



Tamarisk Coalition Funding Webinar Series #4: Funding Opportunities for Restoration in Colorado

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a non-profit alliance
working to restore riparian lands.

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Funding Webinar Series



- **Upcoming Webinars:**

- Sustainable Funding Tools – TBD
- Funding for Restoration in Utah – TBD
- Funding for Restoration in Arizona – TBD
- Common Pitfalls of Grant-writing and Fundraising – TBD

Feel free to send suggestions for future webinars to:

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Colorado Funding Opportunities



- **Colorado Department of Agriculture - February 22, 2013**
 - **Noxious Weed Management Fund**
 - ✦ **Purpose:** To eradicate and/or contain state, regionally, or locally rare noxious weed species/populations and to prevent high-priority weed populations from advancing onto USFS property
 - **State and Private Forestry Grant**
 - ✦ **Purpose:** To eradicate and/or contain state, regionally, or locally rare, noxious weed species populations and to prevent the spread of high priority weed populations.
- **Colorado Collaboration Award - March 15, 2013**
 - ✦ **Purpose:** To recognize an outstanding collaboration, and to gather information about effective collaborations that nonprofit groups across the state can use as a model to establish and strengthen their own collaborations.
 - ✦ **Eligibility –** Functioning since 2011; have a signed MOU in place
- **For more information about these and other funding opportunities see: www.riparianrestorationconnection.org**

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Colorado Water Conservation Board

Celebrating 75 Years

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Water Project Loan Program	Instream Program	Water		Water	Board Meetings & Agendas	About the CWCB
Water Efficiency Grants	Climate Change	Flood		Port Systems	Education & Outreach	CWCB Staff
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75th Anniversary Timeline

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IBCC & Roundtables

The Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB), in partnership with the State of Colorado, the State of Wyoming, and other state agencies in our joint effort to use water wisely and protect our water for future generations.

The CWCB is turning 75! Join in the festivities! Check out our 75th Anniversary Celebration pages.

Get details on the historical banner photos

Colorado River Basin Water Supply and Demand Study Released



Meeting

30 AM	1/29/2013 5:00 PM
Marriott Denver Tech Center 4900 South Syracuse Street Denver, CO 80237	

- Printable Agenda
- Agenda
- Map

CWCB Events

Water Availability Task Force Meeting	1/23/2013 9:30 AM
CWCB Board Meeting	1/28/2013 8:30 AM



Colorado Water Conservation Board Watershed & Flood Protection Section

Grant Programs:

- **Invasive Phreatophyte Control Program (IPCP)**
- **Colorado Watershed Restoration Program (CWRP)**
- **Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund (CHRF)**
- **Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund**





Invasive Phreatophyte Control Program

Applicants must describe a plan to:

- Control Invasives through Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Approach
- Control secondary weeds
- Restore and re-vegetate riparian areas
- Monitor and maintain the project

Program requires 50%
match funding



Invasive Phreatophyte Control Program

Timeline

Application Available:
Currently Available
Online

Due Date: Summer/Fall
2013

Applicant Notification:
Winter 2014

Grants Awarded:
Winter 2014

Progress Reports Due:
Every six months



Colorado Watershed Restoration Program

- Commitment to collaborative approaches
- Commitment to protect and/or restore ecological processes that connect land and water
- Broad based involvement and support
- Match support (50%)

Colorado Watershed Restoration Program

Timeline

- Application Available: July 1
- Due Date: September 30
- Applicant Notification:
December 15
- Grants Awarded:
December 15
- Progress Reports Due:
Annually

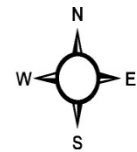


Colorado Watershed Restoration Program Grant Projects 2009 - 2012

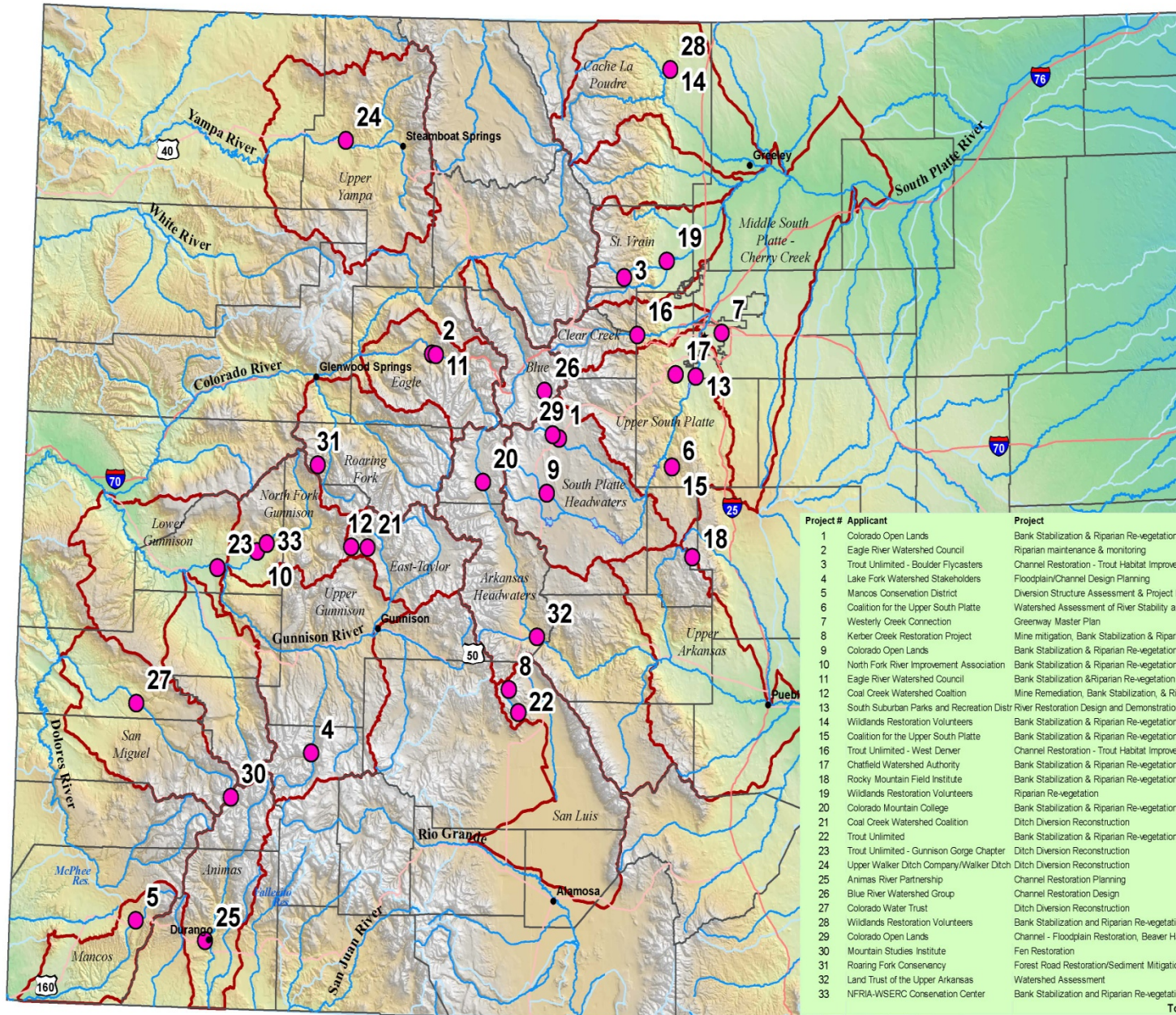


Watershed & Flood Protection Section

HUC-8 Sub-basin Boundary



0 25 50 Miles



Project #	Applicant	Project	CWCB Funds	Year	Location
1	Colorado Open Lands	Bank Stabilization & Riparian Re-vegetation	\$28,520	2009	Tarryall Creek
2	Eagle River Watershed Council	Riparian maintenance & monitoring	\$50,000	2009	Eagle River- Edwards
3	Trout Unlimited - Boulder Flycasters	Channel Restoration - Trout Habitat Improvement	\$30,000	2009	Middle Boulder Creek
4	Lake Fork Watershed Stakeholders	Floodplain/Channel Design Planning	\$95,000	2009	Lake Fork Gunnison River
5	Manos Consenation District	Diversion Structure Assessment & Project Prioritization	\$30,500	2009	Mancos River
6	Coalition for the Upper South Plate	Watershed Assessment of River Stability and Sediment Supply	\$50,000	2009	Horse Creek Watershed
7	Westerly Creek Connection	Greenway Master Plan	\$37,500	2009	Westerly Creek
8	Kerber Creek Restoration Project	Mine mitigation, Bank Stabilization & Riparian Protection	\$12,000	2009	Squirrel Creek
9	Colorado Open Lands	Bank Stabilization & Riparian Re-vegetation	\$18,480	2010	Fournile Creek
10	North Fork River Improvement Association	Bank Stabilization & Riparian Re-vegetation	\$38,000	2010	N. F. Gunnison River, Paonia
11	Eagle River Watershed Council	Bank Stabilization & Riparian Re-vegetation	\$25,000	2010	Eagle River - Edwards
12	Coal Creek Watershed Coalition	Mine Remediation, Bank Stabilization, & Riparian Reveg	\$19,150	2010	Coal Creek, Crested Butte
13	South Suburban Parks and Recreation Distr	River Restoration Design and Demonstration Projects	\$46,118	2010	South Platte Below Chatfield
14	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	Bank Stabilization & Riparian Re-vegetation	\$57,331	2010	Campbell Creek
15	Coalition for the Upper South Plate	Bank Stabilization & Riparian Re-vegetation	\$50,000	2011	Trail Creek
16	Trout Unlimited - West Denver	Channel Restoration - Trout Habitat Improvement	\$20,300	2011	Clear Creek
17	Chatfield Watershed Authority	Bank Stabilization & Riparian Re-vegetation	\$20,000	2011	Massey Draw
18	Rocky Mountain Field Institute	Bank Stabilization & Riparian Re-vegetation	\$7,115	2011	Upper West Beaver Creek
19	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	Riparian Re-vegetation	\$8,200	2011	Boulder Creek
20	Colorado Mountain College	Bank Stabilization & Riparian Re-vegetation	\$30,000	2011	Union Creek
21	Coal Creek Watershed Coalition	Ditch Diversion Reconstruction	\$13,705	2011	Coal Creek
22	Trout Unlimited	Bank Stabilization & Riparian Re-vegetation	\$37,000	2011	Kerber Creek
23	Trout Unlimited - Gunnison Gorge Chapter	Ditch Diversion Reconstruction	\$25,000	2011	Gunnison River
24	Upper Walker Ditch Company/Walker Ditch	Ditch Diversion Reconstruction	\$20,000	2011	Yampa River
25	Animas River Partnership	Channel Restoration Planning	\$13,220	2011	Lightner Creek
26	Blue River Watershed Group	Channel Restoration Design	\$25,000	2011	Upper Swan River
27	Colorado Water Trust	Ditch Diversion Reconstruction	\$39,325	2011	San Miguel River
28	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	Bank Stabilization and Riparian Re-vegetation	\$65,000	2012	Campbell Creek
29	Colorado Open Lands	Channel - Floodplain Restoration, Beaver Habitat Creation	\$44,000	2012	Tarryall Creek
30	Mountain Studies Institute	Fen Restoration	\$17,435	2012	Ophi Fen
31	Roaring Fork Conservancy	Forest Road Restoration/Sediment Mitigation	\$39,579	2012	Coal Creek/Crystal River
32	Land Trust of the Upper Arkansas	Watershed Assessment	\$20,263	2012	South Arkansas Watershed
33	NFRIA-WSERC Consenation Center	Bank Stabilization and Riparian Re-vegetation	\$62,100	2012	N. F. Gunnison River, Paonia
Total CWB Funding			\$1,090,841		



Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund

- Commitment to collaborative approaches
- Watershed protection/ restoration (land, water, and other natural resources) project or plan
- Broad based involvement and support
- Match support



Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund

Grant Types

Planning Grant

Maximum Funding =
\$25,000 (AVG = \$12,000)

Match =20% Plan Total
(in-kind and/or cash)

Project Grant

Maximum Funding =
\$50,000 (AVG = \$15,000)

Match =20% Project Total
(in-kind and/or cash) +
additional cash



Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund

Timeline

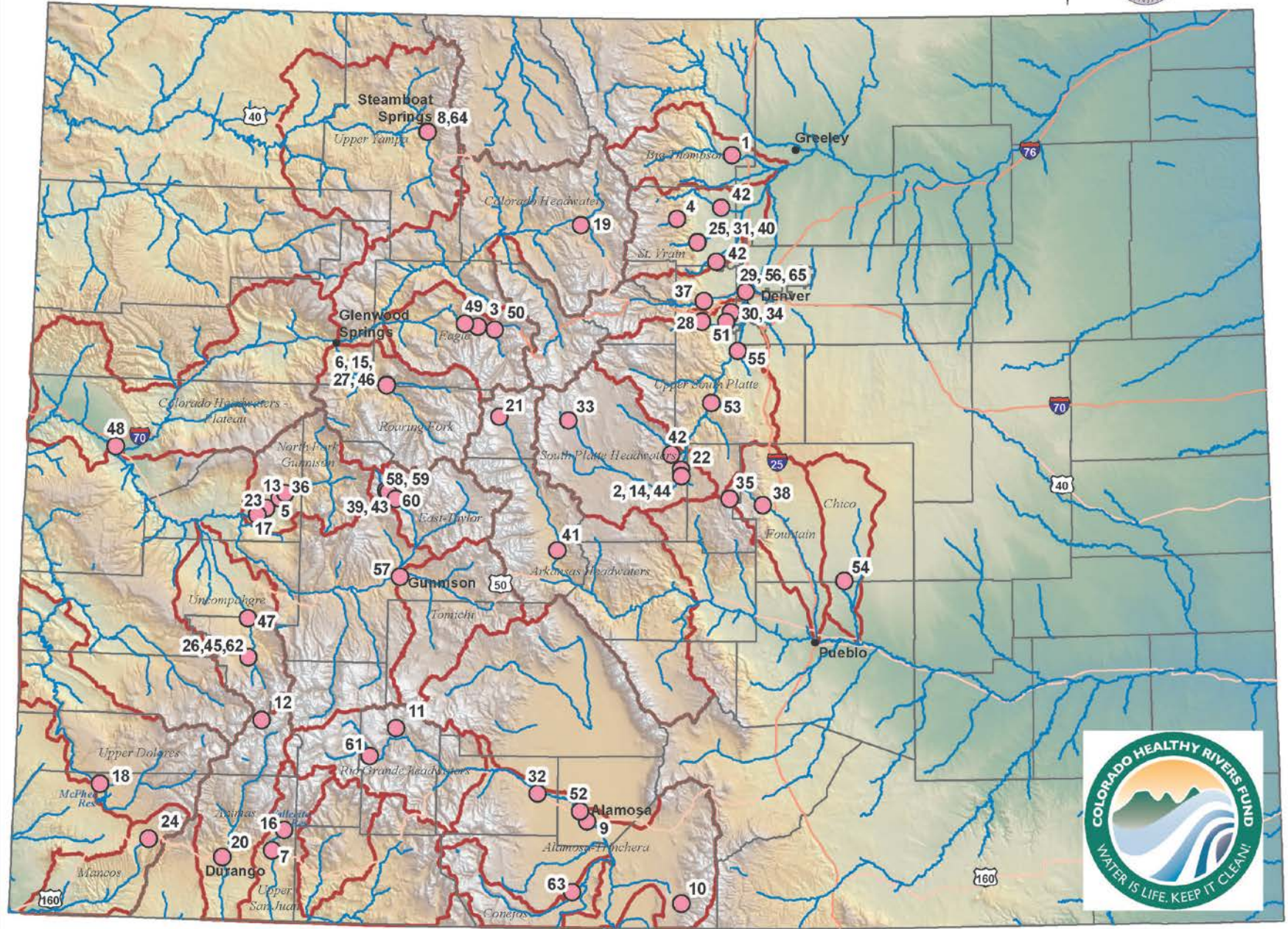
-Application Available:
March 1

-Due Date: April 30

-Applicant Notification &
Grant Award:
September 30

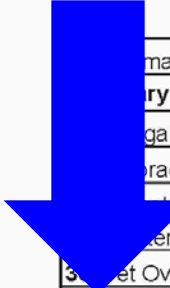
-Progress Reports Due
Annually (2 year
maximum time span)

Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund Grant Projects 2004-2013



Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund - Grant Project History

Number	Grant Recipient	Project			
1	Big Thompson Watershed Forum	Water Quality Mapping and Analysis			
2	Coalition for the Upper South Platte	Hayman Fire Rehabilitation			
3	Eagle River Watershed Council	Inventory & Assessment of Riparian Corridor	33	Park County & Colorado Open Lands	Channel Morphology Assessment
4	James Creek Watershed Initiative	Riparian Corridor Restoration	34	Colorado Storm Water Council	E. Coli Assessment and Management Plan
5	North Fork River Improvement Association	Irrigation Diversion Reconstruction	35	Rocky Mountain Field Institute	River Restoration
6	Roaring Fork Conservancy	Watershed Stream Flow Survey	36	North Fork River Improvement Association	Irrigation Diversion Reconstruction
7	San Juan Resource Conservation & Development Council	Water Quality Data Synthesis	37	Institute for Environmental Solutions	Water Quality Monitoring - Emerging Contaminants
8	Routt County Conservation District	Upper Yampa Implementation Plan	38	Fountain Creek Restoration Committee	River Restoration
9	Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project	Watershed Restoration Strategic Plan	39	Coal Creek Watershed Coalition	Water Quality Monitoring
10	Colorado Acequia Association	Sedimentation Mitigation	40	Boulder Creek Watershed Initiative	Water Quality Monitoring Project
11	Willow Creek Watershed Reclamation Committee	Stream Restoration / Flood Control	41	Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area	Sedimentation Mitigation - River Restoration
12	San Juan Resource Conservation & Development Council	Kansas City Mine Reclamation	42	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	Riparian Restoration
13	North Fork River Improvement Association	Paonia River Park	43	Coal Creek Watershed Coalition	Stormwater Management
14	Coalition for the Upper South Platte	Hayman Fire Rehabilitation	44	Coalition for the Upper South Platte	Mine Remediation Planning
15	Roaring Fork Conservancy	Watershed Stream Flow Survey	45	Friends of the River Uncompahgre	Watershed Plan
16	San Juan Resource Conservation & Development Council	Water Quality / Quantity Monitoring	46	Roaring Fork Conservancy	Watershed Plan Education & Outreach
17	North Fork River Improvement Association	Chipeta Dam Removal	47	Colorado River Water Conservation District	Water Quality Monitoring Station
18	Dolores Water Conservancy District	Watershed Plan below McPhee Reservoir	48	Tamarisk Coalition	Ecotype Specific Riparian Plant Development
19	Grand County Water Information Network	Algae Monitoring Project	49	Eagle River Watershed Council	Riparian Restoration
20	San Juan Resource Conservation & Development Council	Watershed Plan	50	Town of Vail	River Restoration
21	Lake Fork Watershed Working Group	Mining Remediation with Wetlands Treatment	51	Groundwork Denver	Riparian Re-vegetation, Community Education
22	Coalition for the Upper South Platte	River Restoration	52	Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project	Riparian Re-vegetation
23	North Fork River Improvement Association	Irrigation Diversion Reconstruction	53	Coalition for the Upper South Platte	Sedimentation Mitigation
24	Mancos Conservation District	Watershed Plan	54	Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	Invasive Species Removal, Riparian Re-vegetation
25	Boulder Creek Watershed Initiative	Community Stewardship Plan	55	Chatfield Watershed Authority	Water Quality Monitoring
26	Uncompahgre River Stewardship Alliance	Watershed Plan	56	Colorado Watershed Assembly	Macroinvertebrate Sampling
27	Roaring Fork Conservancy	Watershed Plan	57	Tomichi Creek Stakeholders Group	Riparian Vegetation Assessment
28	Friends of Bear Creek	Watershed Plan	58	Coal Creek Watershed Coalition	Sediment Analysis
29	Colorado Watershed Network	Macroinvertebrate Sampling	59	Coal Creek Watershed Coalition	Water Quality Monitoring - Slate River
30	Colorado Storm Water Council	E. Coli Assessment and Management Plan	60	Crested Butte Land Trust	Bank Stabilization and Riparian Re-vegetation
31	Boulder Creek Watershed Initiative	Water Quality Monitoring Project	61	Southwest Conservation Corps	Riparian Re-vegetation
32	Rio Grande Headwaters Land Trust	Open Space / Conservation Easement Acquisition	62	Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership	Community Outreach and Education
			63	Rio Grande Headwaters Land Trust	Conservation Opportunities, Education, & Outreach
			64	Routt County Conservation District	Upper Yampa River Watershed Plan
			65	Colorado Watershed Assembly	River Watch Macroinvertebrate Sampling



Estimated Tax Credit Carry Forward to 2013 first quarter, if any	● 31	00
Charitable Contributions enter your donation amount, if any:		
Game and Endangered Wildlife Cash Fund	● 32	00
Colorado Domestic Abuse Program Fund	● 33	00
Sexual Assault Prevention Activities Program Fund	● 34	00
Western Slope Military Veterans Cemetery Fund	● 35	00
36. Wetland Overpopulation Fund	● 36	00
37. Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund	● 37	00
38. Alzheimer's Association Fund	● 38	00
39. Military Family Relief Fund	● 39	00
40. Colorado Cancer Fund	● 40	00
41. Make-A-Wish Foundation of Colorado Fund	● 41	00
42. Colorado 2-1-1 First Call for Help Fund	● 42	00
43. Unwanted Horse Fund	● 43	00
44. Goodwill Industries Fund	● 44	00
45. Families in Action for Mental Health Fund	● 45	00
46. Colorado Multiple Sclerosis Fund	● 46	00
47. Subtotal, add lines 31 through 46	● 47	00
48. Refund , subtract line 47 from line 30 (see page 10)	● 48	00

File using Revenue Online and enter Direct Deposit information to get your refund in half the time!

Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund – Donations by Year

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Donations</u>	<u>Average</u>
2003	\$98,683	14,871	\$6.64
2004	\$96,800	14,012	\$6.91
2005	\$90,059	12,761	\$7.06
2006	\$85,711	11,971	\$7.16
2007	\$83,003	10,601	\$7.83
2008	\$80,192	10,515	\$7.63
2009	\$97,482	11,611	\$8.40
2010	\$88,585	10,424	\$8.50
2011	\$96,090	10,412	\$9.23
2012	<u>\$96,225</u>	unk	unk
	\$912,830	107,178	

Information provided by the Colorado Department of Revenue



Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund

Project Eligibility:

River Restoration and/or
Water Rights Appropriation/
Acquisition to Preserve or
Improve Natural Environment
to Mitigate Impact of an
Existing Water Facility.

Applicant Eligibility:

Operators of Water Facility for
which Mitigation is Desired

CWCB



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Thanks...See you on the River!

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The Colorado Parks & Wildlife Wetlands Program

Brian Sullivan, Coordinator

*Program Overview for the
Tamarisk Coalition Funding Webinar
January 23, 2013*

Program Goals

- Improve the status of declining or at-risk species
- Improve the distribution and abundance of ducks and opportunities for waterfowl hunting



Priority Species



- Waterfowl: Ducks (8 spp.)
- “At-Risk Species”:
Wildlife Action Plan Tier 1 species associated with wetlands/riparian areas (n=25; 12 birds, 5 fish, 3 mammals, 5 herps)

Priority “At-Risk” Species

Birds

Bald Eagle
Least Tern
S.W. Willow Flycatcher
Piping Plover
Western Snowy Plover
W. Yellow-billed Cuckoo
Long-billed Curlew
Greater Sandhill Crane
American Bittern
Short-eared Owl
Red-naped Sapsucker
Lewis’s Woodpecker

Herps

Yellow Mud Turtle
Common Garter Snake
Boreal Toad
Northern Leopard Frog
Plains Leopard Frog

Fish

Northern Redbelly Dace
Southern Redbelly Dace
Brassy Minnow
Arkansas Darter
Plains Orangethroat Darter

Mammals

Jumping Mice (both subsp.)
River Otter
Dwarf Shrew

Wetland/Riparian Restoration and Enhancement Grants



**GREAT
OUTDOORS
COLORADO**

Typical Annual Funding ~\$1 million; sources:

- GOCO (Great Outdoors Colorado lottery)
- Hunting and angling license fees, including waterfowl stamps

Next RFA (Request for Applications) potentially spring 2013



Grant Program Sideboards

- Restoration, enhancement, and creation projects only (separate RFP for protection)
- Project planning and design costs are eligible
- Monitoring/evaluation allowed as match only
- \$100K maximum award per individual project
- Block grants allowed (≥ 2 projects; up to \$200K)
- No matching funds required except for non-CPW public lands (minimum 1:1)
- Up to 3-year window for project completion
- Quarterly and final reports required

Project Types/Practices:

- Shallow water impoundments
- Slough clearing/dredging
- Sandbar clearing
- Tamarisk/Russian olive/cattail/weed control
- Revegetation
- Erosion/bank/gully stabilization
- Fencing
- Buffers
- Others...



Thank You!



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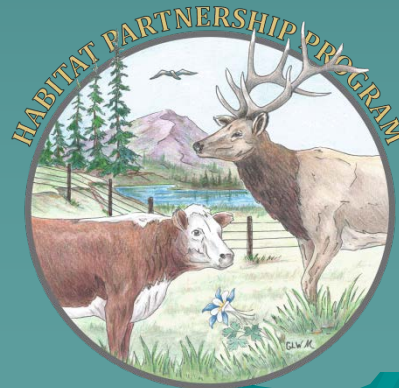
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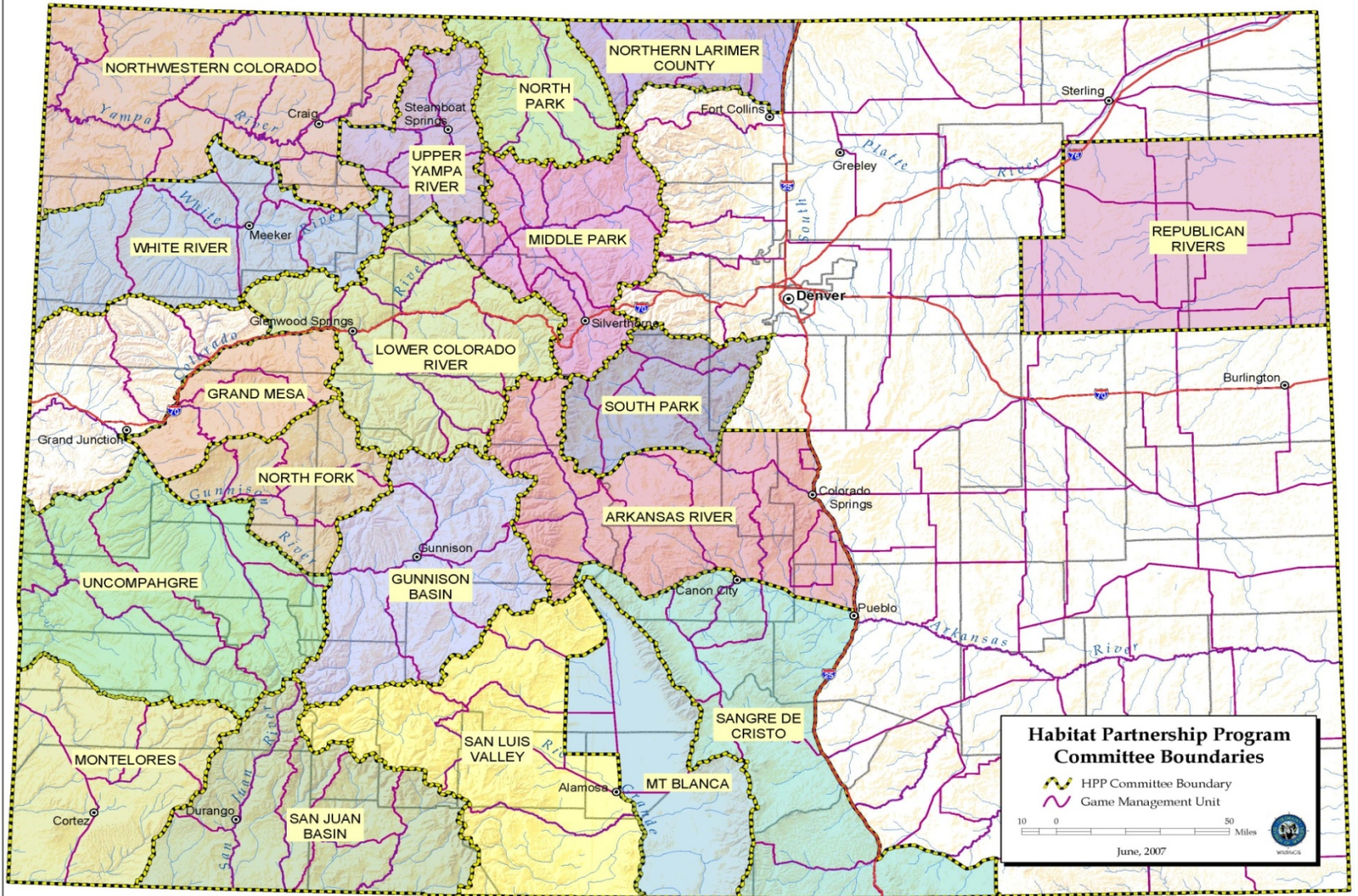
Web Resources (Land & Water Pages):

- Strategic Plan
- Funding RFAs (when available)
- Annual grant awards summary
- Regulatory info.
- FAC contacts
- Project accomplishment reports
- Waterfowl stamp info.

HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

"Local Solutions to Local Problems"





Annually, the HPP program receives 5% of deer, elk, pronghorn, moose license fees from those areas that have local HPP committees. (\$2+ Million) – BUT we also depend on partners to leverage money and increase accomplishments



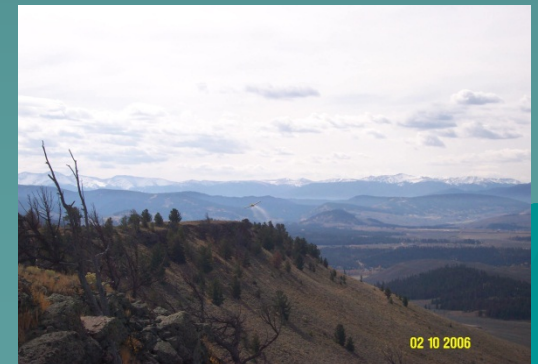
HPP Project Information

- ◆ HPP is intended to assist private landowners with big game conflicts (e.g. management of invasive species).
- ◆ Projects can be undertaken wherever they would effectively address the problem and reduce or resolve conflicts - on private or public property.
- ◆ Projects emphasize partnerships and leveraging of money.
- ◆ Projects look to both short term fixes and long term solutions.

How to do a Project

- ◆ Contact your local DWM, agency colleague or a committee member
- ◆ Contact your local CPW office for HPP meeting information
- ◆ Attend a HPP meeting in your area
- ◆ Talk with people who have done a project before.
- ◆ Fill out a project proposal and present it to your local committee - On CPW website
- ◆ <http://wildlife.state.co.us/landwater/private/landprogram/hpp>

Habitat Project Examples





<http://wildlife.state.co.us/landwater/privatelandprogram>



Forest Restoration Grant Program

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Forest Stewardship Coordinator
January 23, 2013

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For Funding Opportunities...

Visit <http://csfs.colostate.edu/pages/funding.html>

Contact your local CSFS forester

<http://csfs.colostate.edu/pages/your-local-forester.html>



Purpose of the Program

- Demonstrate community-based approach of forest restoration

Collaboration!





History

- HB-1130
- SB-071
- HB-1199
- HB-1032



Accomplishments

Legislation	Projects Awarded	Funds Granted	Funds Leveraged	Counties Engaged	Acres Treated
HB07-1130	12	\$977,345	\$1,355,004	11	3115
SB08-071	28	\$1,800,000	\$3,500,000	13	6000
HB09-1199 R1	17	\$970,000	\$2,000,000	13	1500
HB09-1199 R2	12	\$1,132,825	\$1,188,629	12	1482

Anticipate HB09-1199 R3 (17 projects): Awarded \$815,365;
Leverage \$853,442; 1205 acres



Criteria

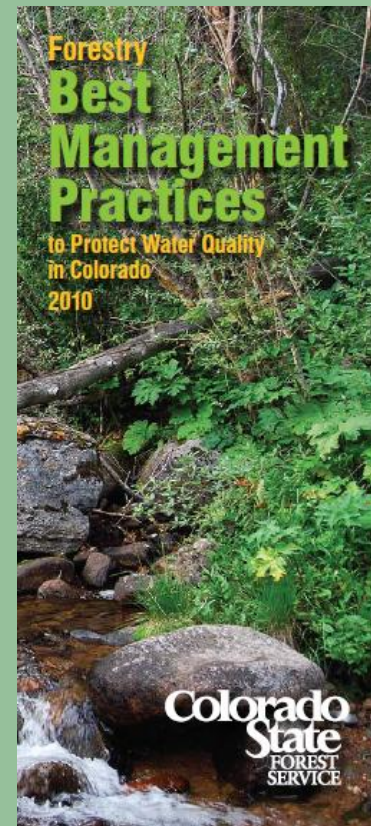
- Basic eligibility
 - 60/40
 - Location
 - CWPP
 - Supported by Forest Action Plan
- Colorado Youth Corps
- Water Resource Protection
 - Multiple objectives
- Be specific!





Thinking Ahead

- Project Area-think big
- Partners-collaboration is key
- Rally interest and get commitment
- Sources of contribution
- Don't forget BMPs
- Think from outside your shoes





Highlight - Coalition for the Upper South Platte

- Awarded funds from HB1130 and SB071
 - Teller and Park counties
 - ~1600 acres treated
 - ~43,000 Volunteer hours
- Activities
 - Fuel mitigation
 - 7600 seedlings planted to reduce erosion and improve water quality
 - 40 cords of firewood was donated to Teller County residents who needed fuel for heating
 - 50 logs sold to a local saw mill, and revenues for log sales was donated to the non-profit group Help the Needy





Highlight – Buffalo Creek Ranch

- Awarded funds from HB1199 Round One
 - Jackson County
 - 157 acres
 - Cross-boundary
- Activities
 - Wood utilization
 - Mountain pine beetle response/fire mitigation





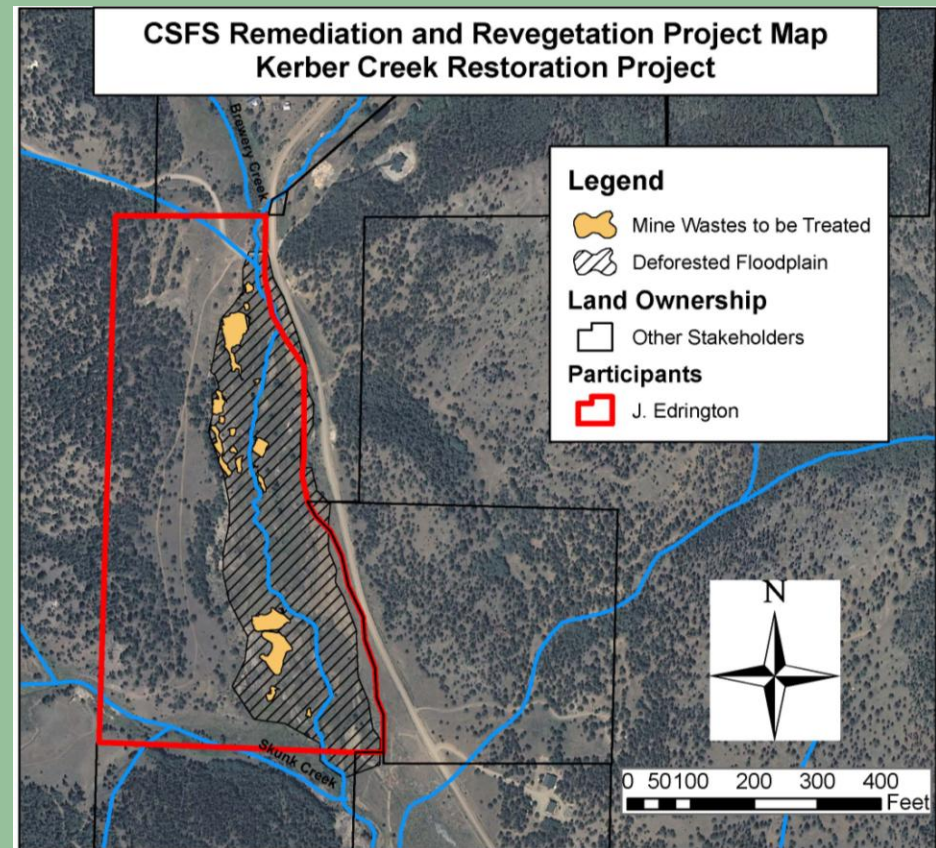
Highlight – Tamarisk Coalition

- Awarded funds from HB1199
 - Mesa County
 - 89 acres completed, 86 acres, 65 acres
 - Youth Corps
- Activities
 - Tamarisk and Russian olive eradication
 - Native grass seeding
 - Willow planting



Highlight – Kerber Creek

- Awarded funds from HB1199 Round Two
 - Saguache County
 - Over 2 acres riparian restoration
- Activities
 - Stream stabilization and reshaping
 - Native seedling planting





Applying for a Grant

- Request for Proposal released **January 9**
- Prepare and submit proposal (approx 4-6 weeks) **February 27**
- District review first-initial screening (1-2 weeks)
- State office screening (approx 2 weeks)
- Advisory panel review (approx 4 weeks)
- Advisory panel discussion (1 day)
- Recommendations to the State Forester
- Notifications
 - Scope of Work
 - Funding amount/matching expectations
 - Deadlines

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Applying for a Grant

- Triple check all fields are complete
- Boxes checked
- Narratives:
 - Character limits:
 - Be brief yet thorough
 - Use all available space
 - Did you answer the question in the correct field?
- Check the math
- Ask Questions



Questions, Comments, Concerns....



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Supplemental Environmental Projects



A Brief Introduction to SEPs





What is a SEP?



Four main criteria:

- Project implemented voluntarily as a result of an enforcement action;
- Project that produces environmental or public health benefit;
- Beyond what is required for compliance;
- Compliance with the Department's SEP Policy.





SEP Eligibility



Must be either:

- Regulated Entity in an Enforcement Action
- Governmental Entity (including special districts)
- 501 (c) 3 Nonprofit Organization



SEP Categories



- 1) Pollution Prevention
- 2) Pollution Reduction
- 3) Environmental Restoration and Protection
- 4) Environmental Assessments (EMS or P2 Audit)
- 5) Environmental Education & Training
- 6) Public Health



Environmental Restoration and Protection



- Reduction in discharges of pollutants;
- Restoration of a wetland;
- Development of a conservation program or protection of habitat critical to the well-being of a species or ecosystem;
- Purchase and management of a area as an open space buffer zone to protect sensitive species or water quality; and
- Conservation easements.



2012 SEP Stats



- **Total SEP Allocations**





2012 SEP Stats



- **Total SEP Allocations**

\$2.25 Million





2012 SEP Stats



- **Total SEP Allocations**
\$2.25 Million
- **Number of Projects**





2012 SEP Stats



- **Total SEP Allocations**

\$2.25 Million

- **Number of Projects**

28





2012 SEP Stats



- **Total SEP Allocations**
\$2.25 Million
- **Number of Projects**
28
- **Average Amount of Funding per Project**
-
-



2012 SEP Stats



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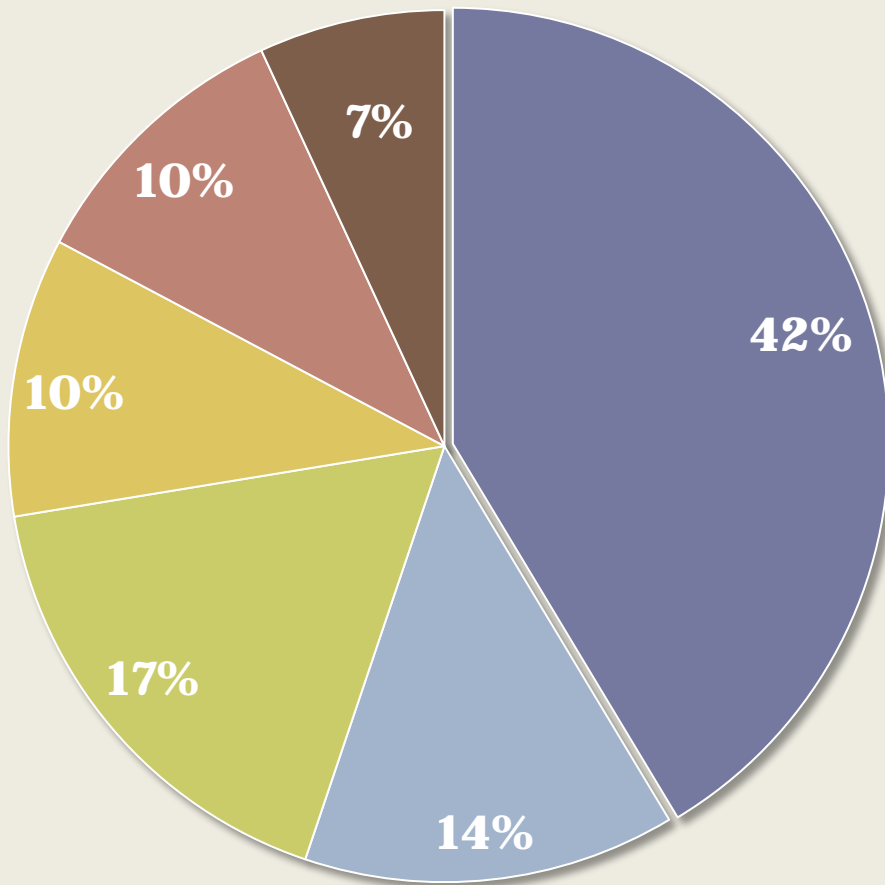
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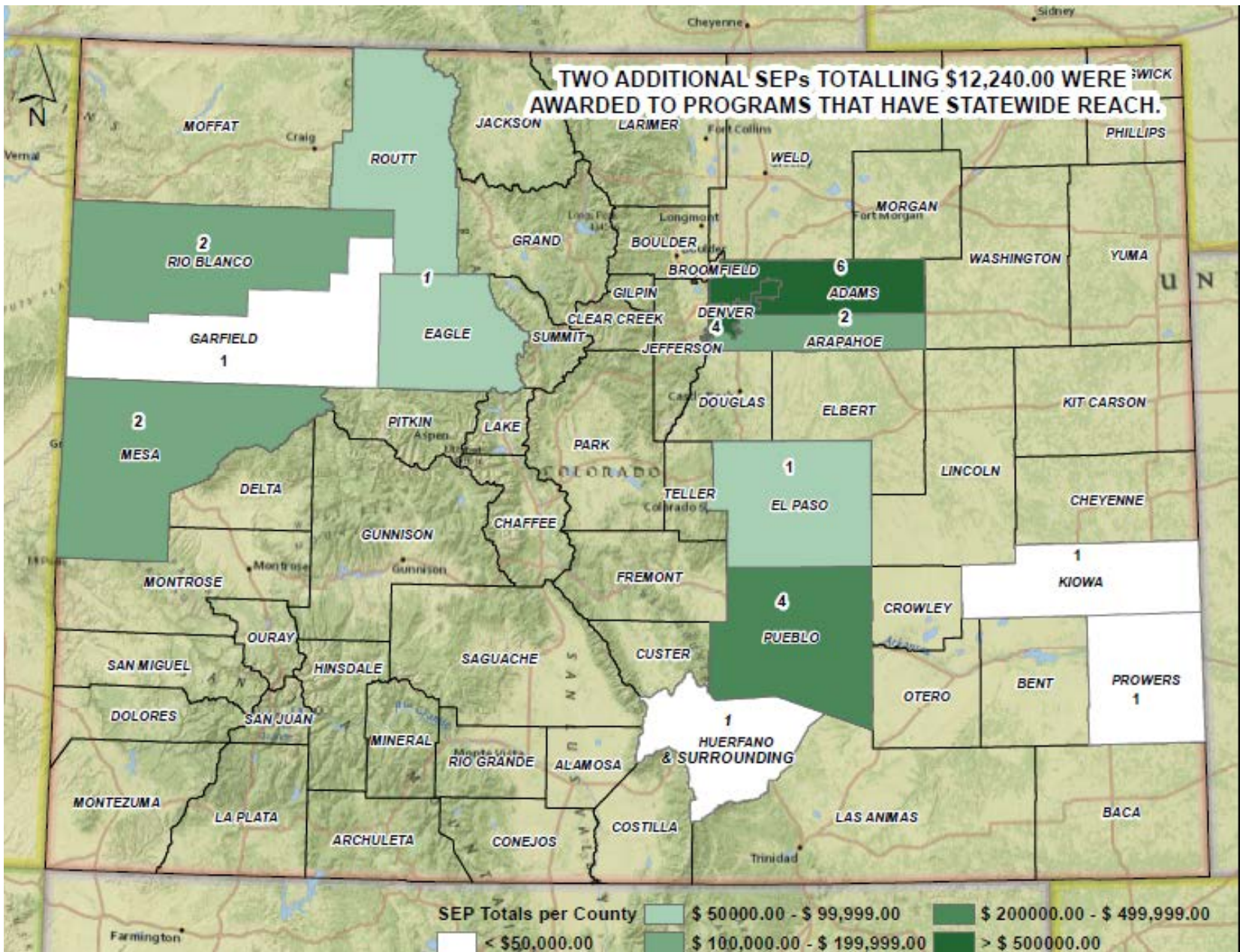


2012 Project Categories



- Pollution Prevention
- Public Health
- Environmental Education and Training
- Environmental Restoration and Protection
- Other (Monitoring, Emergency Preparedness)
- Pollution Reduction

TWO ADDITIONAL SEPs TOTALLING \$12,240.00 WERE AWARDED TO PROGRAMS THAT HAVE STATEWIDE REACH.



2012 Colorado SEPs



We Want Your SEP Ideas!

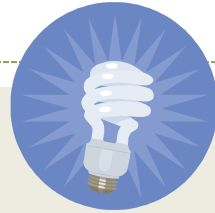


Download the **SEP Idea Form** from the Department's SEP Website: <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/oeis/sep/>

The idea form is intended to be a **conceptual** description of the project. Itemized and detailed budgets are not required. If an SEP match is found, the SEP Coordinator will contact you and additional time will be provided to add necessary project details based on the amount of available SEP funds.



Tips for filling out an Idea Form



- Provide quantitative metrics and outcomes whenever possible.
- Think about other project benefits as well: jobs, educational opportunities, etc.
- Don't assume your audience understands the importance of your work!
- Explain any leveraging possibilities.



Questions?



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COLORADO RIVER DISTRICT GRANT PROGRAM: *Financial Assistance for Water Supply Projects*



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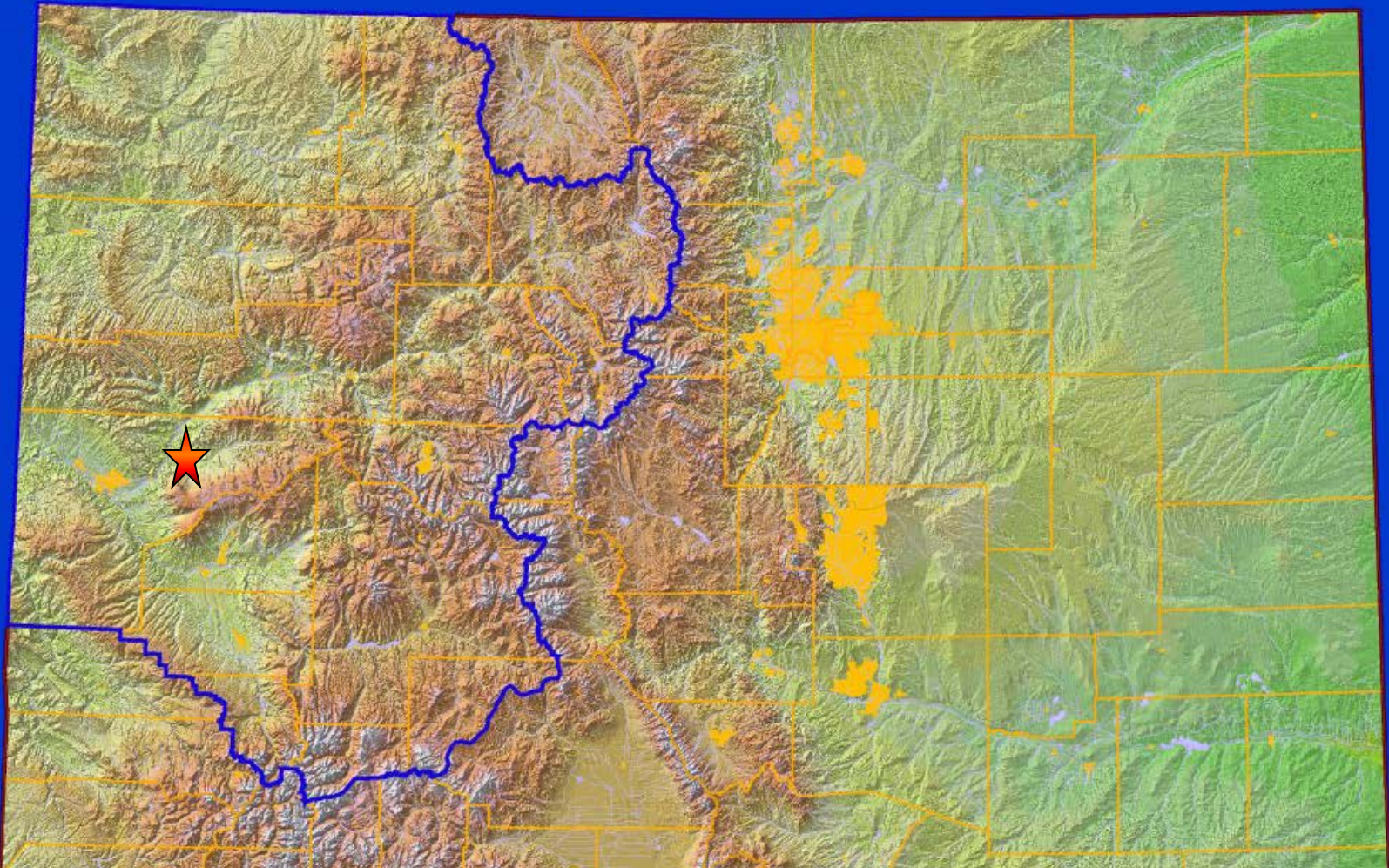
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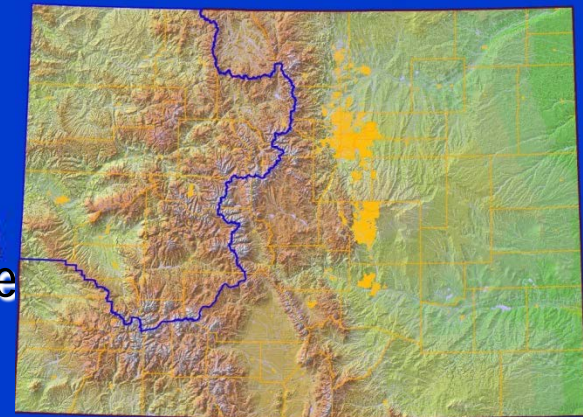
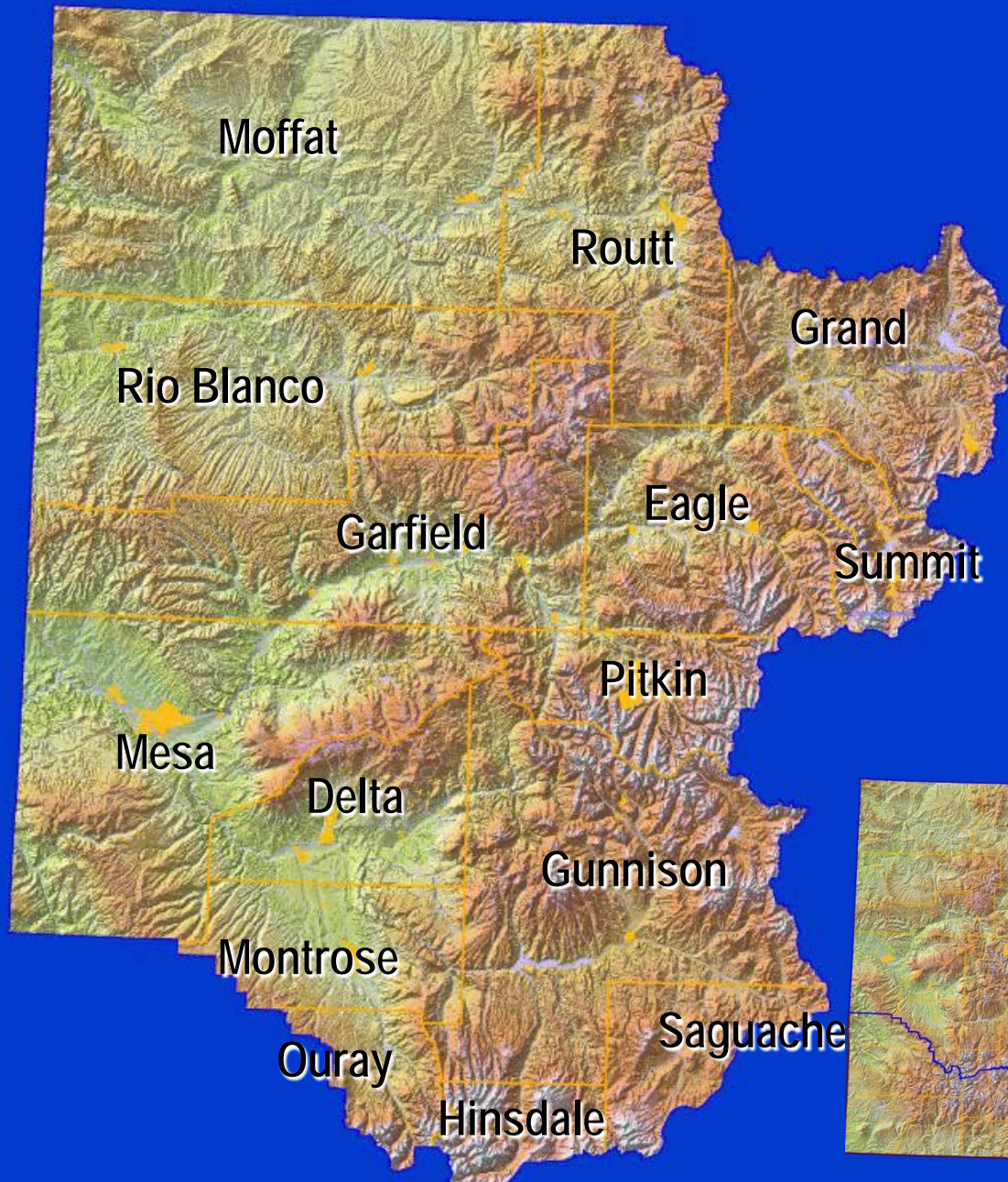


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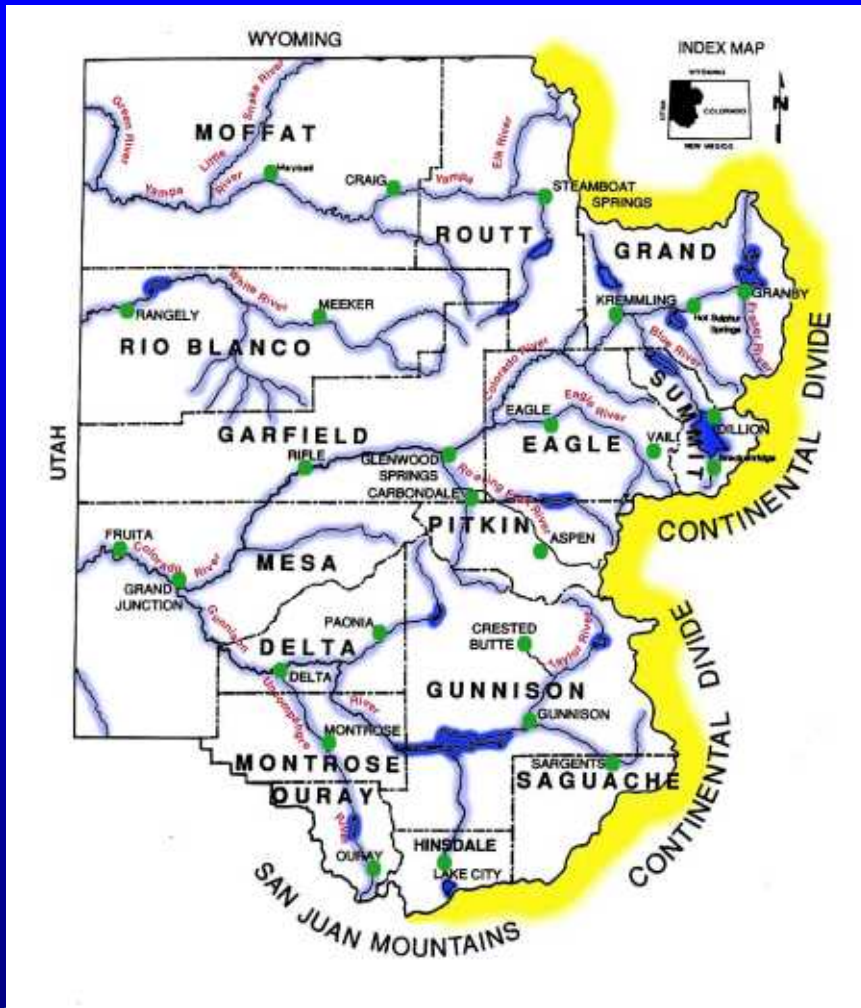


Colorado River District Mission:

To lead in the protection, conservation, use and development of the water resources of the Colorado River basin for the welfare of the District, and to safeguard for Colorado all waters of the Colorado River to which the state is entitled.



Minding the source for over 75 years: Colorado River Water Conservation District



1937 state statute

15 northwestern counties

28% of Colorado

**board director from each
county**

**mill levy & water activity
enterprise**

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\$ Free Money \$ (1 of 2)

The River District's Annual Grant Program

- **Established in 1998, now a unified cost-share program for large/small projects**
- **Up to \$150,000 per project**
- **Support for up to approximately 25% of total project costs**
- **\$250,000 total annually appropriated**
- **Application period open 2 months (Dec 1- Jan 31), final funding decisions April**
- **Eight primary water supply objectives**

\$ Free Money \$ (2 of 2)

The River District's Grant Program Supports:

- **developing new water supplies**
- **improving existing water supply projects**
- **improving water use efficiency**
- **improving water quality**
- **improving sediment control**
- **undertaking a watershed action**
- **implementing tamarisk control**
- **protecting pre-1922 Colorado River compact water rights**

See ColoradoRiverDistrict.org for details



Water Supply Project Grant Program Application

Project Title:		[Redacted]						
Project Sponsor:		[Redacted]						
Contact Name:		[Redacted]		[Redacted]				
		<i>Last</i>		<i>First</i>				
Address:		[Redacted]			[Redacted]			
		<i>Street Address</i>			<i>Apartment/Unit #</i>			
[Redacted]		[Redacted]		[Redacted]		[Redacted]		
		<i>City</i>		<i>State</i>	<i>ZIP Code</i>			
Phone:	[Redacted]	Fax:	[Redacted]	E-mail Address:	[Redacted]			
Name & Title of Person Authorized to Execute Contract (if different than above):		[Redacted]						
Estimated Start Date:	[Redacted]	Estimated Completion Date:	[Redacted]					
Requested Grant Amount:	\$ [Redacted]	Match Amount (All Sources):	\$ [Redacted]					
Total Project Cost:	\$ [Redacted]	County(ies) of Project Location [Redacted]						
Basin: (Mark One)	Gunnison	[Redacted]	Colorado	[Redacted]	White	[Redacted]	Yampa	[Redacted]
Project Summary: (Attach additional pages if necessary)								



Evaluation Process (2 of 2)

Grant applicants ranked by:

Appropriateness: Is the project consistent with River District mission and does it fully meet the goals of grant program (i.e., water resource development and/or protection)?

Project Description: Is the project clearly defined and described?

Budget: Is the description and documentation of project costs clear, accurate and comprehensive?

Funding: Is there a high likelihood of full funding from all proposed sources? Has other funding been acquired and/or assured? Are funding sources diverse and/or secure?

Milestones & Timelines: Is project timeline described and documented in a clear, appropriate and well-organized fashion? Is there a clear path for completion within a year, or within the proposed timeframe, as appropriate?

Evaluation Process (2 of 2)

Grant applicants ranked by:

Technical Adequacy: Is there a high objective probability of technical success? Is there a high likelihood that the project will perform as designed?

Project Effectiveness: Is there a high likelihood that project objectives will be met? Will the project be effective and efficient?

Sponsor's Capability: Does the project sponsor have the ability and track record to perform this type of project?

Cost Effectiveness: Does cost-benefit or total cost divided by total benefit represent a good investment - (e.g., low cost per acre-foot)?

Participation: Are there multiple participants and/or number of beneficiaries? Priority is given to projects that involve or benefit a number of individuals, entities and/or River District constituents

Other: Are there intangible benefits to the project?



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Xcel Energy Environmental Focus Area Grants

*Shanda Vangas, Manager Corporate Giving
January 23, 2013*

Xcel Energy

Xcel Energy is a U.S. investor-owned electricity and natural gas holding company with regulated operations in eight Midwestern and Western states. We provide a comprehensive portfolio of energy-related products and services through four wholly owned utility subsidiaries. Public Service Company of Colorado serves 1.37 million electricity and 1.31 million natural gas customers in Colorado.

Xcel Energy Foundation

- The mission of the Xcel Energy Foundation is to use our collective knowledge, resources and skills to meet the needs of our communities and ensure that Xcel Energy's service area is a highly desirable place for all people to live, work or own a business.
- We support 501(c)(3) organizations that improve science, technology, economic and math education; improve and enhance the natural environment; help people achieve economic self-sufficiency; and that provide access to arts and culture.

Environmental Focus Area Grants

We believe that a healthy environment is essential to thriving communities. Through our Environmental grant investments, we strive to build partnerships that enhance the environment and foster an ethic of stewardship, conservation and preservation.

Grant Guidelines/Types of Projects

Environmental Education

- Nonprofit programs that provide K-12 students with environmental education experiences and curriculum that support academic content standards.
- Nonprofit Programs that provide training, resources and support to enhance the quality and effectiveness of environmental educators.

Grant Guidelines/Types of Projects

Environmental Stewardship

- ***Habitat and Park Projects:*** Partnership efforts between nonprofit entities and Xcel Energy that preserve, restore, conserve and improve wildlife habitat, open lands, wet lands, parks, trail systems or recreational areas.
- ***Special Projects/Partnerships:*** Projects that improve the environment through neighborhood beautification or cleanup efforts and that provide volunteer opportunities for Xcel Energy employees and retirees.
- ***Environmental Awareness:*** Interactive exhibits and displays at museums and other public facilities that build awareness for natural resource conservation.

Eligibility & Restrictions

- Applicant organization must be a 501(c)3 organization
- Project must be within Xcel Energy service territory
- Government entities, K-12 schools and individuals are not eligible
- Research, capital projects and endowments are not eligible
- Collaborative projects involving multiple nonprofits, public and private sector organizations are encouraged

Evaluation Criteria

- Agency Capacity
- Program Design
- Quantifiable Impact & Past Results
- Opportunities for Xcel Energy Employee Engagement
- Financial Position/Sustainability

Application Process

- Our deadlines for 2013 are not finalized. Environmental partners will likely be able to apply between March 11 and April 5th.
- Current partners will be directed to the online application system. New applicants will need to have a conversation with Shanda to discuss eligibility.
- Grants range from \$5,000 to \$25,000 depending on scope of the project, other funders, and quantifiable impact.

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https://www.xcelenergy.com/About_Us/Community/Foundation_Grants

