

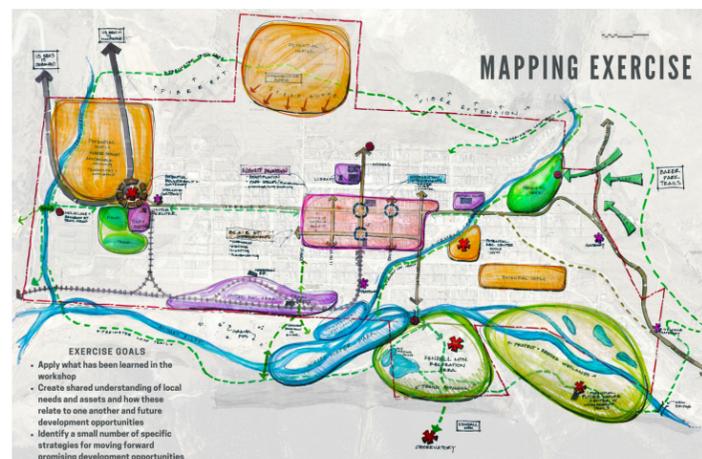


BROWNFIELDS WORKSHOP

In May 2019, at the invitation of the Town of Silverton, Colorado Brownfields Partnership hosted a Brownfields Redevelopment and Revitalization Workshop. Attendees considered approaches to economic development and why a renewed focus on placemaking and amenities in small communities is crucial to the well-being of local residents. The community discussed how brownfields sites could help to address challenges and opportunities such as affordability, good jobs, balancing the benefits and impacts of tourism, recreation, and preserving the town's unique character and identity.

WORKSHOP THEMES

- Outdoor recreation
- Enabling reinvestment and revitalization
- Strategic public projects and investment



Out of the workshop, community leaders recognized a need for an updated, action oriented town master plan.



TOWN MASTER PLAN

In early 2021, the Town of Silverton, Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) and Community Builders partnered to create the Master Plan. The Compass Master Plan resulted in dozens of strategies and actions to guide Silverton as it embarks on the next 10 years of redevelopment and reinvestment. Many of the strategies and actions relate directly to clean up and redevelopment of Brownfields sites.

MASTER PLAN STRATEGIES

INVEST IN MAINTENANCE AND UPGRADES OF EXISTING AND NEW UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE

In order for Silverton to be able to achieve its master plan goals, it needs to invest in its basic infrastructure. There is opportunity for the town to utilize Brownfield tools to invest in itself and build a stable foundation.

PLACE-BASED INVESTMENTS TO STRENGTHEN/CREATE LOCAL ASSETS

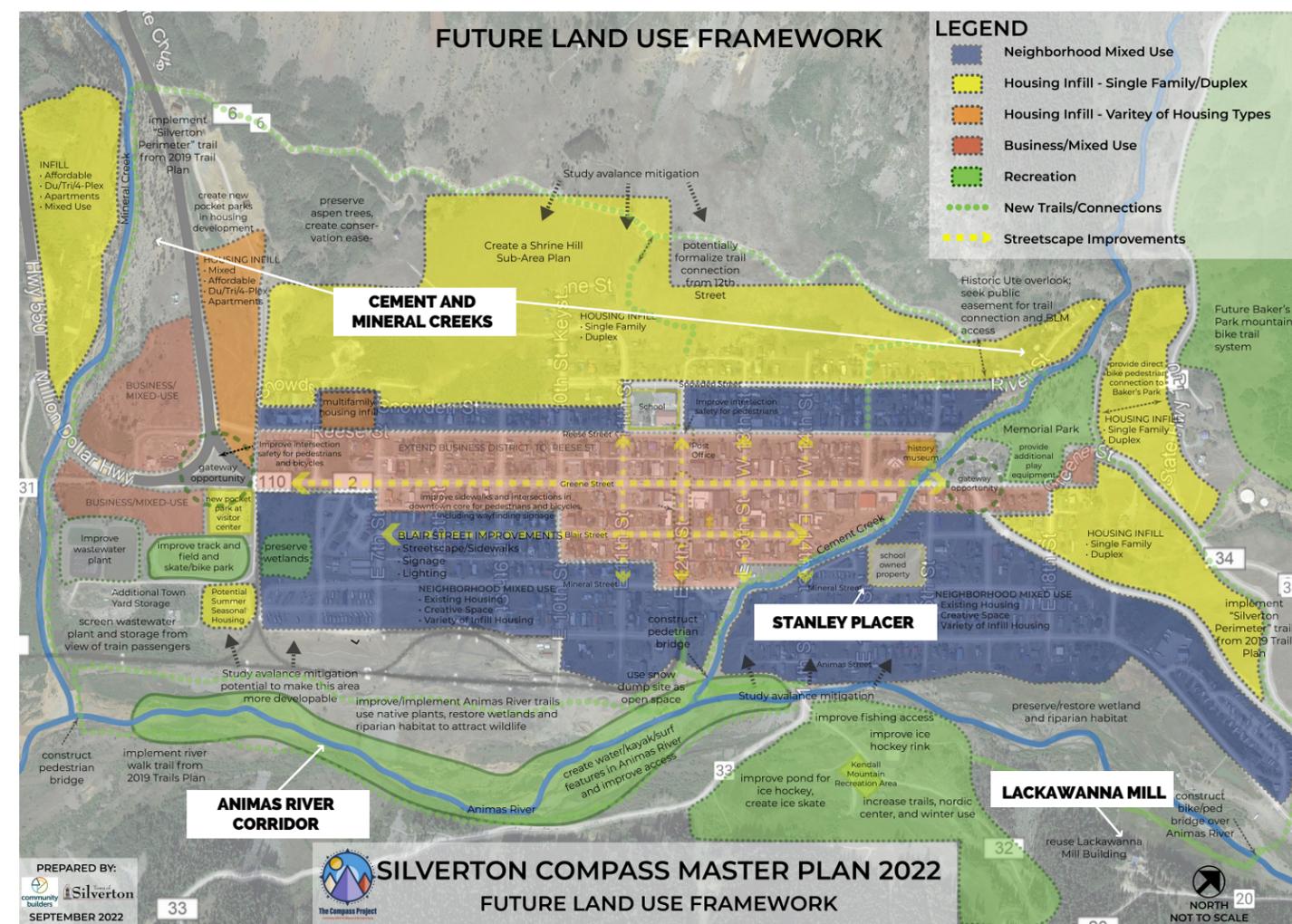
Silverton has a rich history of mining, which has shaped the culture and atmosphere of the town. In addition to creating a close-knit community, mining left behind countless abandoned buildings. With the help of Brownfield tools and assistance, Silverton can preserve, rehabilitate, and/or repurpose these historic structures.

SUPPORT AND ENABLE LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Once Silverton's Brownfield sites are cleaned up, local entrepreneurs will be able to utilize the renovated sites to build their businesses and attract further economic growth. The infill that is possible through Brownfield revitalization would positively impact the viability of a resilient local economy.

ADDRESS SUSTAINABILITY, RESILIENCY, AND CLIMATE CHANGE

As Silverton sits at the headwaters of the Animas, the river corridor should be protected, especially as the access to clean water is becoming more of an emergency. Clean up of environmentally degraded sites is imperative to the longevity of the community.



BROWNFIELDS OPPORTUNITY SITES

LACKAWANNA MILL

Clean up of this abandoned mining site can unlock its potential for rehabilitation and contribute to the town's historic tourism economy.

STANLEY PLACER

The last large plot of land within town limits, this site could support the development of a multipurpose conference, community, and recreational center.

ANIMAS RIVER CORRIDOR

Cleanup of industrial sites - degraded from abandoned dumps, prior mining activities, and dewatering - could enhance river health and access, bolstering the outdoor recreation economy.

CEMENT AND MINERAL CREEKS

Creeks that run directly through town are ripe for remediation, ecological restoration, recreation development, and historic preservation.

TOOLS & ASSISTANCE

Brownfields tools will help the community move forward with the actionable steps in the town master plan. Assistance available through brownfields can also fill capacity needs.

PLANNING & CAPACITY SUPPORT

- Workshops
- On-Call Coaching
- Webinars
- Technical Assistance

CLEAN UP SUPPORT

- Targeted Brownfield Assessment
- Voluntary Clean Up Program

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

- Tax Credits
- Clean-Up Grants
- Revolving Loan Fund