## Watershed Wildfire Protection Group Meeting Agenda

Date & Time: Friday 8 April 2016; 0900-1500 MDT

**Location:** Colorado Parks & Wildlife Administrative Offices; Bighorn Room; 6060 Broadway;

Denver, CO

0900-0930: Welcome & Group Introductions: Brad Piehl, JW Associates &

Rich Edwards, Colorado State Forest Service

0930-1030: Legislative Updates:

Madeleine West, Policy Advisor; CO Dept. of Natural Resources

Noah Koerper, Legislative Assistant, US Senator Michael Bennet's Office

1030-1045: Break

1045-1145 Group Update: Moderator, Rich Edwards

1145-1245: Lunch; provided by WWPG – please stay and socialize if you can

1245-1300: Conservation Leadership Through Learning Program; CSU Warner College of Natural

Resources: Ch'aska Huayhuaca, PhD Student & Program Coordinator; Center for

Collaborative Conservation, Colorado State University

1300- 1345 Persistent Effects of Front Range Wildfires on Stream Water Quality: Implications for

Watershed Restoration: Dr. Chuck Rhoades, Research Biogeochemist; USDA Forest

Service Rocky Mountain Research Station

1345-1430: Investing in Natural Infrastructure for Drinking Water: Final Reporting on Lessons from

Colorado & the USA: Dr. Heidi Huber-Stearns, Postdoctoral Scholar; University of Oregon

Institute for a Sustainable Environment, Ecosystem Workforce Program

1430-1500: *Wrap-up & Adjourn* 

**WWPG Mission:** We promote healthy watersheds by facilitating education and awareness; and facilitating prioritization, implementation,

and monitoring for people and wildlife.

- Fish & Aquatics
- For the West
- Mammals
- Next Generation
- Public
- Recreationists
- Rivers & Streams

WWPG Vision: Our vision is to protect Colorado water supplies and critical infrastructure from catastrophic wildfire and other threats by

maintaining healthy, resilient watersheds through collaboration, implementation, leveraging, and education.

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3 Primary Goals: 1. Connect Implementers with Funders 2. Provide Education & Outreach 3. Maintain a Statewide Focus