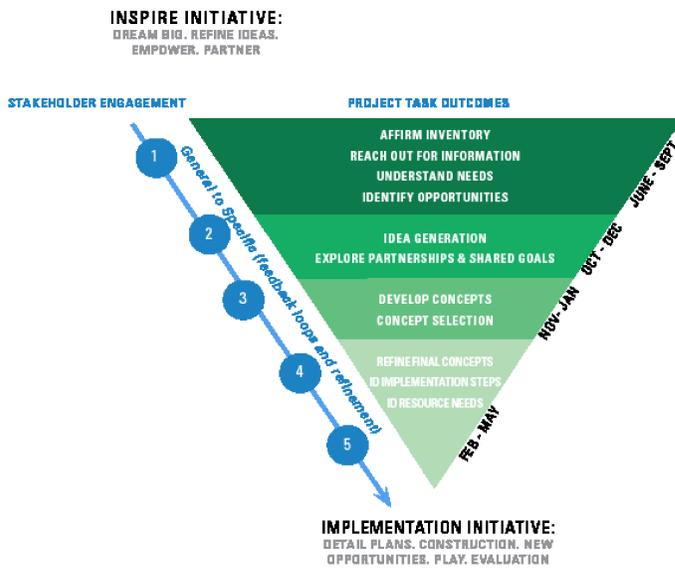


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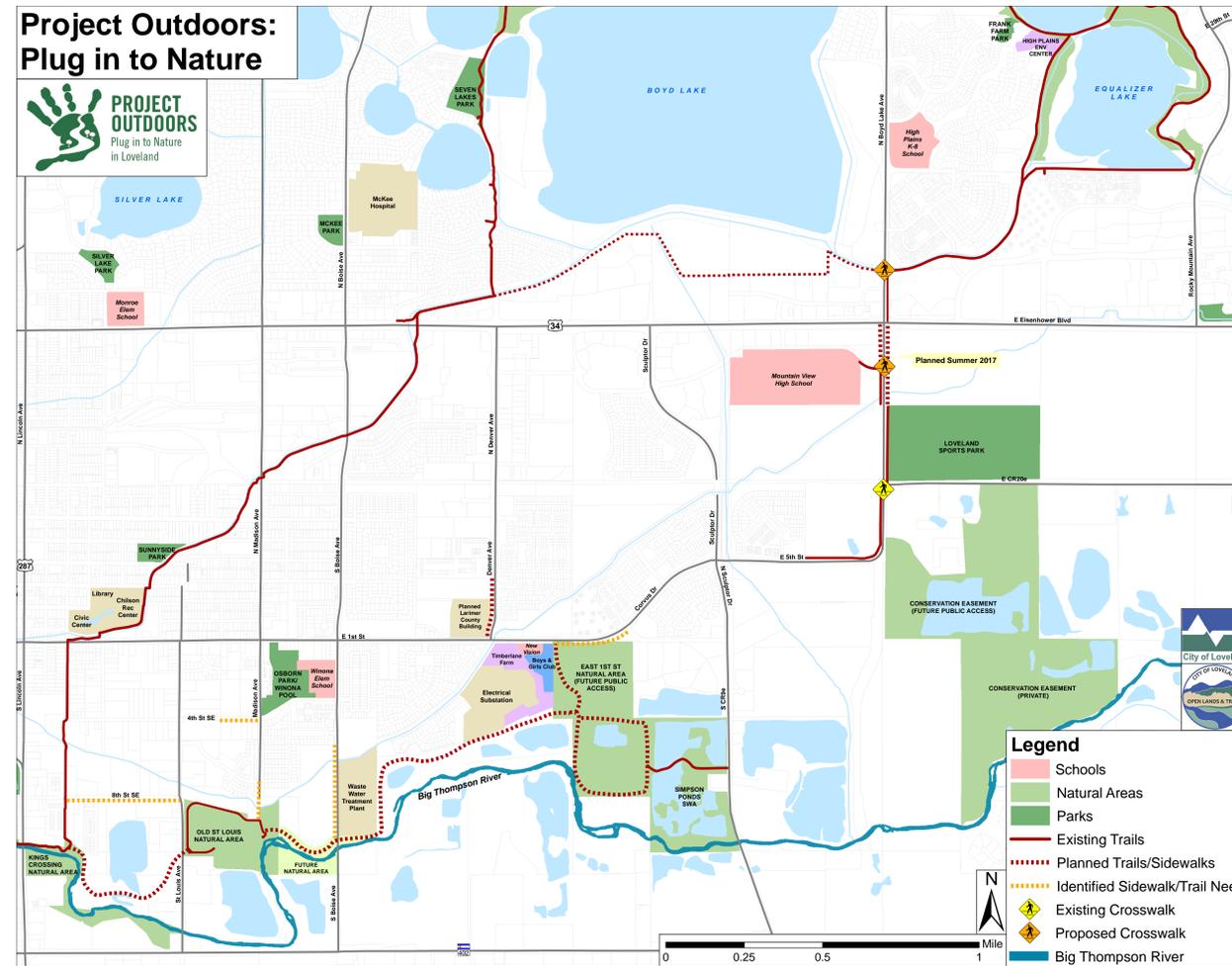
How can outdoor opportunities be improved in Loveland?

- The goals are to:
- 1) identify barriers to access, connectivity and participation in outdoor activities;
 - 2) find ways to engage youth and families in the outdoors;
 - 3) improve opportunities and access to nature-related activities, places, and programs; and
 - 4) empower youth and the community to be involved in developing solutions.

PROJECT OUTDOORS PROCESS



LOVELAND CONTEXT



LOVELAND PROJECT AREA SCHOOLS



NEW VISION CHARTER SCHOOL



WINONA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



HIGH PLAINS K-8 SCHOOL



MOUNTAIN VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

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DID YOU KNOW?

Young people spend an average of four to seven minutes a day outside in unstructured play. Research shows outdoor time is good for kids physically, socially, emotionally, and cognitively, yet many barriers exist between youth and the outdoors.

Inspiring a deep connection to nature is the goal of this project because it is vital for the wellbeing of our community, our wildlife, and the Colorado way of life.

PLACES, PROGRAMS, PATHWAYS

PLACES

Build and enhance trails, access, and community hubs to get kids safely from their homes and into parks, natural areas and other public lands in order to cultivate curiosity and confidence.



Places Example: River's Edge Natural Area

Places Example: Loveland Recreation Trail

PROGRAMS

Programs like outdoor education and organized recreation experiences should help make places close to home come alive as well as provide opportunities for kids to play in and experience nature at more distant locations over time.



Program Example: Environmental Learning Station, Loveland Natural Area



Program Example: High Plains Environmental Center, Loveland

PATHWAYS

Provide youth with opportunities to participate in outdoor service learning and stewardship projects as pathways to leadership and career opportunities.



Pathways Example: Environmental Education, Science, and Leadership



Pathways Example: Stewardship Opportunities

