

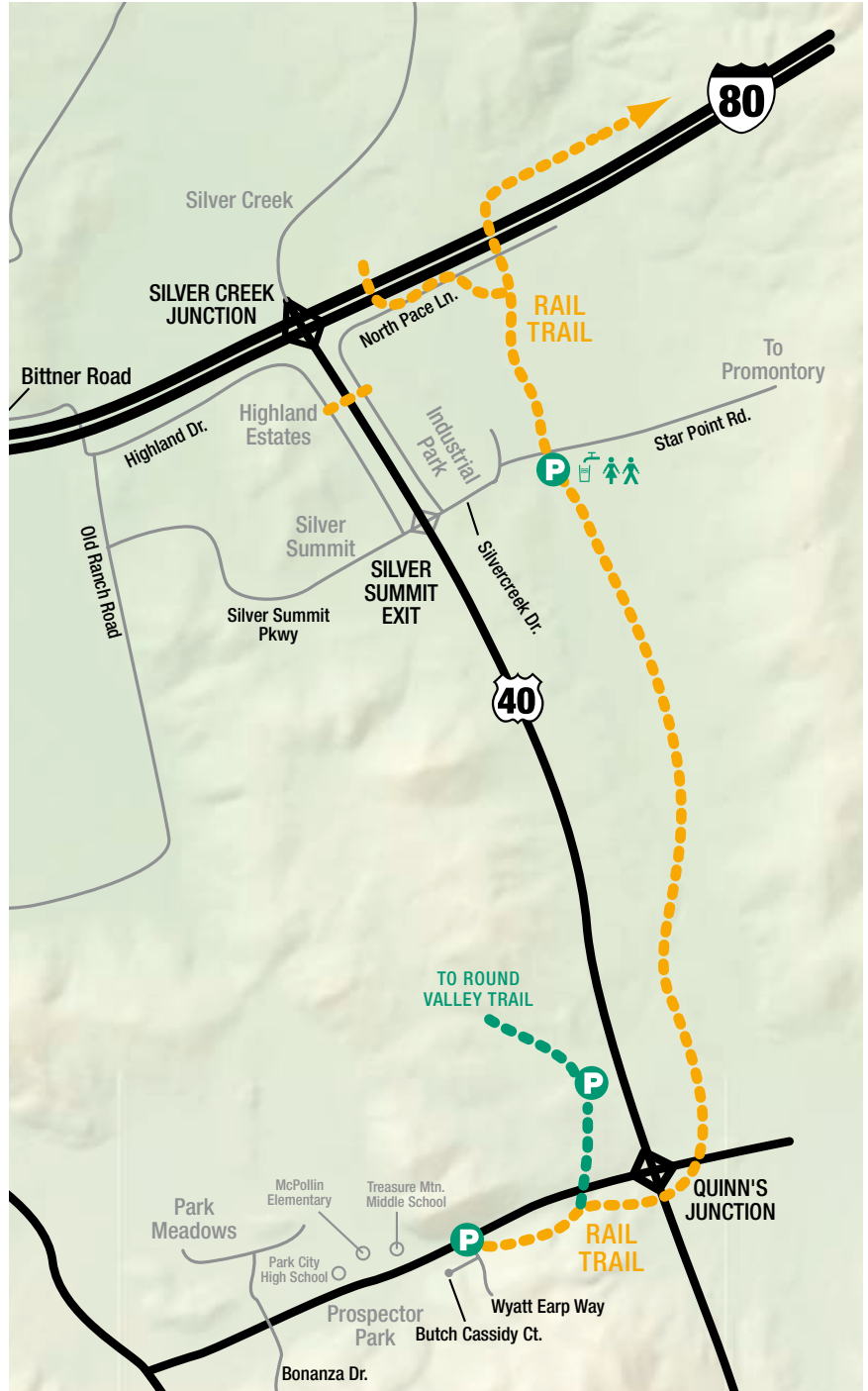
# RAIL TRAIL

PARK CITY, UTAH

Perfect for beginners, families, children or those looking for a long uninterrupted workout. Road bikes and rollerblades can be used on the paved Park City section.

Basin Recreation has worked with Mountain Trails Foundation and Park City Municipal on a new connector trail that ties the Rail Trail to the National Ability Center Access Road. This trail allows trail users to use the Highway 248 underpass to connect from Park City to the Round Valley Trail system.

- Type:** Out and Back  
**Length:** 26 miles  
**Rating:** Easiest (depending on distance)  
**Notes:** This wide and relatively flat trail is paved through Park City, and turns to compacted base after leaving Prospector Square. Find the trailhead off Bonanza Drive and Prospector or off Wyatt Earp Way. Be aware! The Rail Trail is downhill going out of town and uphill (typically with a head wind) returning to Park City.



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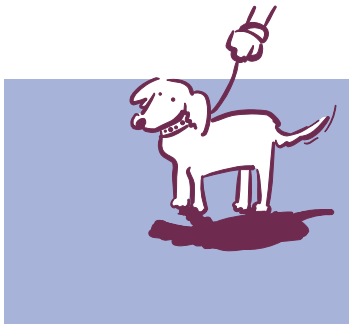
# LEAVE NO TRACE on Basin Rec Space

The Snyderville Basin recreation space provides a safe haven for native plants and animals and a welcome break from our busy lives.

By recreating wisely we can minimize our impact on wildlife and their homes and fellow visitors, while enjoying our outdoor experience even more.

With thousands of people visiting Basin Recreation Space, the less impact we each make, the longer we will enjoy what we have. Please do your part to Leave No Trace on Basin Rec Space.





## MANAGE YOUR DOG

Keeping your dog in control keeps people, other dogs, livestock and wildlife safe. Others may not appreciate your dog's company; if not sure, ask before allowing your dog to approach them. Please do not let your dog approach others unless invited. Dogs must be on leash in the Basin unless you're in an off-leash area. In areas where leashes aren't required keep your dog nearby and under control. Be aware - check signs and follow area regulations.

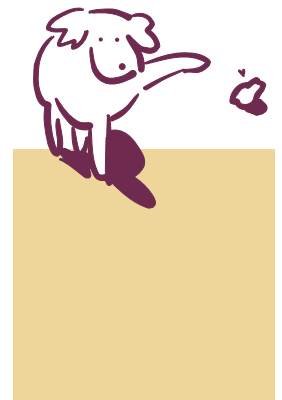
Keep track of your pets while you're recreating in the Basin. A pet under control lessens the chance for harm to your dog from other dogs or wildlife. Please do not let your dog approach or chase wildlife. Chased or harassed wildlife change their feeding patterns and exert more energy, which can result in poor health or even death.

Respect private property in the Basin by not allowing your dog to wander from designated trails or off-leash areas. Remember, unless you're in an off-leash area, pets must be on leash in the Basin. Please do your part to manage your dog.

## PICK UP POOP

Phew! Dog poop stinks, is not natural to the Basin and others can step in it. Pack a pick-up bag or grab one at the trailhead and always pick up your dog's poop—wherever it's left.

Dog poop is a health hazard. It also increases the nitrogen in the soil around the trail, giving the advantage to weeds over the native plants that have naturally evolved in the Basin. Dog poop can also contribute to water pollution in the unique riparian areas found in the Basin. Thanks for bagging your dog's poop, but remember, the job's not done until you drop it in the trash can. Please do your part to keep Basin Recreation Space dog poop free.



## STICK TO TRAILS

Staying on trails protects wildlife and their homes. Shortcutting trails causes erosion and damages trailside plants. Please walk and ride on designated trails only. Contact the Snyderville Basin Recreation office for trail information and maps.

Studies have shown that when we trample vegetation on the side of the trail, there is a greater chance weeds will replace native plants. In this environment, native plants take years to recover from trampling damage.

Avoid areas that are unmarked, closed for revegetation or signed as sensitive. Also, most Basin trails pass through private land. We are fortunate that landowners in the Basin are willing to allow trails on their property. Respect private property by staying on designated trails. We can all have fun on natural Basin Recreation space while sticking to trails.

## SHARE OUR TRAILS

We all enjoy Basin Recreation Space in different ways. Pay attention, expect to encounter others, slow down and be courteous - offer a friendly greeting. Those traveling faster should slow down for other users. Downhill riders should always yield to all other users.

Bikers, because of their mobility, should always yield to hikers and horseback riders. The best choice when yielding is to stop, then step off the trail onto a durable surface (rock, sand, etc.) and remain until others pass. If you continue to hike or ride off trail when yielding, you trample trailside vegetation and create multiple trails where one is usually best.

We all know how great outdoor experiences can be. One discourteous person can ruin an outing. Expect and respect others. Make room for others. Control your speed. Pass with care and let others know you're passing. Be courteous and we'll all have a better time.





## TRASH YOUR TRASH

Please pick up all trash—yours and others'. Even biodegradable materials, such as orange peels, apple cores and food scraps take years to break down and attract scavengers that can harm native wildlife.

Trash is unsightly and ruins everyone's outdoor experience. Studies have shown that trash attracts scavenging birds and animals that drive away or kill native birds. Let's all do our part to take care of Basin Recreation Space by picking up all trash.

## LEAVE IT AS YOU FIND IT

Picking flowers, collecting rocks or taking arrowheads might not seem like a big deal, but it means that others won't have a chance to enjoy them. Taking one or two flowers or plants, even if they seem plentiful, is not OK. We all enjoy flowers and fruit, but picking them reduces seeds, which can mean fewer plants next year. Wildlife depend on these plants for food. Remember, there are a lot of us enjoying Basin Recreation Space, so we all need to be extra careful—please do your part to protect Basin resources by leaving them as you find them.



## PROTECT OUR WATER

The Snyderville Basin is home to many unique resources including riparian areas – the green vegetated areas on each side of streams and creeks. Both people and animals are drawn to water, especially in semi-arid environments like those found in the Basin.

Riparian areas are vital to the health and diversity of plant and animal life in the Basin. These areas are often the sole habitat for many plant and animal species that need wet conditions. Research has shown that over 75% of animal species in arid regions need riparian habitat during some portion of their life cycle. Riparian areas supply food and cover for animals; provide a buffer which acts as a filter to help prevent water contamination; reduce the risk of flooding; and help reduce streambank erosion.

Do your part to help protect this critical resource by staying on trails, only accessing the water at designated access points, keeping litter, human and pet waste out of the water, and not trampling streamside vegetation. Please help protect our water.

## THE BASIN RECREATION MISSION STATEMENT

**Promoting recreation opportunities,  
Protecting our recreation diversity, and  
Preserving our recreation environment.**

The Snyderville Basin Special Recreation District, also known as Basin Recreation, is committed to providing community park facilities and non-motorized trails to residents of the Snyderville Basin.

For more information, visit Basin Recreation at 5705 Trailside Drive,  
or contact us on the web at [www.basinrecreation.com](http://www.basinrecreation.com)

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These Snyderville Basin Special Recreation guidelines were developed as an area-specific subset of the Leave No Trace principles. For more information on Leave No Trace or sample educational materials, please call (800) 332-4100 or visit our website: [www.LNT.org](http://www.LNT.org).