

Watershed Wildfire Protection Group Meeting Agenda

Date & Time: Friday 10 March 2017; 0900-1500 MST

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 (CSFS)

0930-1030: *Legislative Updates:*
Betsy Bair, Legislative Assistant; US Senator Cory Gardner's Office (invited)
Brenda Felmlee, Field Representative; US Congressman Scott Tipton's Office
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

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

1245-1330: *Forest Resilience Bonds:* Todd Gartner, Senior Associate & Natural Infrastructure for Water Manager; World Resources Institute; Zach Knight & Nick Wobbrock, Co-founders & Managing Partners; Blue Forest Conservation

1330-1445: *Water Providers MOUs Panel; Funding & Lessons Learned:* Moderator, Brad. Carol Ekarius, Coalition for the Upper South Platte; Christina Burri, Denver Water; Eric Howell, CO Springs Utilities; Jerry Gibbens, Northern Water; & Mike McHugh, Aurora Water

1445-1500: *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