

Greenland Territorial Road

The Denver and Rio Grande railroad tracks followed the old territorial road from north of Castle Rock to Palmer Lake and later on to Colorado City. The Greenland Trail system travels a portion of the original road. In 1899, with the efforts of Senator Ammons of Douglas County, a bill appropriating \$5000 for a bicycle path from Littleton to Palmer Lake and eventually to Colorado Springs and Pueblo was passed. This path would follow this territorial road as it transverses to Palmer Lake.



A portion of the trail can still be seen in Greenland at the Greenland Open Space Trail. This photo looks to the north east and shows Rattlesnake Butte and other buttes in the background, looking towards the trailhead.