



Agenda | August 19, 2021 4:00 PM

Redstone Inn

82 Redstone Blvd

Redstone, CO 81623

Time	Administrative Items
4:00 PM	Board Comment Public Comment Additions /Deletions to Agenda Approval of Minutes – June 17, 2021
4:15 PM 4:45 PM	Outreach/Education/Grants Roaring Fork Conservancy – Education Center Grant Update – Megan Dean Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund – Casey Davenhill Discussion on advancing the CO Healthy Rivers Fund
5:15 PM	Open Discussion
5:30 PM	Adjourn

Upcoming 2021 Regular Meetings: Sept 16, Oct 21, Nov 18, Dec 16

Agenda items are subject to change – Times are approximate and are also subject to change

HEALTHY RIVERS AND STREAMS CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD
Regular Meeting
June 17, 2021
Via zoom

River Board members present: Bill Jochems, Chris Wheatley, Wendy Huber, Chris Lemons, Chuck Ogilby

River Board members absent: Andre Wille, Lisa Tasker

Attendees in addition to presenters: Lisa MacDonald, Laura Makar, Matt Annabel

Board Comment – None

Public Comment – None

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda – None

Approval of Minutes May 20, 2021

Ms. Huber moved to approve the minutes with the noted correction. Mr. Jochems seconded the motion. The motion passed 4/0.

Chairman Lemons joined the meeting at approximately 4:15 pm.

Creation of a subcommittee to present to similar counties the implementation of a healthy rivers sales tax – W

Huber – Ms. Huber discussed ways to develop a plan to encourage other counties and municipalities to create their own healthy rivers and streams fund and program. A goal of the Board and the County Commissioners.

Mr. Ogilby expressed an interest in it as well and a sub-committee of Mr. Ogilby and Ms. Huber was formed to investigate how to move forward and get in front of the local governments with the help of Mr. Annabel and Ms. MacDonald.

Riparian Zone Policy – Laura Makar

Ms. Makar presented the updated policy from discussions in March.

Chairman Lemons asked if there are opportunities to work with the Open Space and Trails department on educational signage on county properties. Staff will reach out to OST to discuss this.

Ms. Makar noted all the policies are living documents and open for amendments should the Board see a need in the future.

Mr. Wheatley moved to adopt the Riparian Zone Policy. Ms. Huber seconded the motion. The motion passed 5/0.

Executive Session

CRS 24-6-402(4)(b)

Yule Creek Mine Clean Water Act Permit Application

Chairman Lemons moved to enter into executive session for the purpose of Yule Creek Mine Clean Water Act Permit Application discussion. Ms. Huber seconded the motion. The motion passed 5/0.

Open Discussion –

Mr. Obilby asked that Mr. Chad Paulson with SGM and Kip Hamby with the Snowmass Water and Sanitation District be added to the September agenda. Staff will reach out to Mr. Paulson and schedule it.

Ms. Huber moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wheatley seconded the motion. The motion passed 5/0.

The Board adjourned at approximately 6:00 pm.

Approved:

Attest:

Chris Lemons -Chairman

Lisa MacDonald

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Organizations in Colorado Receive Grants for Watershed Improvement Actions

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Denver, Colorado, August 7, 2021 – **Colorado Watershed Assembly (CWA)** announces seven Colorado organizations will receive **Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund (CHRF)** grants for the 2020 grant cycle. These funds support on-the-ground projects that contribute to cleaner water, healthier wildlife habitat, improved recreation and vibrant local economies throughout the State of Colorado. Colorado Watershed Assembly Executive Director Casey Davenhill expressed, **"Congratulations to recipients of 2020 Healthy Rivers Fund Grants. These grants, funded by Coloradans, are awarded to local groups who are committed to working collaboratively with diverse interests in their community so we can all share the benefits of healthy streams, landscapes, and people."**

The seven recipients of the Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund award for the 2020 grant cycle are:

- **Trout Unlimited**, awarded **\$20,000** for their **Arkansas River Pueblo Tailwater** Erosion Project
- **Colorado Riverfront Foundation**, awarded **\$15,015** for their **Grand Valley River** Corridor Initiative
- **Groundwork Denver**, awarded **\$20,000** for **Lower Bear Creek Watershed** Outreach and Education
- **Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project**, awarded **\$18,000** for **Lower Conejos River** Habitat and Diversion Restoration Project
- **Animas Watershed Partnership**, awarded **\$20,000** for **Palmer Ranch** River Protection Project
- **Trout Unlimited**, awarded **\$18,327** for their **Rawley Gulch** Reclamation Project
- **Yampa Valley Sustainability Council**, awarded **\$20,000** for **Walton Creek** River Restoration

The [Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund](https://coloradowater.org) program awards annual grants through a competitive application and review process. The program was established jointly by the Colorado Water Conservation Board and the Colorado Water Quality Control Commission, in cooperation with the Colorado Watershed Assembly. The Colorado Water Conservation Board is the state executive branch agency responsible for state water policy and planning. The Colorado Water Quality Control Commission is the administrative agency responsible for developing specific state water quality policies in a manner that implements the broader policies set forth by the General Assembly in the Colorado Water Quality Control Act. The Colorado Watershed Assembly is a 501(c)(3) Colorado organization that supports collaborative efforts to protect and improve land, water, and other natural resources by providing the network to connect a diversity of interests with Colorado's watershed groups and other decision makers. To learn more about the Colorado Watershed Assembly, visit coloradowater.org.

COLORADO HEALTHY RIVERS FUND

A Colorado Program Supporting Local Restoration Projects

Background

Since the establishment of the Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund in 2003, more than 125,000 citizens have donated over \$1,550,000, funding 97 projects in Colorado for local water enhancement projects spanning the seven major river basins.

The Fund grants money to on-the-ground projects that contribute to cleaner water, healthier wildlife habitat, and improved recreation throughout our State and is administered through Colorado Water Conservation Board in association with the Water Quality Control Division and the Colorado Watershed Assembly.

Facts

- Local watershed groups use CHRF grants to leverage larger sums of money from private and government sources.
- The program is included in Tax Check-off Colorado, a voluntary contribution program for State Taxpayers.
- Projects funded by the Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund are matched with an average of \$6 for every \$1 donated.



LINKS

COLORADO WATERSHED ASSEMBLY

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**Badger Creek Restoration
Pilot Project**



**Roaring Fork Conservancy Lower
Crystal River Watershed Flow
Assessment**



**Big Thompson Watershed Coalition
Rossum-Wilson River Restoration
Community Revegetation**



**Willow Creek Watershed Inventory
Planning Project**



COLORADO HEALTHY RIVERS FUND

Map

The interactive map below is located on the Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund Webpage. To directly access the map with project details, go to [CHRF Interactive Map](#). You can also click on the map below. The interactive map shows the most recent 40 projects and locations where the Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund has awarded grants to local watershed groups. For more information on CHRF projects throughout Colorado since 2003 and the types of projects funded, please visit the CWA website Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund Page at, [Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund — Colorado Watershed Assembly](#).

Projects Funded by the Healthy Rivers Fund - A Colorado Program Supporting Local Restoration Projects

Healthy Rivers Fund & Colorado Watershed Assembly

Showcasing projects that have been completed since 2012.
To make a donation to the Healthy Rivers Fund please click [here](#)



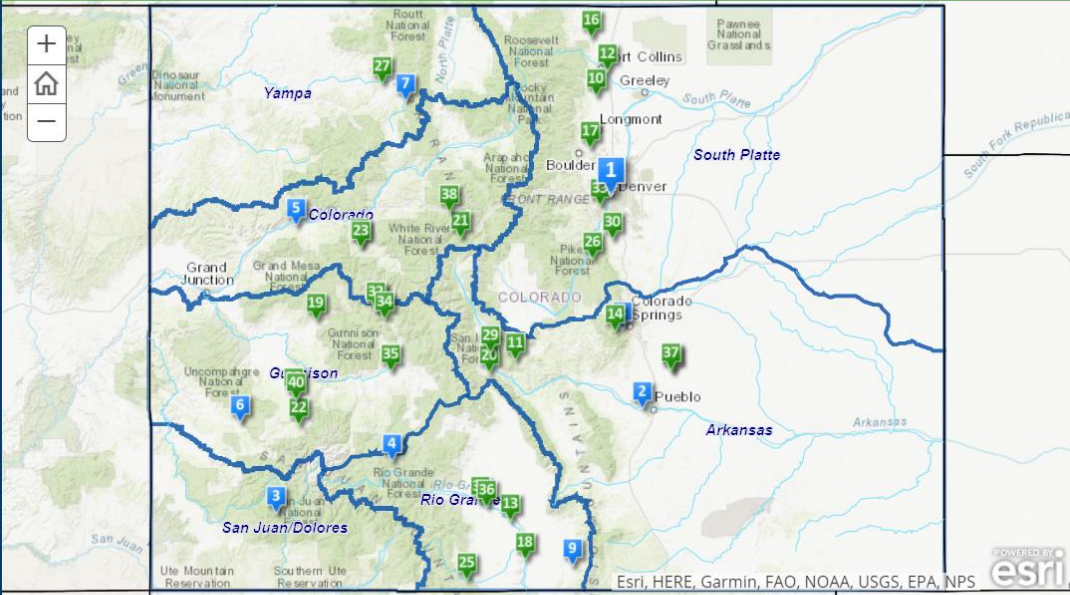


Colorado Watershed Assembly

Healthy Rivers Fund

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Since the establishment of the Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund in 2003, over 125,000 citizens have donated nearly \$1,100,000 to fund more than



Map showing 40 project locations across Colorado, marked with numbered green and blue icons. Major rivers and cities are labeled.



Healthy Rivers Fund



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