

Inflow Newsletter



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Announcements

2010 Instream Flow Recommendations and ISF Workshop

CWCB staff is now accepting new instream flow recommendations through February 28, 2010 for potential incorporation into Colorado's Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program. All recommendations will be posted on the CWCB's website. Note that previously submitted recommendations that have been postponed for various reasons do not need to be resubmitted. Staff will continue to process these recommendations and address issues with the recommending entities and stakeholders. For more information on the new appropriation process, please visit: <http://cwcb.state.co.us/StreamAndLake/NewAppropriations/>. The CWCB staff will not hold an ISF workshop this year. Based upon preliminary discussions with the major recommending entities, it appears that there will be few new recommendations for discussion at a workshop. However, public outreach efforts will continue as staff processes the recommendations that it receives. Staff will discuss all new recommendations with the Board at its March 2010 meeting. If you are interested in more information regarding new instream flow and natural lake level recommendations, please contact Jeff Baessler at 303-866-3441 x3202 or Robert Viehl at x3237.

Announcement for Public Comment on the List of NPS Proposals

The Administrative Action of the Commission will be on March 9th (approval of the 319 funding list). The full list of all proposals can be found [here](#). The recommended list for funding will be presented on the 9th, after the review.

New Purchasing Options for Nonprofit Organizations

[Non-Profit Purchasing Group](#)

Every nonprofit organization needs basic office supplies and business services. But is your nonprofit getting the deepest discounts available? The Non-Profit Purchasing Group (NPPG) just launched their website, which provides a one-stop discounted shopping experience for nonprofits across the nation. Members receive easy and discounted access to supplies and services from all types of business vendors.

Visit www.nonprofitpurchasinggroup.org to review NPPG's vendor commitments and to learn more about NPPG membership benefits, including free one-year memberships to *GrantStation*, a \$599 value. To take advantage of this special opportunity for NPPG members, enter offer code "GrantStation" by January 30, 2010.

WQCC January 2010 Notice Distribution

For the Water Quality Control Commission's list of hearing notices posted in January, 2010, visit [1001NoticeDistribEmail.doc](#).

Advertising opportunities in Headwaters magazine

The Colorado Foundation for Water Education will accept a limited number of paid advertisements in Headwaters magazine. To limit the impact to educational content, CFWE is limiting advertisements to two pages per issue. The next issue, on the Yampa, White and Green basins, will be out in late January. If you would like to reserve advertising space in this issue, they need a commitment by January 15. For information on circulation, rates and ad specifications, visit [MediaKit2010.pdf](#).

Fort Collins Utilities and Natural Resources' 2010 Residential Environmental Program Series

For a complete listing of upcoming events, visit [2010 reps.pdf](#).

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.

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

Roundtable Meetings

[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:
[Ice](#)

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

Cache La Poudre River in Fort Collins: [48 cfs](#)

Cherry Creek in Denver: [38 cfs](#)

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

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

Colorado River below Glenwood Springs: [1,120 cfs](#)

Colorado River near the Stateline: [2,420 cfs](#)

Gunnison River below Gunnison Tunnel: [818 cfs](#)

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

Dolores River Near Slickrock: [Ice](#)

Yampa River below Craig: [Ice](#)

Animas River in Durango: [148 cfs](#)

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 26, 2010: AWRA Colorado meeting: Using water age dating and VOC's to predict vulnerability to groundwater contamination in the Eagle River Valley

Mike Rupert will talk about the vulnerability of groundwater to VOC contamination. The meeting will occur at Denver Water - 3rd Floor Board Room, and lunch will be at 12:00, with the program at 12:30. PLEASE RSVP if you plan to attend and please specify whether or not you will be eating the buffet lunch. All lunch orders must be in by 12pm Friday. You may brown bag it or a buffet lunch will be provided by Denver Water catering service for a cost of \$10.00 payable at the door. Please contact the Colorado Section at: awracosection@bbawater.com or Kim Albright at Denver Water at: (303-628-6516) with reservations not later than NOON on FRIDAY, January 22nd, 2010.

February 10, 2010: Nonconsumptive Needs Assessment Meeting

The meeting will be from 10am - 3pm at the Silverthorne Pavilion, 400 Blue River Pkway, Silverthorne, CO. For the meeting details, visit [Nonconsumptive Needs Assessment Update](#).

February 10-12, 2010: Ditch and Reservoir Company Alliance's Annual Convention, "Agricultural Water - Reinventing Strategies for a New World" in Durango

For the complete agenda and registration details, visit <http://www.darca.org/2010DARCAConventionProgram&Registration.pdf>. For more information and to register online, visit <http://www.darca.org/content/view/160/81/>.

Upcoming Events

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 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.

January 25-29, 2010: Western Slope Rural Philanthropy Days Kick-Off Training Event

The training series will help assess your needs in: Governance, Planning, Transparency and Accountability, Fundraising, Financial Management, Human Resources, Evaluation, Advocacy, and Strategic Alliances. This session is being offered at five locations:

Jan. 25 - Telluride Academy, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Jan. 26 - Montrose Library, 2:00 - 5:00 pm

Jan. 27 - Hotchkiss Memorial Hall, 9:00 am - Noon

Jan. 28 - Palisade Community Center, 9:00 am - Noon

Jan. 29 - Gunnison Aspinall-Wilson Center, 9:00 am - Noon

The sessions are free, but space is limited. Please call 970-497-2826 to reserve your spot. For additional info. contact Brian Krill at 970-349-2830 or brian.krill@peakeducationconsulting.com.

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](#).

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.rivernetwork.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](#).

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.

EPA Requests Grant Applications to Fight Climate Change

EPA announced it is making up to \$5 million in grants available to U.S. and international organizations to fund innovative, international methane reduction and use projects that cut global climate pollution. Non-profit or government organizations in any country may apply for grant funding, but projects should take place in the following Methane to Markets Partner countries: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Georgia, India, Kazakhstan, Republic of Korea, Mexico, Mongolia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Russia, Thailand, Ukraine, and Vietnam. Proposals are due by April 15, 2010, at 1:00 p.m. EST. EPA estimates that awards would be made at the end of 2010. More grant information: <http://www.epa.gov/methanetomarkets/grants.htm>.

Colorado Watershed Restoration Program Grant Cycle

The Watershed Restoration Program objective is to provide planning, engineering, and construction services for watershed/stream restoration studies and projects. The Program also provides support for flood mitigation. Special consideration is reserved for planning and project efforts that integrate multi-objectives in restoration and flood mitigation. This may include projects and studies designed to restore stream channels, provide habitat for aquatic and terrestrial species, restore riparian areas, reduce erosion, reduce flood hazards, and increase the capacity to utilize water. For guidance and application instructions, visit <http://cwcb.state.co.us/WatershedProtectionFloodMitigation/Watershed/>.



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 14, 2010: Webinar: Introduction to Fundraising Planning at 3:00 p.m. (Eastern)

If your organization has never developed a fundraising plan or calendar, this session is for you. You'll learn how to conduct an assets inventory, develop a case statement, identify potential funding partners, and prepare a fundraising plan and calendar. For more details and to register, click [here](#).

January 14, 2010: 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://cfnps.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 15, 2010: E – Philanthropy: Strategies and Tactics that Drive Results

This event will take place at the Denver Public Library at 10 West 14th Avenue Parkway, Denver, CO 80204 from 11:30-12:45. In this information-packed program, they'll discuss marketing objectives, show how those translate into online strategies, and determine what specific tactics can help you drive results. You'll walk away full of ideas, specific tactics and approaches that your organization can use right away. Please register by noon on January 12, 2010. For more information and to register, visit <http://www.afpcc.org/events.html>.

January 19, 2010: Webinar: Proposal Budgeting Basics at 2:00 p.m. (Eastern)

This free webinar is geared towards the novice grantseeker. Prior attendance at the free Proposal Writing Basics webinar is recommended but not a prerequisite. For more details and to register, click [here](#).

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](#).

January 21, 2010: Webinar: How to Approach a Foundation at 2:00 p.m. (Eastern)

This webinar from the Foundation Center covers strategies for effective communications with grantmakers, taking you through initial contact to what happens after you receive funding. For more details and to register, click [here](#).

The Development Plan - The Foundation of Success

Is your organization stuck in the special event mode? Does your board refuse to accept its fundraising responsibility? If so, this webinar is for you. In this session, Linda Lysakowski, an award-winning philanthropic consultant, will discuss the reasons a development plan can help ensure success in your fundraising efforts; how to involve your organization's leadership, both staff and volunteers, in the process; how to ensure that the plan will be implemented; and how to evaluate success. The webinar will be held **Thursday, January 28, 2010**. Visit the link listed above to register.

February 2, 2010 - 11:00 am - 1:30 pm: NonprofitNext: Five Trends that are Transforming the Future

This Colorado Nonprofit Association Luncheon will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Denver. NonprofitNext is a La Piana Consulting research initiative that explores five key trends that will fundamentally reshape the nonprofit sector. Learn what they are, what they mean for you, and what you must do now to prepare your organization for the future. We'll find out why transformation is not optional; if we do not move at the speed of change, we will be left behind. Visit www.ColoradoNonprofits.org/LeadershipLuncheon to learn more and to register.



Colorado Water Conservation Board Vacancy - Physical Science Researcher Scientist V

The application deadline is January 22, 2010. For complete job details, click [here](#).

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 char.heins@gmail.com. Review of applications will commence February 15, 2010 with an estimated start date of April 1, 2010.

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](#).

Job opportunity in the Teton Valley

Friends of the Teton River is hiring for a Streamflow Restoration Director. For a detailed job description, visit [FTR Flow Restoration Job Description](#).



Progress Report from the Colorado Water Conservation Board

CWCB's role in the basin roundtable process is to support the on-going implementation of the Colorado Water for the 21st Century Act. In this capacity CWCB provides technical assistance to the Basin Roundtables and the IBCC in their development of basin-wide water needs assessments and evaluation of strategies for meeting Colorado's future water supply needs. For the November/December progress report summarizing progress to date, visit [December 2009 Progress Report](#). Progress is summarized on a task-by-task basis, and a schedule related to each task. For the schedule that relates to each task, visit [Schedule.pdf](#).

Implementing the Clean Water Act in the Intermountain West report

River Network has just posted Phase 1 of their Clean Water West project report -- "Implementing the Clean Water Act in the Intermountain West: an Overview." In this report they identified critical state Clean Water Act program areas and picked indicators under each area. The indicators are designed to provide a snapshot of threats and opportunities in the states -- not to "grade" the state. This report will be released in three phases. Each phase will be released as a compilation or collection of white papers and provided on the River Network website. In the end, all three phases will be combined into one report. Find it at: <http://www.rivernet.org/cwwpolicyanalysis>. If you have feedback, reality checks or outright corrections, contact Merritt Frey at mfrey@rivernet.org.

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