

Inflow Newsletter



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Happy
Holidays!

Announcements

CFWE seeks stories for upcoming Headwaters magazine on "the grassroots"

The Colorado Foundation for Water Education will focus its Summer 2010 edition of Headwaters magazine on the work of grassroots watershed groups in Colorado. CFWE is seeking stories focused on the successes, challenges and history of watershed groups and citizen action in the state. If you have an idea for a relevant story, please submit it to Nicole Seltzer at nseltzer@cfwe.org by Friday, January 29. Groups whose stories are selected will receive up to 100 copies of Headwaters to distribute to their stakeholders.

Opportunity to Log Your Sightings of Wildlife at a New Website

Log your sightings of wildlife (alive or roadkilled) on I-70 between Golden and Glenwood Springs at a new website, www.I-70WildlifeWatch.org, launched by the Colorado Wildlife on the Move coalition. It's easy – simply use the interactive mapping tool to identify what you saw and where.

EPA FR Notice for Public Input and Listening Sessions for Stormwater Rulemaking

EPA would like to announce its plans to open a public input period and hold listening sessions to inform a rulemaking to strengthen national stormwater regulations by establishing a program to reduce stormwater discharges from new development and redevelopment and making other regulatory improvements. EPA is issuing a second FR Notice this week which requests input from the public on preliminary considerations for modifying and/or supplementing EPA's stormwater regulations. In addition, the notice provides the opportunity for the public to voluntarily provide information on current stormwater control practices that retain stormwater on-site including design, performance, operation and maintenance, cost, and benefit information. The FR Notice, registration information, and information about the listening sessions are posted to the following website: (www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/rulemaking). The listening session for Colorado will be held at the EPA Region 8 Office, 1595 Wynkoop Street, Denver, CO 80202-1129 on January 25, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you have questions about the Notice and/or the rulemaking, please contact Holly Galavotti at galavotti.holly@epa.gov or (202) 564-1489.

Conferences & Events

Calendar of Events

For a comprehensive calendar of events, please visit the Assembly's [website](#).

New Events

January 27-29, 2010: Updated Forms for the Colorado Water Congress Annual Convention in Denver

This premier event draws more than 500 attendees from across Colorado, including legislators, representatives of state and federal agencies, leading water attorneys, water resource managers, engineers, scientists and a broad spectrum of water users. All share concerns about the legislation, management, protection and preservation of Colorado's water. Visit <http://www.cowatercongress.org/AnnualConvention/index.aspx> for more details. For the updated program visit [ColoradoWaterCongressCOASSOC_52_2010 Annual Convention Program](#). To access the updated registration form, visit [Annual Convention Registration Form.pdf](#).

Upcoming Events

January 12-13, 2010: Tamarisk Symposium at the Two Rivers Convention Center in Grand Junction

For complete details on the Symposium and to register, visit <http://www.colostate.edu/Depts/CoopExt/TRA/2010Tamarisk.shtml>.

January 14, 2010: Panel Discussion: "Defining Sustainability: People, Planet and Profit"

The event will be from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at 1505 University Ave., Room 140, Boulder. Panelists include Kai Abelkis, Boulder Community Hospital sustainability coordinator; Dave Newport, director of the CU

Roundtable Meetings

[Rio Grande basin roundtable - 1/12](#)

[South Platte basin roundtable - 1/12](#)

[Arkansas basin roundtable - 1/13](#)

[Southwest basin roundtable - 1/13](#)

[North Platte basin roundtable - 1/19](#)

[Yampa/White basin roundtable - 1/20](#)

[Colorado basin roundtable - 1/25](#)

[Metro roundtable - 2/4](#)

[IBCC Meeting - 3/5](#)

IBCC Homepage:

<http://ibcc.state.co.us/>

Flows

Big Thompson River in Loveland: [32 cfs](#)

Clear Creek near Georgetown: [Seasonal Operation](#)

Cache La Poudre River in Fort Collins: [40 cfs](#)

Cherry Creek in Denver: [19 cfs](#)

South Platte above Cheesman Lake: [Seasonal Operation](#)

Arkansas River at Parkdale: [Seasonal Operation](#)

Colorado River below Glenwood Springs: [1,270 cfs](#)

Colorado River near the Stateline: [2,570 cfs](#)

Gunnison River below Gunnison Tunnel: [824 cfs](#)

North Fork of the Gunnison below Paonia: [Seasonal Operation](#)

Dolores River Near Slickrock: [Ice](#)

Yampa River below Craig: [Ice](#)

Animas River in Durango: [172 cfs](#)

Environmental Center; Lauren Coyne, co-owner and education and outreach manager of Namaste Solar; and Cindy Carillo, founder and former CEO of Work Options Group. Geoffrey Rubinstein, director of the sustainable practices program, hosts the event, which is free and open to the public. Please RSVP to sustainable@colorado.edu. For more information, click [here](#).

January 16, 2010 from 1:00-4:30: Saguache Energy Workshop

This event is **free** and will be held at the Saguache Community Building. Attend the workshop to learn what energy efficient and renewable programs are available and how to access them. Visit [saguache.pdf](#) for more information.

February 25-28, 2010: 15th Water Conservation/Xeriscape Conference and Expo in Albuquerque

To see the agenda, speaker information, and other information, please visit xeriscapenm.com. To register, click [here](#).

April 16-18, 2010: Colorado Alliance for Environmental Education's Teaching Outside the Box Conference in Denver

Teaching Outside the Box is an action-packed workshop that brings together the best in environmental education for a weekend of engaging presentations, networking, resource sharing, and more. This conference is for Teachers, Interpreters, Environmental Educators, Youth Group Leaders, Naturalists, and anyone who appreciates and wants to learn about environmental education. The deadline to apply to be a presenter is Dec 21st. Visit their website at <http://www.caee.org/development/conference> for complete details.

May 16-21: Tamarisk Coalition 2010 Trip

Join the Tamarisk Coalition and O.A.R.S. on the river trip of a lifetime through Utah's stunning Cataract Canyon in the spring of 2010! For complete details, visit [Tamarisk Coalition 2010 Trip Flier.pdf](#). For questions, please contact Tamarisk Coalition Education Intern: Sarahlee Lawrence at sarahlee.lawrence@gmail.com, or (541) 279-0841.

May 21-24, 2010: River Network's 2010 River Rally in Snowbird, UT

For all the information you need including workshops and presenters, logistics, and registration, visit <http://www.rivernet.org/programs/national-river-rally>.



Funding Opportunities List:

The Colorado Watershed Assembly has compiled a list of governmental and non-governmental funding sources for restoration projects and organizational capacity building. The list can be found on our [website](#).

Pilot program to provide technical assistance to Clean Water SRF programs in states to identify opportunities to support location efficient investments

There are two opportunities to apply for this opportunity, the first deadline is January 6, 2010, a second deadline will be sometime in March 2010. The pilot program will provide technical assistance to 2 - 4 states and/or associated financing authorities who want to modify their existing Clean Water program. Currently, the technical assistance program applies only to the Clean Water SRF programs to ensure their state water infrastructure investments are used to promote location-efficient investments. The aim of EPA's offer of technical assistance is to promote more widespread adoption of practices that encourage states to reinvest in their existing infrastructure systems. Please see [SRF Pilot.doc](#) for more information. For questions, contact Dennis O'Connor at occonnor.dennis@epa.gov or 202-343-9213.

Support for Youth Environmental Projects Worldwide

[Captain Planet Foundation](#)

The mission of the Captain Planet Foundation is to support hands-on environmental projects for youth throughout the world. The Foundation is interested in funding innovative programs that empower children and youth to work towards solving environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. All funded projects must involve young people ages 6-18 (elementary through high school). Nonprofit organizations and public schools worldwide are eligible to apply for grants of \$250 to \$2,500. Applications are reviewed quarterly; **the upcoming deadline is December 31, 2009**. Online application guidelines are available on the Foundation's website. Visit the link above.

Grants Expand Aquatic Education Programs for Youth

[Recreational Boating & Fishing Foundation: National Youth Fishing & Boating Initiative](#)

The mission of the Recreational Boating & Fishing Foundation is to implement a national outreach strategy that will increase participation in recreational angling and boating. The Foundation's National Youth Fishing & Boating Initiative is offering grants to youth-focused boating, fishing, and conservation organizations for aquatic education programs with the potential for national scope that introduce children and their families to boating and fishing. Priority is given to programs that target minorities and underserved communities. The application **deadline is January 4, 2010**. Visit the link above to review the grant guidelines and submit an online application.

Colorado River District expands grant program for water supply projects in 2010

Beginning December 1, 2009, the Colorado River District will be accepting grant applications for projects that protect, enhance or develop water resources in their 15-county area within the Colorado River Basin; this includes all tributary watershed areas in Colorado, except the San Juan River basin. The application **deadline is Jan. 29, 2010**. For the complete details, visit http://www.crwcd.org/page_193.

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation: Five-Star Restoration Matching Grants Program

This program supports community-based wetland, riparian, and coastal habitat restoration projects

throughout the United States. Grants ranging from \$10,000 to \$40,000 are provided to projects that build diverse partnerships and foster natural resource stewardship through education, outreach, and training activities. Partnerships should include at least five organizations (nonprofit organizations, government agencies, educational institutions, businesses, etc.) that contribute to project success through funding, land, workforce support, technical support, and/or other in-kind services. Projects that can leverage the amount of funds requested with significant cash or in-kind contributions from project partners are given priority. The application deadline is **February 11, 2010**. For full details, click [here](#).

EPA Five-Star Restoration Program

This program provides modest financial assistance on a competitive basis to support community-based wetland, riparian, and coastal habitat restoration projects that build diverse partnerships and foster local natural resource stewardship through education, outreach and training activities. Proposals for Five Star Restoration Grants are due in **mid-February** each year. For eligibility and application instructions, visit <http://www.epa.gov/wetlands/restore/5star/>.

EPA seeks applications for Environmental Community Grants

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is making \$2 million available in 2010 to reduce pollution at the local level through the Community Action for a Renewed Environment (CARE) program. CARE is a community-based program that works with county and local governments, tribes, non-profit organizations and universities to help the public understand and reduce toxic risks from numerous sources. Applications for the CARE grants are due **March 9, 2010**. EPA will conduct three Webcasts to answer questions from prospective applicants about the application process on Feb. 2, 23, and 26 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. More information about the grants: <http://www.epa.gov/care/>. If you have questions, you may contact Dennis O'Connor at occonnor.dennis@epa.gov or 202-343-9213.



For a comprehensive list of trainings visit the Assembly's [website](#).

Water Course Coming in January!

The Mesa County Water Association invites community leaders and interested citizens to attend a 3-evening "Water 101" course. The Water Course, held from 6-9pm on **Tues 1/19, Wed 1/27, and Tues 2/2**, will provide an introduction to water law, water quality and the challenges of balancing competing water demands. Qualifies for CLE credits. Special attention will be given to water issues in the Grand Valley, including how Grand Valley water rights relate to Denver and California rights; who is responsible for irrigation water after it leaves a canal; and how our local drinking water is protected and treated. Course program and registration form are available at <http://www.mesacountywater.org> or by calling Hannah Holm at 683-1133.

January 5, 2010 at 11:00 AM: EPA Watershed Academy Webcast: "National Lakes Assessment: Reporting on the Condition of the Nation's Lakes"

Join them for a webcast to learn about the first-ever assessment of the condition of the nation's lakes. This draft report, the National Lakes Assessment: A Collaborative Survey of the Nation's Lakes, is available for public review and comment at: www.epa.gov/lakessurvey. Webcast participants are eligible to receive a certificate for their attendance. The webcast presentations are posted in advance at www.epa.gov/watershedwebcasts and participants are encouraged to download them prior to the webcast. To register, visit epa.gov/watershedwebcasts.

January 12, 2010 at 1 p.m. (eastern): Free Nonprofit 911 Teleconference: How to Thank Your Donors So They'll Come Back and Give More

Amidst the hub-bub of annual reports, strategic planning and grantseeking calendar development, your focus as a fundraiser is out in front of you to the year ahead. But as your attention shifts from this year to the next, are you maintaining and building your relationships with donors as well as you could be? Are you saying exactly what your supporters need to hear such that they'll become repeat donors? Join Network for Good's Katya Andresen and Care2's Jocelyn Harmon as they delve into effective donor cultivation and ideas for effective messaging. To register, visit <http://web.networkforgood.org/np911011210>.

January 14, 2009: Denver Nonprofit Leadership Series: Building a strong and healthy board of directors - Denver

If you are looking for ways to jump start your board and make it more effective, this session is not to be missed. For complete details and to register, visit http://cfnp.org/Denver_Nonprofit_Leadership_Series_02.aspx.

Creating Time: A Practical Guide to Grants Development

The number one reason people give for not applying for a particular grant is that they don't have the time. And it's probably true. This 90-minute webinar is full of practical advice that can help participants organize their approach to grantseeking by teaching them how to create the time to do the job and do it well. Cynthia Adams, CEO of GrantStation, will cover everything from big picture thinking and how it can drive grantseeking efforts to how to use volunteers effectively. The webinar will be held **Thursday, January 14, 2010**. Visit the link listed above to register.

January 20, 2010 from 1 p.m. ET-2:30 p.m. ET: Webinar: Stay Ahead of the Eight Ball in 2010

What do donors say about your organization? Your reputation, both online and off, drives your contributions. Join GuideStar for this **free** webinar on polishing your image in 2010. Hear from the trifecta of experts in the fields of online marketing, branding, and sustainable fundraising. To register, click [here](#).

Job Announcements

Middle Park Land Trust Seeks an Executive Director

Join this 15 year old conservation organization if you are an experienced leader with proven fundraising, marketing and complex transactional skills and you are passionate about the outdoors! Qualifications include fundraising and marketing experience, excellent oral and written communication skills, successful management of complex projects, and active in outdoor pursuits. Details at www.middleparklandtrust.com. Send resume and cover letter to mandyb@middleparklandtrust.org. Review of applications will commence February 15, 2010 with an estimated start date of April 1, 2010.

Three Job Announcements for the Jefferson Conservation District in Lakewood

For the GIS Specialist (half-time, term) posting, visit [GIS_position.pdf](#). For the Forester-Conservation Programs (full-time, conditional) posting, visit [Conservation_Forester_position.pdf](#). For the Forester-Manager (full-time, term) posting, visit [Forester_Manager.pdf](#).

Western Forestry Leadership Coalition Seeks a Governmental Affairs Director

The position is based in Lakewood, CO. Applicants should submit an application by 4:30 p.m. January 22, 2010 for full consideration. For the full job posting, visit [Gov Affairs Director position.pdf](#).

The Boulder County Land Use Department is seeking a Community Wildfire Protection Planner

This is a grant funded position for 30 hours per week with funding for 18 months. For the full job posting, visit [Community Wildlife Protection Planner.pdf](#).

Jefferson County Open Space Director Position

The opening date for applications is December 31, and the application deadline is January 21, 2010 6:00 p.m. MST. For the complete posting, visit [Job Bulletin.pdf](#).

News That Can't Wait

The Colorado Watershed Assembly does not take a stand on any water or watershed issue expressed in its newsletter. The Colorado Watershed Assembly advocates for consensus, cooperation, compromise, and collaboration between all stakeholders involved in watershed issues. Our information network is designed and intended to educate and engage citizen stakeholders in watershed issues across the state and not to advocate for a specific issue. If you would like the Colorado Watershed Assembly to distribute watershed news or an event, please send the information to cwa@coloradowater.org.

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