



### Membership and Organization

Membership in JRNAF is voluntary and consists of all the entities with natural and open areas within their jurisdictions along the Jordan River and other interested parties. The members are the signatories to a MOU. New members may be admitted at any time by signing on to this MOU. A steering committee and subcommittees are established with members representing Federal, State, County, Municiple Governments, and non-profit organizations.

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### Member List:

- Bluffdale City
- Davis County
- Draper City
- Envision Utah
- Great Salt Lake Audubon
- IHI Environmental
- Midvale City
- Murray City
- Murray City School District
- National Audubon Society
- North Salt Lake City
- Riverton City
- Rose Park Neighborhood Parkway
- Salt Lake City
- Salt Lake County
- Salt Lake County Fish and Game Association
- Salt Lake Soil Conservation District
- Salt Lake Valley Mosquito Abatement District
- Sandy City
- South Jordan City
- South Salt Lake City
- South Valley Jordan River Parkway
- State of Utah
- Taylorsville City
- TreeUtah
- US Army Corps of Engineers,  
Water Resources Planning
- US Fish and Wildlife Service Utah field Office
- US National Park Service Rivers,  
Trails & Conservation Assist Program
- US Natural Resource Conservation Service
- Utah County
- Utah Reclamation Mitigation &  
Conservation Commission
- West Jordan City
- West Valley City
- Woods Cross City



## The Jordan River Natural Areas Forum

### Mission Statement

The Jordan River Natural Areas Forum (JRNAF) is a voluntary coalition of local municipalities, county, state and federal agencies, non-profit organizations, local businesses, and individual citizens dedicated to promoting awareness, acquisition, management, and restoration of natural areas along the Jordan River balanced with the human uses of the river corridor.

Our logo displays Charlie, a yellow-breasted chat, flying into the river corridor. Chats in the river corridor are rare today but we hope, through the efforts of the Forum, to help increase habitat for chats and other native wildlife.

### History and Background

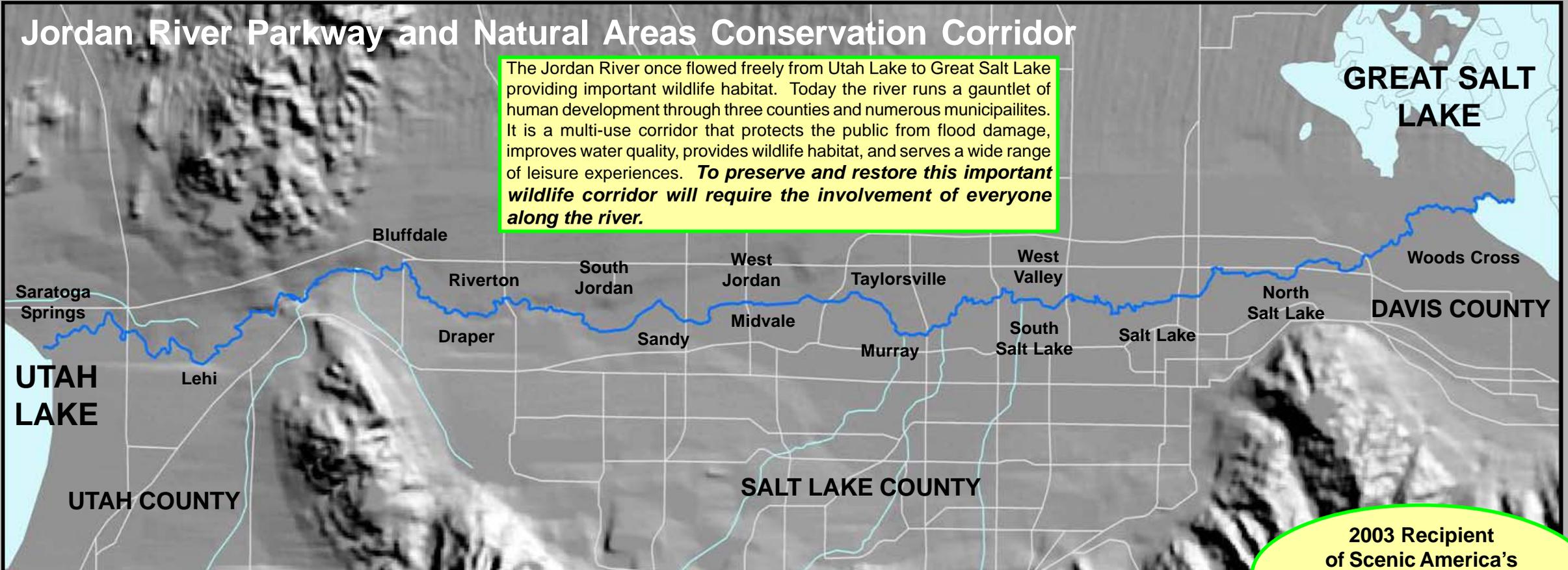
In September 2000, the National Audubon Society, in conjunction with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission, produced "The Jordan River Natural Conservation Corridor Report." The report assembled existing information on the



natural values of the Jordan River, used this information to identify areas along the River that still provide important wildlife habitat, and recommends actions that can be taken to maintain and promote the natural values of the River, as well as adjoining wetlands and upland habitat. One recommendation of the report is that "There needs to be a coordinating mechanism for areas that are part of the proposed Natural Conservation Corridor." On February 15, 2001, a group of people from interested public and private organizations assembled to discuss how to implement the recommendations of the report. Through a subsequent facilitated workshop and additional meetings, the group decided to create the Jordan River Natural Areas Forum (JRNAF).

# Jordan River Parkway and Natural Areas Conservation Corridor

The Jordan River once flowed freely from Utah Lake to Great Salt Lake providing important wildlife habitat. Today the river runs a gauntlet of human development through three counties and numerous municipalities. It is a multi-use corridor that protects the public from flood damage, improves water quality, provides wildlife habitat, and serves a wide range of leisure experiences. **To preserve and restore this important wildlife corridor will require the involvement of everyone along the river.**



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## 2004 JRNAF Goals

### PRESERVATION

- Establish a Jordan River Conservation Corridor from Utah Lake to Great Salt Lake consisting of reserved, nature parks, and open space properties.

### RECREATION

Bring the community to the River.

### RESTORATION

- Restore lands and water quality throughout the Jordan River Natural Conservation Corridor.
- Support reintroduction of native aquatic species.
- Establish JRNAF as a restoration resource for municipalities and private landowners.
- Share restoration expertise both internally and externally.

### EDUCATION

- Raise awareness of local government and civic groups of the Jordan River and encourage actions to protect the corridor.
- Provide information about the Jordan River.
- Develop information on Jordan River tributaries.
- Educate Corridor Neighbors.
- Increase awareness of and compliance with agencies that have jurisdiction of the River.

### ADMINISTRATION

- Ensure that the forum serves as a clearinghouse for information about development proposals that may affect the conservation corridor.
- Secure adequate funding to accomplish JRNAF's mission.
- Establish system for coordination of the perpetual management of reserved lands in the Natural Conservation Corridor.