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Guides



**Sand Creek  
Regional  
Greenway**  
*Colorado*



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Greenway intersects with the [Platte River Trail](#), near where I-270 crosses the river.

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Along the route you'll pass through industrial areas and go by a few neighborhoods, parks and small lakes, including Bluff Lake Nature Center, Morrison Nature Center, Urban Farm at Stapleton, Sand Creek Park and Star K Ranch Natural Area, where you can pick up the [High Line Canal Trail](#).

At its northern terminus, the Sand Creek Regional



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**States:** Colorado

**Counties:** Adams, Arapahoe, Denver

**Length:** 14 miles

**Trail end points:** Platte River Greenway (Commerce City) to High Line Canal at Tower Rd & Colfax Ave (Aurora)

**Trail surfaces:** Concrete, Crushed Stone

**Trail category:** Greenway/Non-RT

**Trail activities:** Wheelchair

Accessible, Horseback Riding, Mountain

Biking, Walking, Cross Country Skiing

## Parking & Trail Access

You can access the Sand Creek Regional Greenway from the Platte River Trail at the former's northern end or from many other places. Parking is available at the places listed below.

**Commerce City:** the Platte River Trail trailhead on York Avenue, just south of I-270; at Sand Creek Drive and Dahlia, just east of 56th and Vasquez at the intersection of Vasquez and I-270; near the Wetlands Park at 52nd and Ivy.

**Stapleton:** near the Urban Farm at the end of Smith Road

**Fitzsimons:** Sand Creek Park off Fitzsimons Parkway

**Aurora: Star K Ranch and Morrison Nature Center:** Park at Star K Open Space Park, just off Smith Road and Laredo, and take the trail through Star K Ranch to the Sand Creek Regional Greenway



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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