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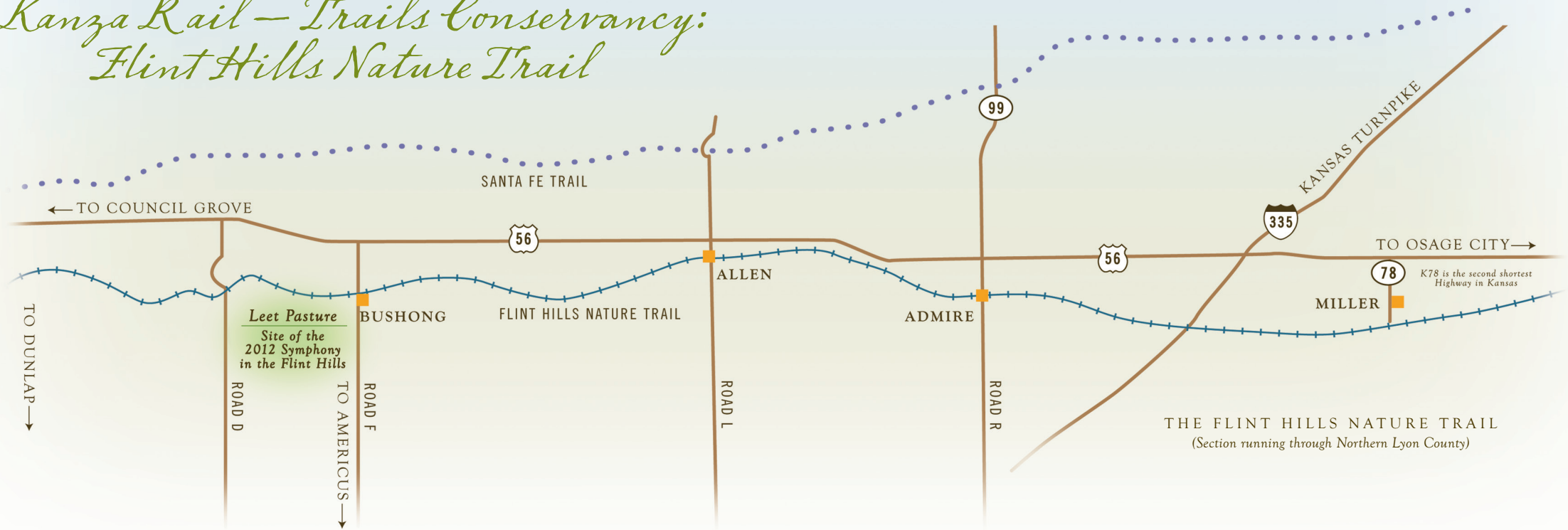
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The Flint Hills Nature Trail is the seventh-longest rail-trail in the United States. It is located on the 117-mile right-of-way of the famous “Colorado Eagle Line” of the Missouri Pacific Railroad. When rail service was discontinued in 1995, the corridor was rail-banked and is now owned by the Kanza Rail-Trails Conservancy Inc. of Kansas. The Conservancy also holds title to the 38-mile Landon Nature Trail which runs from Topeka southward to its intersection with the Flint Hills Nature Trail. Completion of these trails will create a network over 200 miles long which will connect 23 Kansas communities.

The Kanza Rail-Trails Conservancy’s mission is to work in partnership with communities to transform rail-banked corridors into non-motorized recreational trails for hiking, biking and equestrian use. Funding to build and maintain trails comes from the contributions of corporations, foundations and individuals. The Conservancy is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization with no paid staff. The trails are built and maintained entirely by volunteers. The Flint Hills Nature Trail contains expanses of native prairie and woodland areas. Trails are a safe place for people to reconnect with nature. Visit www.kanzatrails.org.