

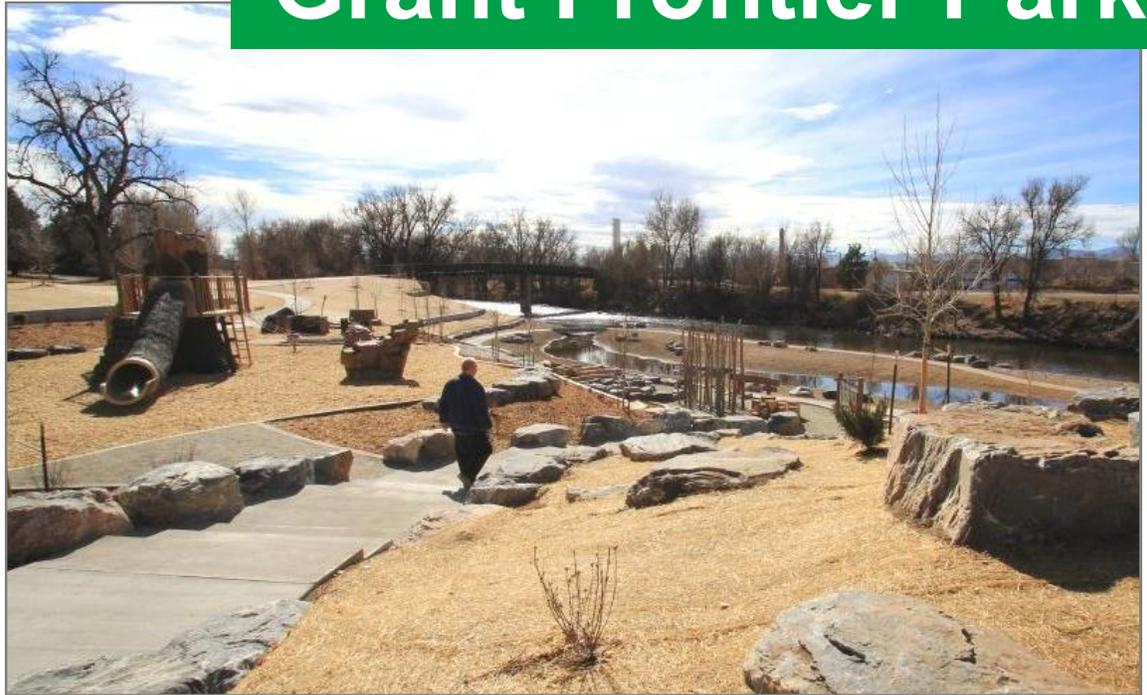


**SITE CONSTRUCTION  
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# Grant Frontier Park

***Mining camp in  
1858.***

***Denver's golden  
park today.***



Located in the same spot on the South Platte River where gold miners founded Denver's first settlement in 1858, Grant Frontier Park has experienced more bust than boom times. For decades, floods, sewage, and river channeling that carved steep, inaccessible shorelines, turned this historic gem into an ugly, damaged park with few visitors.

Today, families, bicyclists, joggers and fisherman are at the park, which surrounds a 200-year-old cottonwood tree that once shaded gold miners.

A 1-year, \$3.8 million renovation by ECI has transformed the once bleak park into an award-winning urban treasure.

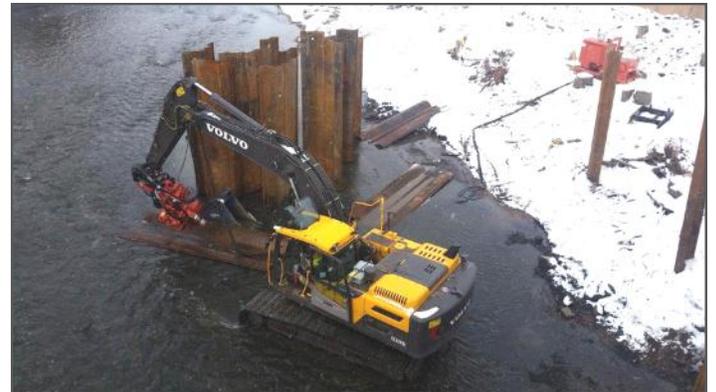




## In and out of the water

For the CM/GC project, the ECI team:

- Removed 26,000 tons of soil and concrete
- Constructed 7,000 feet of new concrete and soft-surface trails, a plaza and picnic area
- Constructed an ADA-compliant secondary channel and concrete jetty, which created an island for easy river access that's accessible by two bridges
- Installed a new '**Nature Play**' playground, shade structures, restrooms, boulder-seat terraced walls and new parking lot
- Expanded & updated Frontier Town education zone
- Removed invasive plant species & restored native plantings



*Sheet pile installation at Grant Frontier Park.*



*Building flood identification walls to hold back potential 2-year and 10-year floods.*



## Award winner

The Colorado Association of Stormwater and Floodplain Managers awarded ECI project partner CDM Smith the 2016 Grand Award for CDM's outstanding engineering work.

## Colossal Kudos

In addition to The Greenway Foundation and City and County of Denver, a big thank you to the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District, CDM Smith engineering, and THK Associates landscape architects. Others include the Colorado Water Conservation Board, Denver Water, Trout Unlimited, and many more.

## River Vision: An 11-mile facelift

Renovation of Grant Frontier Park is part of the broad River Vision Project launched in 1974 by The Greenway Foundation and City and County of Denver to improve 11 miles of the South Platte River through the city. Grant Frontier Park is one of four River Vision projects for ECI. Others include the \$1.6 million Pasquinel's Landing Park, \$5.2 million Johnson-Habitat Park, and \$8.2 million Confluence Park.

