

## Overview

*The cities of Washington Terrace, South Weber and Uintah have combined their efforts in conducting a study to evaluate future trails and open/green space areas while creating a protection zone or buffer to preserve sensitive areas along the Weber River Corridor.*

## 2001 Planning Grant Summary

Grant Amount: \$19,500  
Matching Dollars: \$19,000 (\$2,000 in-kind)  
Match: \$21,000  
Project Cost: \$40,500

# Washington Terrace-Weber River Conservation Plan

## Local Responsibility

Washington Terrace hired a consulting firm to complete the preservation study, while working with a Steering Committee that was established with each city's input. The purpose of this study was to examine the proposed trail alignment and possible preservation strategies.

## State Leadership

The Quality Growth Commission awarded Washington Terrace, South Weber and Uintah with a grant in the amount of \$19,500.

## Economic Development

This was not a component of this project.

## Infrastructure Development

This was not a component of this project.

## Housing Opportunity

This was not a component of this project.

## Conservation Ethic

The following recommendations can be used by cities to protect this corridor, while preserving the property owners right to develop their property: Regulatory techniques, such as sensitive overlay zones, agricultural protection zones, transfer of development rights, and conservation easements. Three major natural resources were studied: vegetation, wildlife and water quality.

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*Jeff Monroe-Planning & Building Director*

## Implementation

The plan has not been implemented. The plan is currently being used as a tool for updating the city's master plan.

## Promoting Intelligent Growth

The plan has promoted intelligent growth by helping identify lands for preservation.

## Accomplishments

The Planning Commission is using this plan in its review of the master plan.

## Benefits

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