

# Why Trails?



connect with each other  
connect with nature  
recreate  
exercise  
relax

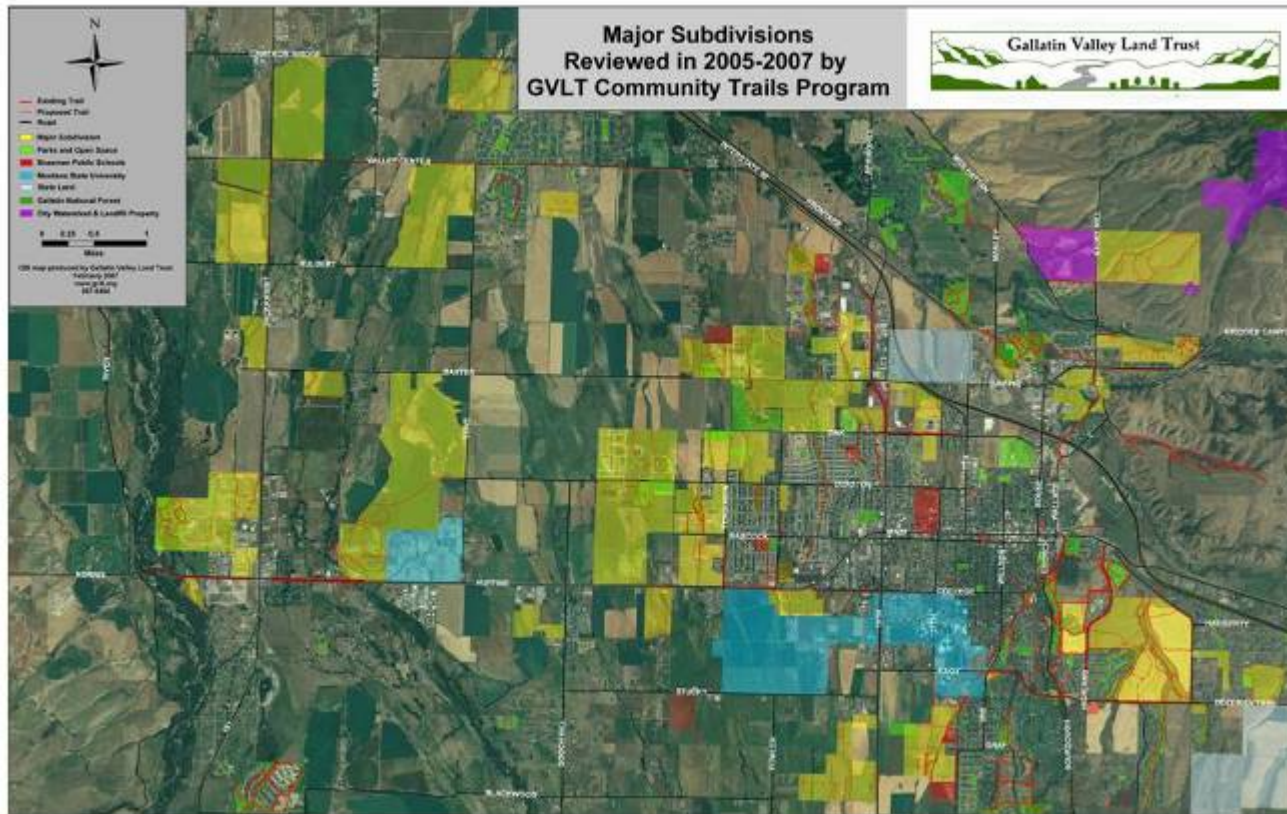


alternative transportation  
economic development  
safe routes to school  
property values  
quality of life

*“Build it and they will come...”*



# Development Review



**“Trail availability outranked 16 other options, including security, ball fields, golf courses, parks, and access to shopping or business centers,”** according to a **2002 National Association of Realtors/National Association of Home Builders survey**. Only highway access was ranked as a more important amenity by the 2000 homebuyers surveyed.

# More Than One Alternative

Natural Features  
&  
Geography

Destinations  
&  
Connections



# Research

land ownership

land uses

homeowners associations

proposed subdivisions

subdivision regulations

planning jurisdictions

right-of-ways

road jurisdictions

railroad ownership

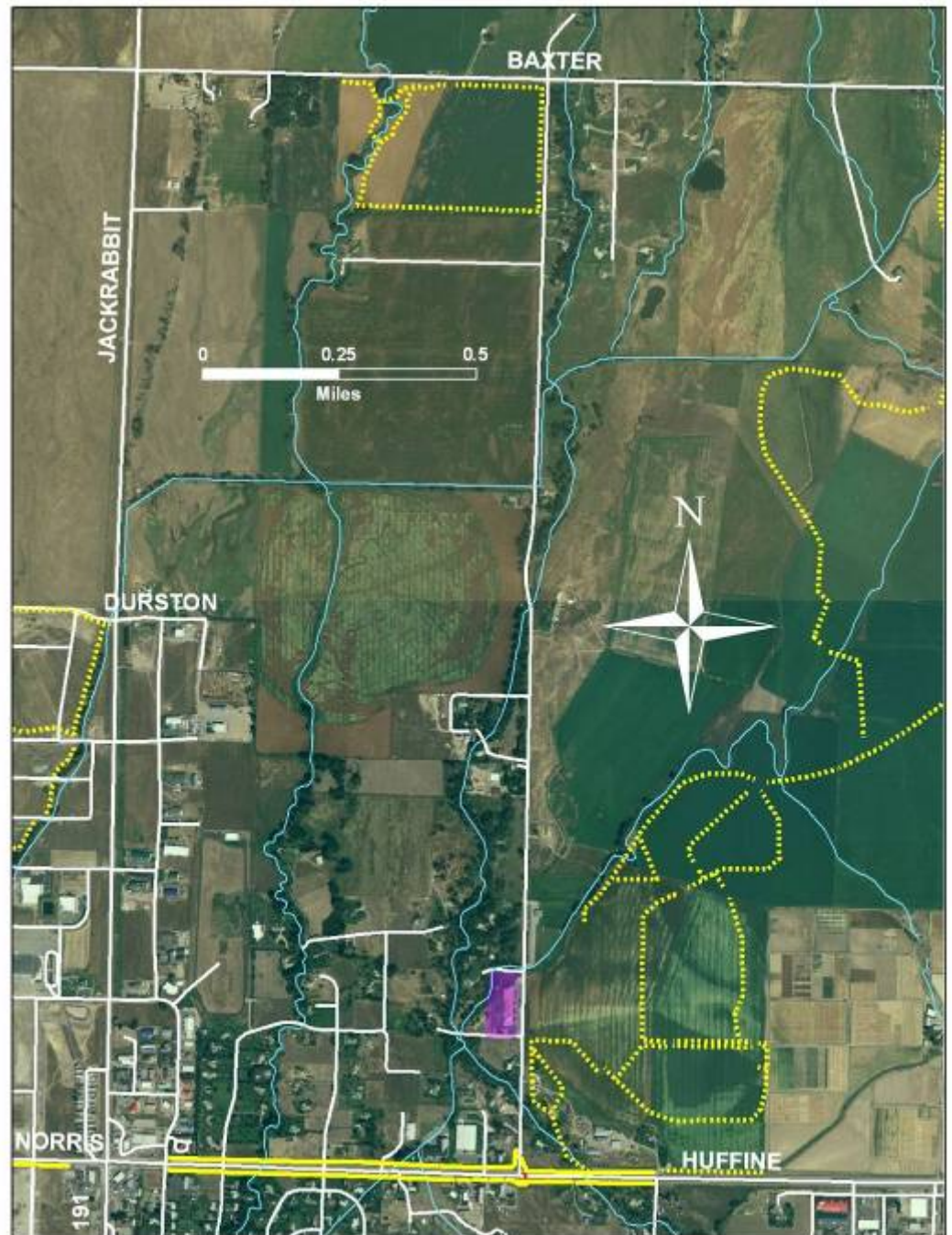
wetlands

wetland regulations

streams

stream setbacks

GIS mapping





# Concerns About Trails

Liability

Trespassing

Vandalism

Wildfires

Weeds

Dogs

Hunters

Littering

Noise

Privacy

# Management ~ Preventing Problems



**Routing**  
**Signage**  
**Fencing**

**Dog Stations**  
**Public Restrooms**

**Adopt-a-trail**  
**Weed Spraying**  
**Trail Maps**