



West Plum Creek SMP Field Trip

Colorado SMP Peer Learning Network

May 24-25, 2023

Castle Rock, Colorado

Summary

Join us for a field trip along West Plum Creek! You'll get a chance to talk to local and regional experts, get your hands dirty and test out various assessments methods and techniques that will help you with your Stream Management Plan (SMP) or Integrated Water Management Plan (IWMP). Participants have the opportunity to swap stories and learn from each other for the duration of the 1.5-day event.

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to register!](#)

Anticipated Outcomes

- Explore the West Plum Creek Stream Management Plan and test out tools and approaches used in the planning process.
- Receive training on assessing two indicators of river health (aquatic biota and structural complexity) and learn about application considerations.
 - Aquatic biota: Macroinvertebrate sampling; Fishes of West Plum Creek
 - Structural complexity: Aquatic habitat assessment
- Receive training on small and large group facilitation.
- Continue to build a community of practice among SMP leaders, developing relationships and learning to collectively enhance work on SMP/IWMPs throughout the state.

Please note that space for this field trip is limited to 20 participants. Once we reach 20 registrants, the registration will close, and we will place any additional interested individuals on a wait list. If you can't access the registration link, then registration has reached capacity. Please email Chelsea Silva at csilva@rivernetwork.org to be placed on the wait list.

Agenda

Please note that details are subject to change due to weather. Our team will communicate any changes by email ahead of the field trip.

Wednesday, May 24

Sandstone Ranch parking area, GPS coordinates 39.221399, -104.959891. We will carpool from this parking area to the field site (Club Med) – there is not enough parking at Club Med so please be sure to meet at 8:15am to carpool to Club Med.

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| 8:15am | Meet at Sandstone Ranch parking area (GPS coordinates 39.221399, -104.959891) to carpool (2-minutes) up to Club Med. |
| 8:30 am | Coffee and Networking |

- 9:00 am Welcome, Introductions and Peer Learning Network
Chelsea Silva, River Network
- 9:30 am Agenda Overview
Stacy Beaugh, Strategic By Nature
- 9:35 am West Plum Creek, Its Fishes, and the Stream Management Plan
Boyd Wright and Liz Stewart Krone, Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Andy Hough, Douglas County Open Space & Natural Resources
- 10:45 am Break
- 11:00 am Macroinvertebrate Sampling Demo
Bradley Boileau, River Watch
- 1:00 pm Lunch – boxed lunches pre-ordered (Panera)
- 2:00 pm Facilitation 101 Training
Stacy Beaugh, Strategic By Nature
- 4:45 pm Wrap-Up & Evaluation
- 5:00 pm Adjourn
- 6:00 pm Dinner in Castle Rock

Thursday, May 25

Exact location to be announced closer to the field trip dates.

- 7:45 am Meet and carpool into site.
- 8:00 am Coffee and Networking
- 8:30 am Welcome and Agenda Review
- 8:40 am Aquatic Habitat Training & Mock Assessment
Kim Lennberg, Alba Watershed Consulting
- 11:30 pm Wrap-Up and Evaluation
Chelsea Silva, River Network
- 12:00 pm Adjourn