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AND CROSS COUNTRY SITE  
MASTER PLAN

FINAL REPORT

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Conceptual Design Report**

Mr. Bergann:

This Final Report presents a summary of the Loris and Associates Team findings and recommendations to date. This report includes all of the previous Conceptual Report information along with additional trail layout and utility requirement information. This report finalizes our services for this project.

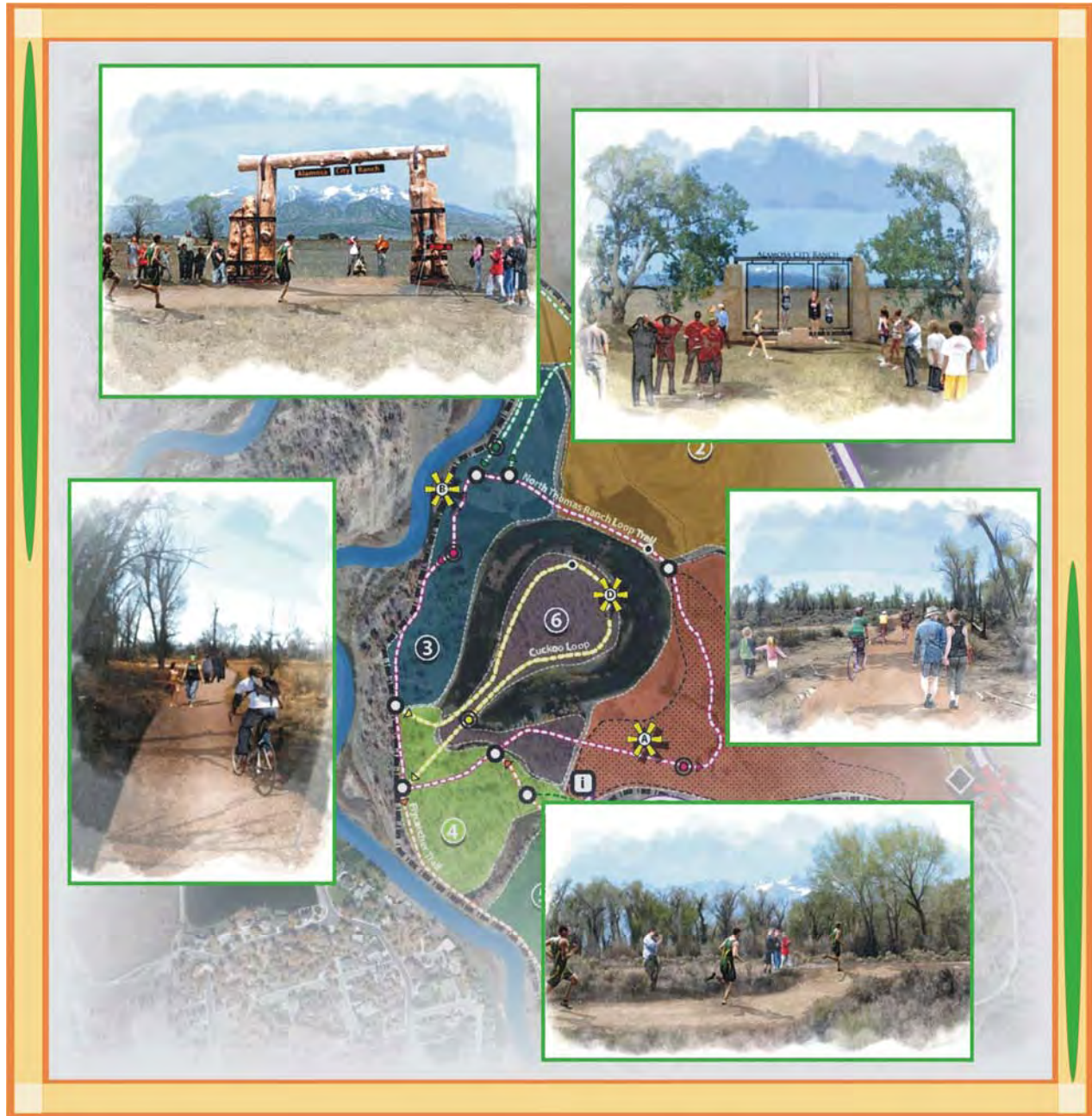
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## SECTION 1: Introduction

### Project Purpose

The purpose of the project is to develop a plan for a multi-use path and amenities located in the Alamosa City Ranch located east of the Rio Grande, north of the Cattails Golf Course (see graphic below). The project has \$100,000 of total funding with Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) contributing \$75,000. The project goal is to develop the plan to provide direction and cost estimates from which additional construction funding can be obtained.



**FIGURE 1 -- LOCATION PLAN**



## Vision (Mission) Statement

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The following Vision (Mission) Statement was developed by the project development team with additional input from the general public, to concisely identify project goals.

*The goal of this project is to prepare a master plan for a high quality, regional recreation facility within the Alamosa City Ranch. The plan will include a network of multi-use trails that can be used by Adams State University, local schools, and the Alamosa community at large. The facility will create an exciting destination for events and complement Alamosa's tourist economy. The project must respect the natural environment and mesh with existing agricultural uses of the site.*



## Project Development Team

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The project team consists of the following members who attended meetings and provided guidance for the master plan effort.

### *PLANNING COMMITTEE*

- ❖ **HEINZ BERGANN** (CITY OF ALAMOSA)
- ❖ **ERIN MOORE** (CITY OF ALAMOSA)
- ❖ **DAMON MARTIN** (ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY)
- ❖ **ANDY LAVIER** (ALAMOSA SCHOOL DISTRICT)
- ❖ **PETER DE LA CERDA** (PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD)
- ❖ **JON BROWNELL** (ALAMOSA CITY RANCH BOARD)
- ❖ **JEFF OWSLEY** (ALTERNATE MEMBER – PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD)

### *CONSULTANT TEAM*

- ❖ **LORIS AND ASSOCIATES, INC.** – TRAIL LAYOUT, CIVIL ENGINEERING & STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING
- ❖ **ALTA PLANNING & DESIGN** – SITE PLANNING, BEST PRACTICES, & FUNDING
- ❖ **SME ENVIRONMENTAL** – ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS
- ❖ **RUSSELL SURVEYORS** – SITE TOPOGRAPHIC MAPPING
- ❖ **MOUNTAIN ENGINEERING** – GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING





## Methodology

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### *WHAT WE DID TO GET TO THIS POINT...*

The trail layouts and site master plan were developed through a series of site visits, meetings and community outreach in order to obtain data and feedback. The work performed is summarized by the following:

#### **Project-Kick-off and Information Gathering**

- ❖ Project Kick-off Meeting
- ❖ Initial site visit
- ❖ Public Meeting # 1
- ❖ Site visit to develop alignment options
- ❖ Environmental assessment
- ❖ Geotechnical investigation

#### **Conceptual Design**

- ❖ Master plan and trail alignment refinement
- ❖ Conceptual Design Report (Draft) preparation
- ❖ Public Meeting #2

#### **Schematic Design\*\***

- ❖ Alignment staking & master plan refinement
- ❖ Trail and staging area details
- ❖ Conceptual Design Report (Final) preparation
- ❖ City Council Presentation (July 18, 2012)
- ❖ Final modifications

\*\*Schematic design will be prepared after the Public Meeting #2.