



CITY COUNCIL RAIL ACTIONS

2019

IMAGINE. DISCOVER. CULTIVATE.

PROGRAM MILESTONES

2012 . 2013 . 2014 . 2015 . 2016 . 2017 . 2018 . **2019** . 2020 . 2021 . 2022 . 2023 . 2024

- 2012** Mayor Michael B. Hancock commits to keeping the Stock Show in Denver
- 2013** Citizen's Advisory Committee formed
- 2015** Campus Master Plan/ Funding: Ballot Measure 2C, RTA Award, HB 15-1344
- 2016** Mayor's Office of the National Western Center Formed
- 2017** Framework Agreement signed
- 2018** Authority Board formed, Campus Energy Partner identified, 7 contracts awarded
- 2019** Construction begins on:
 - Stockyards & Stockyard Event Center pad preparation
 - Rail consolidation
 - CSU Animal Health Building pad preparation
 - Maintenance and Operations Facility and Yard



South Platte River



Guiding Principle
Engage the River & Nature



**US Army Corps
of Engineers.**

Created a path forward with
the **Army Corps of Engineers**



Partnership with **Metro Waste-**
water to relocate and bury the
Delgany Interceptor



New **Site Plan** moved rail off
the river



Open **River Front Open Space**
to the public



New **Bridges** connect the
neighborhood to the campus
and Platte Greenway Trail

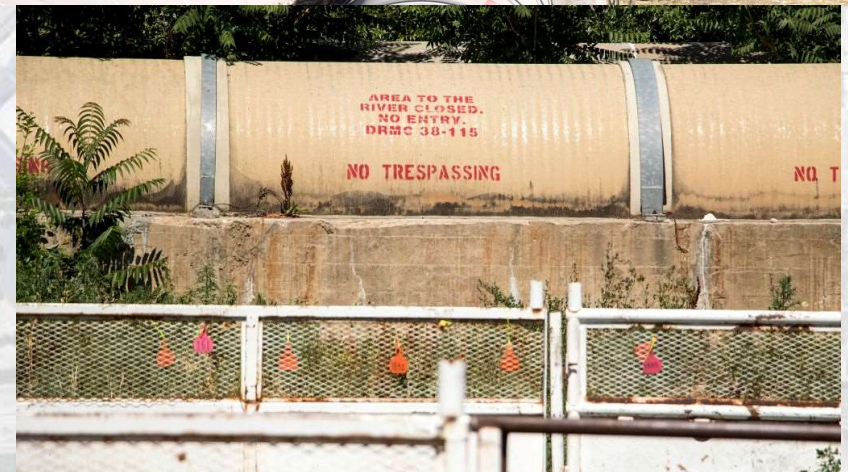


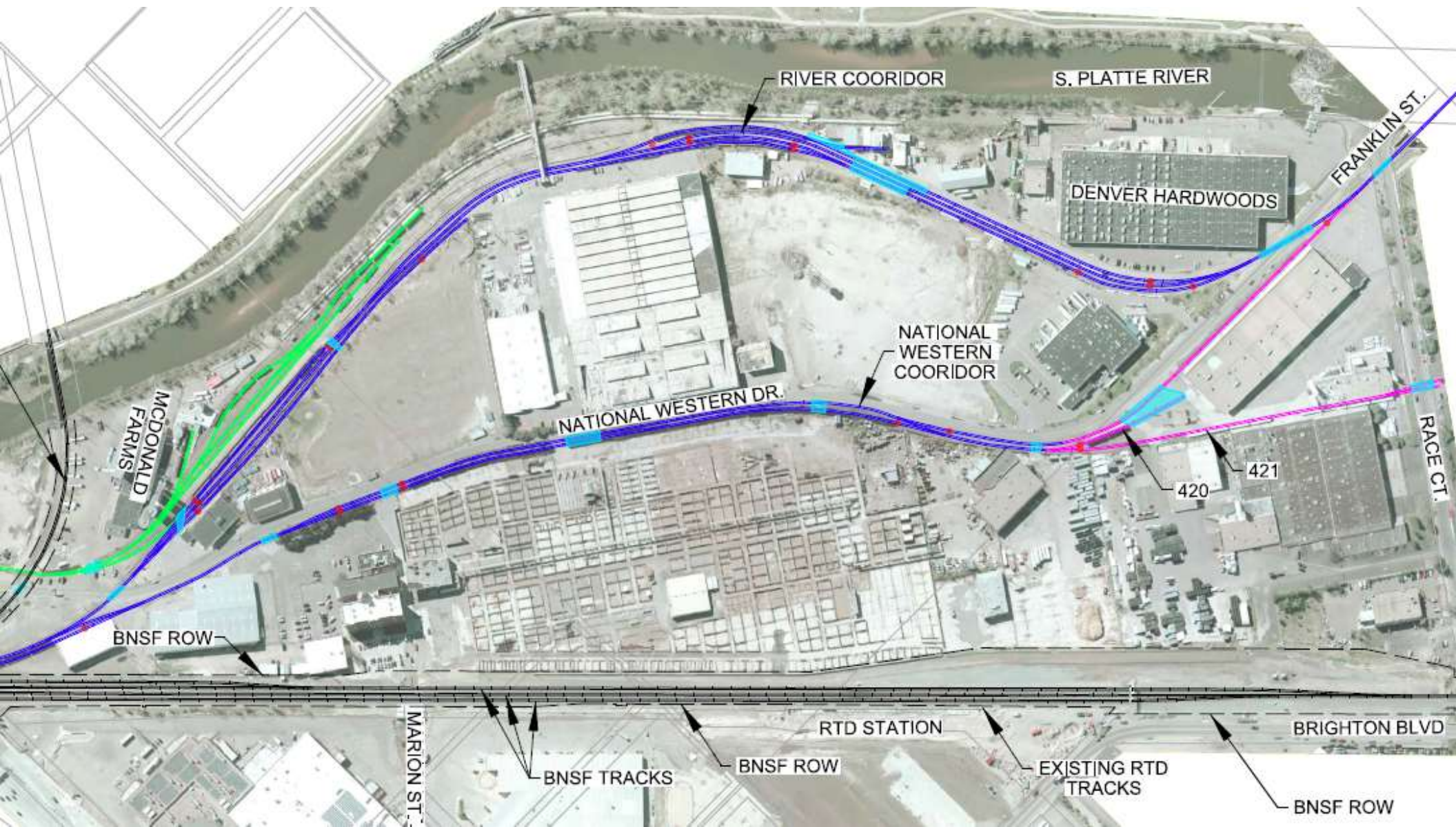
Placemaking efforts as part of
the **Public Realm Study**



Continued coordination
with **Heron Pond / Heller /**
Carpio-Sanguinette Park
Master Plan

EXISTING CONDITIONS





RIVER COORIDOR

S. PLATTE RIVER

DENVER HARDWOODS

FRANKLIN ST.

NATIONAL WESTERN COORIDOR

NATIONAL WESTERN DR.

420

421

RACE CT.

BNSF ROW

RTD STATION

BRIGHTON BLVD

MARION ST.

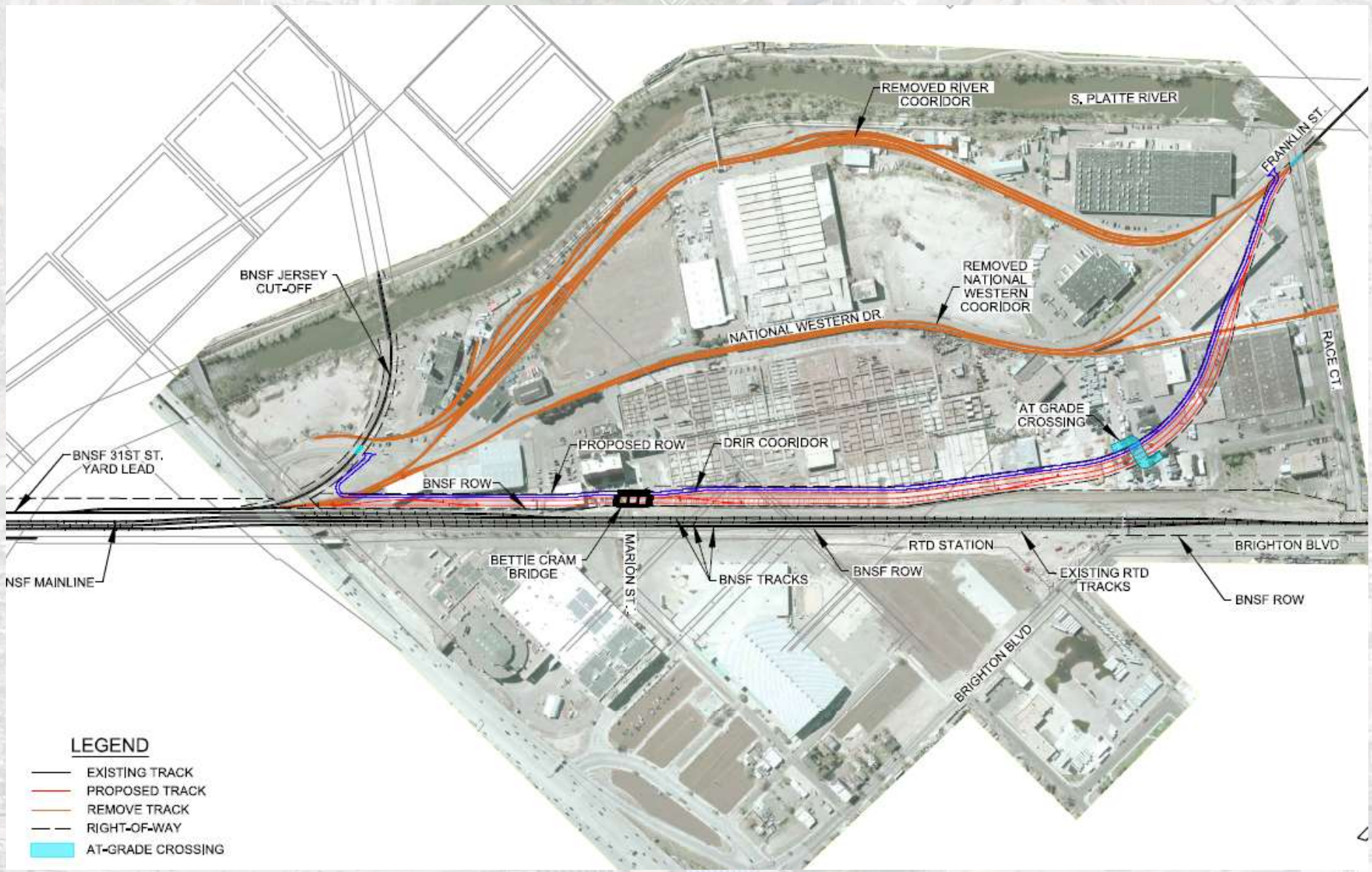
BNSF TRACKS

BNSF ROW

EXISTING RTD TRACKS

BNSF ROW







CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE: PHASES I & II

Stockyard and Stockyard Event Center: 2019- 2021

Equestrian Center: 2020 – 2022

Livestock Center: 2021 – 2023

South Platte Riverfront: 2021 - 2023



COUNCIL ACTION

- Rail relocation is critical to delivering the National Western Center campus and we have worked for more than 3 years to reach an agreement with Denver Rock Island Railroad (DRIR)
- CB19-0873 Approves a settlement agreement with DRIR for \$16.75 million.
- This agreement funds:
 - City acquisition of real and personal property
 - Relocation costs of their rail line and business operations on the site
 - DRIR will remain operational and will not be relocated until new rail lines are complete and operational
- The agreement also includes:
 - Easement for DRIR operations along new corridor
 - Agreement on operations and maintenance of the new corridor
 - Access easements for DRIR to access north and south sections of rail from public right-of-way



TRANSACTION DETAILS

Consolidation and relocation of more than 14,000 ft. – or almost 3 miles – of railroad tracks at NWC will:

- ➔ Re-establish access to South Platte River
- ➔ Provide needed environmental cleanup
- ➔ Provide newer, safer rail corridor for visitors, residents, employees and animals

