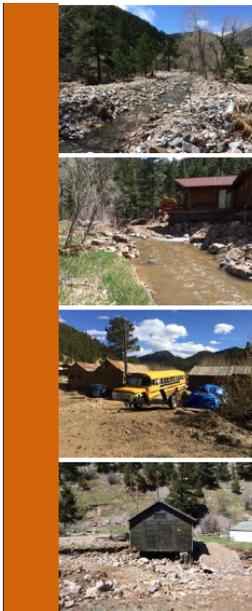


# CCCWP – The First Year



January 28, 2016



# Upper Coal Creek Watershed Restoration Master Plan

November 2014  
Jefferson and Boulder Counties



## Introduction

The Coal Creek Canyon Watershed Partnership (CCCWP) was formed following the completion of the Upper Coal Creek Watershed Master Plan. Development of the Master Plan was led by The Environmental Group and was an initial step in the post September 2013 flood recovery process for Coal Creek Canyon. The Master Plan was funded by the State of Colorado, as were other post flood watershed master plans and was intended to be a high level, broad planning document that reflected the values and concerns of the various members of the community who participated in the master planning process. The final public meeting for the master plan was held on November, 6, 2014. At the conclusion of that meeting, volunteer canyon residents were solicited to help continue to flood recovery work in the canyon.

The master plan provided a starting point for subsequent, more detailed flood recovery projects, also largely funded by the State of Colorado. The CCCWP has been the conduit for additional post flood recovery resources intended to support these property specific projects as well as staff to help implement projects.



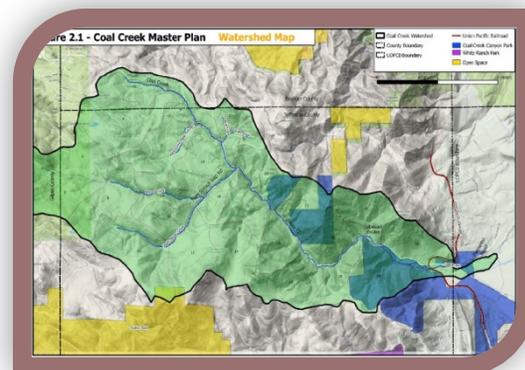
## The Year in Review

### December 2014

- Structure of CCCWP decided
- Details for Articles of Incorporation and By Laws agreed upon
- Began with 9 board members

### January 2015

- Defined Reach 8 as key area in the canyon for restoration
- Completed review of grant applications for 1) Planning grant for Reach 8; 2) Flood hazard map; and 3) a watershed coordinator and assistant position
- Explored the idea of expanding the demonstration grant received by TEG with CCCWP grant resources
- Developed a contact e-mail list



### February 2015

- Submitted the 3 grant applications
- Discussed letter of intent needed for next round of implementation grant funding
- Creation of social media outlets to help with information dissemination
- Began writing articles for the Mountain Messenger
- Outreach made to other canyon non-profit groups

### March 2015

- More CCCWP presence at canyon events
- Prepare for hiring a watershed coordinator
- Discussed importance of debris removal as a project in the canyon
- Agreed to expand TEG's demonstration project on Twin Spruce
- Notification of grant approval for the planning for Reach 8 restoration and watershed coordinator. State of Colorado to undertake flood hazard mapping for the front range as a separately funded project.

### April 2015

- Board members attended a DOLA sponsored grant compliance workshop
- Agreed on details for expanded demonstration project grant proposal
- Hosted large public meeting on the meaning of the master plan

- Discussed logistics and timing of the watershed coordinator hiring
- Reviewed and scored coordinator applications, set May interview dates
- Board member skill inventory conducted

### May 2015

- Watershed coordinator candidate selected
- Introduction to potential funding for restoration work through NRCS Emergency Watershed Restoration Program (EWP)
- Office space secured for CCCWP staff

### June 2015

- Developed a board Conflict of Interest policy
- Established a list of potential topics for future public meetings
- Approved workplan for watershed coordinator

### July 2015

- Finalized EWP priority project list
- Agreed on priority areas for debris removal
- Notified of start of the State's flood hazard mapping process
- Draft of board member job description developed

### August 2015

- Coordinator starts work
- Public forum on grant information to date
- Survey teams start work for EWP funded projects
- Began advertising for coordinator assistant position
- Developed a public engagement plan
- Finalized the Conflict of Interest policy and new board member application

### September 2015

- Coordinator Assistant hired
- New website established
- Exploration of options for replacing private culverts
- Developed proposal for a flood warning system for the canyon
- Initiated a process for working with Reach 8 property owners

## October 2015

- Submitted letters of intent for next round of grant funding for implementation projects; Reach 8, flood warning system, EWP matching funds and private crossings
- Public forum on watershed restoration grants
- Reach 8 property owner meetings begin
- Board Member Conflict of Interest Policy adopted
- EWP damage survey report teams complete field work in the canyon

## November 2015

- Public forum on floodplain regulations
- Continued work with property owners in funded and potentially funded restoration project areas

## December 2015

- Open public forum held
- New CCCWP board member welcomed
- Finalize guidelines for demonstration project implementation

## January 2016

- Contract received for demonstration project grant
- 4 implementation grant proposals submitted: 1) Reach 8 restoration work; 2) EWP match for Reach 4 & 5 restoration projects; 3) Flood warning system; and 4) Private crossing improvement support

## Grant Activity

The graph below summarizes the amount of grant funds that the CCCWP has applied for and the amount that has been awarded to date

