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THE RANCH CONSTRUCTION

NEWSLETTER



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Designing a Campus with Circulation in Mind

Construction of the first phase of the Master Plan started in the spring of 2022 with the relocation of Arena Circle. One year later, the new Arena Circle is beginning to open! While it is easy to see that The Ranch's major road is now wider and easier to access, there were many additional considerations that went into this fundamental change in circulation.

The design principles that have laid the foundation for ongoing updates at The Ranch focus on prioritizing accessibility and ease of access for all visitors. This includes updating the design of vehicular, pedestrian and animal circulation throughout the complex.

Considerations for these updates include:

Vehicular Circulation: Relocating Arena Circle and updating other roads across the complex aims to minimize conflict between pedestrians, animals and vehicles. Parking lots and service areas will be designed to minimize curb cuts across major pedestrian routes and encourage reduced speeds. Intersections of pedestrian and vehicular access will be evaluated to identify opportunities for changes in paving materials, contrasting colors and adequate access along walkways and drives for snow removal and storage.

Pedestrian Circulation: Visitors to The Ranch act as pedestrians for the majority of their visit. Therefore, creating a circulation system that would provide pedestrians comfort and safety during their time at the complex is a priority. Keeping this in mind, design considerations for new and updated pedestrian access at The Ranch include:

- Maintain pathways that are accessible for visitors of all ages and abilities.
- Design pedestrian routes to connect seamlessly into a circulation network consisting of routes along roads, around building perimeters, and through plazas and activity zones.
- Design/update sidewalks to an appropriate size to accommodate comfortable two-way movements among groups of people.
- Guide pedestrians accurately throughout the complex using visual wayfinding devices and signage. Make pedestrian routes visually distinguishable from vehicular routes.
- Design additional points of interest and places of rest along pedestrian routes with public building entries, seating options and generous shade.

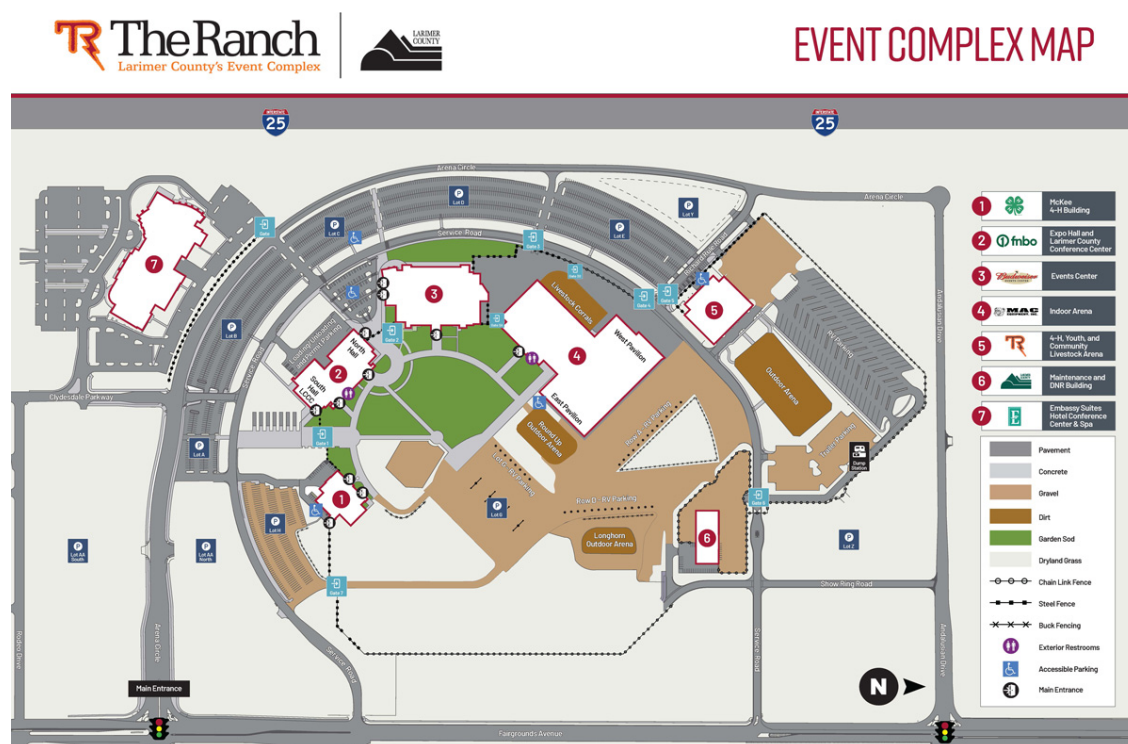
Animal Circulation: Locate animal circulation routes to minimize conflict with pedestrians and vehicles. It is best practice to locate animal circulation adjacent to back-of-house service areas. Animal routes should also provide adequate clearance for movement, avoiding sharp turns to account for more natural curvilinear movements.

Construction Updates and Zones

Starting Tuesday, May 23, visitors to The Ranch will be directed through a new traffic configuration to access events. The primary road through the complex, Arena Circle, has shifted out and has a new entrance just south of the existing location. Visitors will enter

through a new traffic light at the intersection of Fairgrounds Avenue and the relocated Arena Circle.

The new entrance will lead to a wider version of Arena Circle located on the exterior of the complex parking lots. This new configuration will provide improved access and parking coordination during concurrent events and allow for the core campus's expansion to accommodate future buildings. Once the new entrance is open, the former main entrance will be closed to through traffic and become a service road. Visitors will be able to enter and exit the complex through the new entrances at Arena Circle and Andalusian Drive (opened in late 2022). Visitors are reminded to follow all signage and flaggers to navigate the construction and access parking and trailer areas.



The Ranch Event Complex Map shows the new navigation system at the complex. Visitors will be able to enter and exit the complex through the new Arena Circle and Andalusian Drive, which are marked with traffic lights on the map.

Construction continues on the 4-H, Youth, and Community Livestock Arena located northwest of the MAC Equipment, Inc. Indoor Arena. The construction crews are working on finishing the steel framing of the new building. Work is also ongoing to expand the nearby Maintenance, Department of Natural Resources Building, and MAC Equipment, Inc.

Warm-Up Arena on the north end of the complex. Crews have started work on the interior of the building.

Current Construction Photos



Aerial footage of The Ranch taken in May shows the construction progress on the 4-H, Youth, and Community Livestock Arena exterior structure. Work also continues on the RV Hookups, roadway improvements complex-wide, and the MAC Equipment Inc. Indoor Arena.

Upcoming Events at The Ranch

Colorado Tattoo Convention | May 19-21

Windsor High School Graduation | May 21

Severence High School Graduation | May 21

Bits 'N Pieces Dog Workshop | May 24

Resurrection Christian School Graduation | May 26

Mountain View High School Graduation | May 27

Thompson Valley High School Graduation | May 27

Bits 'N Pieces Dog Workshop | May 31

Rocky Mountain Reining Horse Association | May 31-June 3

Bits 'N Pieces Dog Workshop | June 7

Boys & Girls Clubs of Larimer County — Spring Soiree | June 9

Mid-States Hoe Down Indoor/Outdoor Tradeshow | June 12-14

Find a complete list of upcoming events on [The Ranch Events Complex](#) and the [Budweiser Events Center](#) calendars.

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