

ROUTE 2 - QUICK

Past, Present, and Future Fort Collins



START

Parking lot at Atzlan Community Center, 112 Willow St, Fort Collins — 2.8 miles. From the parking lot, head northeast through Heritage Park to the Kiosk.



POI #7

Informational kiosk in Heritage Park — 0.1 miles .

- Heritage Hunt Question: There is a wealth of information on this kiosk about the history of the Cache la Poudre River National Heritage Area. Write down something new that you learned from this Kiosk.

POI #6

Coy Ditch Diversion structure — 0.3 miles. As of 2017, the City of Fort Collins is in the process of removing the diversion structure to make way for a kayak course.

- Seasonal Selfie: Take a selfie with the Coy Ditch Diversion structure (or its former location) in the background.



0.4 miles after POI #6 you will see a dirt (or snow-covered, depending on the time of year) path that branches off to the right. Take this trail, and then when splits, head left where you will see an interpretive sign to the north.

POI #5

Lake Canal wayside interpretive sign on the Hickory Trail in Lee Martinez Park — 0.7 miles. (THIS SIGN MAY BE TEMPORARILY REPLACED WITH ANOTHER SIGN, IF SO, FOLLOW THE URL BELOW TO WATCH VIDEO AND ANSWER QUESTIONS)



- Heritage Hunt Question: Where did the communities of Fort Collins and Greeley meet to settle the 1874 conflict over the Lake Canal?
- Heritage Hunt Question: Scan the QR code on the interpretive sign (or visit the website listed by the QR code: <http://poudreheritage.org/video/western-water-law/>), watch the Western Water Law video and fill in the blanks. The conflict that was settled on July 15, 1874, determined how water was allocated: "the person or irrigation company who had first _____ water from the river is the first person to _____ the water from the river for beneficial use."



POI #4

Interpretive Kiosk near Lee Martinez Park - 1 miles. On the right-side kiosk sign, take a look at the map of the Cache la Poudre River and answer the question below:

- Heritage Hunt Question: In between which two Fort Collins' Natural Areas are you standing right now?



POI #3

McMurry Natural Area River Gage - 1.1 miles. A bridge crosses the Poudre River where you can view a river gage that is mounted on the bridge support and an interpretive sign is available for your information.

- Seasonal Selfie: Take a selfie with the river gage in the background, showing the height of the river during your visit.

END

Turn around and make your way back to the parking lot.