

Morrison Nature Center

Aurora, Colorado

Owner: Morrison Nature Center
Manager: City of Aurora
Area: Renovation/Addition 2,050 total sf
Estimated cost: \$650,000
Completion Date: 2003



The renovation of existing buildings transformed a ranch into a public nature center.



A private home and garage were renovated, and, with a sizable addition, transformed from a ranch into a public nature center. An open floor plan design provided maximum space flexibility, accommodating the changing needs of a fascinating variety of exhibit and educational programs. A tower, positioned in one corner of the structure, is reminiscent of a grain elevator, a structure inherent on a working ranch. This design feature increased the volume of exhibit space, served as a guide for Sand Creek trail users and pinpointed the center as a destination for the public.*

*This project was undertaken while Tom Obermeier was CEO of OZ Architecture.

