



WHITE RIVER PARTNERSHIP

Partnership Meeting Thursday, November 2, 2023 12:00-1:30



Agenda

Objectives:

- Provide updates on project accomplishments
- Discuss upcoming projects and collaborative restoration opportunities
- Outline next steps for WRP and how WRP partners can support your goals

12:00 Welcome and introductions

12:10 WRP background

12:15 Project and Partner Updates

12:15 White River Management Plan (David Graf, USFWS)

12:30 Yampatika Youth Water Education Program (Halie Cunningham, Yampatika)

12:35 The Nature Conservancy (Jennifer Wellman, TNC)

12:40 Restoration Projects in Colorado (John Leary, REW)

12:50 Restoration Projects in Utah (Jake Deslauriers, Utah Conservation Corps)

1:00 Process-Based Restoration Workshop (Deirdre Macnab, White River Alliance)

1:05 Other updates

1:10 Next steps for White River Partnership

- What is working well?
- What can be improved?
- Opportunities for projects and collaborations
- Other thoughts

1:30 Adjourn



WRP Background

Mission: The WRP is committed to restoring and maintaining healthy riparian areas along the White River in northwest Colorado and northeast Utah through collaboration among public, private, and non-profit entities.

- Coordinate efforts to improve riparian health
- Supporting ecological, management, and socioeconomic goals
- Improve communication and collaboration across land management and land ownership boundaries
 - Identify opportunities to leverage funding and share resources and expertise
 - Provide a forum for project planning and collaboration



RiversEdge West

- Non-profit based in Grand Junction
- Role in WRP
 - Coordinate the White River Partnership
 - Facilitate meetings and communication
 - Track restoration progress (site locations, monitoring data, treatment and revegetation locations) at the watershed scale
 - Also a partner in the WRP
 - Manage restoration projects and communication
 - Project planning and fundraising
 - Outreach and education





"West of Rangely" Before and After







"West of Rangely" Seedballs





Private lands-willow bundles



Before (above) and after (right) photos of the willow planting area. The photo on the right was taken in August 2023 and shows the growth of the willow bundles planted in October 2022, in red box.





Yellow Creek











Upcoming projects-Big Trujillo area - BLM and private land





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White River Partnership

- Any other partner updates?
- Comments/Questions?
- What is working well? What could we do more of?
- Meeting schedule
- Other thoughts

Thanks to presenters and thank you all for coming!



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