

# Charlier Associates, Inc.

## PROJECT EXPERIENCE

### GARDEN CREEK/SEDAR DRAW CONCEPTUAL TRAIL DESIGN STUDY

Casper MPO, WY (Completed)

CAI facilitated a three-day design charrette for the Casper Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMPO). The charrette provided an opportunity for the community to work with CMPO and the City of Casper on a key project in the City's proposed greenway system. The charrette provided a forum for 145 people to voice their opinion - the largest turnout for a planning process in the City's history.

The charrette evaluated the alternatives for a multi-use trail along the Garden Creek and Sedar Draw neighborhoods in south central Casper. Adjacent residents with a stake in what happens "in their backyards" were adamantly opposed to any form of change next to their properties. Neighbors adjacent to the greenway did not want to see a formalized trail and raised concerns regarding fears of increased crime, fires, degradation of the natural environment, decreased property values, change in neighborhood character, and loss of privacy.

Other charrette participants, who represented the larger community and the other areas of the neighborhood, expressed positive interest in developing trails within the neighborhood. The participants suggested such a trail would provide their families with a place to walk, jog, bike ride, and in-line skate.

CAI helped charrette participants identify issues and develop routing alternatives during the three-day charrette. Outcomes of the process include an action plan for clean up of the Garden Creek, resolution of public-private property boundaries, neighborhood traffic calming and speed enforcement, crime prevention, and trail development in areas where only supported by the majority of charrette participants.

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