



CSFS volunteers had a busy spring planting trees, educating Scouts, and helping with spring clean-up at various locations. Summer was off to a good start with weeding events and Lake Appreciation Day.

### **Chipping Day at Greeley Community Center**

A productive day was spent at the Guadalupe Community Center and Shelter, a Catholic Charities shelter in Greeley, Colorado. On April 6 Volunteers helped to chip slash for continued efforts in cleaning up the property.

### **Scout Day at Ben Delatour**

On April 19 26 CSFS volunteers gave 258 hours of their time to help educate Boy and Girl Scouts about forestry. Scout Day is an annual event held at the Ben Delatour Scout Ranch in Red Feather Lakes, and includes Scout and Webelo groups from around Colorado who sign up to learn about various forestry management topics; including tree i.d., wood products, saw mill operations, and sawyer safety.

### **Foothills Campus Workday**

Russian Olive mulch from previous work done on the CSFS Seedling Tree Nursery grounds was used to help beautify the Foothills Campus on May 2. Volunteers worked alongside CSFS staff to clean up the property on a beautiful spring day.



Below: Volunteers and staff at Gates Camp near Ward, Colorado.



### **Nursery Tree Planting Days**

Volunteers helped plant trees with the nursery staff during the week of May 27. 15,000 Cottonwood and Willow cuttings were planted by nursery staff and volunteers in plots on the 132 acre property. Every year, the Nursery grows millions of tree and shrub seedlings. These will be grown out and used for conservation plantings and will likely be used in riparian restoration applications.

### **Gates Camp Chipping Day**

Gates Camp is high in the Rockies off Peak to Peak Highway in the Indian Peaks Wilderness. It is a summer camp run by the Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Denver, an organization that helps economically-disadvantaged families. Youth 8 to 13 years of age come here for week long sessions throughout the summer months. On May 31 hazard trees that were previously cut down were chipped by CSFS volunteers to create a safer and healthier environment for the camp.

### **Pingree Park Planting**

Also on May 31 trees were planted at Pingree Park,

Left: Volunteers chip slash at the Guadalupe Community Center

CSU's mountain campus 50 miles west of Fort Collins. The planting was to start restoration in the area where Mountain Pine Beetle (MPB) has killed many of the lodgepole pine at the campus.

### **Weeding at Waverly Property**

On July 10 a group of teens and young adults in the School to Work Alliance Program (SWAP) along with other CSFS volunteers helped weed around trees and shrubs that were planted for windbreaks. The Waverly property is 320 acres of land bought by CSU over 40 years ago and is North of Fort Collins. Managed by the Forest and Rangeland Stewardship dept. the land provides an outdoor classroom for students.



Above: Scout Day Volunteers and CSFS Staff

### **Lake Appreciation Day**

Volunteers travelled to Barr Lake State Park in Brighton, Colorado for Lake Appreciation Day on July 12 to help with felling and chipping of Russian Olive trees along riparian areas in and around the park. The invasive tree was cut down and chipped on this service day along with other park maintenance projects. Each year the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the North American Lake Management Society celebrate July as "Lakes Appreciation Month." Barr Lake State Park, in collaboration with CSFS and other agencies, joined the celebration to draw attention to the value and importance of Colorado's over 2,000 lakes and reservoirs.

### **Sundance Guest Ranch**

Last autumn's heavy rains brought damage to many

## **A New Invader to Colorado: EAB**



The emerald ash borer (EAB), *Agrilus planipennis*, is an exotic insect responsible for the death or decline of tens of millions of ash trees in more than 20 states and Canada. Native to Asia, the beetle most likely arrived in the U.S. in the 1990s, hidden in wood-packing materials commonly used for shipping. In Colorado, EAB was detected for the first time in September 2013 in the City of Boulder.

CSFS EAB Quick Guide:

[http://csfs.colostate.edu/pdfs/EAB\\_QuickGuide\\_UCF2014-1.pdf](http://csfs.colostate.edu/pdfs/EAB_QuickGuide_UCF2014-1.pdf)

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areas on the Front Range of Colorado. Trails in the Roosevelt National forest that the Sundance Trail Guest Ranch in Red Feather Lakes use for horse riding was one of the effected areas. CSFS volunteers joined the ranches staff on July 26 to help restore damaged areas. A productive day was spent on a warm summer day shoveling and transporting soil to build up trails so they could be used once again.

## *~Upcoming Events~*

**Russian Olive Removal at 3-Bells with Larimer County ~ Aug. 23**

**Education Day @ Barr Lake State Park  
Sept. 18**

For ongoing opportunities, and if you are interested in volunteering during the week to plant trees, weed or help grade trees at the nursery- contact [jamie.dahl@colostate.edu](mailto:jamie.dahl@colostate.edu)



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