IN 2013, Longmont experienced catastrophic flooding, and our community was reminded that the risk of major flood events is real and ever-present. The Resilient St. Vrain project aims to reduce such risk and prevent devastation in future floods.

# FROM RECOVERY TO RESILIENCE **REBUILDING LONGMONT AFTER FLOOD DEVASTATION**



This work will fully restore the St. Vrain Greenway and its much loved trail system while improving the creek channel to protect people and property. Bridges along the creek corridor also will be replaced and expanded to pass 100-year flood flows. Funding the sizable Resilient St. Vrain project is a collaborative effort dependent on local, state and federal dollars. Construction will progress over several years, moving upstream in phases as funds are secured.





#### HOW FAR WE'VE COME

In September 2013, the St. Vrain Creek flooded and Longmont reeled. Hundreds of homes and businesses were severely damaged or lost, and much of our city's infrastructure was left crippled or broken. At the peak of the flood, St. Vrain Creek flowed at over three times its channel's maximum holding capacity. The city was cut in half, and hundreds of residents needed emergency rescue.

#### MOST RECOVERY WORK WAS COMPLETED

by the third anniversary of the flood event in 2016. This included repair and rebuilding of damaged streets, parks, water resources, irrigation ditches, drainage systems, power lines and public buildings. Protecting our community from future flood events became the focus of the city's efforts.



## **PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT**

#### THE CITY OF LONGMONT IS:

- Ensuring minimal impacts to the environment
- Respecting wildlife and fish
- Planting native trees, shrubs, grasses
- Utilizing natural channel design



#### FOLLOW OUR JOURNEY TO COMPLETION ONLINE AT LongmontColorado.gov/ResilientStVrain

Para información sobre este proyecto visite bit.ly/rsv-en-espanol

# SANDSTONE REACH

#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Restoring St. Vrain Greenway
- Stabilizing creek channel to protect trails, access roads and infrastructure
- Helping nature re-establish vegetation and habitat



### WHAT TO EXPECT **DURING CONSTRUCTION**

- Vehicles, equipment and crews accessing site
- Temporary Greenway trail closures or detours
- Regularly posted trail status information at bit.ly/trailstatus

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