A four mile stretch of the Ogden River flowing through Ogden City, Utah had been heavily impacted by industrial and residential development. For over 60 years the river had been used as a dumping ground for waste material and channelized in an attempt to maximize industrial land. Ogden City created a redevelopment zone to reclaim the blighted area. River Restoration coordinated with natural resource managers, Ogden City, land owners, the Utah Department of Natural Resources and the Army Corps Of Engineers to develop an organic and natural function vision for the Ogden River.

Location: Ogden River | Ogden, Utah
Project Duration: Currently Being Restored
Project Budget: $6M Construction | $300K Project Development
Change Orders: Unit price bid
Client: City of Ogden
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With the established vision for the restoration of the Ogden River, RiverRestoration was able to secure significant funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and other sources to implement the vision. RiverRestoration performed detailed analysis including channel surveys; hydraulic models; and a geomorphic assessment. Our thorough analysis informed the design process and accommodated the community through thoughtful and creative planning.

Facilitating the community at the interface between urban and natural areas was an overriding goal of the restoration project. Paths were aligned for a widened riparian zone and concentrated access. The river used to be the back door waste conveyance. Now the community embraces the river as a valuable resource running through the heart of the City.