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To Whom it May Concern,

The Boulder Mountainbike Alliance is in support of Boulder County Parks & Open Space's (BCPOS) draft management plan for East Boulder Creek. We appreciate that BCPOS staff have carefully considered a plan that allows people to enjoy the property while also protecting and preserving the area for habitat and wildlife.

We believe that the most exciting part of the plan is the allowance for connectivity to the Town of Erie and other regional trails, meeting the management priority goal, "*Provide trails and connectivity.*" Providing safe and enjoyable trail connections to this open space will allow people to access it without cars from Erie and beyond. We very much hope that Boulder County Parks & Open Space department will continue to work with Boulder County Community Planning & Permitting and Public Works and the Town of Erie to complete the crucial connections to existing and planned trails.

Specifically, we see the importance of (map legend numbers below):

- 2 and 9 - connection to the proposed Boulder to Erie Trail
- 10 - connection to Town of Erie trails and to the Northwest parcel
- 17 - connection to Town of Erie trails and the Southwest parcel, as well as connectivity from the trailhead to the trail along Coal Creek

We also ask that Boulder County consider extending the trail from the proposed shelter at 12 to Kenosha Rd. and N. 119th St. This 1,200 foot addition would provide an additional connection from the Northwest parcel to the Southeast parcel along N. 119 St. and would provide a 4 mile loop using the Town of Erie trails through Kenosha Estates.

We hope that Boulder County continues to strive to meet "*Goal 5: To provide quality recreational experiences while protecting open space resources.*" We believe that trails are key to conservation and preservation efforts, and well designed trails that provide visitors with great experiences will keep people on trail and out of sensitive areas.

Thanks,

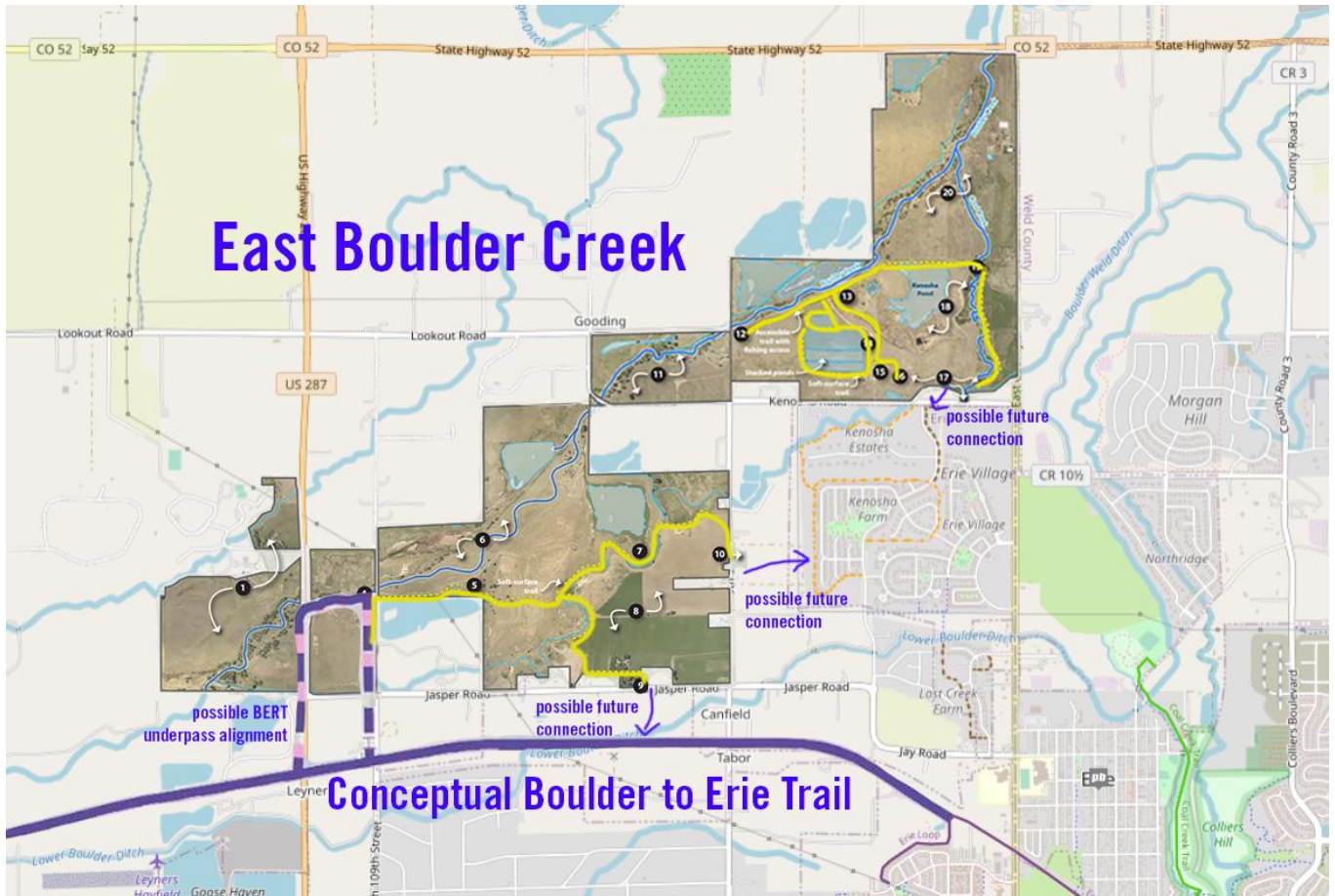
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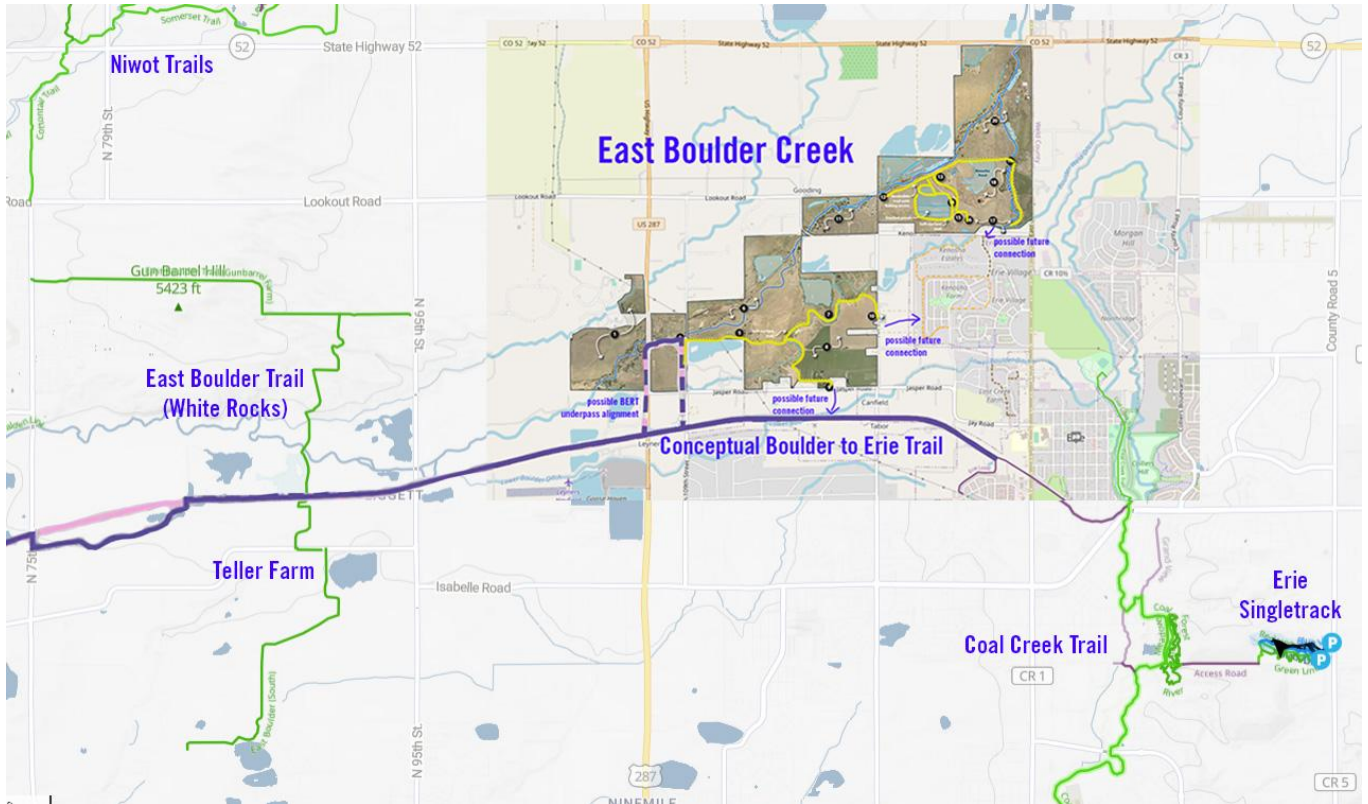


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