4 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 2568 feet



### Features:

- The trail takes you past two waterfalls to the top of the mountain.
- Enjoy incredible vistas.
- There are hidden geocaches along the way.
- Moose Run Ridge (POI #45) is a steady climb through a tall pine forest.
- Use the G2Connector trail sections #31.1 and #31.2 to loop back down if you decide not to go all the way to the top of the mountain.

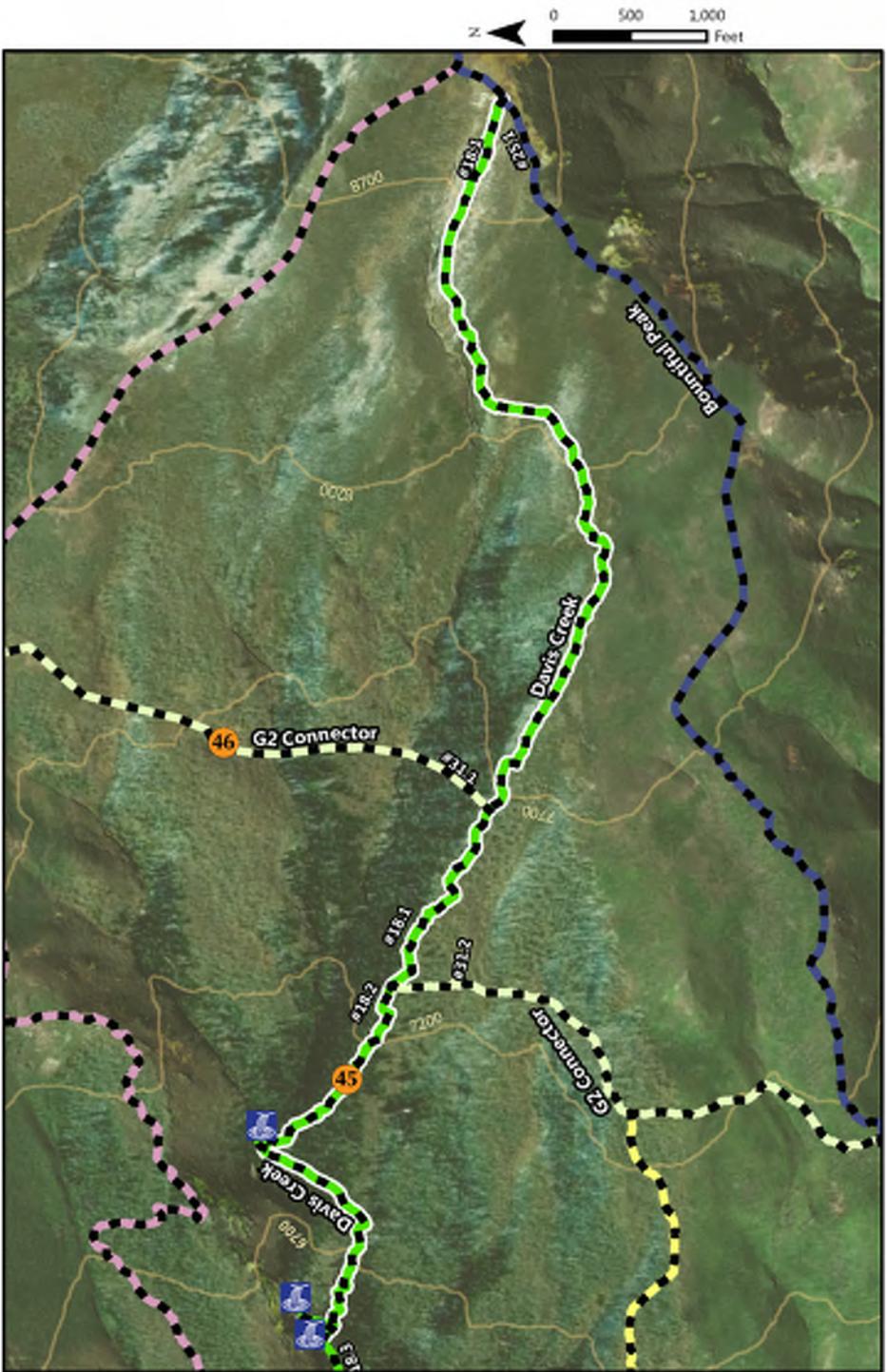
**Description:** This is a rigorous hiking trail ascending the mountain. You will then be able to travel north or south to other canyons using the gravel Skyline Drive. The trail is left as pristine as possible for a natural hiking experience. Occasional markers are provided to keep you on course. Generally speaking, the upper part of the trail usually follows the top of the ridge. Stay on top and keep climbing.

Section #18.2 starts at the third waterfall described in section #18.3. Just before the waterfall, the trail continues up a draw for about 200 feet. At this point, look for a wooded trail spur to your left. Hike up this path about 300 feet to the creek, and you will find the best waterfall yet: The fourth waterfall. Return to the draw and continue climbing for a quarter mile before heading left over a hill and back down to the stream. At this point, near a fifth small waterfall, the trail goes to the top of the mountain with a ridge on your right called Moose Run Ridge (POI #45). There are moose all through this area. If you are quiet, you may be lucky enough to see one. Keep your distance. They are large animals and can be dangerous if spooked.

As you continue climbing, you will see the access to the south branch of the G2Connector Trail (#31.2) on your right heading south. This is where section #18.1 starts. After another quarter mile, you will reach the north branch of the G2Connector Trail (#31.1) on your left heading north. Hike another half mile, and you will reach the north ridge of Ford Canyon, where you join the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.1) that goes to the top of the mountain.

**Access Locations:** The top of this trail can be reached from Skyline Drive then hiking down the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.1) for a half mile. You can reach the bottom of section #18.1 from the top of section #18.2, and you reach section #18.2 from the top of section #18.3.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a wilderness trail. Look for the trail markers to stay on course.



*A woodland in full color is awesome as a forest fire, in magnitude at least, but a single tree is like a dancing tongue of flame to warm the heart. -Hal Borland*

## #18.3-18.8 Davis Creek Trail - Lower Canyon Sections

**Length:** 3 miles

**Time:** 5.2 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 1119 feet



### Features:

- These trail sections take you to three picturesque waterfalls.
- Enjoy a beautiful hike through a dense forest east of Farmington.
- Hell Hole has edible raspberries in the early summer.
- There are many beautiful campsites.

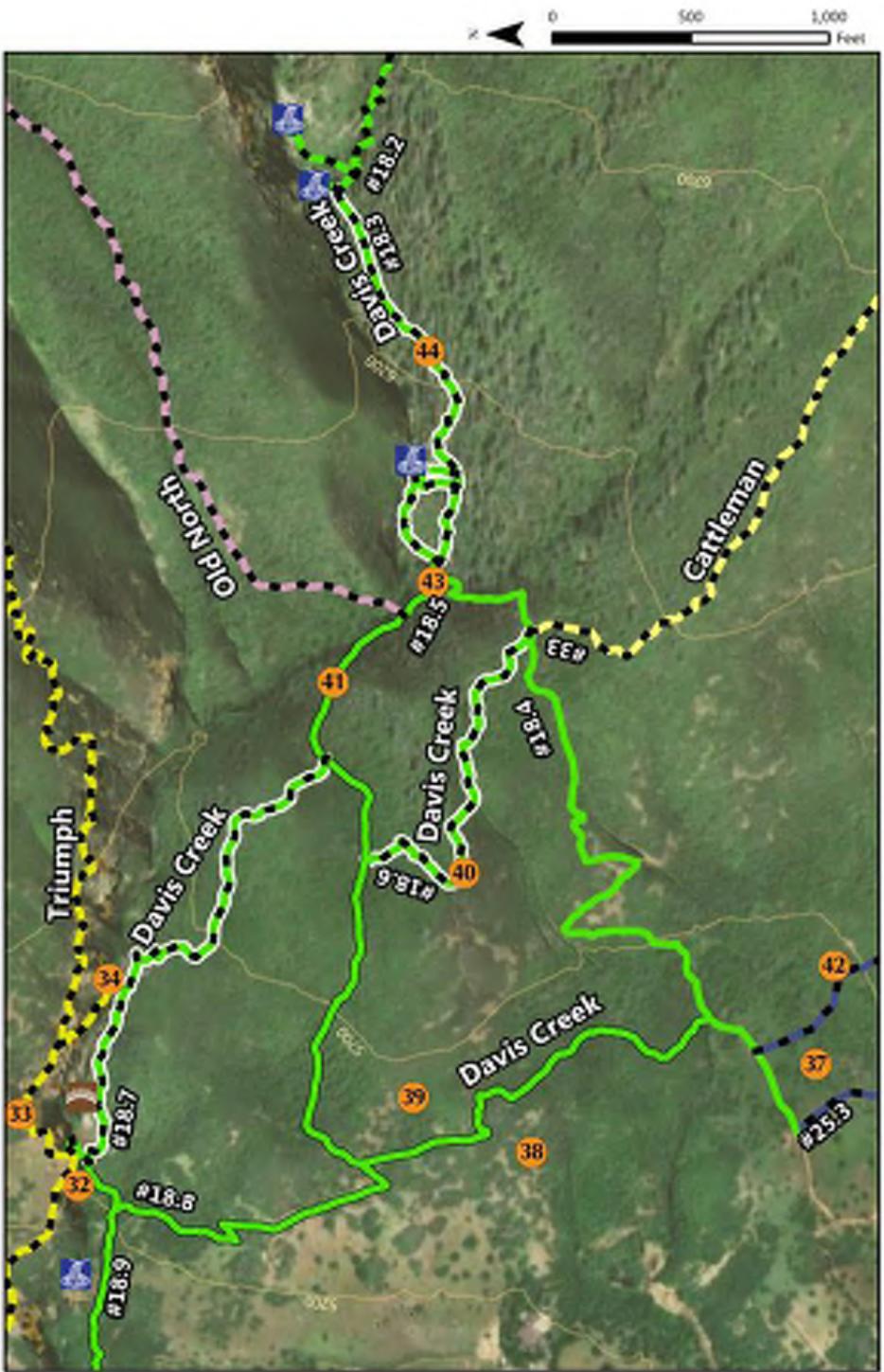
**Description:** These trail sections take you from the 1st waterfall to either a beautiful meadow on the side of the mountain or over the first ridge to a dark, cool area shaded by tall pine trees. Locals nicknamed the spot “Hell Hole” (POI #43), but this is a misnomer since it is really a paradise of natural beauty.

**Section #18.8 (“El Capitan”):** Start at the split-off to the first waterfall (see section #18.9). Instead of going to the waterfall, go south toward “Pretty Valley.” You will traverse the hillside for about 200 yards then emerge from a humble forest of “bowing” trees to a double switchback. After about a half mile, you will find another switchback in a grove of trees. Go east (left). Fifty feet up this trail by a marker, there is a trail split. Instead of going straight up the hill to “Hell Hole,” take the right branch toward Pretty Valley. You will pass “El Capitan,” a huge rock jutting out of the hillside (POI #38). Notice the rock’s interesting layering that gives it the look of a large tree stump with red stains. A great view awaits you from atop this monolith.

“Wolf Head Rock” (POI #39) is just above it, named by a Cub Scout years ago. Can you make out the snarling teeth and “blood” on the wolf’s muzzle from his last kill? His eye glistens if it has rained recently, and his ears are pricked up. The imagination of a young boy is wonderful!

The trail winds to the south through tree-filled meadows to eventually reach Pretty Valley (POI #37). Scouts love to camp here and play “capture the flag” in the large meadow. You can almost smell the hot dogs roasting over the campfire.

**Section #18.7 (“Indian Annie”):** This section is the north branch of the three ways that lead to the Hell Hole area. Hell Hole has several great camping sites. The trail starts at the first waterfall and goes up the canyon beginning at the footbridge on the south side of the creek. This is a steep and narrow trail that inexperienced hikers should not take. It switchbacks up the mountain and comes out on top at



*In wilderness I sense the miracle of life, and behind it our scientific accomplishments fade to trivia. -Charles Lindbergh*

## #18.3-18.8 Davis Creek Trail - Lower Canyon Sections cont'd

section #18.5. Indian Annie Rock (POI #33) is on the north side of the creek. See page 127 for the story of Indian Annie.

**Section #18.6 (“Prayer Rock”):** Section #18.5 (“Camp on the Mount”) connects to section #18.4 (“Hell Hole”) by way of Prayer Rock (POI #40), a large rock with a commanding view that hikers enjoy for meditating.

**Section #18.5 (“Camp on the Mount”):** This is the middle branch of the three ways that lead to the Hell Hole area. It connects to section #18.8 by way of two excellent campsites on the mount that can accommodate an entire scout troop. This section uses a narrow path through thick evergreens called “Christmas Tree Lane” (POI #41) to drop down to the Hell Hole area to the east.

**Section #18.4 (“Hell Hole”):** This is the south branch of the three ways that lead to the Hell Hole area. It heads east from Pretty Valley over a tall hill then down into the Hell Hole area. You pass section #18.6 on your left and the Cattleman Trail (#33) trailhead on your right just before dropping down to Hell Hole. This section of trail is approved for horses.

**Section #18.3 (“Second Waterfall”):** This section departs east of the Hell Hole area and continues up the canyon. A couple hundred yards up the trail, there is a spur to the left that drops down to the creek and the second waterfall. The main trail continues east, paralleling the stream. This leads to a sloped rock outcropping next to the creek. The Cave Camp is below the outcropping. The trail turns to the right before reaching Cave Camp. The trail continues to the right across a section of flat rock at a steep angle. Walk through a forest hollow of deep evergreen shade with a thick bed of pine needles underfoot. One old tree, “Old Abe” (POI #44), has a trunk four feet across.

Continue up the creek and you will reach the third waterfall just after a draw to the east. This draw is the beginning of section #18.2.

### **Access Locations:**

**Access #1 - Triumph Junction:** Section #18.8 can be accessed from the Triumph Trail (#34) by crossing the bridge above the Davis Creek's first waterfall.

**Other Accesses:** The other sections of Trail #18 are accessed by adjoining sections of the trail as described earlier.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a wilderness trail left as natural as possible. Look for the trail markers to stay on course.

**Story of Indian Annie:** During hostilities between the U.S. Cavalry and the American Indians, the Bannock Tribe was massacred in the summer of 1863. William A. Rose found a four-year-old Indian girl that survived. He traded her for a riding pony to the Rice family, who raised her as one of their own. They named her Ida Anne, and she gained the nickname “Indian Annie.” She grew to be a beautiful Indian maiden, and in 1883 she fell in love with and married a man 40 years her senior, Jonathan F. Wilcox. They lived on the bench above Farmington where they raised four sons and four daughters. There are many stories about Ida Anne’s skills, resourcefulness, and service to her neighbors. Some of her descendants live in Farmington today.

**Indian Annie Rock:** Next to Davis Creek on the north side above the first waterfall is a large rock facing east. If you use your imagination (okay, a lot of imagination), you can see the face of Indian Annie surrounded by a headband of dark feathers. The face ages a lifetime in one day. As the sunrise washes out the features of the rock, you see the face of an Indian maiden. The face ages with deeper lines as the sun climbs. By evening, the shadows deepen and all that remains of the face is the skull of Indian Annie as she now lies beneath the sod of the earth she loved to wander. Her spirit and memory linger as one enjoys the repose of the approaching night. Ida Anne’s grave is in the Farmington City Cemetery. Her baby girl, who died on the child’s fourth birthday, lies at the feet of her mother and father with a notation on her father’s grave marker: “But somehow I think they are with us today, more real now that earth’s life is o’er and somewhere in the hill tops of that country that knoweth no pain, they will stand in God’s beautiful doorway...” See page 188 for a picture of the Indian Annie Rock.



*El Capitan - photo by G2Chipman*

## #18.9 Davis Creek Trail - 1st Waterfall Section

**Length:** 0.5 mile

**Time:** 45 minutes

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 440 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy a refreshing one-mile hike to a waterfall.
- This trail is the gateway to five beautiful waterfalls.
- There is plenty of parking at the Davis Canyon Reservoir.
- Find a bench halfway up for reading or relaxation.
- Enjoy a cool wade in the “Indian Bathtubs” on a hot summer day (POI #32).

**Description:** This is a mountain trail system east of Farmington that leads to five beautiful waterfalls. This section is the lowest portion of that trail and includes the first waterfall. This trail is one of the true gems of Farmington, providing access to a world of incredible beauty and discovery. A hiker can reach the first waterfall in only 30 minutes. Then, if you have the time and energy, you can continue on to reach the top of the mountain, a rigorous hike, but well-worth the effort.

The trailhead starts at the east boundary of the city and parallels Davis Creek for a half mile to the first waterfall. Just below the waterfall, there is a trail spur to the north that goes a short distance to the “Indian Bathtubs” (POI #32). Be careful near the “bathtubs,” as the rock can be slippery when wet. Use the safety chains. These pools are refreshing on a hot summer day.

As you near the area of the first waterfall, you will come to a split-off by a trail marker post. You can take the left branch to the waterfall, or go straight ahead (southeast) to Pretty Valley, a large meadow hanging on the side of the mountain. The left branch will take you to a point just above the waterfall. Right before you cross the bridge over the creek, there is a steep trail to your right for skilled hikers only. This is section #18.7, which takes a northern route over the first low peak.

If you cross the creek above the waterfall, you can follow a switchback that connects you to the Triumph Trail (#34), then come back down the hillside to where you started for a one-mile loop hike.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Reservoir Trailhead with Parking:** The trailhead is 200 feet south of Davis Canyon on Little Valley Road, which is reached by traveling east up 500 South off 200 East and bending south with the road that becomes gravel. There is parking available by the reservoir just north of Davis Canyon. Park, then walk up the road about 200 feet. Look for a small draw on your left. The trail starts in a small, wooded glen to the east of the road.



*The groves were God's first temples. -William C. Bryant*

## #18.9 Davis Creek Trail - 1st Waterfall Section continued

**Access #2 - Triumph Trail Junction:** Hike up the Triumph Trail (#34) a half mile to the first waterfall, then descend down to the creek and cross the bridge.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail is a dirt path in good shape.



photo by G2Chipman

*For the strength of the hills we bless thee, Our God, our fathers' God.  
-From hymn: For the Strength of the Hills, text by Felicia D. Hemans*



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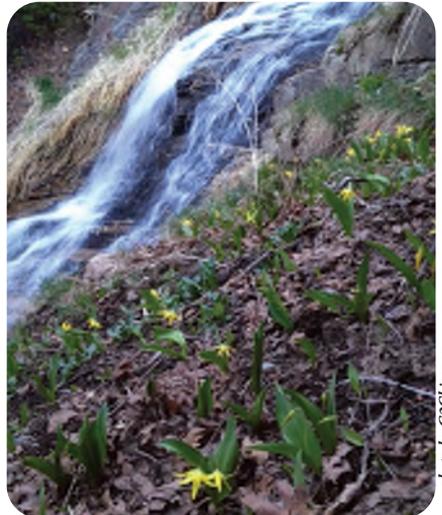


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## #18.11 Davis Creek Trail - Urban Nature Walk Section

**Length:** 0.7 mile

**Time:** 20 minutes

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 83 feet



### Features:

- This is a pleasant stroll.
- In the spring, a small, babbling creek parallels the pathway.
- Enjoy a short walk when you are short on time.
- This is a great way to get from 200 E. to the Frontage Road and avoid busy roads.

**Description:** This is a short walk from the Frontage Road at 1000 S. through a wooded area that parallels part of Davis Creek to 200 E.

### Access Locations:

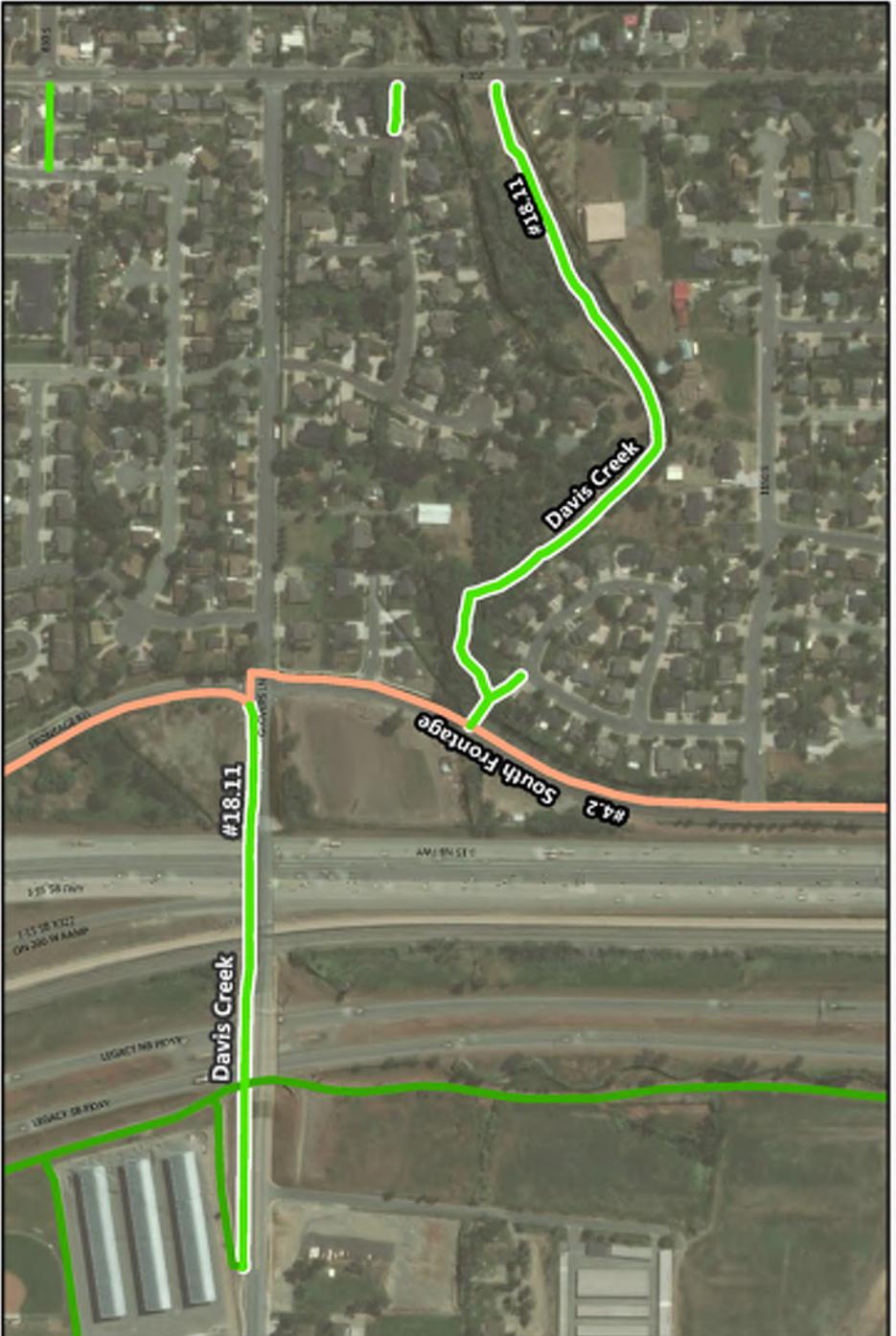
**Access #1 - Sound Wall Park Trailhead:** This is a small park behind the sound wall along the Frontage Road just south of Glovers Lane (925 S.). Reach from 1150 S. then turn north on 110 W.

**Access #2 - 200 E.:** 200 E. and 1050 S. just south of Glovers Lane (925 S.). The trail goes west down a draw past an old orchard and tree houses. The trail emerges at the Frontage Road just south of Glovers Lane.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is in great shape and uses the preferred “crusher fines” road base.



photo by Logan Ulrich



*Where is there a boy to whom the call of the wild and the open road does not appeal? -Robert Baden-Powell*

## #19 Freedom Hills Trail

**Length:** 1.9 miles  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 1.5 hours  
**Elevation Gain:** 476 feet



### Features:

- Access the BST from Freedom Hills Park.
- The north trail, BST section #1.8, is designed for horseback-riding.
- This can be part of a fun loop hike.
- The trail affords a great view of the Great Salt Lake and bay.
- Enjoy all that Freedom Hills Park has to offer, including picnic areas and lawn areas for impromptu ball games.

**Description:** The “Diamond Back” section of this trail snakes up the mountain with 17 switchbacks and a gentle grade that is easy to hike. This is an excellent trail to access the Bonneville Shoreline Trail from Freedom Hills Park if you are on foot or mountain bike. If you are on horseback, use the BST Connector Trail (#1.8) that goes north from the horse trailer parking lot. Enjoy the panoramic view of Farmington Bay. The island beyond is Antelope Island, where there are also many more great trails to hike. If you want to do a loop hike, head north on the BST until you reach the trail described in section #1.8. You can return down this trail to the park where you started.

There is also a walking/jogging path that goes around Freedom Hills Park. The park offers picnic areas, a lawn to play on, a playground, and a small waterfall. Enjoy a game of Frisbee, a quick hike up the trail, or a horseback excursion up the mountain.

### Access Locations:

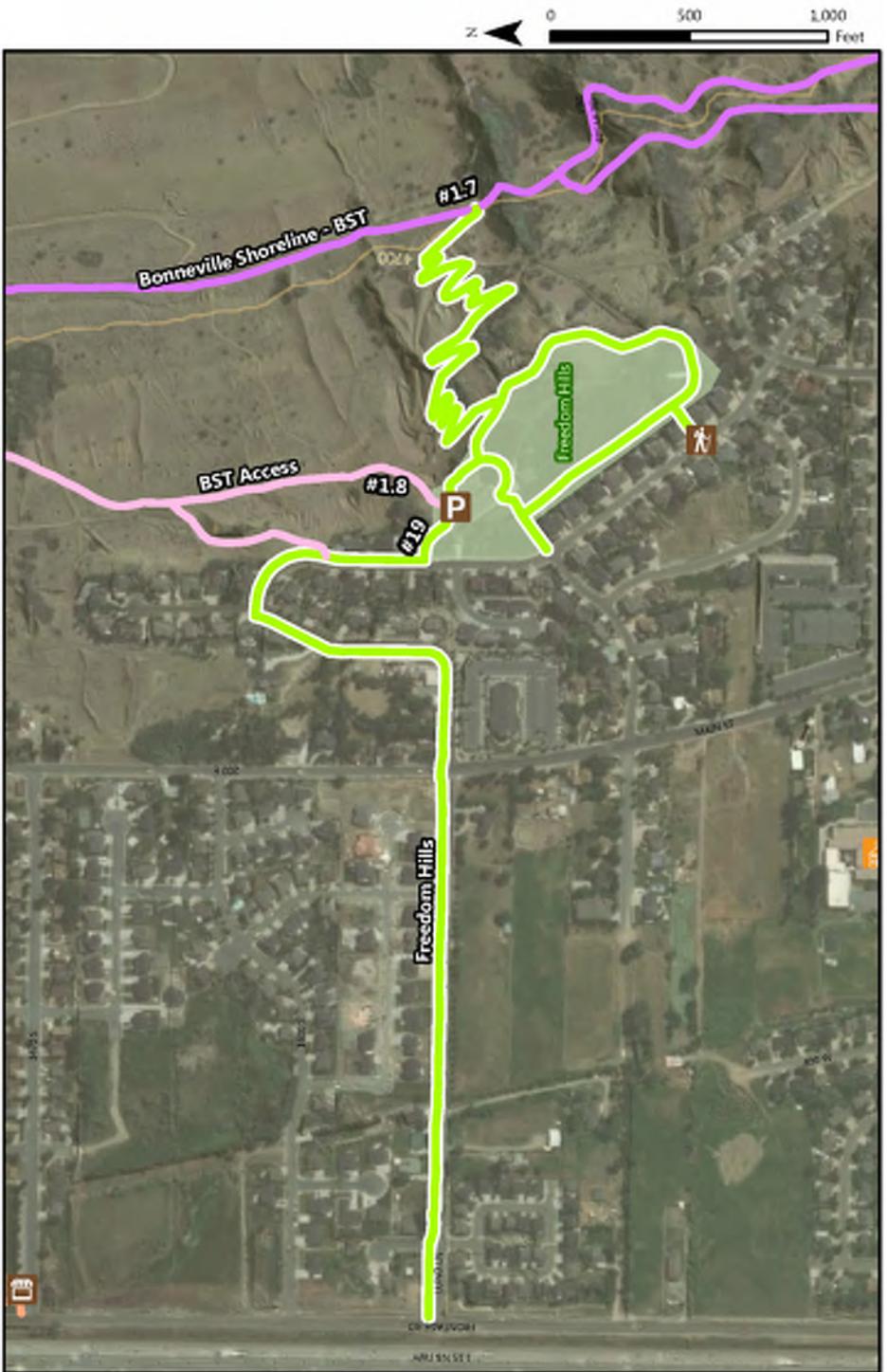
**Access #1 - Trailhead with Parking:** The trailhead is in Freedom Hills Park, which is south of town off 200 East. Reach by going east at Lund Lane (1700 South), then bend left through the Tuscany Cove Subdivision. Take the first right turn onto Park Hills Drive, which passes in front of the park.

**Access #2 - BST Junction:** From the BST east of Freedom Hills Park, look for the walking trail that switchbacks down the hillside.



photo by Logan Ulrich

**Trail and Surface Status:** The trail is in excellent shape with a smooth paved surface in the park and a fine gravel base up the mountain.



*Heaven is under our feet as well as over our heads. -Henry David Thoreau*

## #20.1 Farmington Upper Terrace Trail - Main Section

**Length:** 1.5 miles

**Time:** 1 hour

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 403 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy great views of the Great Salt Lake, Farmington Bay, Upper Shepard Canyon, and Farmington Canyon.
- Find beach cobblestones on the south side of Shepard Canyon at the uppermost shoreline (Bonneville Level) of ancient Lake Bonneville.

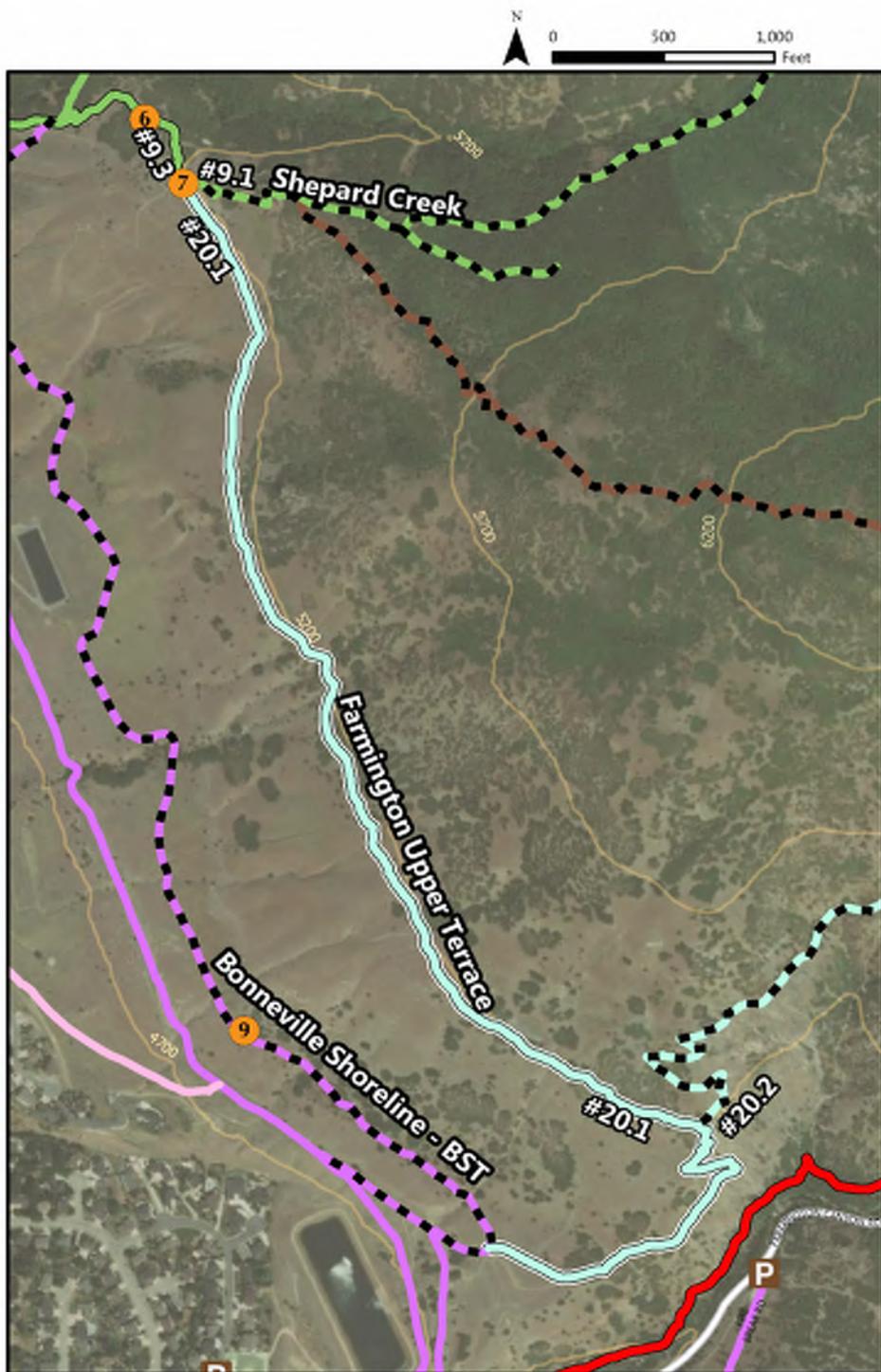
**Description:** The Upper Terrace Trail is a footpath that meanders along the highest level, called the Bonneville Level, of the ancient Lake Bonneville. Once at the 5150-foot level, the trail is fairly easy to walk. The trail departs from Shepard Canyon and winds south to Farmington Canyon. You can descend at the south end of the trail to the Bonneville Shoreline Trail (#1.4) just north of the mouth of Farmington Canyon or return the way you came. Be warned that the descent is fairly steep with loose rocks.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Shepard Creek Junction:** This access is from the Shepard Creek Trail (#9.3). See the description on page 74. The trail goes south from the Shepard Creek Trail to Farmington Canyon following a fairly level shelf left by the ancient Lake Bonneville.

**Access #2 - Farmington Pond with Parking:** From Main Street, go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.), and take the first left into the Farmington Pond area. Take the right fork to reach the trailhead. Park in the gravel area. Travel over the footbridge to the north and follow the trail as it winds up the hill in a northerly direction. You'll come to a reservoir. Follow the trail that goes to the southeast of the reservoir. The Farmington Upper Terrace Trail branches off from here to the east. Continue to climb up the slope on the dirt road until you come to a large flat area. Continue to the east as far to the right as you can without going down the slope into Farmington Canyon. The road narrows and bends to the north. Leave the road at this point, staying as far to the right as possible. You will see a smaller trail that winds up a steep slope with several switchbacks. Be careful of loose rocks. Eventually you will reach a natural shelf at 5150 feet. From here, the trail will take you north to Shepard Canyon.

**Trail Surface and Status:** Be careful on this narrow dirt path with loose rocks.



*How strange that nature does not knock, and yet does not intrude! -Emily Dickinson*

## #20.2 Farmington Upper Terrace Trail - Cliffhanger Section

**Length:** 0.6 mile

**Time:** 45 minutes

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 354 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy a loop through a ravine high above Farmington Canyon.
- Deer often hide in this large ravine.
- Enjoy a great view from atop some tall cliffs.

**Description:** This section of the Farmington Upper Terrace Trail goes east instead of along the terrace. It swings around a large ravine on top of the cliffs before meeting with the Francis Peak Trail (#22.4).

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Cliffhanger Split-Off:** This trail branches off from the Farmington Upper Terrace Trail (#20.1) just as it reaches the highest point above Farmington Canyon. Go east along the terrace.

**Access #2 - Francis Peak Trail Junction:** Watch for this trail to split off to the west from the Francis Peak trail section #22.4 as it bends to the east and continues up to the ridge.

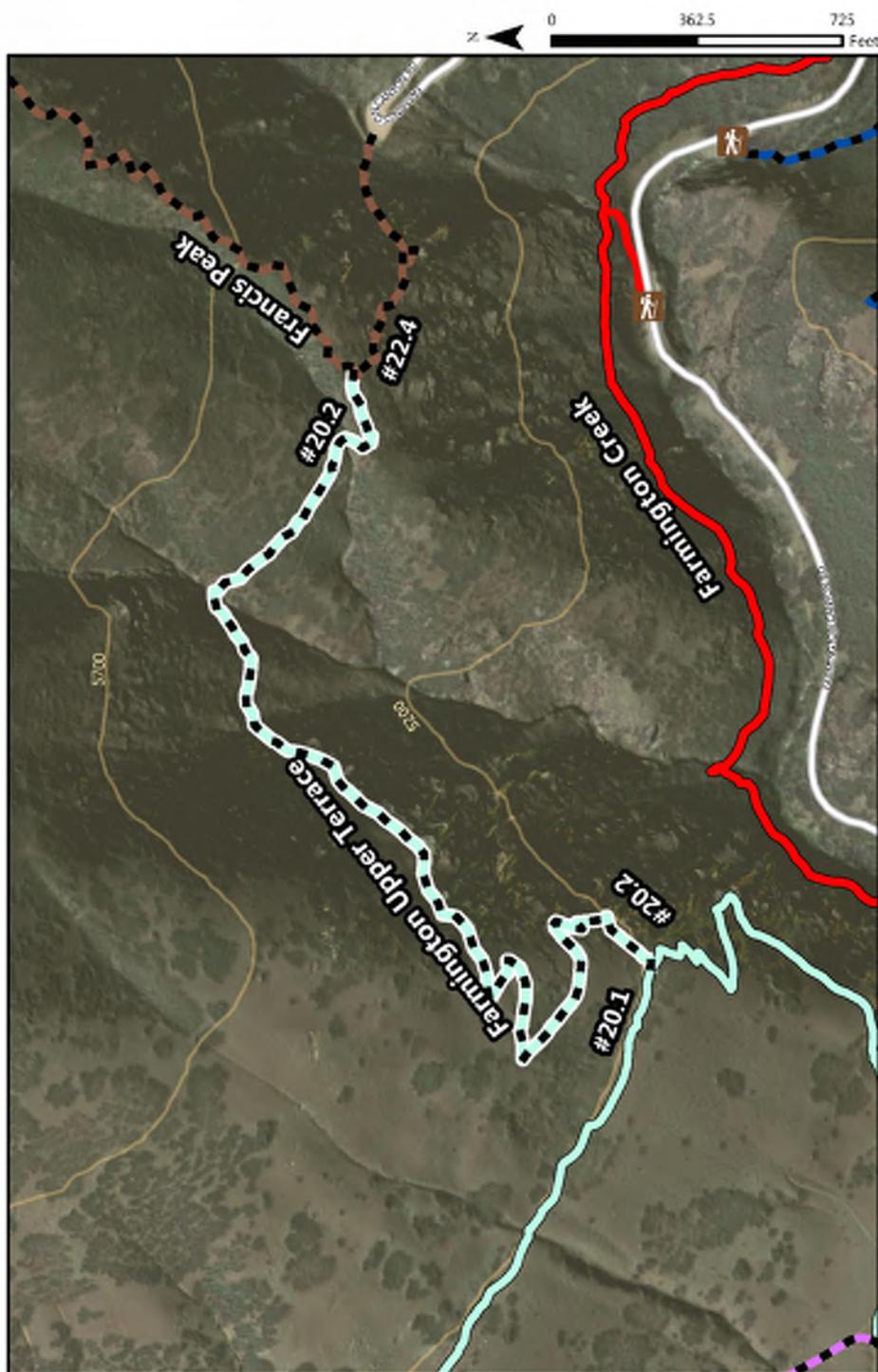
**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a smooth trail, except for the steep descent toward Farmington Canyon. Be careful!



*"I need to take this call - it is the call of the wild"*



photos by Ron Robinson



*Green is the prime color of the world, and that from which its loveliness arises. -Pedro Calderon de la Barca*

## #21 Fruit Heights Upper Terrace Trail

**Length:** 1.8 miles

**Time:** 1 hour

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 354 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy great views of the Great Salt Lake, Farmington, Kaysville, and Fruit Heights.
- Visit Window Cave (POI #5), located at the end of a short trail spur.
- See many wildflower varieties.
- Enjoy spectacular sunsets.
- This is a pleasant, level trail once you reach elevation.

**Description:** This is a delightful trail along the 5150-foot shelf left by the ancient Lake Bonneville. Once you conquer the climb up to the shelf, you have a pleasant walk along the mountainside that is surprisingly level. The view of the city and the sunsets make this a wonderful walk. This portion of the terrace trail starts east of Farmington and goes to Baer Canyon above Fruit Heights.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Farmington:** From Main Street in Farmington, go east on 1400 N. to North Compton Road, turn right, and then turn left onto Grand View Drive. Drive up the hill to Bella Vista Drive. Turn left. Drive north on Bella Vista Drive to the cul-de-sac just north of Shepard Canyon. Park here. The trail starts on a steep, paved road to a water tank then proceeds northeast up the hill to a wide shelf at an elevation of 5150 feet. Stay on this shelf all the way to Baer Canyon.

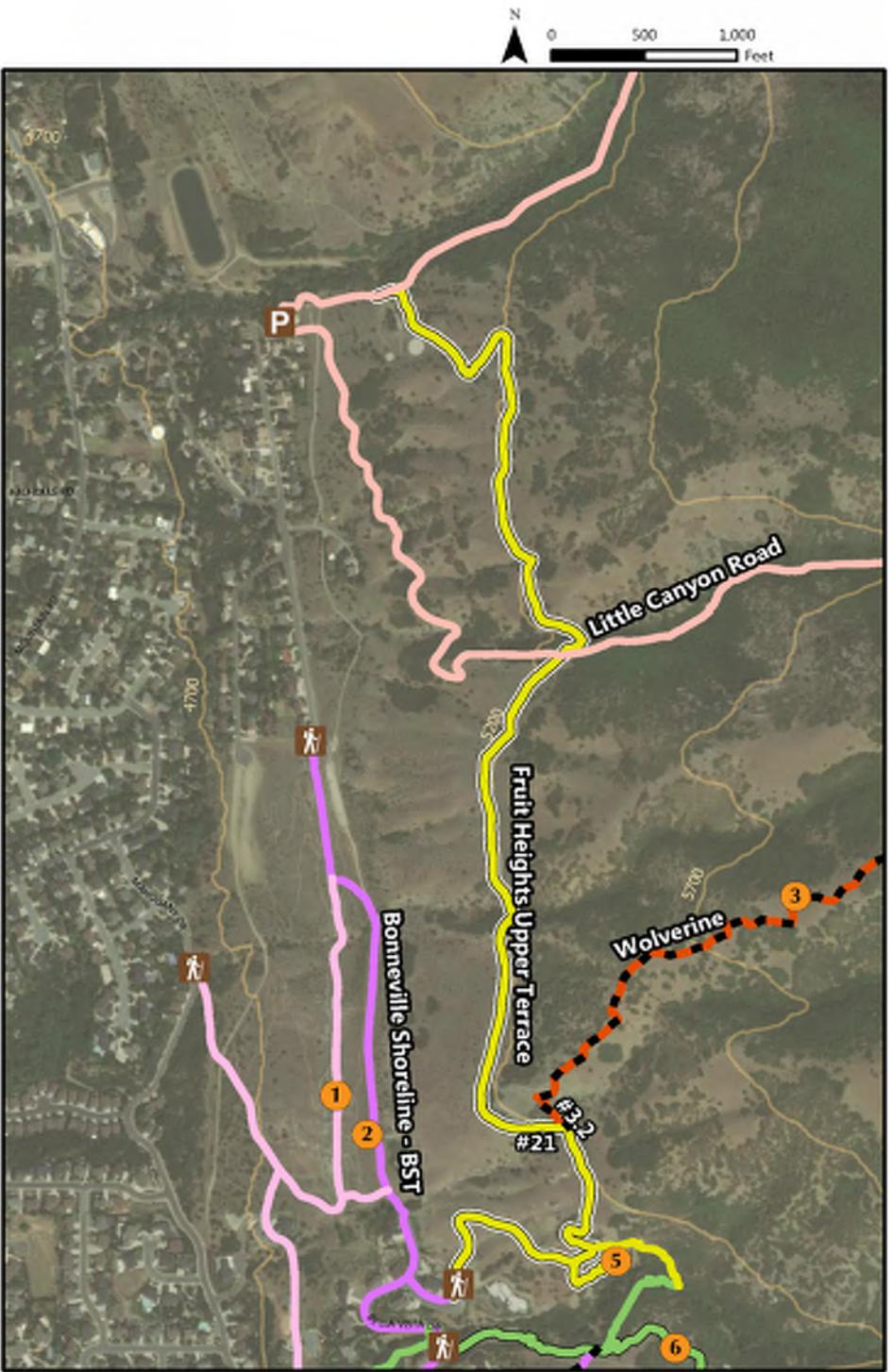
**Access #2 - Fruit Heights Trailhead with Parking:** From the South Mountain Road in Fruit Heights, turn east on East Oaks Drive (~300 S.) and wind up the hill to 1800 E. (Davis Blvd). Turn left and drive to the end of the road. A parking lot is up a small road to the east by a water tank. After going about 100 feet east of the water tank, turn right to the south and follow the jeep road as it angles up the hillside to the mouth of Little Canyon.

### Trail Surface and Status:

The trail is in good shape on a dirt path. Some parts of the trail are a jeep road.



photos by Logan Ulrich



*The universe is one great kindergarten for man. Everything that exists has brought with it its own peculiar lesson. -Orison Swett Marden*

## #22.1-22.4 Francis Peak Trail

**Length:** 6.3 miles

**Time:** 11.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 3613 feet



### Features:

- This trail provides beautiful views and a true challenge to test your mettle.
- The terminus is the FAA radome on Francis Peak.

**Description:** This is a steep and rigorous hike up the ridge south of Shepard Canyon. It is not for the faint-hearted. The trail ends at the road leading to Francis Peak (elevation: 9515 feet) by the airport's north approach radar facility.

### Access Locations:

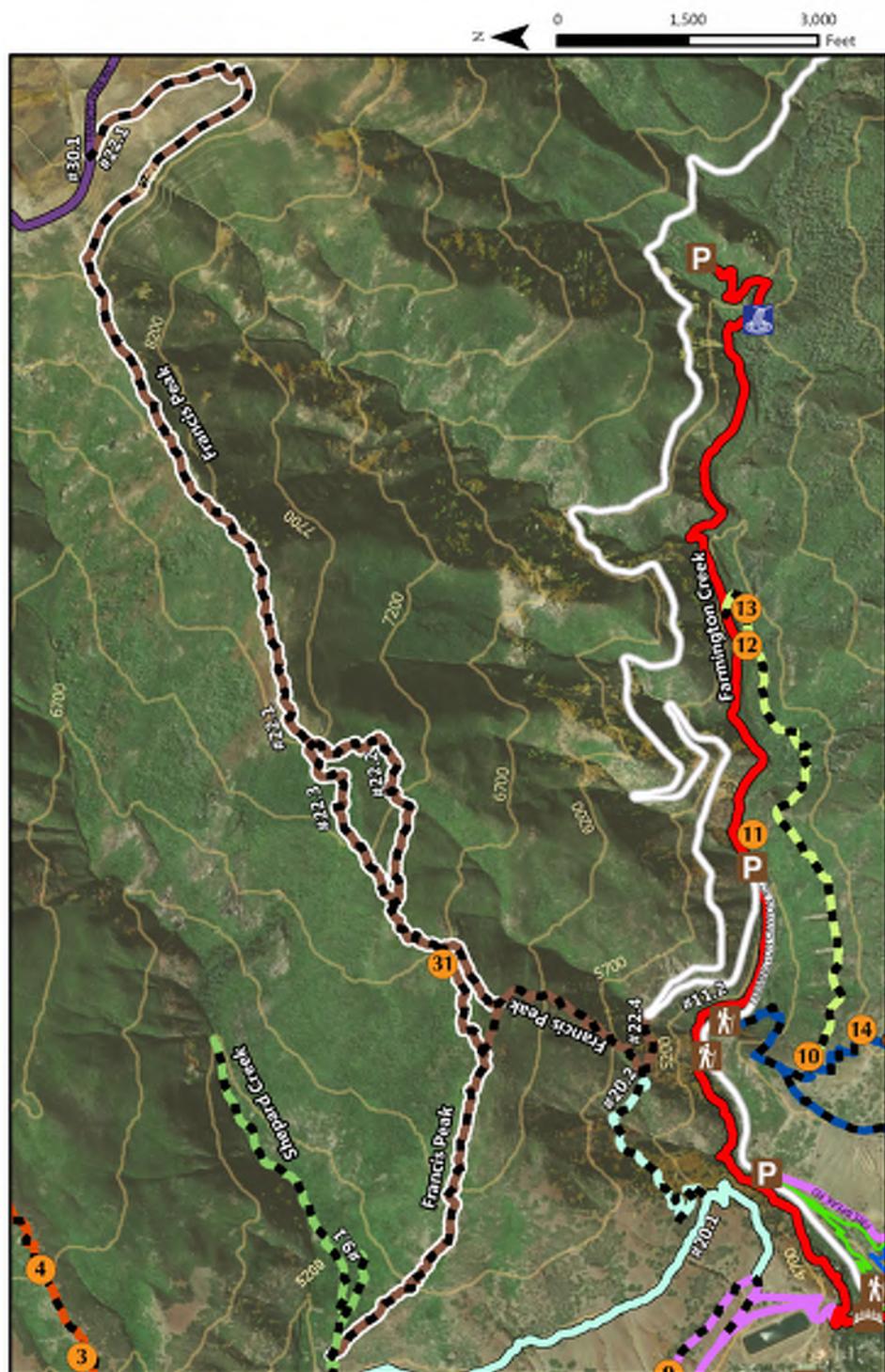
**Access #1 - Shepard Creek Trail Junction:** From Main Street, go east on 1400 N. to North Compton Road, turn right, and then turn left onto Grand View Drive. Drive up the hill to Bella Vista Drive. Turn left. Drive 100 yards to Shepard Canyon. Park alongside the road. Walk east through the break in the chain-link fence just to the south of Shepard Creek. This is the Shepard Creek trail, section #9.3. Hike up the dirt road about 300 feet and watch for the trail to cut up the slope to the right. Continue up the trail over railroad-tie steps, then head east beyond the chain-link fence. Hike straight up the dirt road and trail on the left for 200 feet until the fork. Go north (left) at the fork. After 100 feet, keep an eye to the right of the road for a faint footpath. Follow the footpath up a steep hill where it turns to the south. Another trail, the Farmington Upper Terrace (#20.1), goes south from here to Farmington Canyon. Eastward the trail continues a couple hundred yards up a steep hill. On top of the ridge, the Francis Peak Trail section #22.3 goes up the mountain. Stay on top of the ridge as you climb. This is a wilderness trail left as natural as possible with occasional trail markers.

**Access #2 - Farmington Canyon Dirt Road:** The upper part of section #22.4 starts at the second switchback up Farmington Canyon Road (the first switchback is where the pavement ends). Park there and hike northward up the mountain. The trail splits halfway up to the ridge. The left branch takes you to the west part of the ridge, and the right branch takes you farther to the east. Section #22.3 begins at the ridge and follows it up. Section #22.2 is the "Elk Loop" section and parallels section #22.3. Sections #22.2 and #22.3 recombine at section #22.1, which then goes to the top of the mountain.

**Access #3 - Farmington Canyon Trailhead with Parking:** This section of trail is the lower part of #22.4 and starts at a wide spot in the road just after crossing the bridge. Climb straight up the mountain until you reach Access #2.

**Access #4 - Francis Peak Road:** Along the Francis Peak Road 0.9 mile below the radar facility on the peak."

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a wilderness trail. Look for the trail markers to stay on course. When ascending the ridge, stay to the center and keep climbing.



*“Overcome your trials by coming over our trails”*

## #23 Nature Center Trail at Farmington Bay

**Length:** 2.8 miles

**Time:** 1.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 12 feet



### Features:

- Walk a wide 1700-foot-long boardwalk through the marsh.
- See the abundant wildlife of Farmington Bay.
- The Eccles Wildlife Education Center stands at the heart of the Robert N. Hasenyager Nature Preserve.
- The area is great for school field trips or tours for other organizations.

**Description:** A 1.5-mile-long trail loops through the wetlands of Farmington Bay with several side trails. The trail features a 1700-foot-long boardwalk with a bridge over Farmington Creek, a long bridge across a large pond, and a winding boardwalk through a delightful marsh filled with birds of many kinds. Come and enjoy the wildlife at the Robert N. Hasenyager Nature Preserve without getting your feet wet. The wide boardwalk has gentle slopes and easily accommodates wheelchairs and strollers. The trail also has two large observation decks covered in camouflage netting that allow trail users to observe waterfowl in their natural habitat without disturbing them. The Eccles Wildlife Education Center Nature Trail is open every day during daylight hours. Even if the entrance gate is closed, foot traffic may still enter off Glovers Lane through a pedestrian access. Bring a book or binoculars and come relax, surrounded by nature at its best! The final years of Bob Hasenyager's life were given to ensure that the nature trail was completed. We honor his memory.

### Access Location with Parking:

To reach the Eccles Wildlife Education Center, drive west on Glovers Lane in Farmington (925 S.) to just a block short of the doppler radar. Look for a paved road to the south where the Eccles Wildlife Education Center's grass-covered roofs are visible. The Center is located at 1157 S. Waterfowl Way.

### Trail Surface and Status:

Composed of boardwalks or a fine gravel base, the pathway is in excellent condition. It is suitable for wheelchairs or strollers.



photo by Logan Ulrich



*Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower. -Albert Camus*

## #24.1-24.2 Old Aqueduct Trail

**Length:** 1.3 miles  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 1 hour  
**Elevation Gain:** 165 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy a historical trail with interesting relics. Please leave them undisturbed.
- This is an easy hike once you reach the gently sloping trail.
- See an excellent view of Farmington Canyon.
- Find lots of wildlife on this elevated trail through the trees.
- Can you solve or even find the Mystery of the Tire (POI #13)?

**Description:** Nicknamed “the skeleton,” this trail is the site of an old aqueduct built in the mid-1800s (POI #10). The aqueduct was constructed of wooden staves, much like a barrel is made. Metal rods, placed about every two feet, were used as bands to hold the staves together. The aqueduct brought water from Farmington Creek two miles up the canyon. The water then plunged down at the mouth of the canyon, driving the millstone of a gristmill owned by Apostle Willard Richards.

Most of the wooden staves have rotted away, but many of the metal bands can be seen off and on throughout the length of the trail. After a stretch of trail with no evidence of the aqueduct, the bands will resurface from the earth like ribs of a prehistoric serpent.

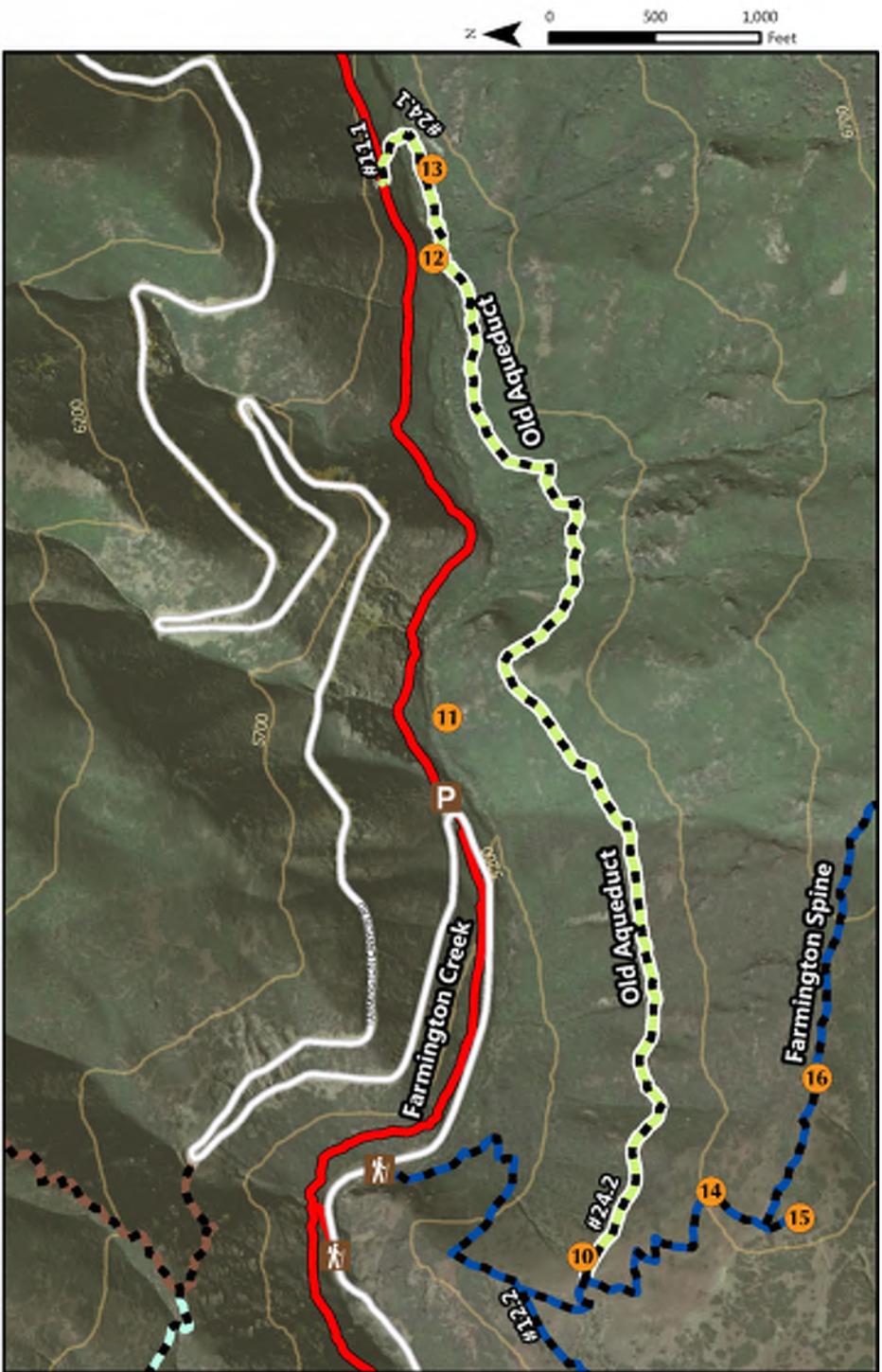
As Farmington Creek separates from the more gently sloping Aqueduct Trail, you will find the old cement head gate (POI #12), where the water was drawn from the creek for its two-mile journey. The trail continues east of the head gate to a natural wash, which was used to channel the water down to the head gate. There is a pleasant little forest glen by the head gate where, undoubtedly, the pioneer laborers must have camped while working on the pipeline.

The hike is easy once you reach the trail due to the gentle slope of the shelf that held the wooden pipeline. Deer and sage hens can occasionally be seen along the trail.

### Access Locations:

You can reach this trail from off the Farmington Spine Trail (#12.2). See the description listed there. The Old Aqueduct Trail hangs on the south side of Farmington Canyon about a fourth of the way up the mountain.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is a dirt path in good shape, except for some places that are washed out.



*One touch of nature makes the whole world kin. -William Shakespeare*

## #25.1-25.2 Bountiful Peak Trail - Upper Canyon Sections

**Length:** 3.2 miles  
**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Time:** 5.5 hours  
**Elevation Gain:** 3274 feet



### Features:

- The trail climbs a luge-like channel up the mountain.
- This trail connects to the following trails: Davis Creek (#18.1), Ford Canyon Overlook (#26), Hidden Meadows (#29), G2Connector (#31.2) and Old North (#32.1).
- The trail has tree cover for welcome shade.
- See the new growth since the devastating '03 fire.
- Climb all the way to Bountiful Peak.

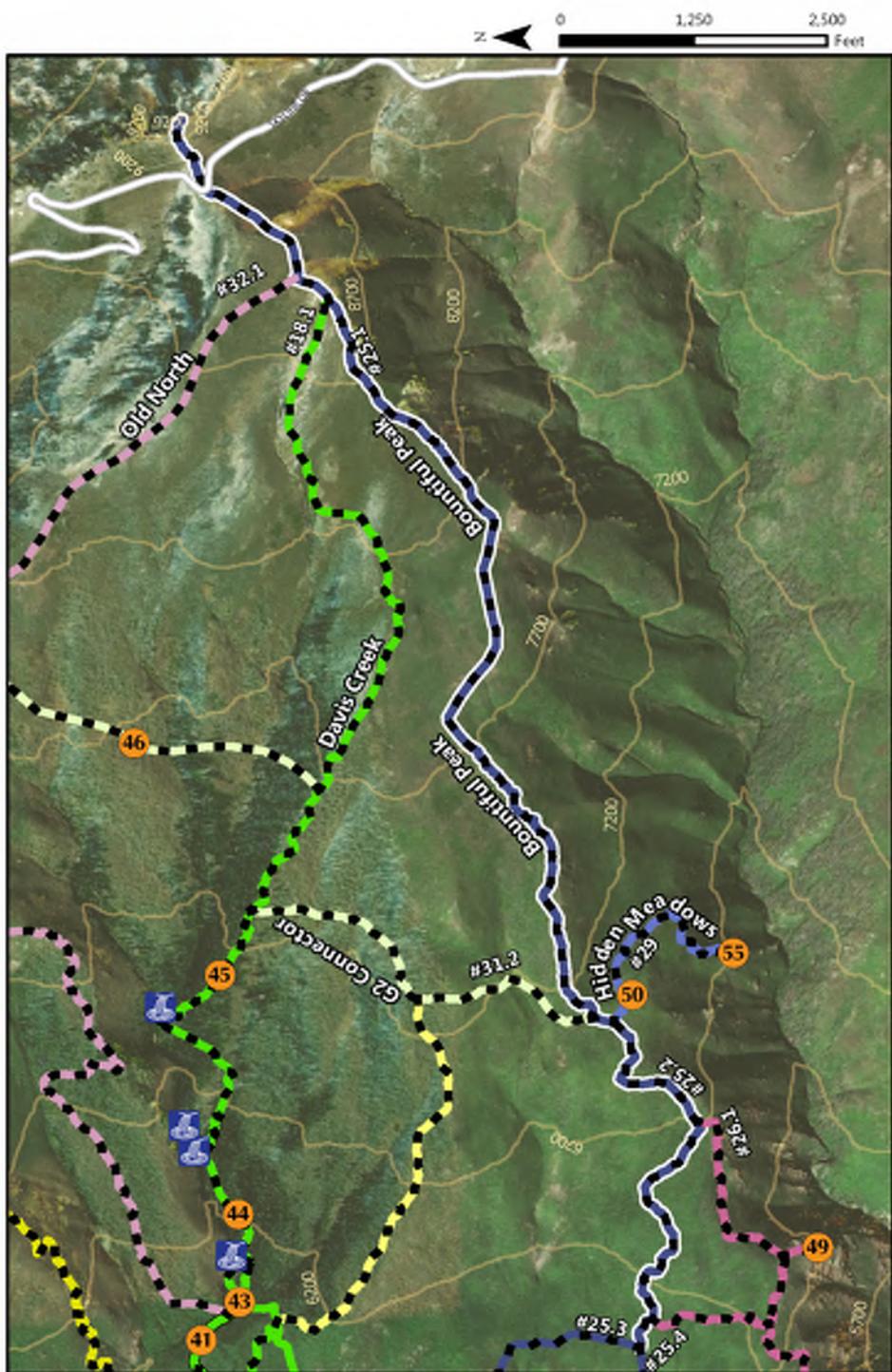
**Description:** These sections of trail split off from sections #25.3 and 25.4 just as the mountain becomes steep. Following this branch will take you to the very top of the mountain at Bountiful Peak, with an elevation of 9259 feet. Section #25.2 resembles a luge run with a narrow, deep channel in which the trail winds up the mountain. On the way up, you will pass the lower and upper accesses to the Ford Canyon Overlook Trail (#26), then the Hidden Meadows Trail (#29) dropping down into Ford Canyon, and finally the G2Connector - South Trail (#31.2) going north. Gaze into Ford Canyon and see the regrowth since the fire of '03, which did not affect the Bountiful Peak Trail itself.

**Access Locations:** To hike down section #25.1 from Bountiful Peak, drive up Skyline Drive from Farmington Canyon or use Ward Canyon Road in Bountiful. This section goes down to the intersection with the G2Connector - South Trail (#31.2). Section #25.1 can also be reached from the top end of #25.2. Section #25.2 starts up the mountain at the "luge" where the trail from Pretty Valley bends west to go down into Centerville (#25.4).

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a wilderness trail on dirt and native grasses.



photo by Amy Shannaway



*The mountains are calling and I must go. -John Muir*

## #25.3-25.4 Bountiful Peak Trail - Lower Canyon Sections

**Length:** 2.3 miles

**Time:** 2.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 1279 feet



### Features:

- This nature path winds through a little-known forest SE of Farmington.
- Find solitude in a peaceful setting not far from home.
- Equestrians have made a rest stop with a hitching rail by a campsite. Enjoy a break here, but be aware that there is no water.
- The trail leads all the way to Bountiful Peak at 9259 feet.
- This is a rigorous climb for the hardy hiker.
- The path is mostly shaded as it climbs through tall forests.

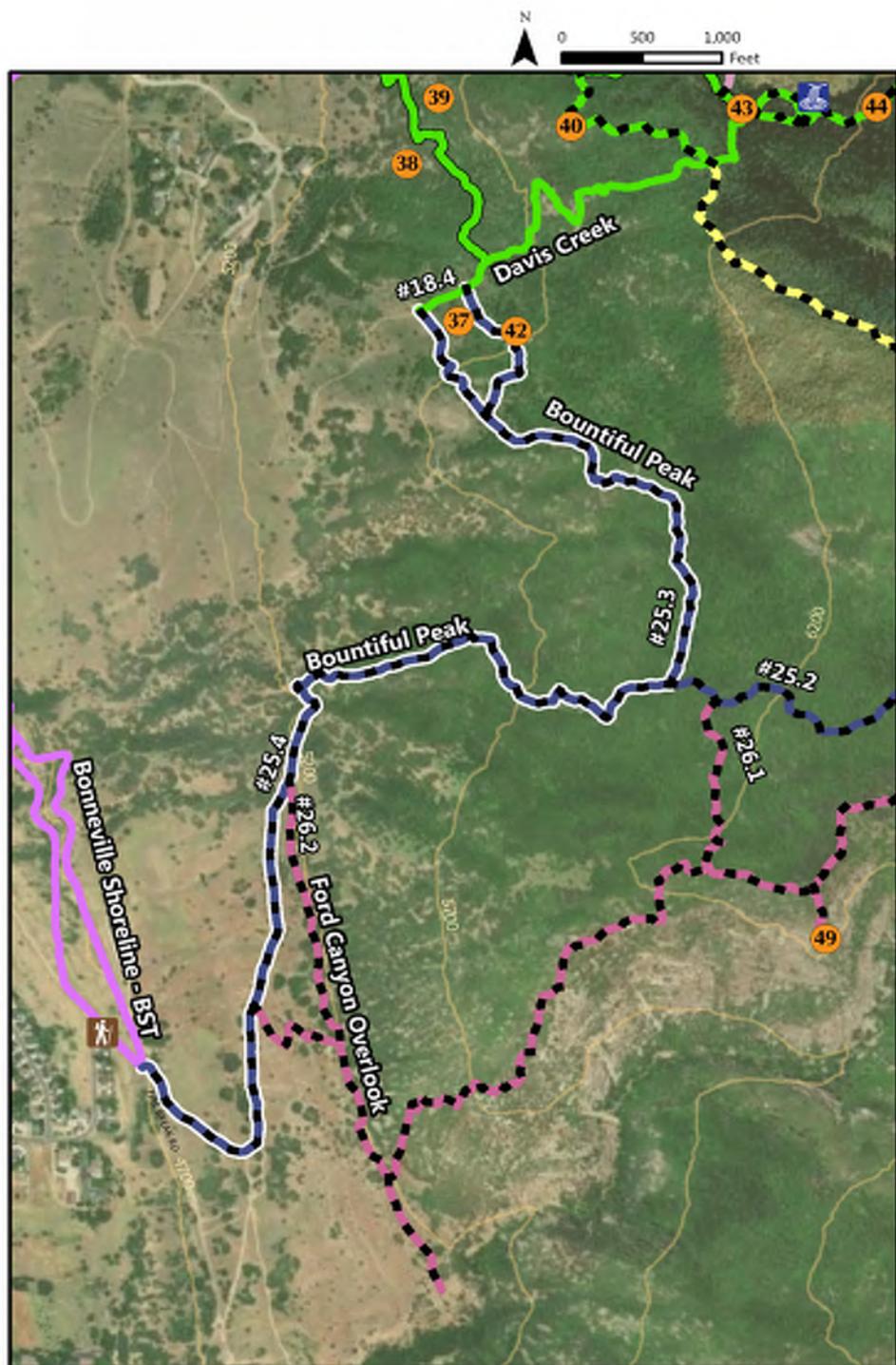
**Description:** This trail is path winding through a beautiful forest in the far southeast foothills by Farmington. The trail connects to the Davis Creek Trail (#18.4) at Pretty Valley. Section #25.4 is a narrow hiker's path that can be reached from Centerville. It climbs steadily up the side of a ravine until it joins section #25.2.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Pretty Valley:** Reach this trail from the Davis Creek Trail, section #18.4. Once in Pretty Valley, go to the far southeast corner of the meadow. At an opening in the trees, the trail heads due east. This is section #25.3. It may not be obvious since the pathway is not dirt but grass, so look carefully. After walking east for about a hundred yards, you will come to Beehive Tree (POI #42), a large solitary juniper tree that resembles a tall beehive. Turn right and travel south until you have ascended a hill and find the "upper meadow." As you cross the meadow, you will meet another trail. Turn left and climb a steep hill where you will join a double-track path heading up the mountain. You will not get lost once on this nice path.

**Access #2 - Centerville Trailhead with Parking:** Turn off Main Street in Centerville at 1825 N. and go east, winding up through a subdivision until you reach a dirt road heading to the southeast. Continue up this road as far as you can to the east and park on a wide part of the road (Note: you will cross the Bonneville Shoreline Trail). Look for a jeep road that climbs steeply to the northeast, located east of the maze of dirt roads. This very rocky road passes through a ravine and meets section #25.4 on the north side.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail is composed of a forest path and some double-track roads that are in good shape.



*Like music and art, love of nature is a common language that can transcend political or social boundaries. -Jimmy Carter*

## #26.1-26.2 Ford Canyon Overlook Trail

**Length:** 2.6 miles

**Time:** 4.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 1699 feet



### Features:

- This trail gives you a great view of Ford Canyon.
- The trail has tree cover all the way, providing welcome shade.
- Observe the regrowth from the fire of '03.
- Visit Hawk Rock (POI #49), a promontory that juts far out into the canyon.

**Description:** This is a pleasant trail with continuous shade that connects the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.2) to Ford Canyon. You can see all of Ford Canyon from this trail, including the burn areas from the '03 fire that nature is reforesting. This trail departs from the lower portion of section #25.2, rides the rim of the canyon, then rejoins section #25.2 farther up the mountain.

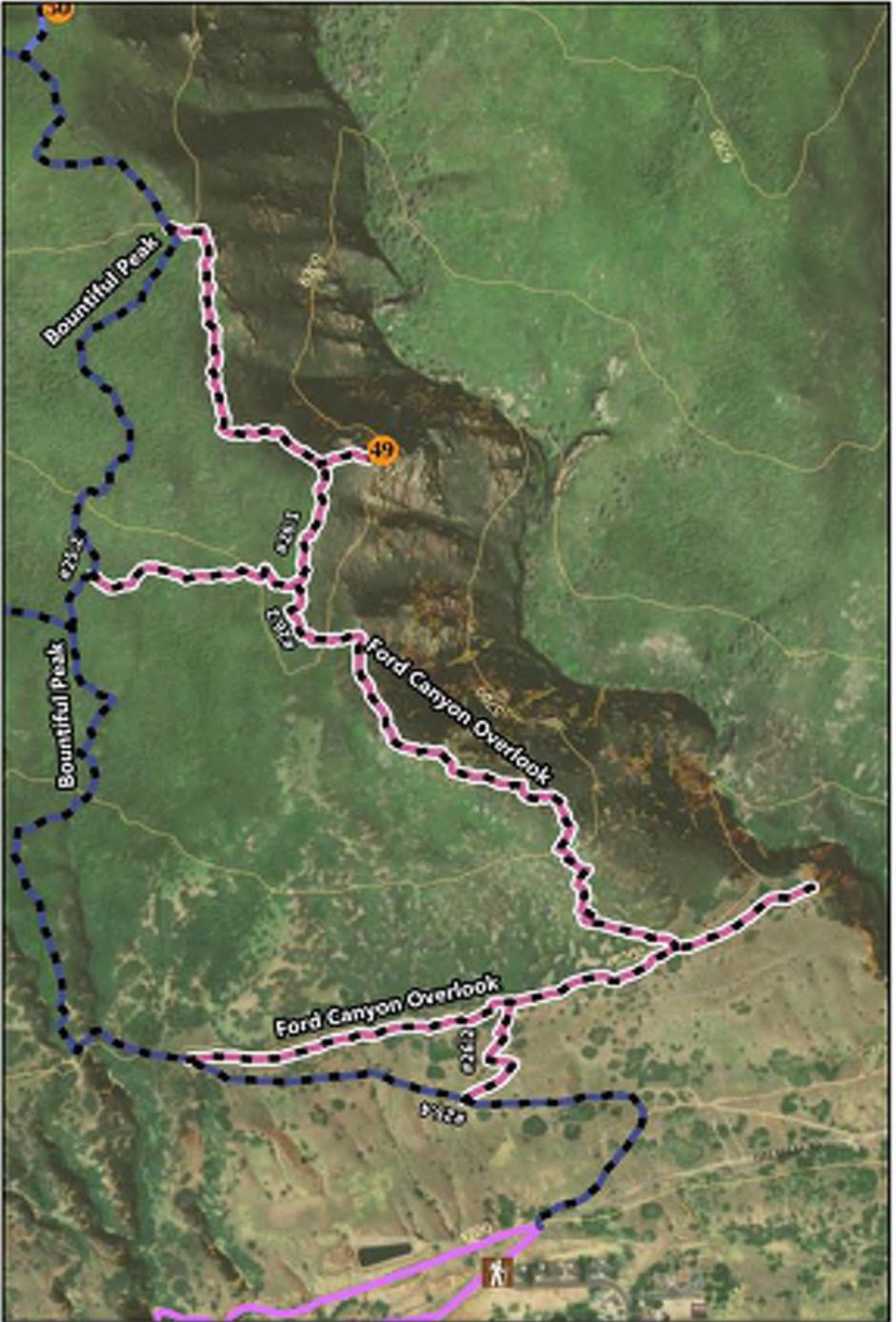
### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Centerville Trailhead with Parking:** Turn off Main Street in Centerville at 1825 N. and go east, winding up through a subdivision until you reach a dirt road heading to the southeast. Continue up this road as far as you can to the east and park on a wide part of the road (Note: you will cross the BST). Look for a jeep road that climbs steeply to the northeast, located east of the maze of dirt roads. Go about halfway up this very rocky road and look for a small trail to branch off to your right up the bank of the road. This is the westernmost part of the Ford Canyon Overlook Trail. Follow this trail as it winds up the mountain to a fork in the trail by a large white rock called "Sheep Rock." Take the south branch for a quarter mile. Just before you reach Ford Canyon, the trail turns to the east and winds steeply up the mountain to the top of the ridge. Follow the ridge up to Hawk Rock (POI #49), a promontory that overlooks the canyon.

**Access #2 - West Junction:** The trail is reachable from the west end of the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.2). Shortly after you begin the climb up the "luge run" of section #25.2, look to the right for the "gateway" to Ford Canyon. A gateway is indicated by two adjacent trail markers. Walk between the markers to get on the trail. The trail goes to Ford Canyon, where you will have an impressive view from high above the canyon. Use a short trail stub to walk out to Hawk Rock.

**Access #3 - East Junctions:** From the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.2), the trail heads toward Ford Canyon then down the ridge to Hawk Rock.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a wilderness trail. Look for the trail markers to stay on course.



*For those who have eyes to see and ears to hear, the forest is at once a laboratory, a club and a temple. -Robert Baden-Powell*

## #27 Farmington Bay Trail

**Length:** 20.7 miles

**Time:** 11 hours on foot or 3 hours by bike

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 12 feet



### Features:

- See many waterfowl varieties, including the bald eagle.
- Don't miss Bald Eagle Day, held on the second Saturday in February.
- Enjoy the activities of the Great Salt Lake Bird Festival, held in May.
- Visit Goose Egg Island for a good vantage point to see the area.
- The level road has little traffic. There are many miles of roadways to explore.
- This is a great area for marathon training.

**Description:** Part of this trail forms a large square that encloses a pond teeming with waterfowl next to the Great Salt Lake. This trail is the best place to see the eagles that return to nest every spring between February and March. Some areas may be closed if it is bird-nesting season. Please observe the restrictions listed on the signs. When you come in on Access #1 below, the entrance road will reach a "T" intersection. Go to the right until you reach the first corner of the "square." Drive up to the lookout on Goose Egg Island. It was built in 1983 using debris from the severe floods in that year. The "island" is a good vantage point to see the surrounding area.

As you loop to the south around the square pond, you will reach an intersection where four roads come together. The "square" section is to your left, a "triangle" section is in the middle, and a "hook" section is to your right. East of the triangular section is another section shaped like a large rhombus (four-sided polygon). The far east side of this section connects to Bountiful at Pages Lane where Bountiful Lake is located. This is a pleasant recreation area, reachable from Access #2.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Farmington Trailhead with Parking:** Go west on Glovers Lane (925 S.) to 1325 W. A left turn will take you into the Farmington Bay Waterfowl Management Area. Continue south to the maintenance buildings and information bulletin boards. You can park here and get out the mountain bikes or drive another mile down the road to the pedestrian gates by Goose Egg Island.

**Access #2 - Bountiful Pond Trailhead with Parking:** Go all the way west on Pages Lane (1600 N.) in Bountiful. Follow the road as it jogs south underneath Legacy Parkway and park at Bountiful Lake. The trail is to the north.

**Trail Surface Status:** The trail is a maintenance road with a gravel base. Some sections may be muddy depending on the weather.



*One of the most tragic things I know about human nature is that all of us tend to put off living. We are all dreaming of some magical rose garden over the horizon instead of enjoying the roses that are blooming outside our windows today. -Dale Carnegie*

## #28 '03 Fire Trail

**Length:** 1.4 miles  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 1.5 hours  
**Elevation Gain:** 914 feet



### Features:

- Loop around the hillside for a great view of the valley.
- Find Big Foot” (POI #23), a very large stone boot estimated to be size 110.
- Walk the path of the fire fighters from 2003.
- Find many fun boulders to perch on.
- This trail provides a great view of the valley and lake.
- Find the “short cut” past Eagle Rock.
- Tracy’s Tower (POI #20) is right behind Eagle Rock.

**Description:** Parts of this trail were cut in 2003 by firemen fighting the large mountain fire that burned the mountains from Steed Canyon to Shepard Canyon. They used Polaskis (an ax/hoe combination tool) and chainsaws to form a firebreak line. The trail climbs over the top of the ridge and loops to the north. At the beginning of the climb, you will pass “Big Foot” (POI #23), a rock that looks just like the sole of a boot. After the trail loops north, you will cross several drainages as you traverse the hillside high above the valley. Scattered along the way are many large boulders you can stand on for a commanding view of the city and lake below. Halfway along the trail is an access down to the Patsy’s Mine Trail (#15.1).

The trail ends at the Centennial Trail (#36) as you continue north. The Centennial Trail is an east/west trail leading to the top of the mountain that starts at Flag Rock.

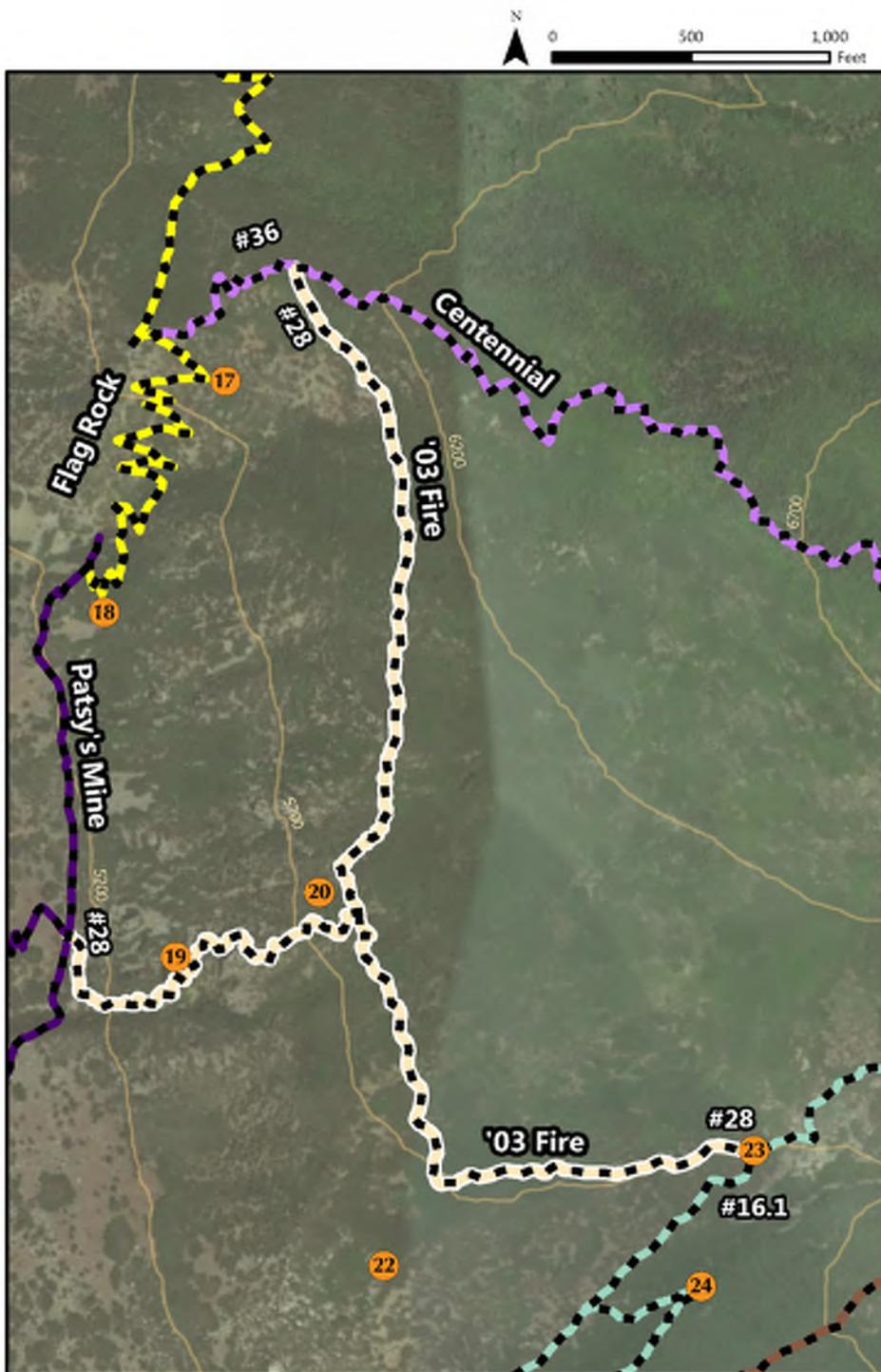
### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Hornet Creek Junction:** The '03 Fire Trail can be reached from the Hornet Creek Trail (#16.1), about 100 yards before you would reach Mezzanine Rock (POI #25).

**Access #2 - Eagle Rock Junction:** Head due east from Eagle Rock (POI #19), which is just east of the Patsy’s Mine Trail (#15).

**Access #3 - Centennial Trail Junction:** Walk due east up the ridge from Flag Rock (see Flag Rock Trail (#35) on page 178). The '03 Fire Trail branches off to your right (south) about a quarter mile up the Centennial Trail.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is a wilderness trail with occasional markers to keep you heading in the right direction. It is left as natural as possible for your hiking enjoyment.



*When life gets you down, get up on a mountain.*

## #29 Hidden Meadows Trail

**Length:** 0.5 mile  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 30 minutes  
**Elevation Gain:** 403 feet



### Features:

- Explore three large meadows on the side of the mountain (POI #50).
- Walk through two huge fern fields.
- There is an excellent place to camp at the top of the first meadow.
- Descend into the scenic Ford Canyon.
- See the new growth since the devastating '03 fire.

**Description:** This short trail descends into Ford Canyon from the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.2). The first part of the trail passes through three large meadows hidden on the mountainside. In the spring, the lower two meadows are filled with giant ferns that swallow you up. It is like walking through a jungle.

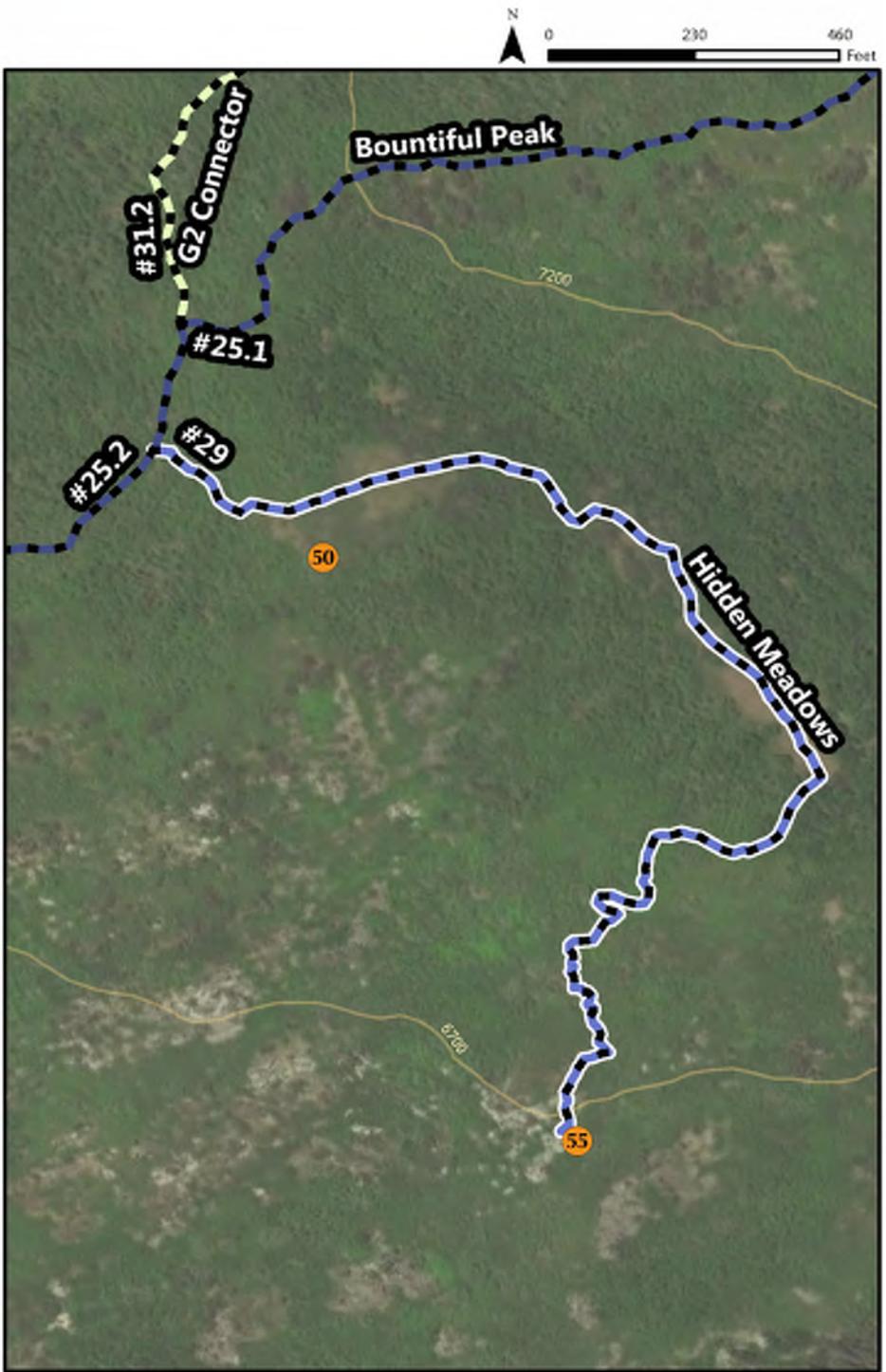
**Access Location:** Reach this trail from the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.2) after you pass the point where the top end of the Ford Canyon Overlook Trail (#26) rejoins the Bountiful Peak Trail.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail is a wilderness trail on native grasses.



photo by Todd Argyle

*“Take your get up and go ... on a hike”*



*And Winter, slumbering in the open air, wears on his smiling face a dream of Spring! -Samuel Taylor Coleridge*

## #30.1 Great Western Trail - Francis Peak Section

**Length:** 4.9 miles

**Time:** 2.3 hours

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 1793 feet



### Features:

- The Great Western Trail is part of an international trail that will one day tie the U.S. to Canada and Mexico.
- Motorized vehicles are permitted on some sections.
- Enjoy great views of the Great Salt Lake valley to the west and Morgan valley to the east.
- This trail could be part of a week-long adventure.
- Farmington Flats is a great place to camp and play on top of the mountain.

**Description:** The Great Western Trail is intended to extend from Canada down the Rocky Mountains to Mexico, thus truly becoming an international trail. East of Farmington, the trail mostly follows the top ridgeline of the Wasatch Mountains. This section of the trail is composed of a gravel road or a dirt jeep road.

**Access Location - Francis Peak:** From Main Street, go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.). Go all the way up the canyon to a road with a gate that branches off to the left toward the FAA radome on Francis Peak. In this area, the trail follows the gravel road to Francis Peak and south to Farmington Flats. From this lofty trail, you can see down into Morgan valley to the east.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is mostly a gravel road for street vehicles to the north of Farmington Flats, and turns into a more narrow hiking trail to the south.



Photo by Amy Stramarcy

*“When it comes to recreation, hikers are on top!”*



*“Moses found God on a mountaintop. True believers still can.”*

## #30.2-30.3 Great Western Trail - South Sections

**Length:** 5.1 miles

**Time:** 2.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Elevation Gain:** 928 feet



### Features:

- The trail is part of an international trail that will one day tie the U.S. to Canada and Mexico.
- Motorized vehicles are permitted on some sections.
- Enjoy great views of the Great Salt Lake valley to the west and Morgan valley to the east.
- Farmington Flats is a great place to camp and play on top of the mountain.

**Description:** The Great Western Trail passes through a delightful camping area on top of the mountain with improved campsites called “Farmington Flats” (POI #48). There are flowing streams and lush meadows to enjoy with wildlife everywhere. These sections of the Great Western Trail go from the top of Farmington Canyon Road at the Francis Peak turnoff to Skyline Drive above Centerville. Section #30.2 ends at the south end of Farmington Flats where the jeep road becomes a hiking trail. Section #30.3 begins here and goes south to Skyline Dr. From these lofty trails, you can see down into Morgan valley to the east.

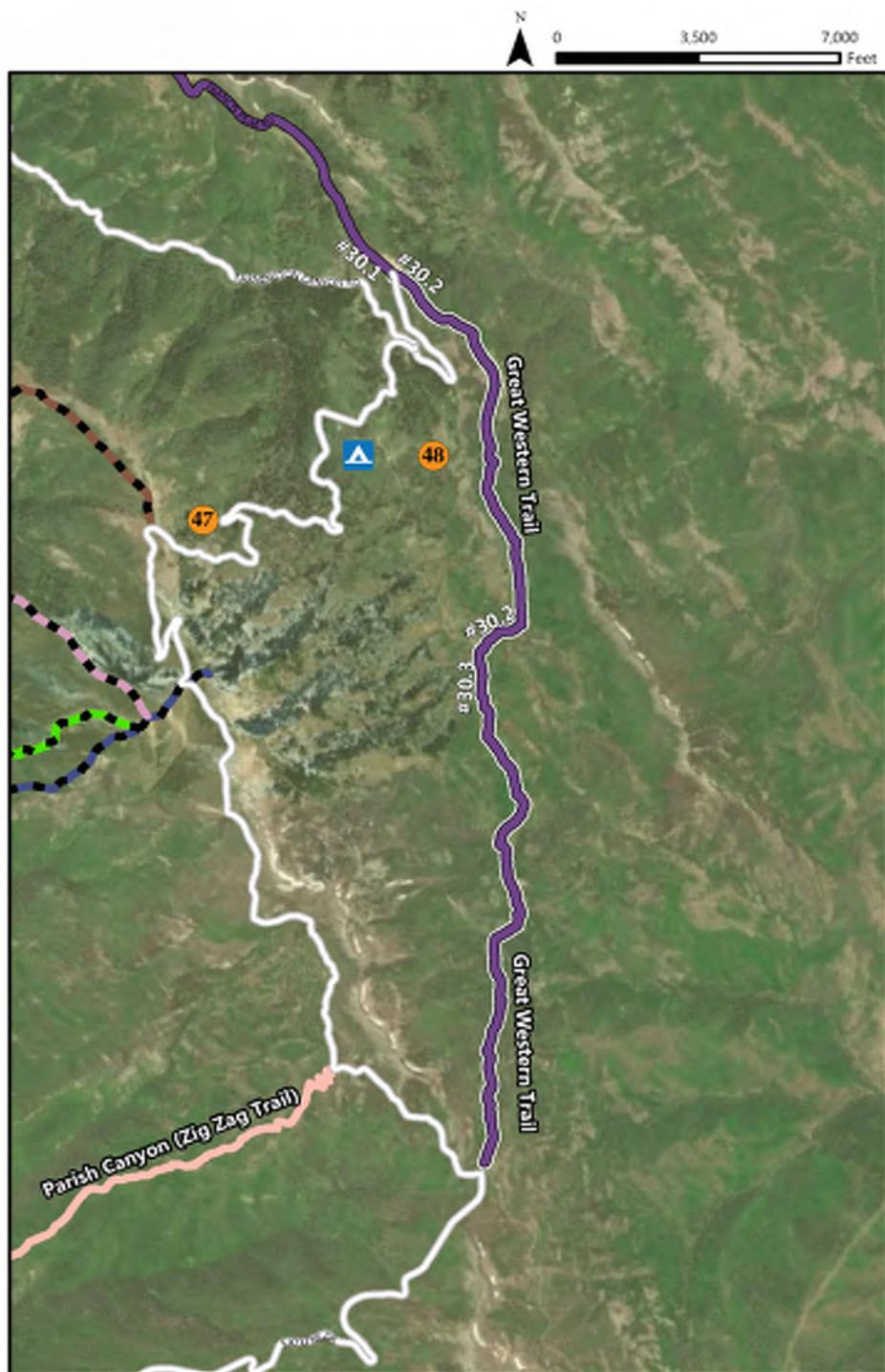
### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Francis Peak Turnoff:** From Main Street, go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.). Go all the way up the canyon to a road with a gate that branches off to the left toward the FAA radome on Francis Peak. Go up the road toward Francis Peak a short distance until you see the snow plow shops on the right. Section #30.2 begins here at the shops and goes east on a gravel road before looping south around Farmington Flats. There is an improved campground and large meadow at Farmington Flats.

**Access #2 - Farmington Flats Trailhead with Parking:** The Farmington Flats campground is a good place to park and begin your hike to either the north or the south. Section #30.3 continues south of the meadows on a footpath for many miles east of Centerville.

**Access #3 - Skyline Drive Trailhead with Parking:** Go east up 400 N. in Bountiful. Turn left at 1300 E. and wind through the houses until you reach the road that goes up Ward Canyon, which passes directly underneath the block “B” on the hillside. Drive several miles until you reach a large parking lot looking down into Morgan valley. Park here and hike to the north through an opening in the buck rail fence. This is the south end of section #30.3.

**Trail Surface and Status:** The trail is mostly a gravel road for street vehicles to the north of Farmington Flats and a hiking trail to the south.



*Seek higher ground - Hike!*

## #31.1 G2Connector Trail - North Section

**Length:** 0.7 mile  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 1 hour  
**Elevation Gain:** 441 feet



### Features:

- The trail connects Old North Trail (#32.1) to the Davis Creek Trail (#18.1).
- The trail provides a rigorous loop hike. Go up one and come down another.
- The trail provides a second way to exit the area in case of an emergency or if you run out of time and need to get down sooner.
- Hike through beautiful forests interspersed with thrilling vistas.
- Enjoy a visit to the beautiful Fern Meadow (POI #46) halfway up the mountain.
- Early in the year, you will find springs of water everywhere.

**Description:** This trail is also known as George's Grand Connector trail. Section #31.1 connects the middle of the Old North Trail (#32) halfway up the mountain to the Davis Creek Trail (#18.1) by way of a high mountain meadow filled with chest-high ferns, called "Fern Meadow" (POI #46). The trail allows hikers to make a loop and come down a different trail than they went up. It also provides another way to exit the area in case of an emergency or if you decide not to go all the way to the top of the mountain. The hike is somewhat easy once you reach the trail, since it is a reasonably level traverse halfway up the mountainside.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Old North Trail Junction:** Reach the trail from the middle of the Old North Trail (#32) halfway up the mountain. This connection is not far above the top end of the Triumph Trail (#34) at Midway Peak.

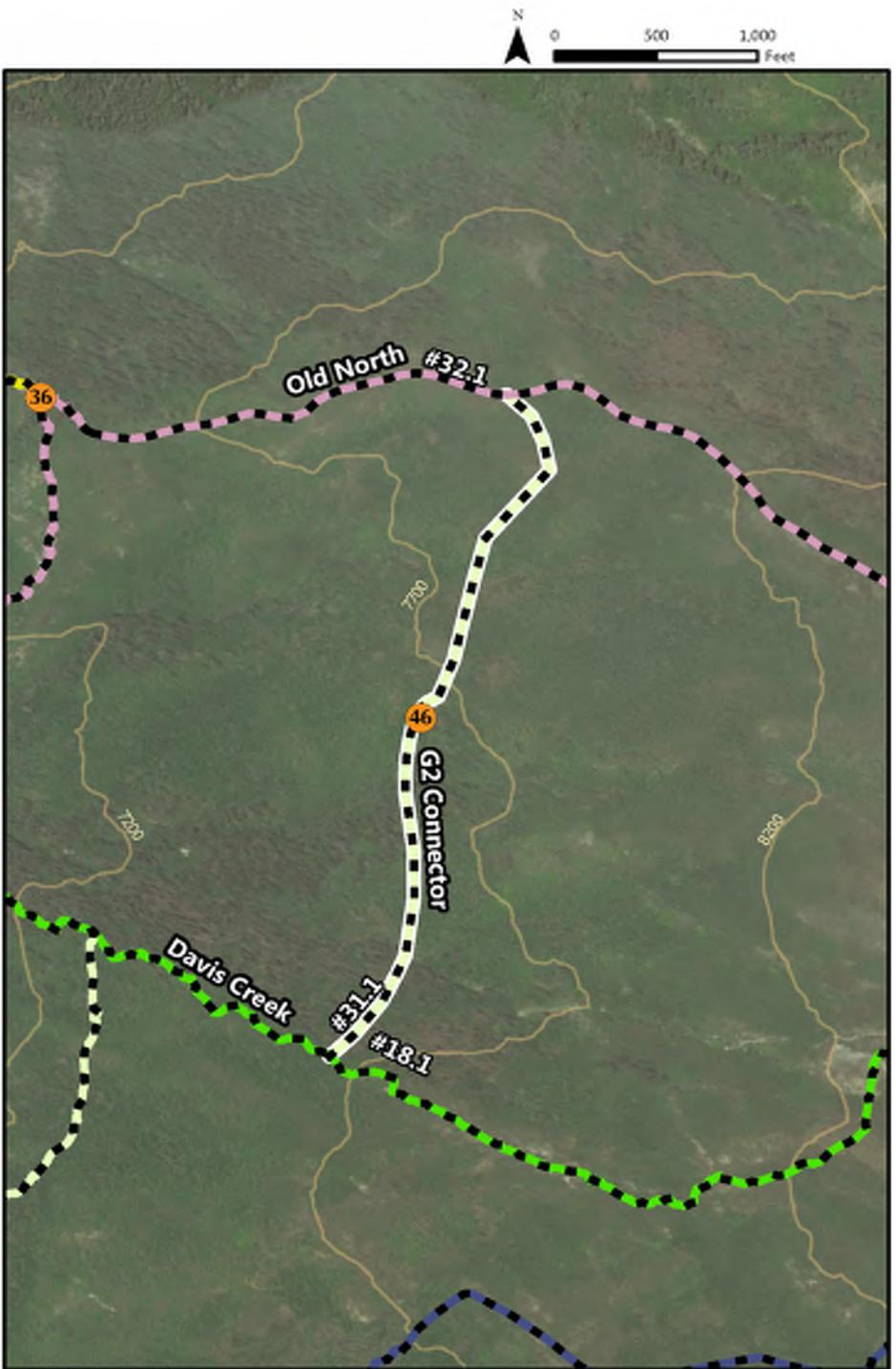
**Access #2 - Davis Creek Trail Junction:** Reach the trail from the Davis Creek Trail (#18.1), a half mile above the fifth waterfall.

### Trail Surface and Status:

This is a wilderness trail on native grasses that has been left as natural as possible. Look for the trail markers to stay on course.



photo by Ravel Call



*The eternal call of the mountains descends deep into my heart with a yearning that compels my feet to follow and ascend into the sanctuary of Gods. -G2Chipman*

## #31.2 G2Connector Trail - South Section

**Length:** 0.8 mile  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 1 hour  
**Elevation Gain:** 218 feet



### Features:

- Hike through beautiful forests interspersed with thrilling vistas.
- This trail connects the Davis Creek Trail (#18.1/#18.2) to the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.1/#25.2).
- This connector provides access to the top of the Cattleman Trail (#33).
- This trail provides a rigorous loop hike. Go up one canyon and come down another.
- The connector offers a second way to exit the area in case of an emergency or blockage of one of the trails.

**Description:** This trail connects the Davis Creek Trail #18.1/#18.2 junction to the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.1/#25.2 junction). Along the way, this section passes the top of the Cattleman Trail (#33). The trail provides a loop hike as well as a second way to exit the area in case of an emergency or blockage of one of the trails. The hike is somewhat easy, since it is a reasonably level traverse halfway up the mountainside. The trail passes through several beautiful forests.

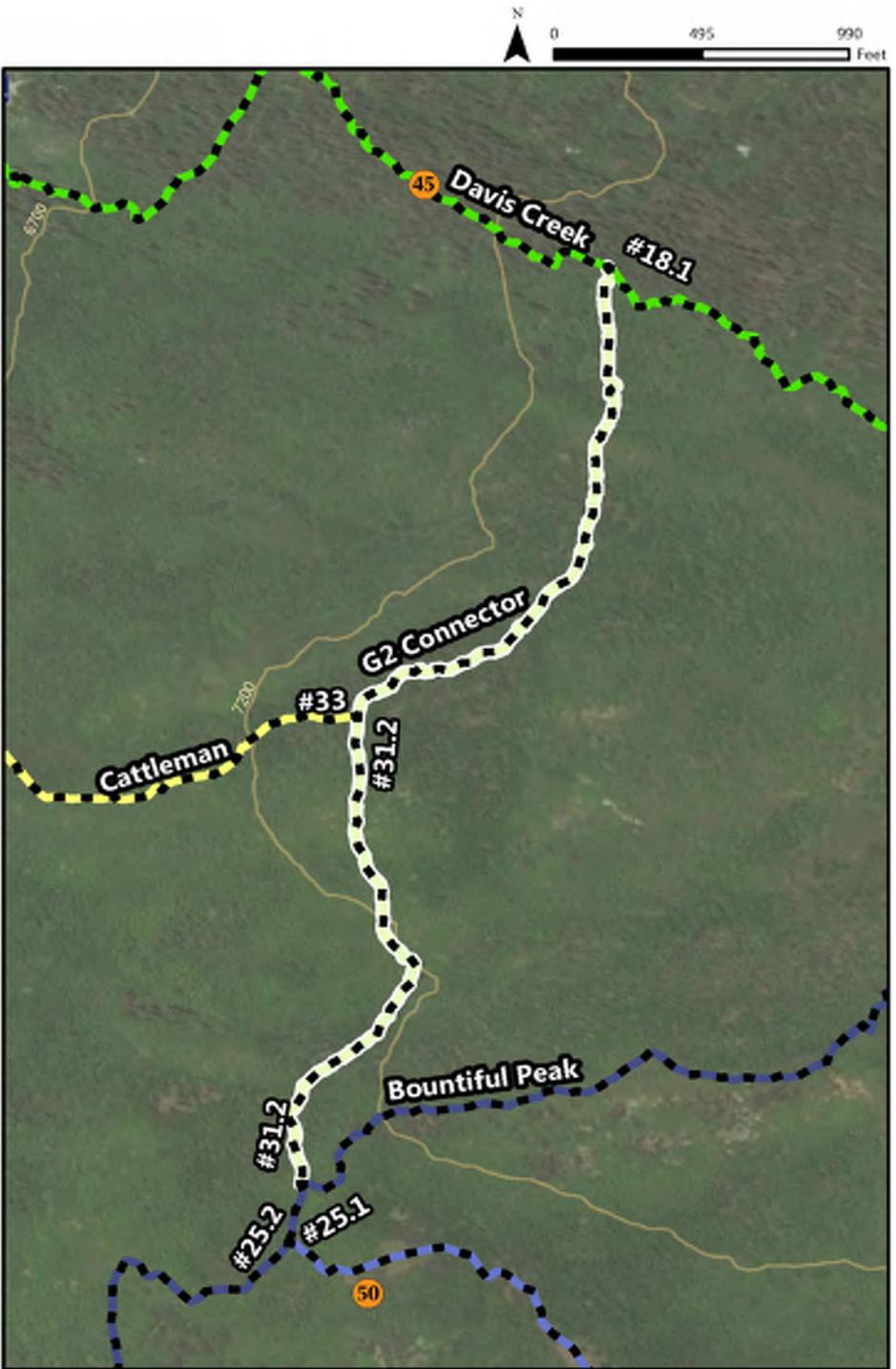
### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Davis Creek Trail Junction:** Reach the trail from the Davis Creek Trail (#18.1/#18.2) a half mile above the fifth waterfall. Turn south and pass between the two marked trees.

**Access #2 - Cattleman Trail Junction:** Reach the middle of #31.2 from the top of the Cattleman Trail (#33).

**Access #3 - Bountiful Peak Trail Junction:** Reach from the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.1/#25.2) halfway up the mountain. Turn north and pass between the two marked trees.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a wilderness trail on native grasses left as natural as possible. Look for the trail markers to stay on course.



*The artistry of God painted in Spring is fresh on the canvas of nature, still wet to the touch. -G2Chipman*

## #32.1 Old North Trail - Summit Section

**Length:** 1.5 miles

**Time:** 2.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 1365 feet



### Features:

- Hiking all the way to the summit can be a full day's adventure.
- This trail has historical value as an old horse trail.
- You will have some impressive views of the valley below.

**Description:** The Old North Trail, a sister trail to the Bountiful Peak Trail, has been used for generations to reach the top of the mountain before descending into Morgan valley. In historical books, writers referred to this as the “North Trail” and the Bountiful Peak Trail as the “South Trail.”

There is a mountain peak called “Midway Peak” (POI #36), on the side of the mountain halfway up this trail. From here to Bountiful Peak, the trail follows the top of the ridge, providing great views to the north and south. The trail joins the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.1) just before reaching Skyline Drive and Bountiful Peak.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Midway Peak:** Halfway up section #32.2, you will reach Midway Peak, which is on the ridge overlooking Steed Canyon. This is the start of section #32.1.

**Access #2 - Bountiful Peak Junction:** From Skyline Drive, go down the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.1) about 1500 feet. Section #32.1 splits off to the north.

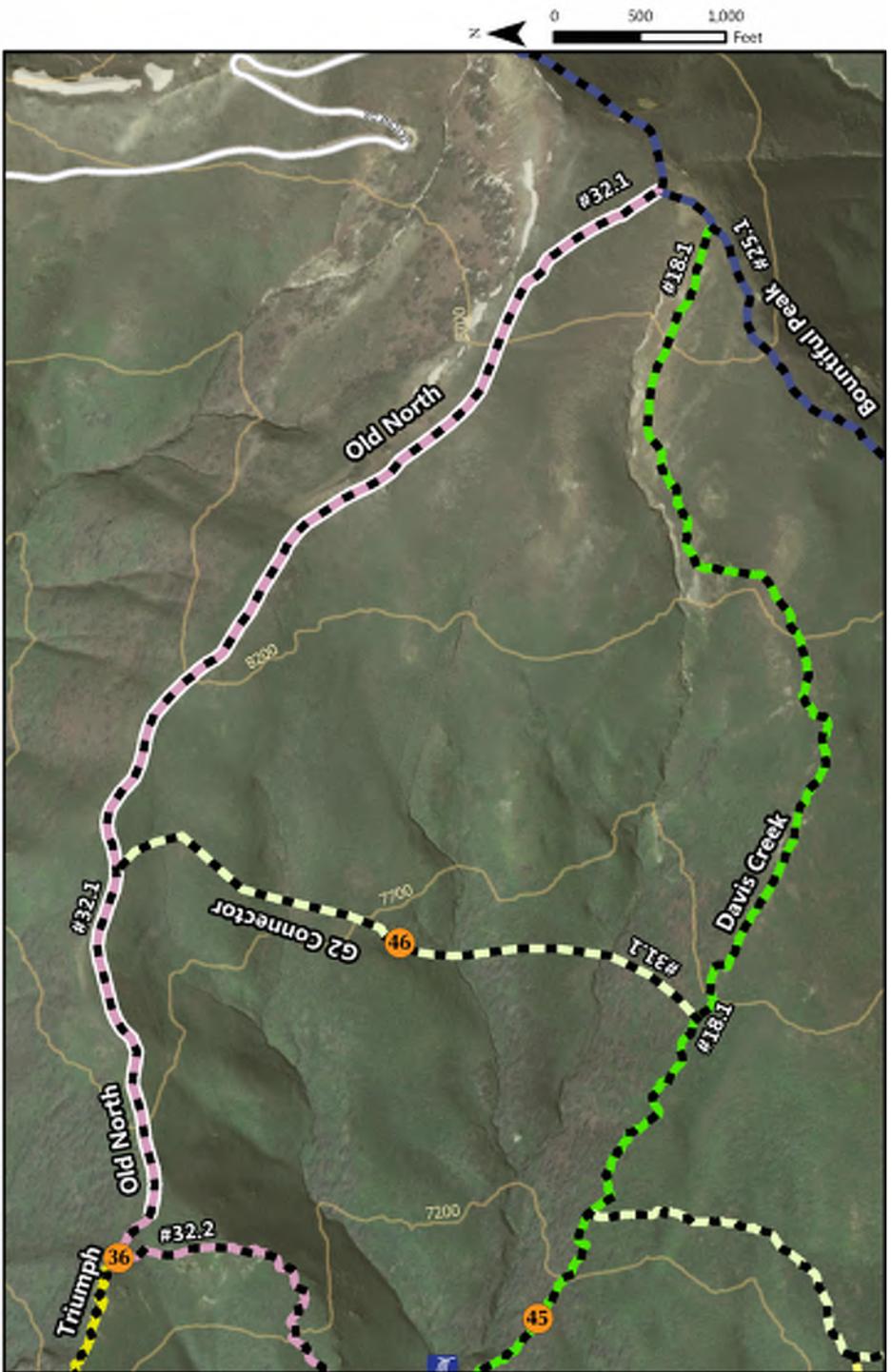
### Trail Surface and Status:

This is a wilderness trail on native grasses. Look for the trail markers to stay on course.



photo by Renell Call

*“Vistas await - Hike!”*



*In the hush of the mountain grove, the gentle voice of God can be heard in the whisper of the wind through the woods. -G2Chipman*

## #32.2 Old North Trail - Lower Canyon Section

**Length:** 1.4 miles

**Time:** 2.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 1762 feet



### Features:

- The continuous shade makes this a favorite hike in the hot summer.
- There is a flowing spring off the lower portion of the trail.
- Section #32.2 has lush vegetation in the spring.
- Enjoy the view from “Midway Peak,” a rock tower three stories above the trees.
- Go halfway up the mountain and come down the Triumph Trail (#34) for a half-day hike.
- This trail has historical value as an old horse trail.

**Description:** This trail follows a heavily forested ravine that departs from the Hell Hole area. You will be amazed at how lush the vegetation is along this trail in the early summer. Find Midway Peak (POI #36) at the top of this section of trail. From atop this three-story-tall peak, enjoy a great view of Steed Canyon. Old maps show a lake in the canyon below Midway Peak at a time before Davis Creek burst its dam. From here, you can return down a different way using the Triumph Trail (#34). Section #32.1 continues east of here.

### Access Locations:

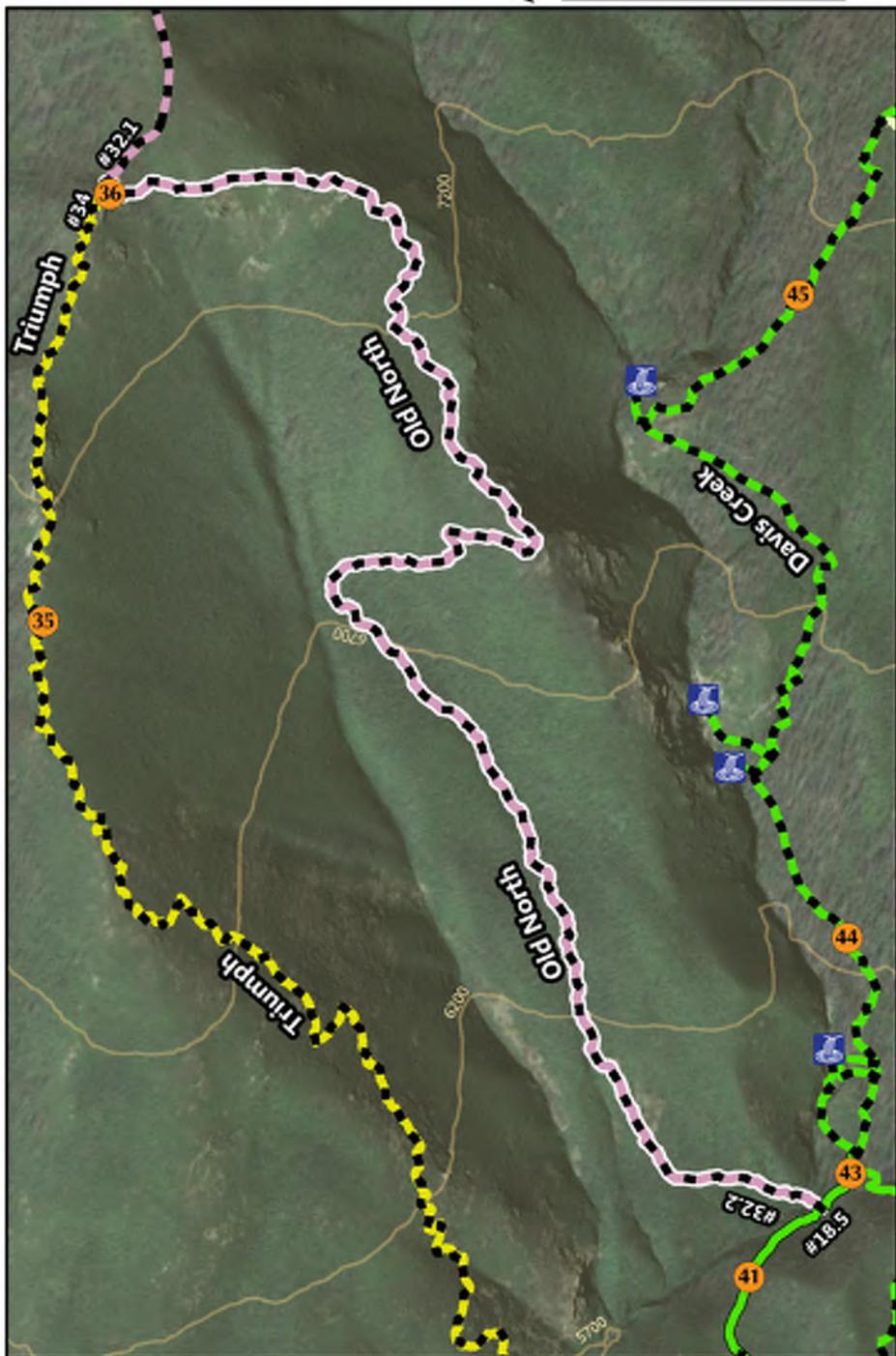
**Access #1 - Hell Hole Trailhead:** This access is off the Davis Creek Trail section #18.5 after descending the “Christmas Tree Lane” area and just before you reach the Hell Hole campsite. Watch for a marker post to your left with a steep trail leading down to the creek.

**Access #2 - Midway Peak Junction:** This access is at the top of the Triumph Trail (#34) at Midway Peak, which is on the ridge overlooking Steed Canyon. Go south from the peak while traversing the mountainside to the next ridge, then go down the ravine.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a wilderness trail on native grasses. Look for the trail markers to stay on course.



photo by Marshall Anderson



*Lead on, oh mountain trail, for my old legs are still strong and the new day is yet young! -G2Chipman*

## #33 Cattleman Trail

**Length:** 0.9 mile

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Time:** 1.5 hours

**Elevation Gain:** 1231 feet



### Features:

- This is a rigorous hike in forest shade.
- The trail connects to the G2Connector for various return hike options.
- Enjoy some great views of the valley below.

**Description:** Ranchers of a bygone era would use the lush mountainsides for summer grazing of their cattle. This trail is the old access to the highland meadows. The top end of the Cattleman Trail connects with the G2Connector Trail (#31.2), allowing you the option of returning down the Davis Creek Trail (#18.2) to the north or the Bountiful Peak Trail (#25.2) to the south.

The first part of the trail climbs a short distance up a hill, then hooks right to connect with a small ravine. Follow the ravine up the mountain for a considerable distance, then continue east in the pleasant shade of several forests until you reach the G2Connector Trail (#31.2).

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Davis Creek Trail Junction:** Access the trail from the Davis Creek Trail section #18.4 after climbing the hillside above Pretty Valley. Turn to the right (southeast) before the trail descends into the Hell Hole area.

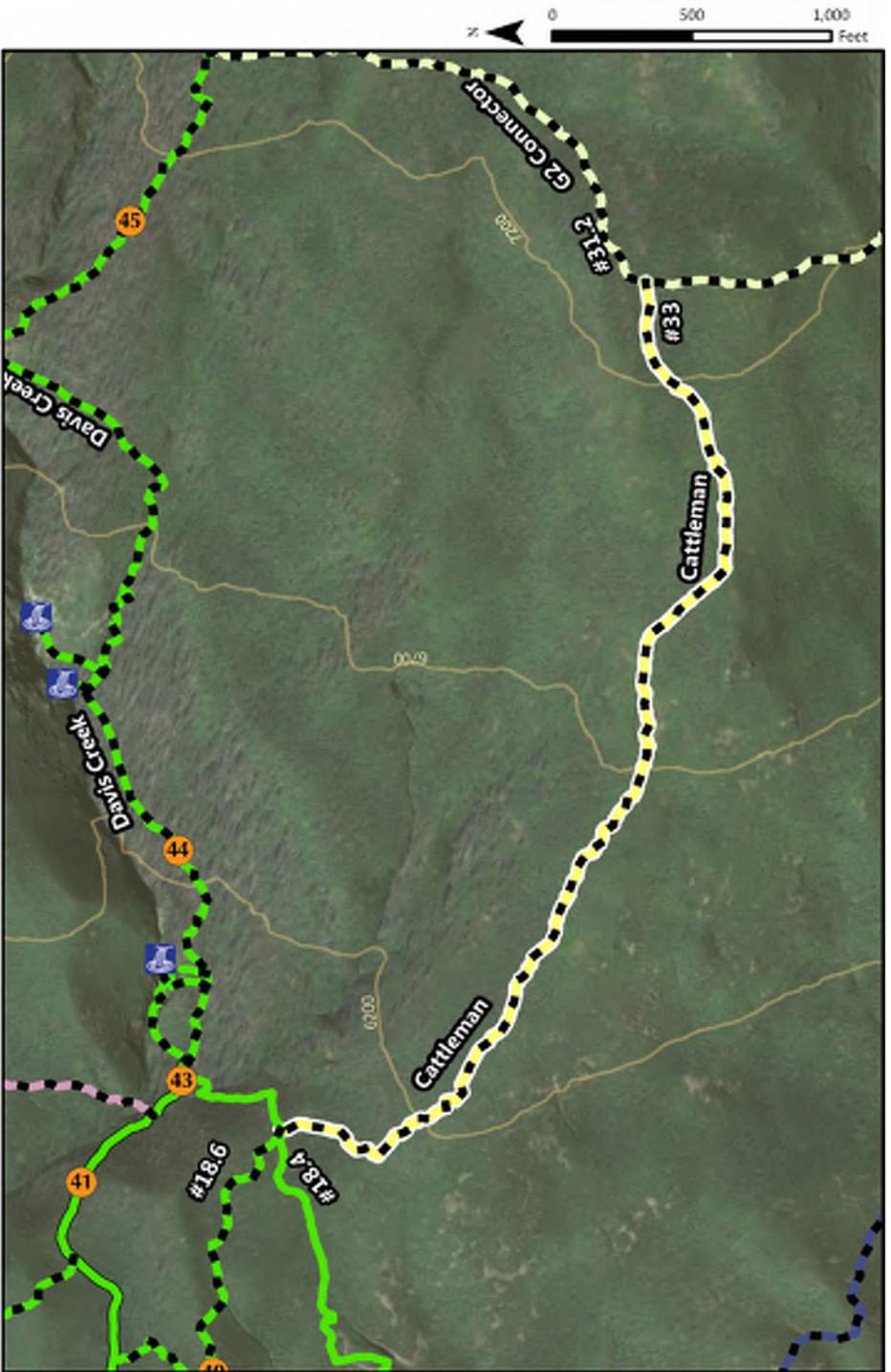
**Access #2 - G2Connector Junction:** The top end of this trail is accessible from the middle of the G2Connector Trail (#31.2).

### Trail Surface and Status:

This is a wilderness trail on native grasses. Look for the trail markers to stay on course. Generally, you will be ascending a ridge on the side of the mountain.



photos by Logan Ulrich



*To me a lush carpet of pine needles or spongy grass is more welcome than the most luxurious Persian rug. -Helen Keller*

## #34 Triumph Trail

**Length:** 2.3 miles

**Time:** 4.5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 2758 feet



### Features:

- Can you see the “face” of an Indian on “Indian Annie Rock” (POI #33)?
- The trail connects to Old North Trail (#32) for a different return route option.

**Description:** This is an exhilarating hike, but you do need to be in good shape to conquer the climb. Reaching the top of the Triumph Trail is a triumph in itself, since it goes up the side of the mountain over rocky and steep terrain. A half mile up the trail, there is a connection across a bridge to the Davis Creek Trail (#18.9). Instead of crossing the bridge, go north up the hill. You will find a bench where you can sit a minute and catch your breath. The next part of the trail continues east up the canyon and gives you a good view of Indian Annie Rock (POI #33). She is facing east just above the first waterfall. See Trail #18.7 on page 126 for her story. A short distance farther is a trail spur down to the creek where you will find “Indian Cave” (POI #34). White settlers have often used this small camping spot next to a little waterfall, but Native Americans most likely used it first.



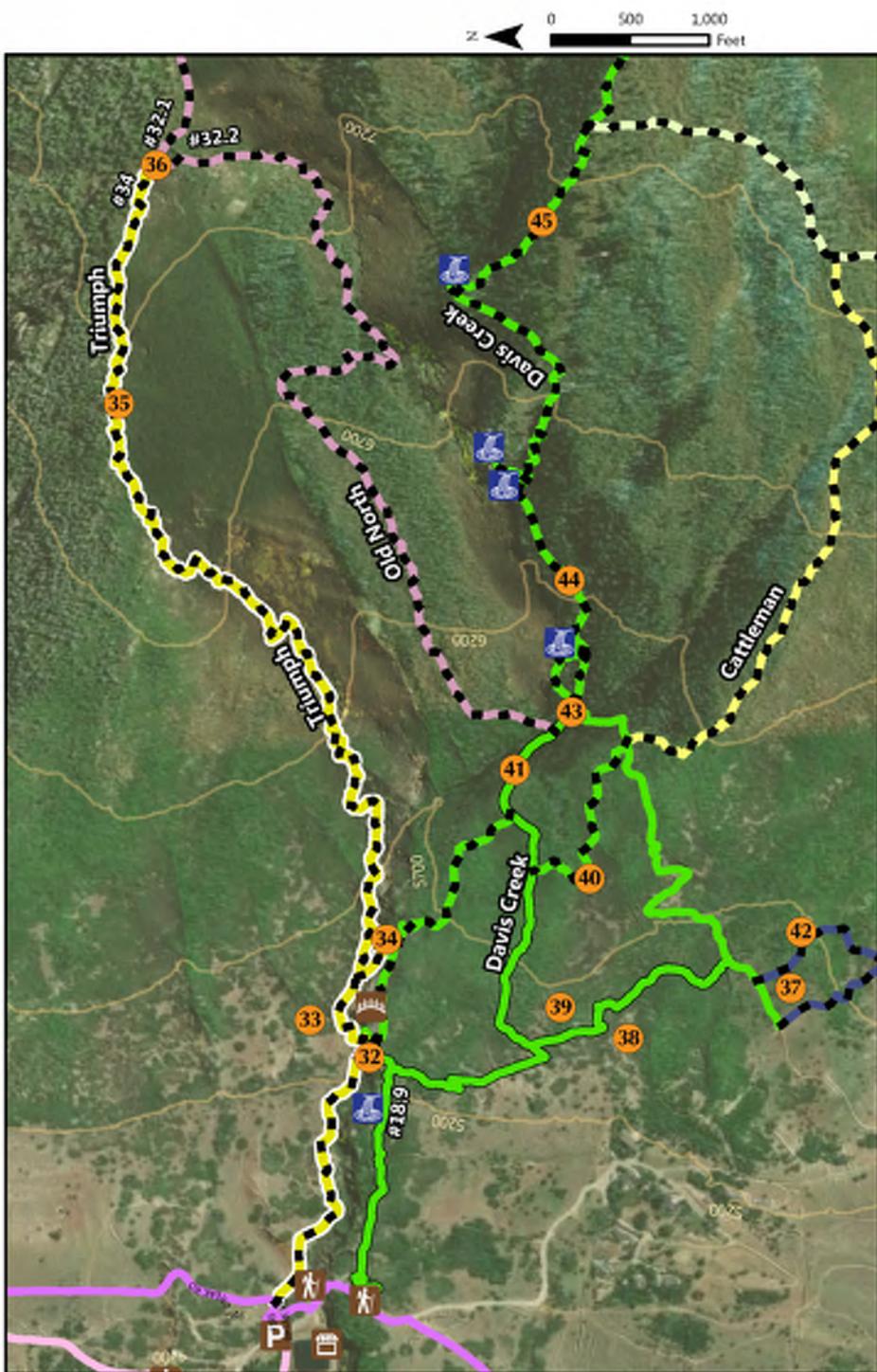
About a half mile up the trail, look for Chameleon Rock. It changes from a bull dog to a house cat as you pass it then to a sad-eyed koala bear as you leave it behind. About two-thirds of the way up the ridge, you will pass “Lightning Strike Tree” (POI #35), a tall pine tree sporting a long vertical stripe of pitch where a lightning bolt surged to the ground. The top of this trail is halfway up the mountain where the trail joins the Old North Trail (#32) at Midway Peak.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 Trailhead with Parking - Reservoir:** Travel east up 500 South off 200 East to the parking area available by the reservoir just north of Davis Canyon. Park, then walk north along the Bonneville Shoreline Trail from the access directly east of the parking area a short segment to reach the start of the Triumph Trail.

**Access #2 - Midway Peak Junction:** Reach the top of the trail by going halfway up the Old North Trail (#32). The Triumph Trail connects at Midway Peak and goes down the mountain ridge.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a narrow wilderness trail. Look for the trail markers to stay on course.



*The violets in the mountains have broken the rocks. -Tennessee Williams*

## #35 Flag Rock Trail

**Length:** 1.9 miles  
**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Time:** 2 hours starting at Patsy's Mine  
**Elevation Gain:** 1051 feet



### Features:

- This is a memorial hike to honor the fallen heroes of 9/11.
- Enjoy the view from atop Flag Rock.

**Description:** An American flag is visible on the hillside east of Farmington from all across the city. The Flag Rock Trail was prepared by Randy West, who has led an annual hike to commemorate the attacks of September 11, 2001. The flag was placed on the mountainside in memory of the emergency personnel and others who perished in that terrible disaster. The climb symbolizes the climb the rescuers took up the Twin Tower stairs since the elevators were not usable. The height from the top of 100 N. to the flag is the same as the height of the Twin Towers before their collapse. It is a long climb, but all the switchbacks make the trail less steep, so even children can make the trek.

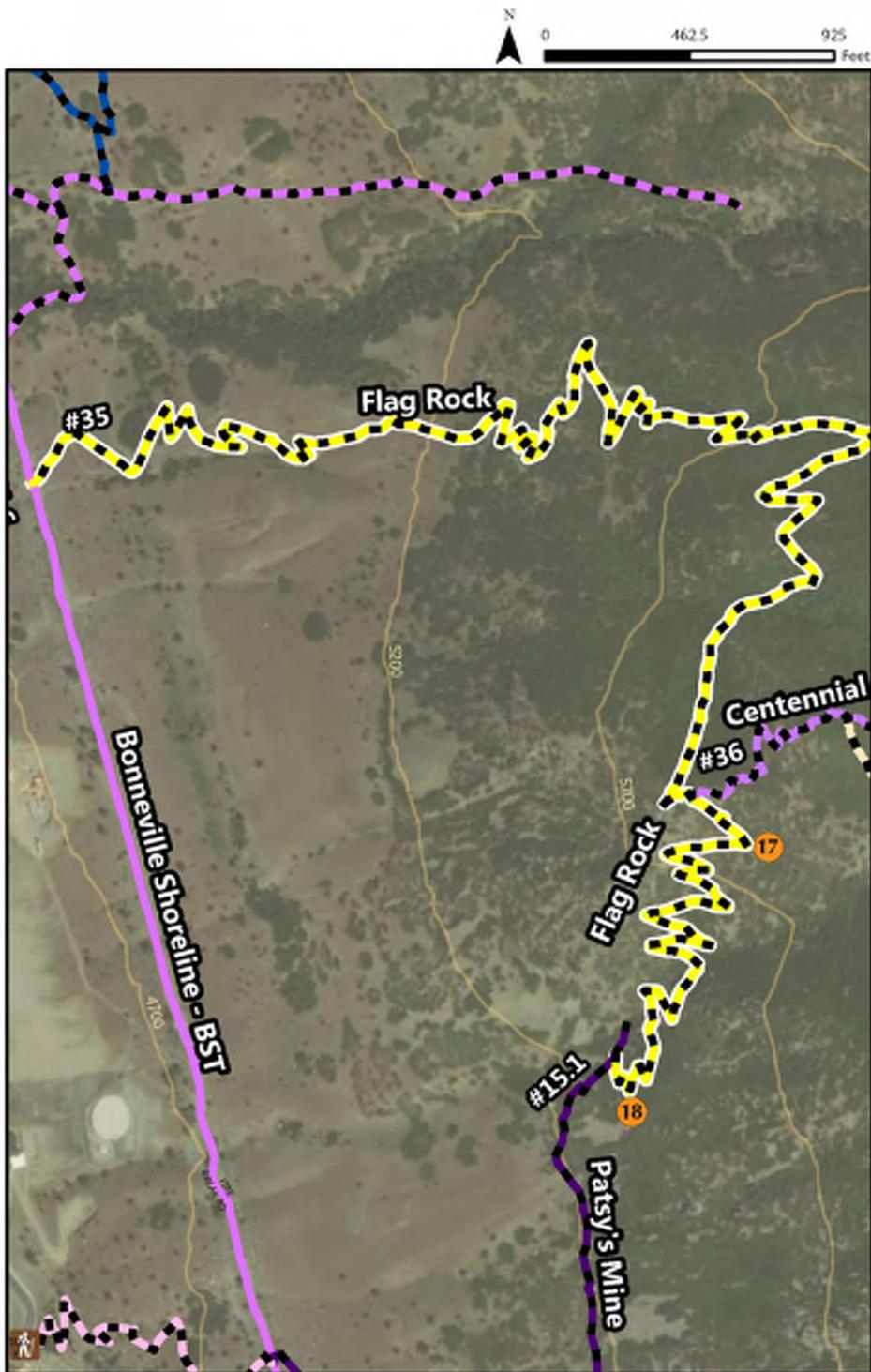
A good alternative route down the mountain is the north section of the trail, which offers shade on a hot day. At the flag, go north instead of east to come back down the mountain.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Patsy's Mine Junction:** Take the Patsy's Mine Trail (#15.1) and look for the branch to Flag Rock just before you reach the mine. The trail splits off to the right and continues up the hillside. It crosses a draw for the final ascent to the flag. See the trailhead instructions for the Patsy's Mine Trail section #15.2 on page 106.

**Access #2 - Bonneville Shoreline Trail:** The north section of the Flag Rock trail is east off the BST (#1.6) (firebreak road) just after you pass Rudd Canyon. Rudd Canyon is a small canyon a half mile south of Farmington Canyon. From Main Street, go east on 600 N., then north on 100 E. (Farmington Canyon Rd.). Continue up the canyon to the firebreak road on your right. If you reach the bridge, you have gone too far. Drive or walk south along the firebreak road to the first small canyon on your left (Rudd Canyon), then continue on the road looking for a brown Carsonite post on your left. The trail starts here and leads up the mountain with many switchbacks to the intermediate peak where the flag waves in the breeze.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This is a dirt path in fairly good condition.



*"Hikers rise above it all"*

## #36 Centennial Trail

**Length:** 2.5 miles

**Time:** 5 hours

**Difficulty:** Strenuous

**Elevation Gain:** 2293 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy a hike through amazing forests of Gambel oak, maple, and pine trees.
- Experience breathtaking views of the valley below.
- Use this trail as part of a loop hike with several other trails.

**Description:** This trail is called the Centennial Trail because it contains the 100<sup>th</sup> mile of trail added to the Farmington Trails System. This trail starts at Flag Rock (#35) (see page 176), visible from downtown Farmington on the peak to the east where an American Flag flutters proudly in the breeze.

The Centennial Trail now allows hikers to continue upward after reaching Flag Rock. The trail climbs through a beautiful shaded forest of tall maple trees then on to an open area above the timber line with a great view of the entire valley and the Great Salt Lake. The top of the trail joins the Farmington Spine Trail (#12.1), which continues to the Steed Creek Trail (#17.1), and eventually to Skyline Drive at the top of the mountain. This allows the hiker to choose from several canyon trails to descend back into Farmington in what can be a most exhilarating and challenging adventure.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Flag Rock Junction:** Go east from the peak at Flag Rock. See details about the Flag Rock Trail (#35) on page 176.

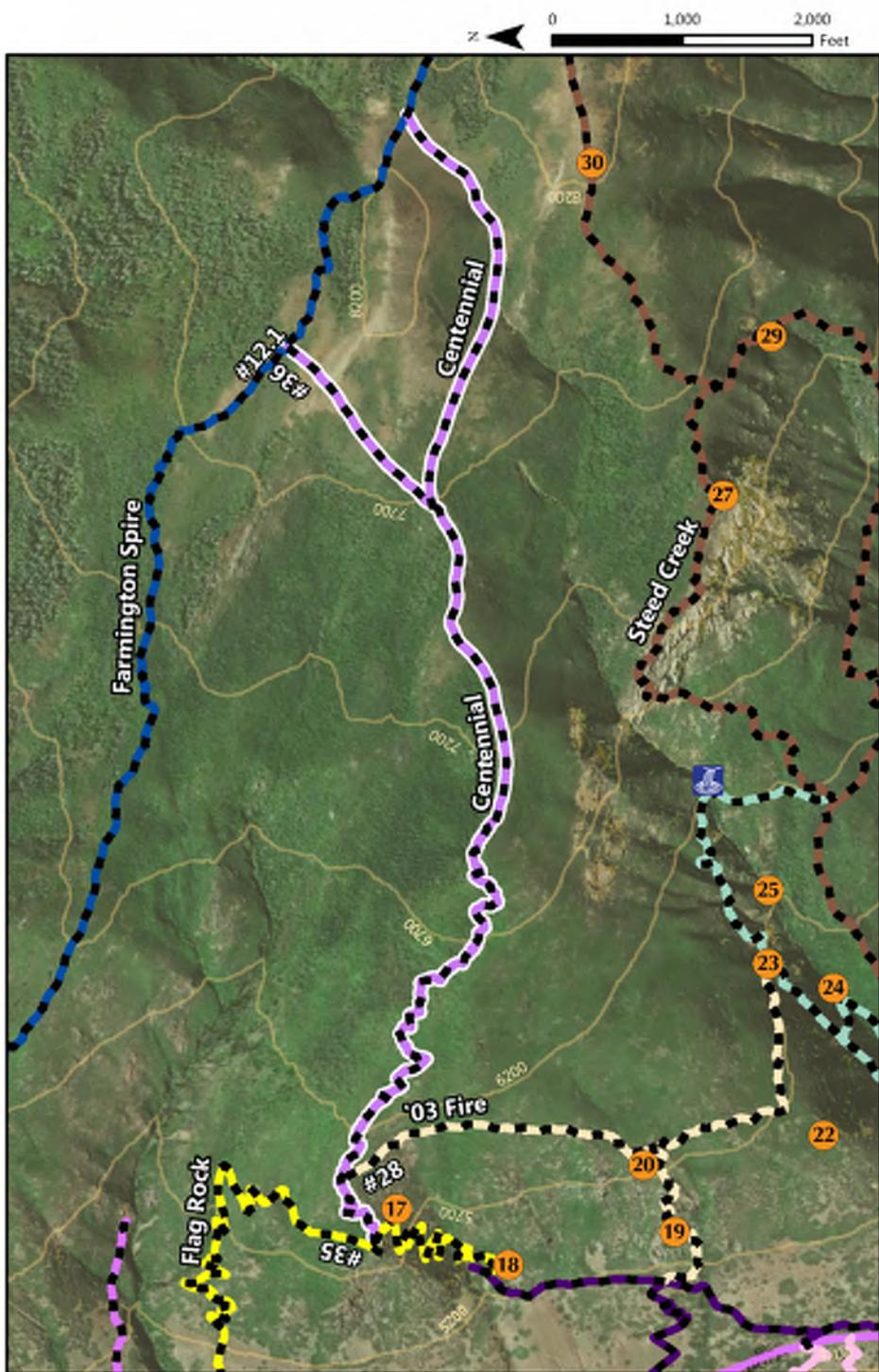
**Access #2 - Mountaintop Junctions:** The top end of the Centennial Trail (#34) connects with the Farmington Spine Trail (#12.1) in two places near the top of the mountain.

### Trail Surface and Status:

This is a wilderness trail left as natural as possible. Look for the trail markers to stay on course.



photo by Logan Ulrich



*If one way be better than another, that you may be sure is nature's way. -Aristotle*

## #37 Farmington Regional Park

**Length:** 2.7 miles

**Time:** 1 hour 30 minutes

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 10 feet



### Features:

- Paved paths around Farmington City's largest park.
- Access to high quality recreation facilities and park amenities.
- Use this trail as part of a loop hike with several other trails.
- The park's walking paths connect to the larger trail network.



**Description:** The Farmington Regional Park includes restrooms, picnic tables, playgrounds, outdoor pickleball courts, basketball, soccer and football facilities in addition to nearly 3 miles of paved walking paths. The park is also home to the Farmington Gymnasium with indoor basketball courts used for a variety of activities and classes. Additional features are anticipated to be added over time. If you haven't had a chance to visit the park and gymnasium, we invite you to do so and discover what a gem this is for our community.

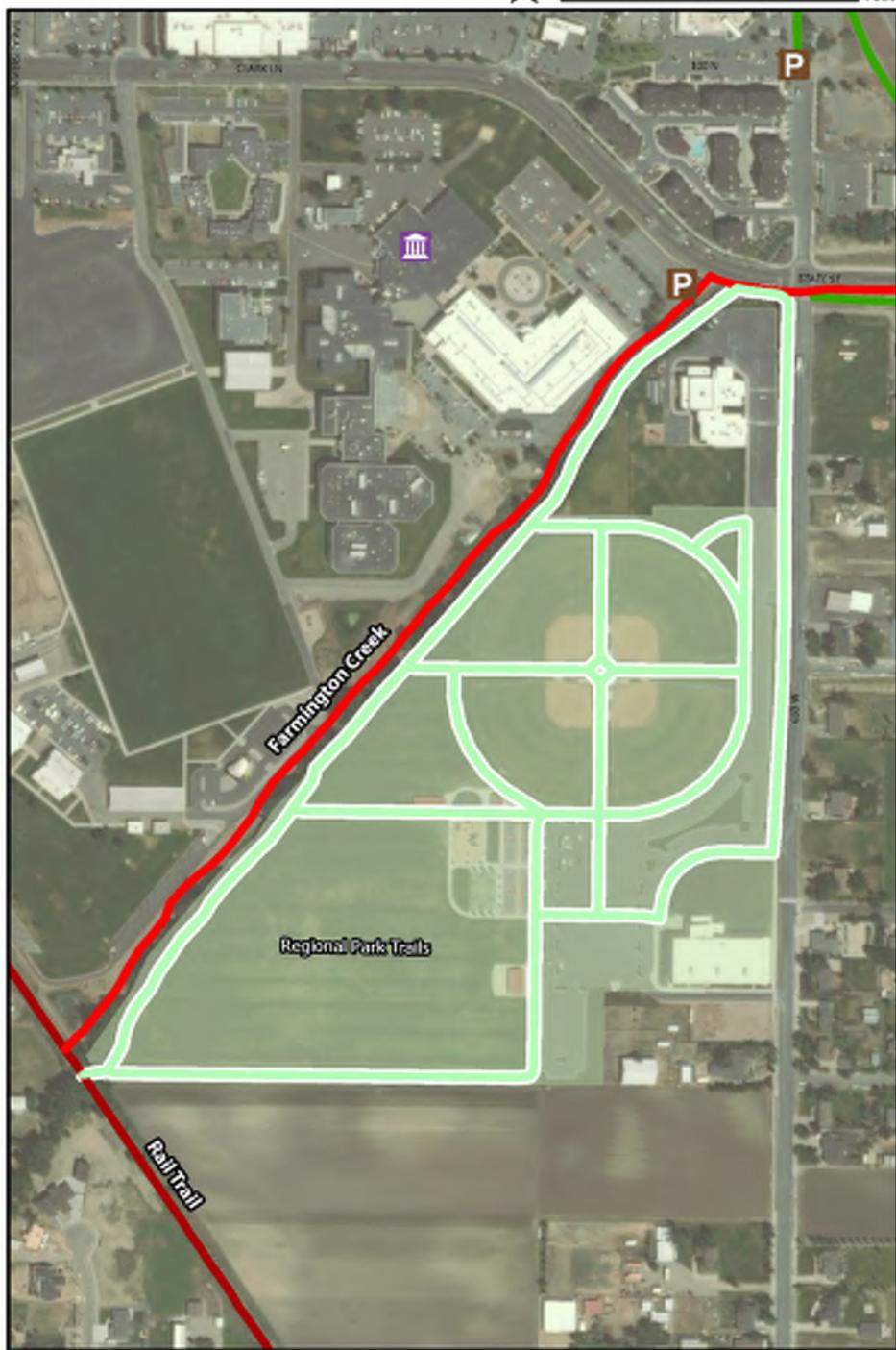
### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - 650 West:** The main parking area and gymnasium located at 294 South 650 West can be access from this street.

**Access #2 - Clark Lane:** Just west where State Street turns into Clark Lane and east of the Davis County Justice Center, you will can access the two trails that run along each side of Farmington Creek.

**Access #3 - D&RGW Rail Trail:** A connection of trails can be accessed at the southwest corner of the park. You can connect to the Rail Trail (#7) or to the Farmington Creek Trail (#11) that runs on both sides of the Farmington Creek.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail is paved.



*“Life’s to short not to go big” - Josh Bender*

## #38 Bamberger Bridge Trail

**Length:** 0.14 miles

**Time:** 15 Minutes

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Elevation Gain:** 70 feet



### Features:

- Enjoy a short walk passing over the route of the historic Bamberger Railroad right of way.
- Experience a crossing that has been in use for over 100 years.

**Description:** This short historic trail can take you back in time to the days then the Bamberger Railroad was in use. Walk down the path and enjoy views of Farmington. You will come to an historic bridge that once carried pedestrians over the rail line. Today it is still used as a pedestrian bridge connecting Main Street to Compton Road.

“Farmington and all of Davis County benefited from this handy transportation. It was part of our lives. We were all saddened when the old 87-year-old railroad died. On Wednesday, December 20, 1958, it made its last run from Salt Lake to Ogden, then abandoned its tracks forever. Thousands of Utahns grew up with this service and the memories will live on forever. We’ve come to the end of the line. Rails, ties and poles have been taken away and all we have left is the memory.” - *My Farmington 1847-1976* by Margaret Steed Hess, page 384



photo by Lyle Gibson

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - 961 North Compton Road:** Park on the street near the upper segment of this trail.

**Access #2 - 958 North Main Street:** This access point at the lower section of the trail is found off the shoulder of Main Street where on street parking along the shoulder is available.

**Trail Surface and Status:** This trail uses the preferred “crusher fines” road base.



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## #39 The Farm - Mountain Bike Park

**Length:** Various

**Difficulty:** Various



### Features:

- Trail system designed and created specifically for mountain bike use.
- More than 4 miles of trails.
- Different trail segments cater to different skill levels.
- Connects into the larger trail system.

**Description:** The Farm was designed and completed in late 2020 utilizing natural features to create a mountain bike park that is accessible for all skill levels.

Trails include berms, small jumps, downhills and loops that weave in and out of existing vegetation following natural terrain. The system of trails within The Farm are maintained in park by local high school mountain bike teams.

### Access Locations:

**Access #1 - Farmington Canyon Road:** Just past the entrance to the Farmington Pond Park on the west side of the road is a pull out for parking and access to The Farm is just across the street.

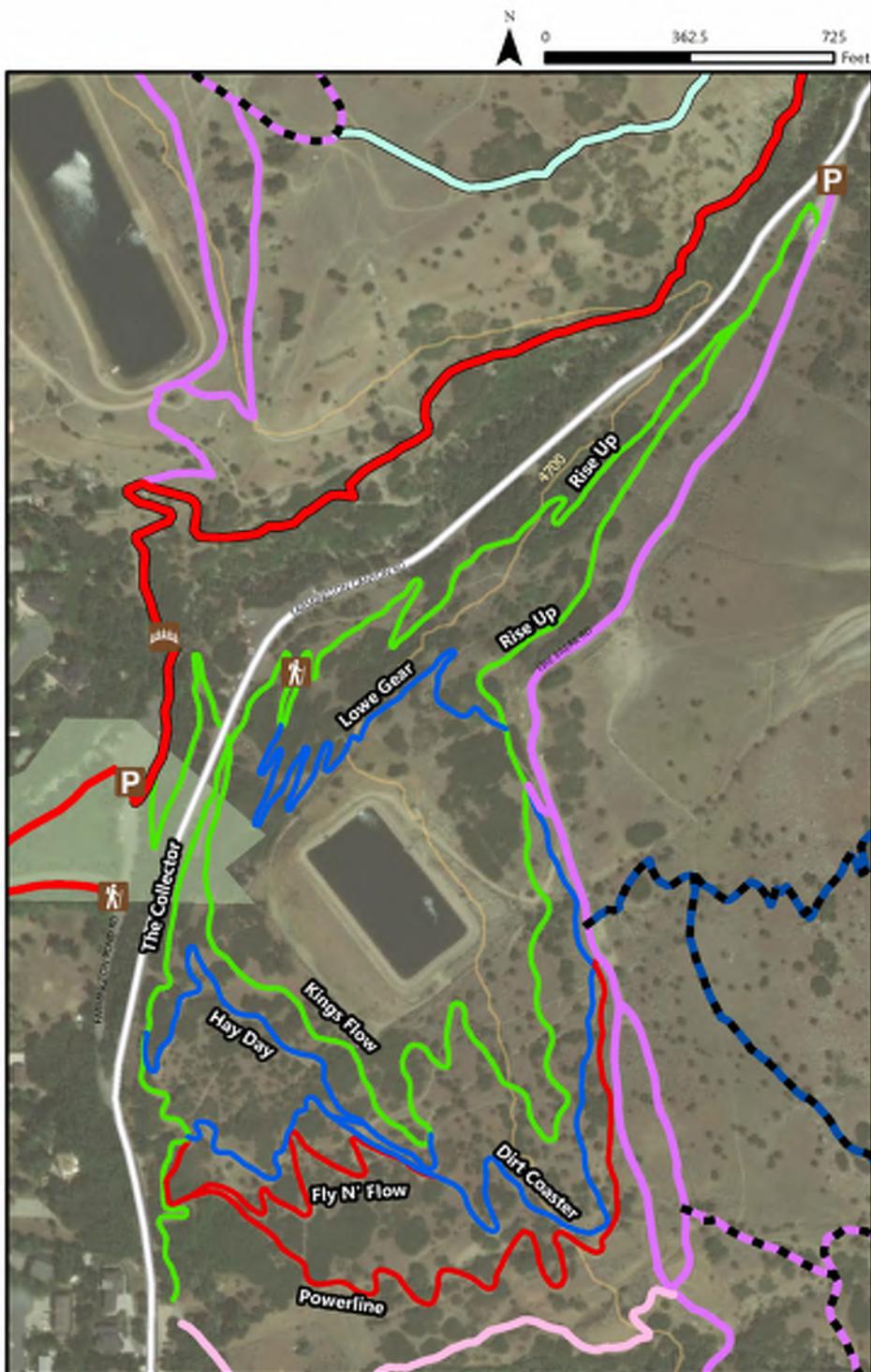
**Access #2 - Fire Break Road:** Continuing a little bit farther into the canyon past the is a second lot where Farmington Canyon Road meets the Fire Break Road. This parking is on the south east side of the road.

**Trail Surface and Status:** These trails are natural dirt/rock wilderness trails designed for mountain bike use.



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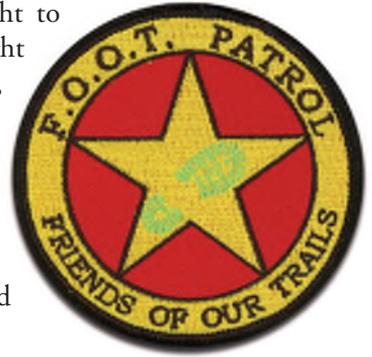


*“A bad day on the mountain bike always beats a good day in the office” - Mike Brcic*



# F.O.O.T. Patrol Application

Help us patrol our trails. To apply for the right to wear the embroidered patch shown to the right and be a part of Farmington's F.O.O.T. Patrol, duplicate this application, fill in the requested information, sign, and submit it to a member of the Farmington Trails Committee. You will become a Trail Chief over an assigned section of trail. See our website [www.FarmingtonTrails.org](http://www.FarmingtonTrails.org) for member contact information. We look forward to serving on the trails with you!



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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## F.O.O.T. Patrol Member's Oath:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, accept my responsibilities as a Farmington Trails F.O.O.T. Patrol Member to:

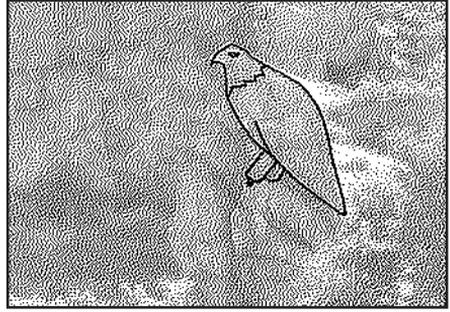
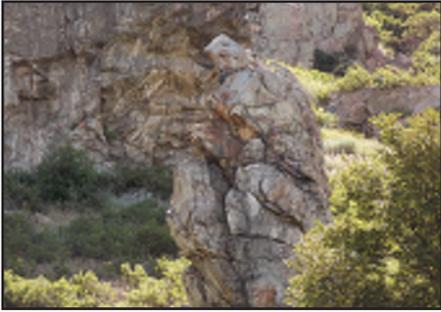
- Use the Farmington Trails in a courteous, safe, non-destructive, and litter-free manner,
- Help maintain the trails to be free of litter, fallen rocks and trees, and encroaching bushes or branches,
- Walk my assigned trail at least three times each year and perform minor maintenance,
- Submit a report in May and November on my assigned trail's status and needs,
- Watch for encroachment of neighboring landowners or other disturbance of the trail,
- Coordinate service projects and hikes, and answer questions related to my assigned trail,
- Monitor the trails for other users' compliance and politely remind them, if needed, of proper trail use,
- Call the police (801-451-5453), the Davis County Sheriff (801-451-4141), or 911 if the situation warrants,
- Lend support when possible when trail issues are presented to the public for input or action,
- Use the trails to improve my quality of life.

The Farmington Trails Committee accepts the above request for membership to the F.O.O.T. Patrol to the person listed. F.O.O.T. Patrol members will receive regular e-mails on trail issues and advanced release of trail information. Thank you for serving!

\_\_\_\_\_  
Farmington Trails Committee Representative

Date of Acceptance: \_\_\_\_\_ Authorized by: \_\_\_\_\_

# Rocks and Imagination



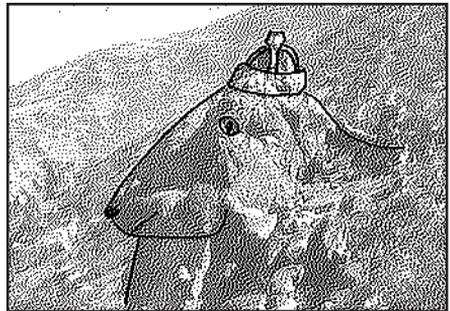
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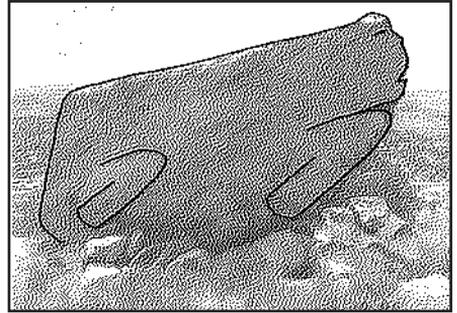
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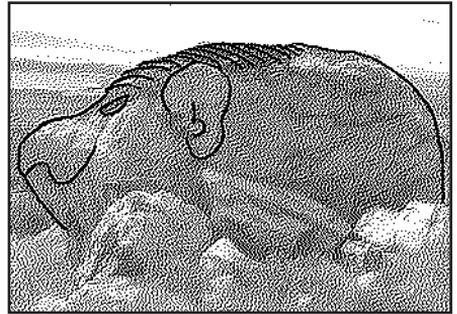
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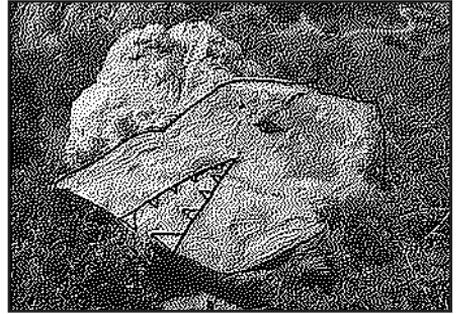
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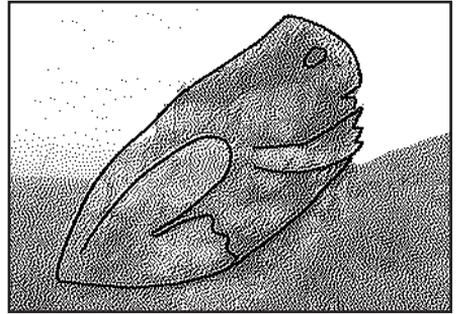
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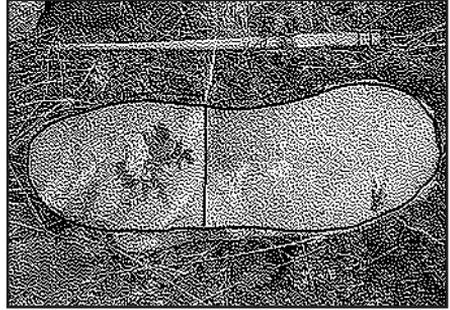
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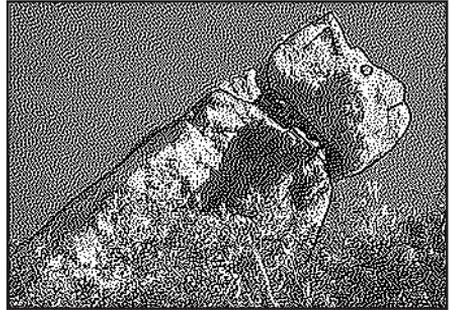
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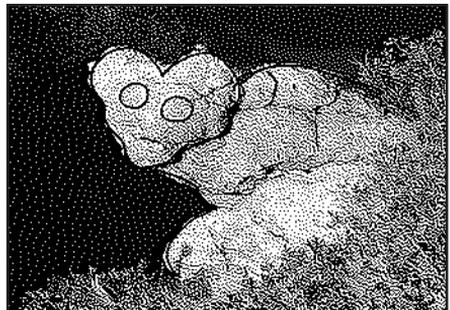
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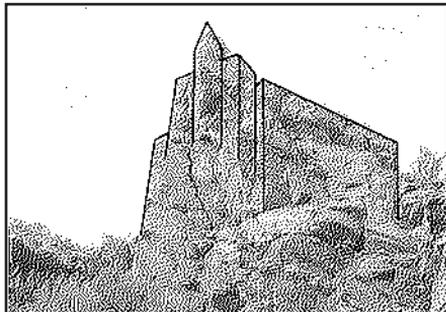


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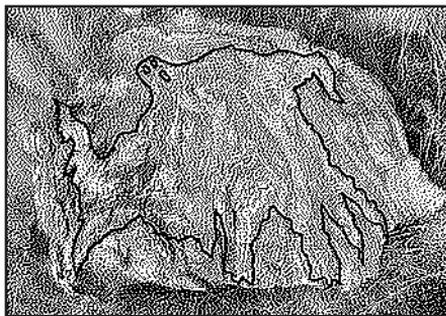




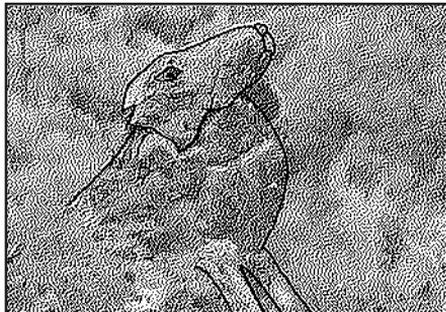
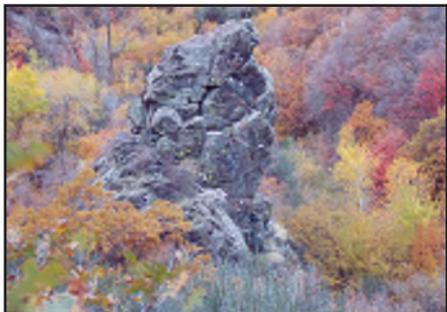
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