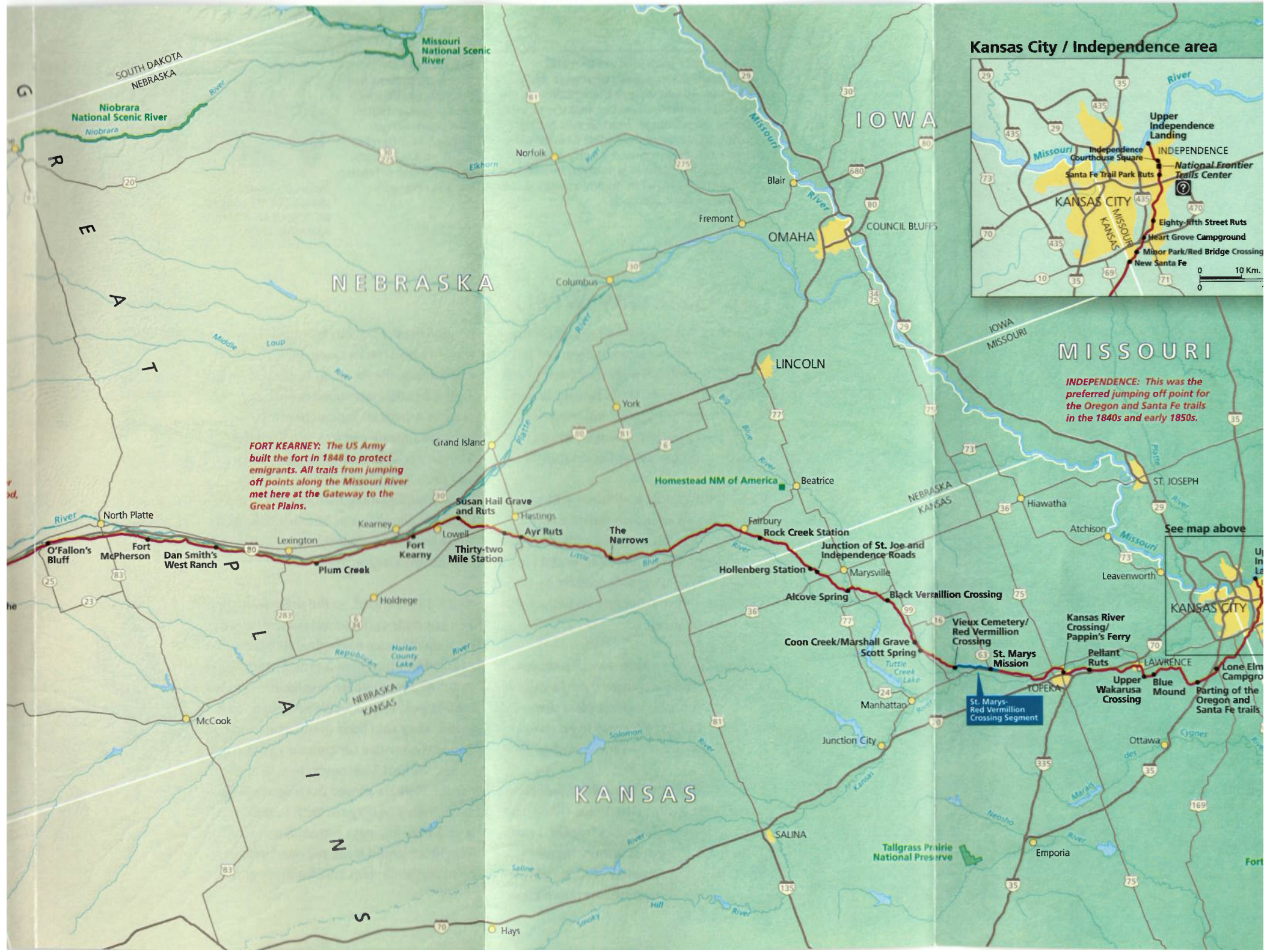
Kansas City / Independence area
Upper Independence Landing
INDEPENDENCE
Independence Courthouse Square
National Frontier Trails Center
Santa Fe Trail Park Ruts
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Eighty-fifth Street Ruts
Heart Grove Campground
Minor Park/Red Bridge Crossing
New Santa Fe
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Missouri National Scenic River
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ST. JOSEPH
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Fairbury
Homestead NM of America
Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve
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INDEPENDENCE: This was the preferred jumping off point for the Oregon and Santa Fe trails in the 1840s and early 1850s.
FORT KEARNEY: The US Army built the fort in 1848 to protect emigrants. All trails from jumping off points along the Missouri River met here at the Gateway to the Great Plains.
O'Fallon's Bluff
Fort McPherson
Dan Smith's West Ranch
Plum Creek
Fort Kearny
Lowell
Thirty-two Mile Station
Susan Hail Grave and Ruts
Ayr Ruts
The Narrows
Rock Creek Station
Junction of St. Joe and Independence Roads
Hollenberg Station
Alcove Spring
Black Vermillion Crossing
Vieux Cemetery/ Red Vermillion Crossing
Coon Creek/Marshall Grave
Scott Spring
St. Marys Mission
St. Marys-Red Vermillion Crossing Segment
Kansas River Crossing/ Pappin's Ferry
Pellant Ruts
Upper Wakarusa Crossing
Blue Mound
Lone Elm Campgro
Parting of the Oregon and Santa Fe trails
See map above
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