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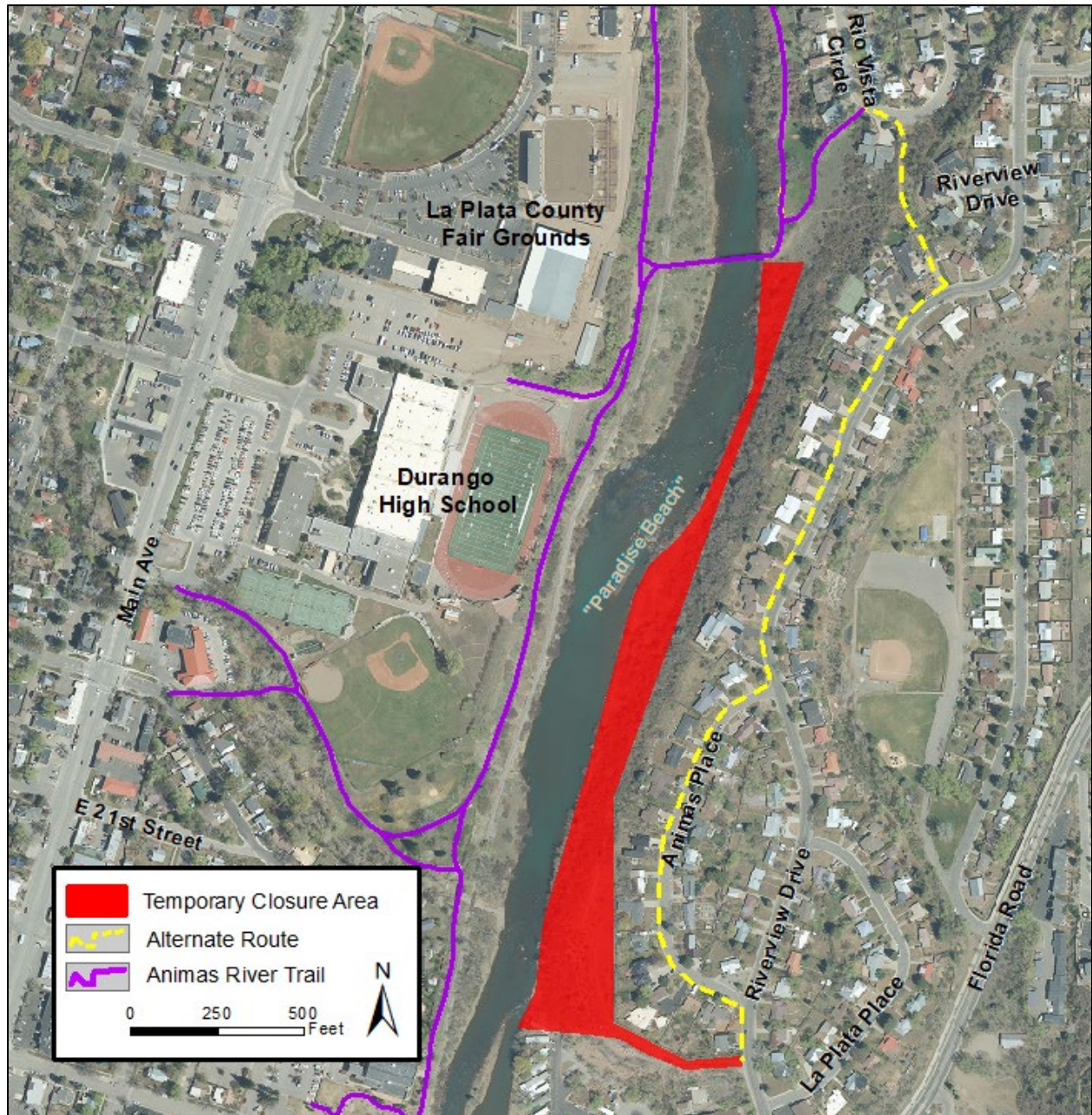
## Natural Surface Trail South of Demon Bridge Closed Aug. 8-Aug. 12

**Durango, CO:** Access to the open space parcel and natural surface trail south of the Demon Bridge on the east side of the river will be closed from Monday, August 8 through Friday, August 12 for public safety during culvert replacement, trail maintenance, and fire mitigation. Heavy equipment is necessary to complete these projects.

This closure includes natural surface trail and shore access as shown in the map below. The Parks and Recreation Department is working closely with the Streets Department in order to minimize the impact to recreation by combining projects during the closure.

“Public safety is priority number one for this work,” said Amy Schwarzbach, natural resources manager. “The City is responding to public requests to repair the unsafe trail and culvert located on the property, as well as the dense vegetation which poses a potential wildfire risk to surrounding homes. Our two departments are working together to make sure we address these public concerns while keeping this closure period as brief as possible.”

For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (970) 375-7321 or [rec@durangogov.org](mailto:rec@durangogov.org).



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