

HISTORY



Landmarks of History



Central 70



FOR GENERATIONS, KEY LANDMARKS have played a major role in the Denver community, providing jobs, fostering the economy and helping craft the character of the city. Stapleton International Airport served as Denver's airport from 1929 to 1995 and sat on seven square miles just 10 minutes from downtown. The airport was the hub for travel in the western United States. Ultimately, the needs of Denver outgrew the small space and all operations were moved to Denver International Airport in 1995. The former airport is now known as the Central Park Neighborhood.

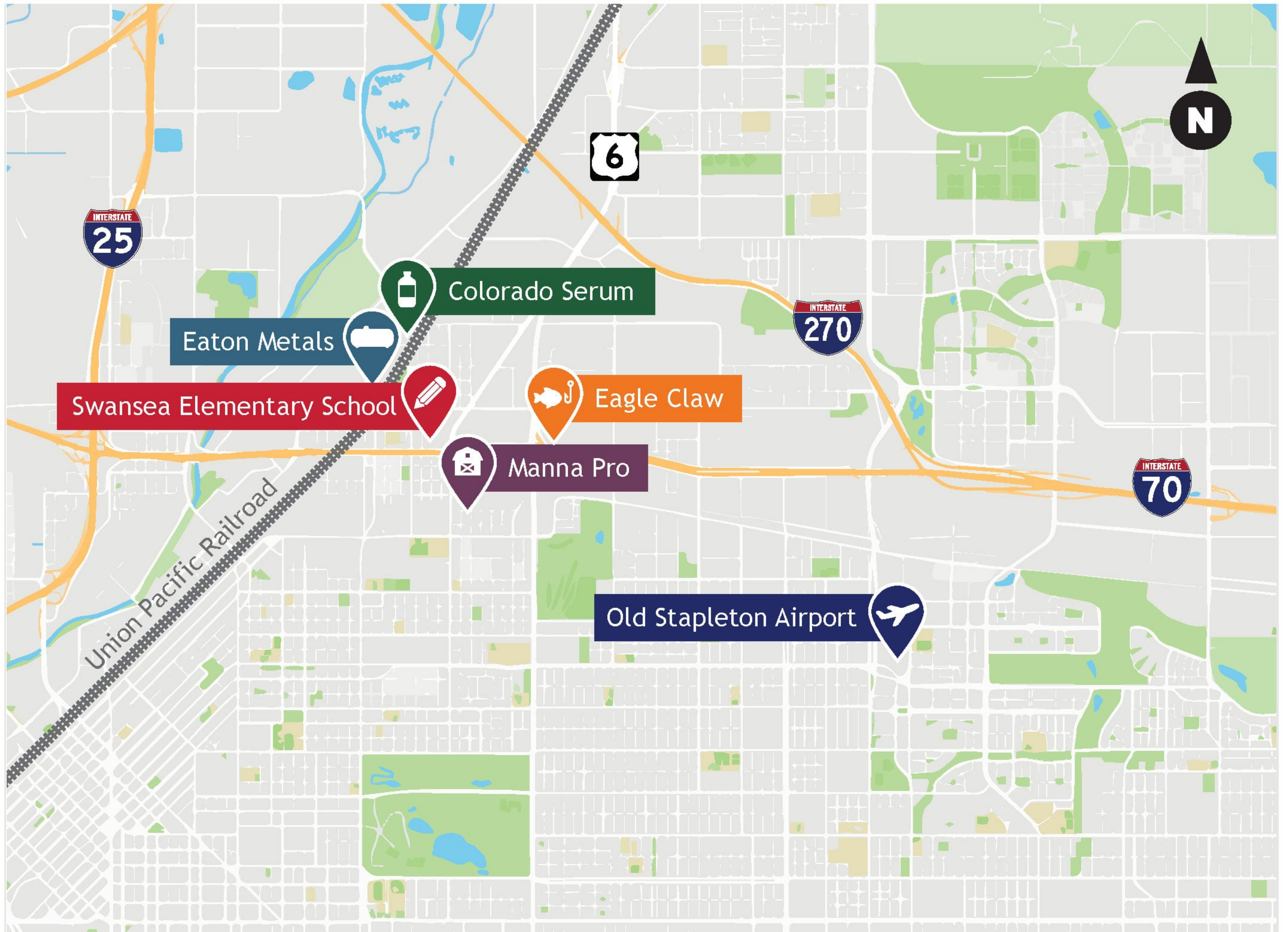
Within the GES community, Purina has been a landmark since its inception in 1930, just 72 years after Denver was first established as Colorado's capital. The factory started out producing livestock feed but transitioned to pet food-only manufacturing in 1972. A key driver in the local economy today, Purina employs more than 350 people and is a well-known fixture to Coloradans traveling the I-70 corridor.



DID YOU KNOW?

There's a long history of industry along I-70:

- Union Pacific Railyards
Denver, originated 1880
- Colorado Serum,
originated 1923
- Eaton Metals,
originated 1924
- Eagle Claw,
originated 1925
- Manna Pro,
originated 1951



Eaton Metals

Colorado Serum

Swansea Elementary School

Eagle Claw

Manna Pro

Old Stapleton Airport

Union Pacific Railroad

DID YOU KNOW?

I-70 traveled under one of the Stapleton Airport runways between 1929 and 1995.

Stapleton International Airport, 1969. History Colorado. Accession ID #96.183.26





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This vintage Purina bag was used to store and transport “hog-chow.” Farmers would mix this “hog-chow” with grain to feed pigs.