


THE RIVER ALLIANCE

A decorative wavy line in a teal color, consisting of three parallel, flowing lines that create a sense of movement and water.

What 90 miles of river can be.

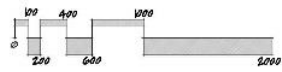


LIGHTED CONCRETE PATH
PROVIDES VISUAL FEEDBACK
WALKERS AS TO HOW
THEY ARE BEING TRACKED
AT EACH CORNER



SALUDA RIVERWALK

COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA



- LEGEND**
- LIGHTED CONCRETE PATH AND BOARDWALK
 - BOARDWALK WITH OVERLOOK
 - BOARDWALK
 - FLACKWAY LINE
 - COMPETITION ACCESS
 - HISTORIC SALUDA CANAL
 - HIGH-ALTITUDE TRAIL WATER FEATURE
 - FUNCTIONAL VIEW OF THE LIFE





MISSION

Use our strategic river assets to
benefit the citizens of the region

Members of the River Alliance



- ▶ State of South Carolina
- ▶ Lexington County
- ▶ Richland County
- ▶ City of Cayce
- ▶ City of Columbia
- ▶ City of West Columbia
- ▶ University of South Carolina
- ▶ Riverbanks Park Commission
- ▶ Central Midlands Council of Governments
- ▶ Columbia Development Corporation
- ▶ Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce
- ▶ South Carolina Electric and Gas
- ▶ Experience Columbia SC

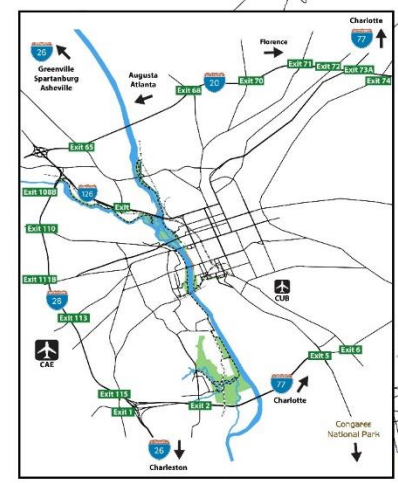
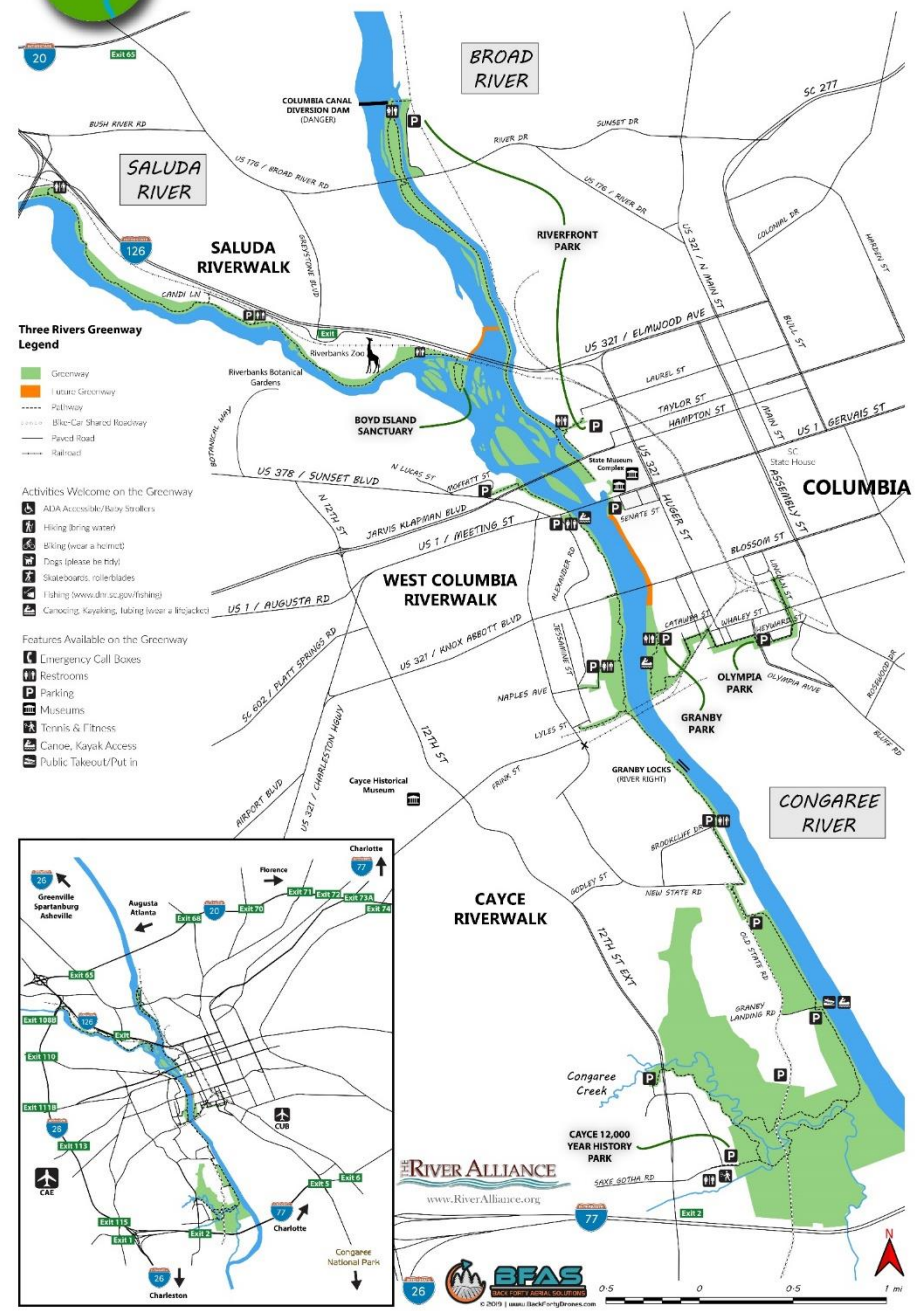








Three Rivers Greenway





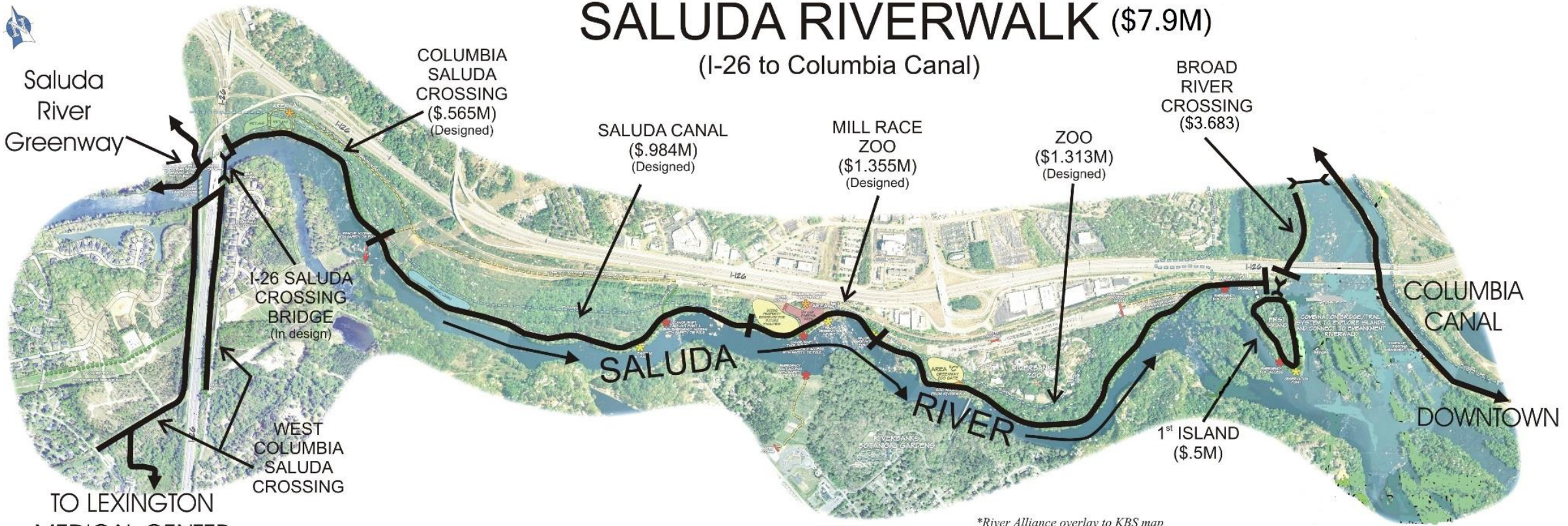
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Three Rivers Greenway Tasks

- Secure Regional Policy
- Select Segments – Define Program Costs
- Propose Funding Source
- Secure Property Access
- Design, Engineer and Permit
- Bid Process
- Supervise Construction
- Celebrate
- Repeat

SALUDA RIVERWALK (\$7.9M)

(I-26 to Columbia Canal)



*River Alliance overlay to KBS map
May 2012

(Bridges and Engineering Estimates)





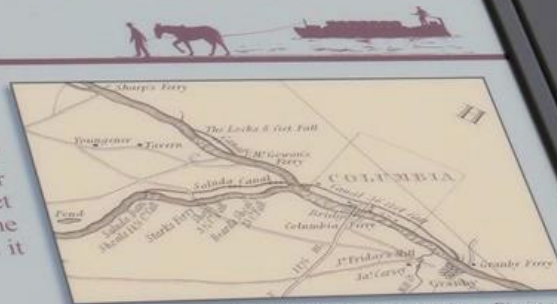






Saluda Canal

The Saluda Canal was built at a cost \$161,000 between 1818 and 1823, and was designed to allow boats to navigate around a series of falls, known as the Saluda Rapids. The canal began about 2 miles upstream from the confluence of the Broad and Saluda Rivers, and used a dam to divert water into the canal. It had five locks to lower the boats 32 feet from the Saluda Rapids to the Broad River and opposite the Columbia Canal. The contractor was Thomas Strode, and it was closed in 1837.



Detail of Robert Mills' 1825 Lexington District map, showing location of the Saluda Canal.
Courtesy, SC State Museum

The irony of the canal program was that an entirely new means of transportation, the advent of the railroad, began to develop just as the canals were reaching their peak effectiveness, hastening the demise of the inland canal system.

Although the Columbia Canal was able to find renewed use in the late 19th century, no similar uses were found for the Saluda Canal.

Remains of the Saluda Canal, facing east
Courtesy, SCDT, Carolina Crossroads

Produced by the South Carolina State Museum

















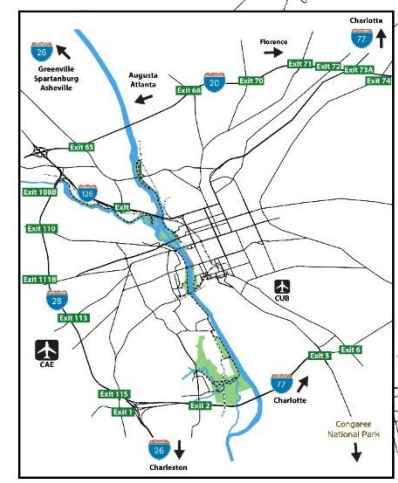
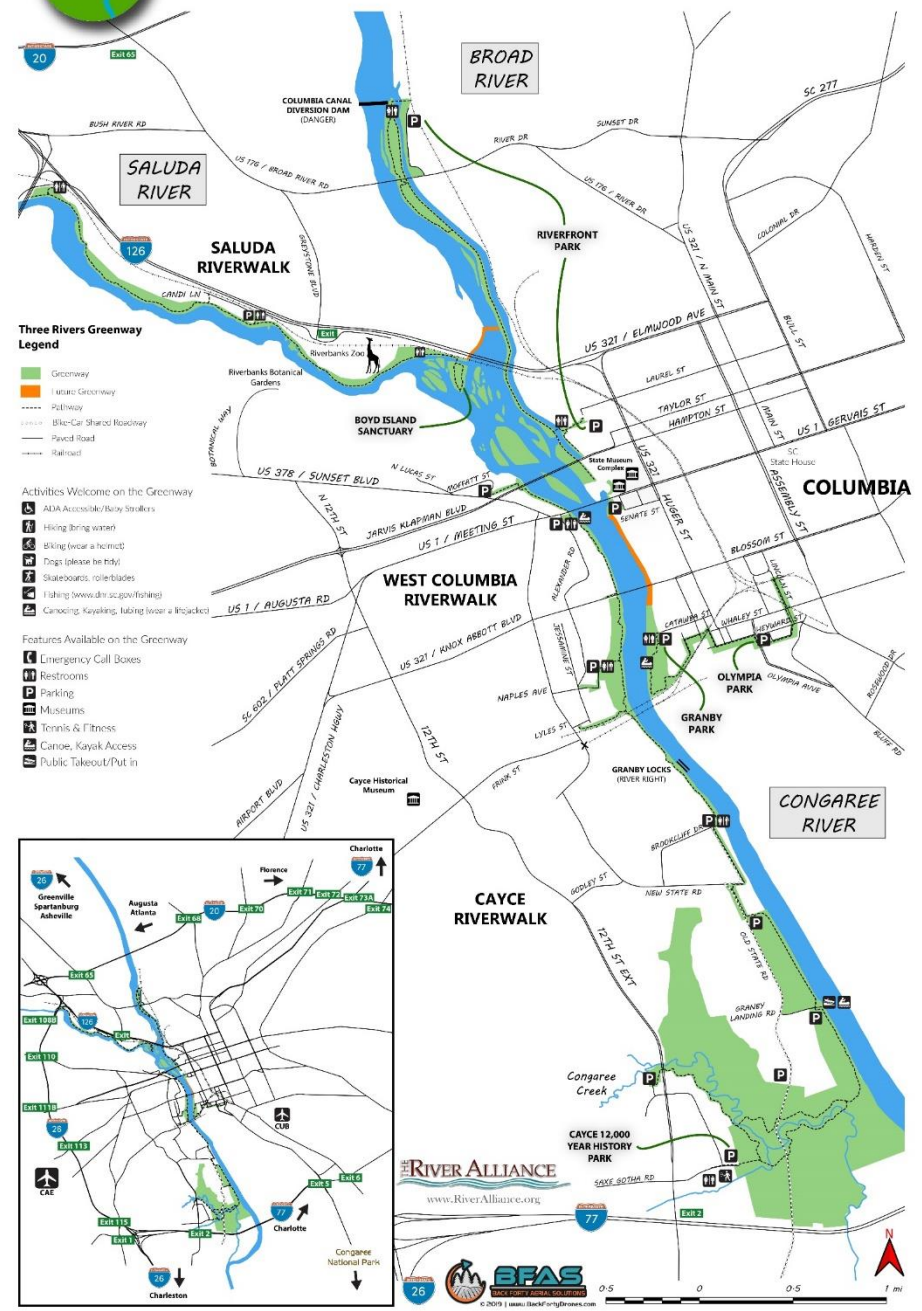





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