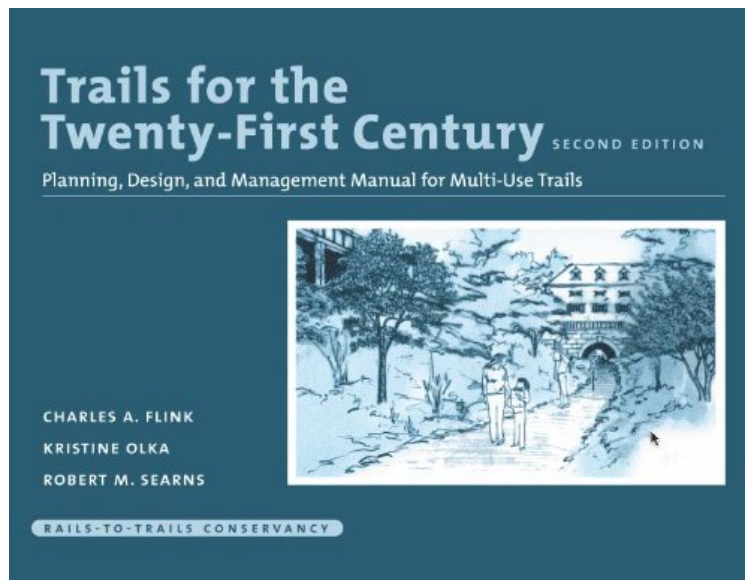


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"The information is given in a reassuring step-by-step manner that doesn't assume the reader has trail experience."