

Background photo: View towards Haystack Mountain across hayfields.



# **North TSA Plan Recommendations**

**Northern Properties**



**MAP 33: Northern Properties - Management Area Designations**

**ACTION NP1 Designate Berman Brothers as an Agricultural Area.**

*Interests Met: 3\**

**ACTION NP2 Designate Stratton property as a Natural Area.**

*Interests Met: 4\**

**Primary Goal**

- » Implement VMP direction to provide management area designations for undesignated properties.

**Cost Estimate:** Core Service\*\*

**Driving Factors/Benefits**

- » Berman Brothers property has been designated as an agricultural land of statewide importance- suitable for hay or grazing with irrigation ditches.

**Primary Goal**

- » Implement VMP direction to provide management area designations for undesignated properties.

**Cost Estimate:** Core Service

**Driving Factors/Benefits**

- » Protect important natural resources throughout the property.
- » Create healthy habitats for native amphibians, native fish and potentially Preble's meadow jumping mouse.

**\*\*Cost Equivalents**

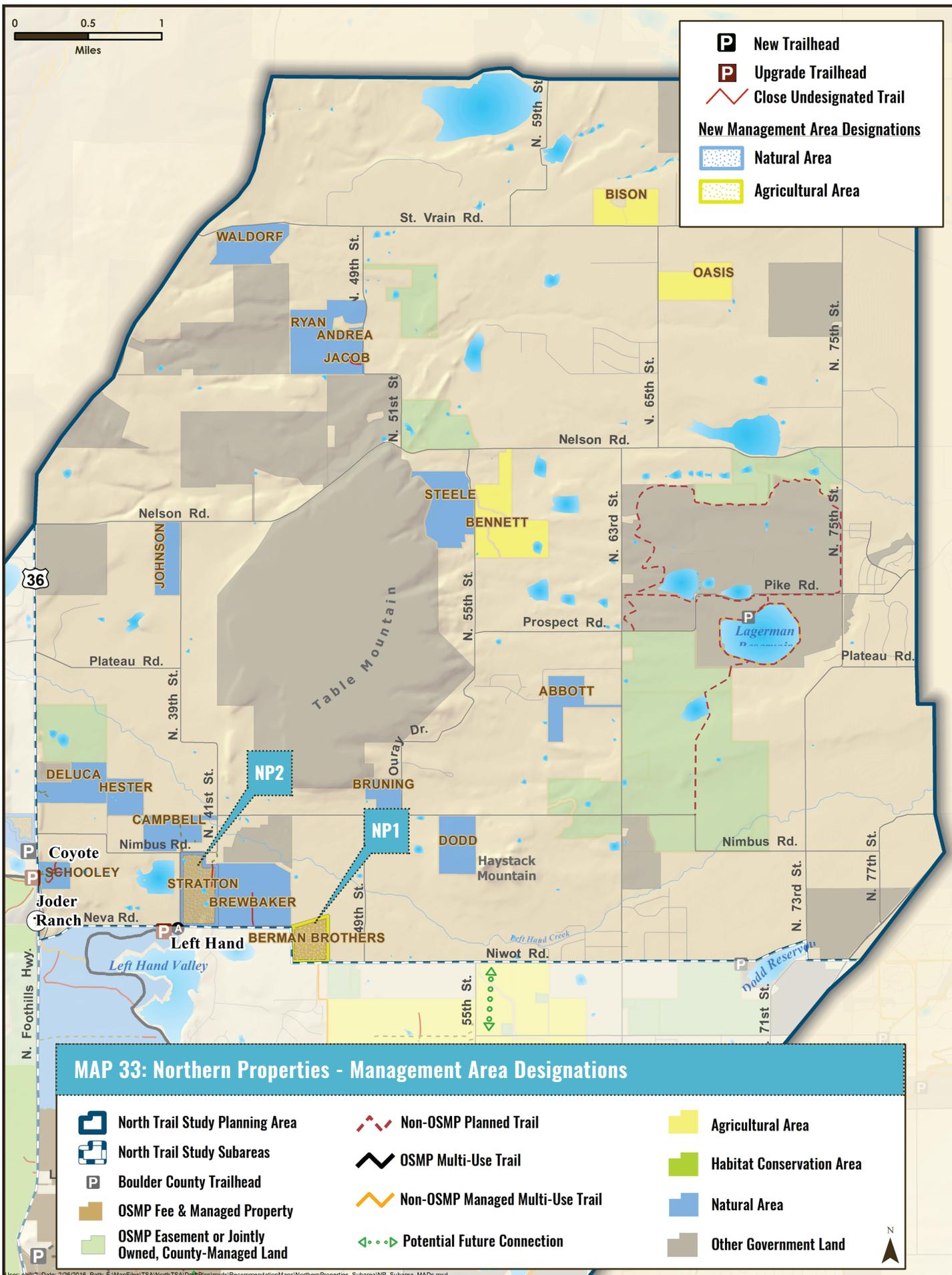
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\$\$\$ = \$50,000 to \$250,000

\$\$\$\$ = More than \$250,000

\*See Appendix D for a full list of which interest(s) each action meets.



**MAP 33: Northern Properties - Management Area Designations**

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|--|---|--|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------|
|  | North Trail Study Planning Area                     |  | Non-OSMP Planned Trail           |  | Agricultural Area         |
|  | North Trail Study Subareas                          |  | OSMP Multi-Use Trail             |  | Habitat Conservation Area |
|  | Boulder County Trailhead                            |  | Non-OSMP Managed Multi-Use Trail |  | Natural Area              |
|  | OSMP Fee & Managed Property                         |  | Potential Future Connection      |  | Other Government Land     |
|  | OSMP Easement or Jointly Owned, County-Managed Land |  |                                  |  |                           |

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**ACTION NP3 Collaborate to create a connection between the North TSA to Boulder County Parks and Open Space's Lagerman/Imel/AHI Open Space Complex.**

*Interests Met: 3\**

**ACTION NP4 Prohibit public access on Waldorf, Ryan, Andrea and Jacob properties.**

*Interests Met: 3\**

**ACTION NP5 Prohibit public access on Bison and Oasis properties.**

*Interests Met: 3\**

## MAP 34: Northern Properties - Subarea-Wide Recommendations

- » As opportunities arise, collaborate with partner agencies to create regional connections that minimize natural resource impacts.

### Primary Goal

- » Enhance regional connectivity and the creation of safe road crossings and trail connections.

**Cost Estimate:** Core Service

### Driving Factors/Benefits

- » Provide greater opportunities for visitors and interconnectivity among adjacent trail systems.
- » Coordination/collaboration among OSMP and partner agencies to accomplish regional connections.

### Primary Goal

- » Conserve important habitat for sensitive species on properties with high ecological value.

**Cost Estimate:** \$

### Driving Factors/Benefits

- » Conserve elk habitat adjacent to County preservation area.
- » Conserve nesting Northern Harrier habitat on Ryan, Jacob and Andrea.
- » Conserve geological resources on Waldorf.

### Primary Goal

- » Conserve agricultural and natural resources.

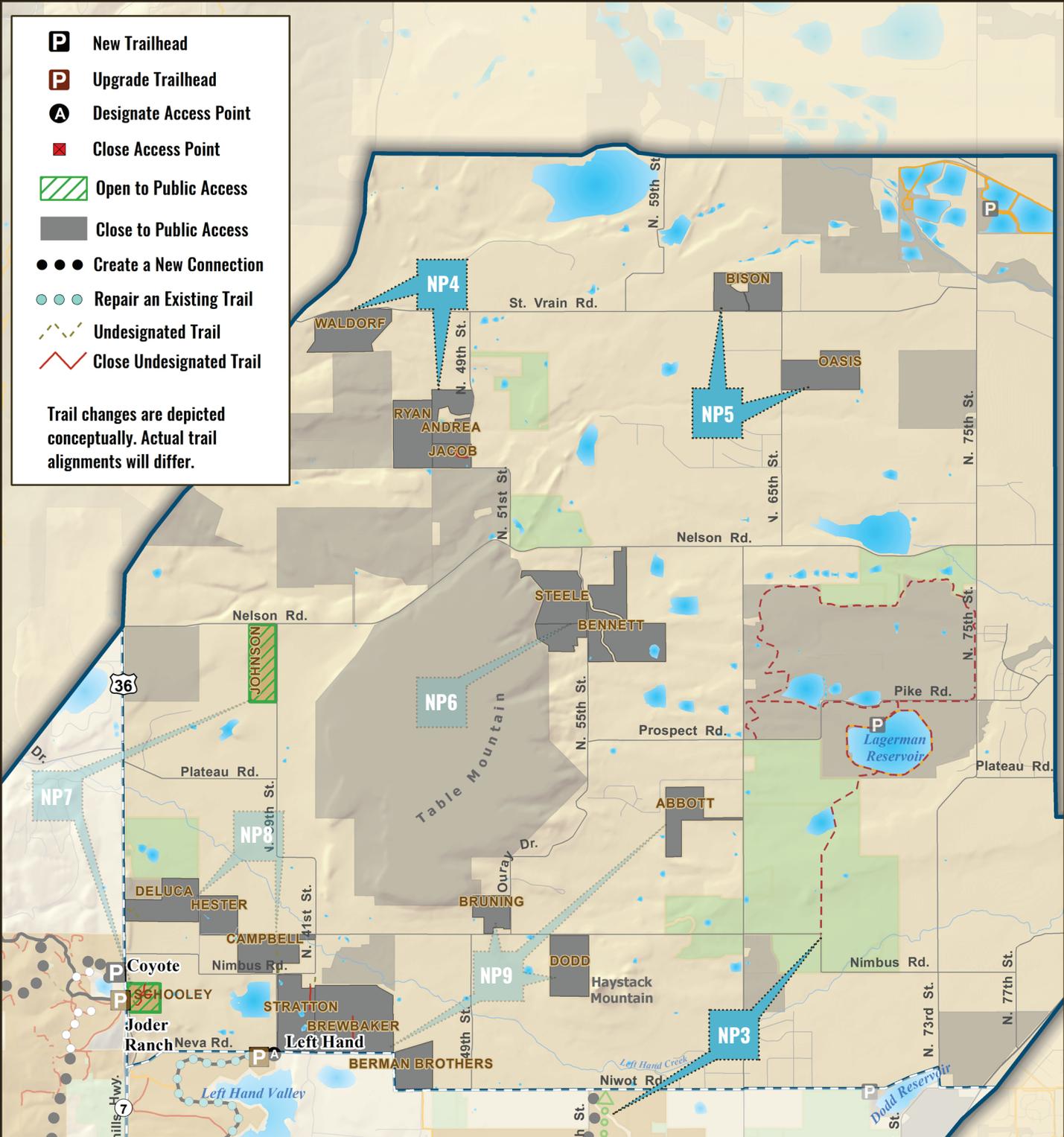
**Cost Estimate:** \$

### Driving Factors/Benefits

- » Protect bobolinks and their habitat.
- » These properties are surrounded by private agricultural lands.
- » Bison is an agricultural land of statewide importance.

**NOTE:** The development of undesignated trails will be discouraged in the management of northern properties open to public access. Generally, future trail development on both open and closed northern properties will be evaluated in the context of regional trail connectivity, OSMP resources and be evaluated through regional planning processes to link existing trail networks and conserve important resources.

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**MAP 34: Northern Properties - Subarea-Wide Recommendations**

North Trail Study Planning Area	OSMP Multi-Use Trail	<b>Lands Not Included in the North Trail Study Area</b>	
North Trail Study Subareas	Non-OSMP Planned Trail		OSMP Easement or Jointly Owned, County-Managed Land
Boulder County Trailhead	Non-OSMP Managed Hiking Trail		Other Government Land
Potential Future Connection	Non-OSMP Managed Multi-Use Trail		

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**MAP 34: Northern Properties - Subarea-Wide Recommendations, continued**

**ACTION NP6 Prohibit public access on Steele and Bennett properties.**  
*Interests Met: 3\**

**ACTION NP7 Allow public access on Johnson and Schooley properties.**  
*Interests Met: 3\**

**ACTION NP8 Prohibit public access to Deluca, Hester and Campbell properties.**  
*Interests Met: 3\**

**ACTION NP9 Prohibit public access to Stratton, Brewbaker, Berman Brothers, Bruning, Dodd and Abbott properties.**  
*Interests Met: 3\**

**Primary Goal**

- » Conserve agricultural and natural resources.

**Cost Estimate:** \$

**Driving Factors/Benefits**

- » Properties have active agricultural operations including cow/calf and grass hay production.
- » Conserve rare plant communities, shale communities, Bell's twinpod, burrowing owls, native frog populations and wetlands on properties.

**Primary Goal**

- » Allow access to properties where impacts to natural and agricultural resources are less of a concern.

**Cost Estimate:** \$

**Driving Factors/Benefits**

- » Minimal agricultural operations and sensitive natural resources on these properties.
- » Restoration of native grassland habitat is in progress on Johnson property.

**Primary Goal**

- » Conserve important habitat for sensitive species on properties with high ecological value.

**Cost Estimate:** \$

**Driving Factors/Benefits**

- » Protect bobolink and associated habitat on Deluca, Hester and Campbell.
- » Irrigated hay fields with active agricultural operations.

**Primary Goal**

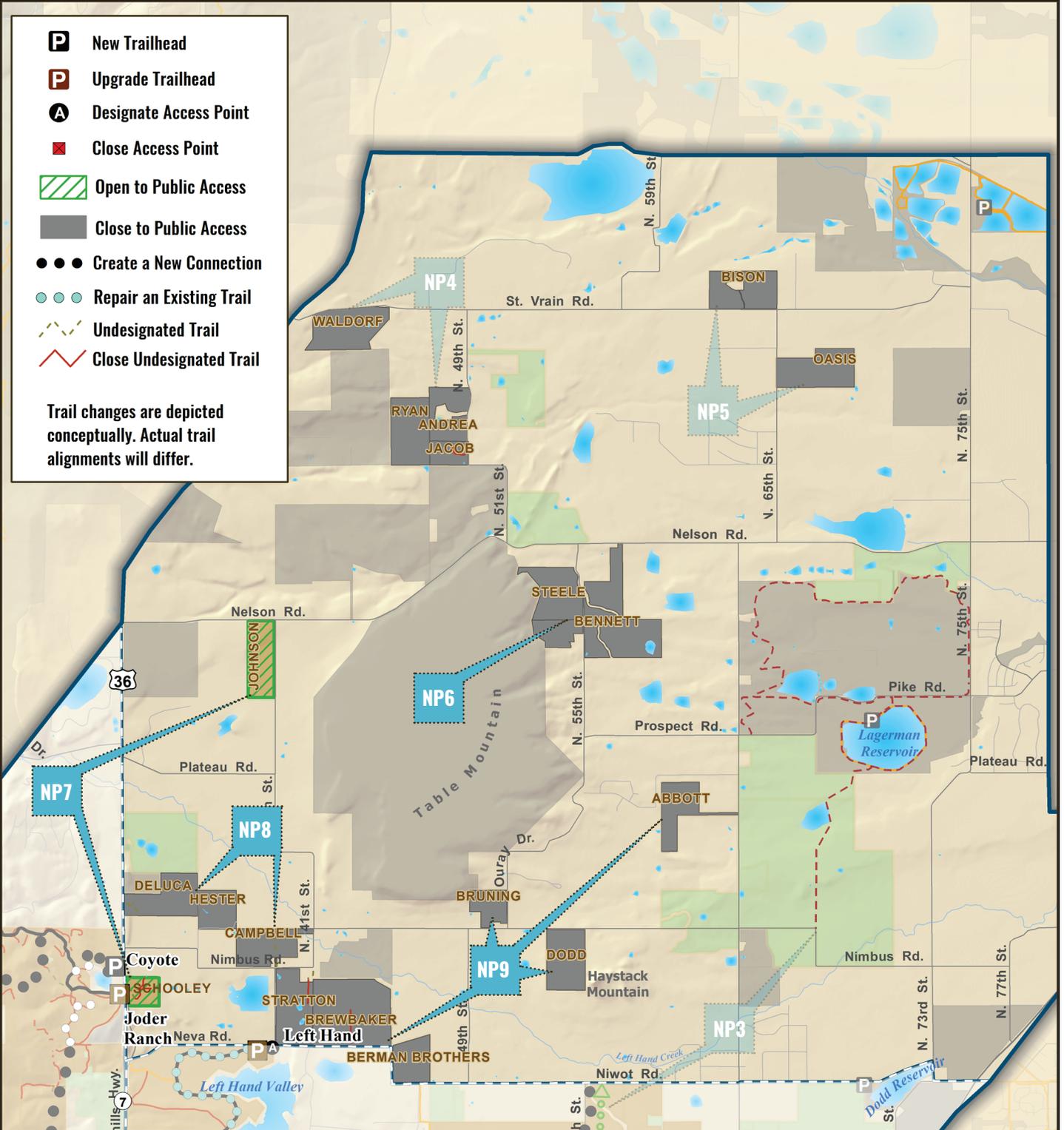
- » Conserve agricultural and natural resources.

**Cost Estimate:** \$

**Driving Factors/Benefits**

- » Create healthy habitats for native amphibians (including tiger salamanders), native fish and potentially Preble's meadow jumping mouse; properties also include nesting and foraging habitat for raptors, rare plant communities and occupied prairie dog colonies.
- » Conserve land used for agricultural operations on Brewbaker, Bruning, Berman Brothers and Abbott (designated as agricultural land of statewide importance).
- » Dodd includes raptor habitat, occupied prairie dog colonies and high rattlesnake density, which would be a visitor safety concern.

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**MAP 34: Northern Properties - Subarea-Wide Recommendations, continued**

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Boulder County Trailhead	Non-OSMP Managed Hiking Trail		Other Government Land
Potential Future Connection	Non-OSMP Managed Multi-Use Trail		

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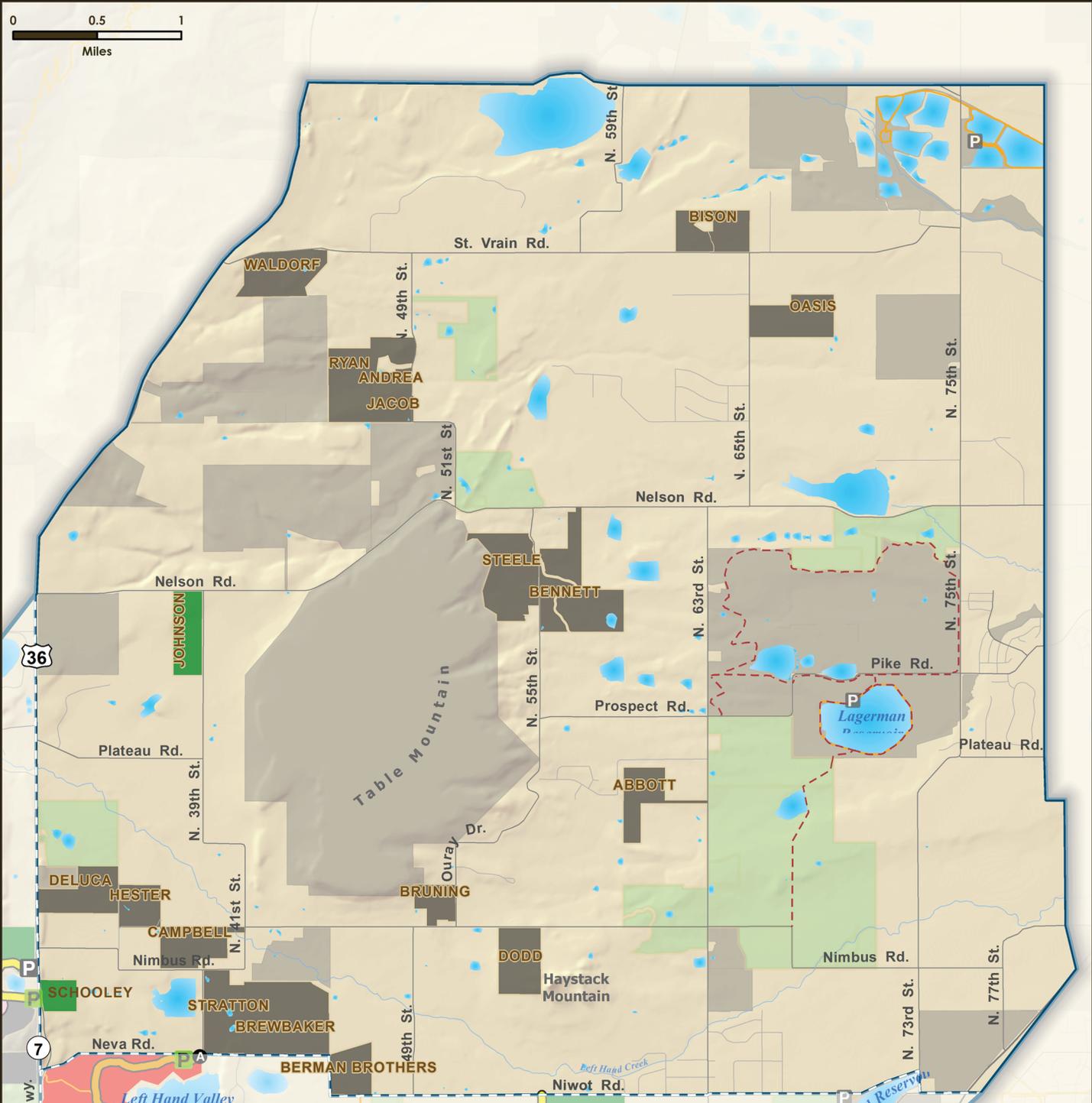


**MAP 35: Northern Properties - Regulatory Settings**

Visitor access regulations pertain to the management of activities both on- and off-trail. The regulatory settings map includes on-trail and off-trail specific regulations where public access is restricted year-round, areas with seasonal wildlife closures and on-trail and off-trail dog regulations.



*A historic house on the Johnson property.*



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|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| North Trail Study Planning Area   | Non-OSMP Planned Trail           | <b>Dog Regulation Areas</b>                         |
| North Trail Study Subareas        | Non-OSMP Managed Multi-Use Trail | Voice and Sight Control                             |
| Boulder County Trailhead          | <b>Trail Dog Regulations</b>     | Dogs Prohibited                                     |
| <b>Visitor Access Regulations</b> | On-Corridor Voice and Sight      | Closed to Public Access                             |
| New Trailhead                     | Leash Required                   | OSMP Easement or Jointly Owned, County-Managed Land |
| New Access Point                  |                                  | Other Government Land                               |

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*Background photo: Female Northern Harrier flying low over a field. © Dan Baldwin.*