Avian Habitat Project Development Strategies Meeting  
Date: August 25th, 2016  
Time: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm; lunch provided  
Location: Monument Community Room - Central Library, 443 N 6th Street, Grand Junction & Horsethief State Wildlife Area

Purpose: With input from Desert Rivers Collaborative partners and local and regional subject matter experts, develop a system to identify, frame, and prioritize projects in terms of existing grant programs for migratory bird habitat restoration.

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Morning Session (Monument Community Room, Central Library): 9 am – 12 pm

- Introduction & Overview of Meeting Goals
  - Review Goals, Objectives, and Indicators for DRC Focus Area
    - Shannon Hatch - TC 9 am
  - Significant Bird-Specific Funding Sources
    - Introduce North American Wetland Conservation Act (NAWCA)
      - Matt Reddy – DU 9.15 am
    - CPW Wetlands for Wildlife Program
      - Brian Sullivan – CPW 9.30 am
- Wetland-dependent Wildlife Habitat Conservation in the DRC Focus Area
  - Waterfowl Life Cycle Needs and Habitats
    - Jim Gammonley – CPW 9.45 am
  - Non-Waterfowl Avian Life Cycle Needs and Habitats
    - Jason Beason – BCR 10.15 am
  - Identify Successful Wetland Habitat Conservation Elements
    - Physical & Ecological Characteristics
      - Brian Sullivan – CPW 10.45 am
    - Administrative & Financial Characteristics
      - Bill Noonan – USFWS 11.05 am
  - Tools and Resources for Habitat Conservation Project Managers
    - Project Development Technical Resources
      - Matt Reddy – DU 11.25 am
    - Project Funding Technical Resources
      - Matt Reddy – DU 11.25 am
- Working Lunch Case Study – Rio Chamita Small NAWCA grant
  - Marty Moses – BCR 11.45 am

Lunch, carpool to Horsethief SWA
12.30 pm

Afternoon Session (Horsethief State Wildlife Area): 1 pm – 3 pm

- Project Case Study: Horsethief SWA Shallow-water Wetlands
  - Shallow-water Wetlands – Project Brief
    - Matt Reddy – DU 1.15 pm
  - Shallow-water Wetlands – Project Operations & Management
    - Ivan Archer – CPW 1.30 pm
    - Melissa Werkmeister – BOR
- Group Discussions:
  - Challenges & Strategies for Wetland Projects in the DRC focus area
  - Future Training and Workshop Needs
    - Group 2 pm
    - Group 2.30 pm