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Rio Grande Initiative, Mineral,
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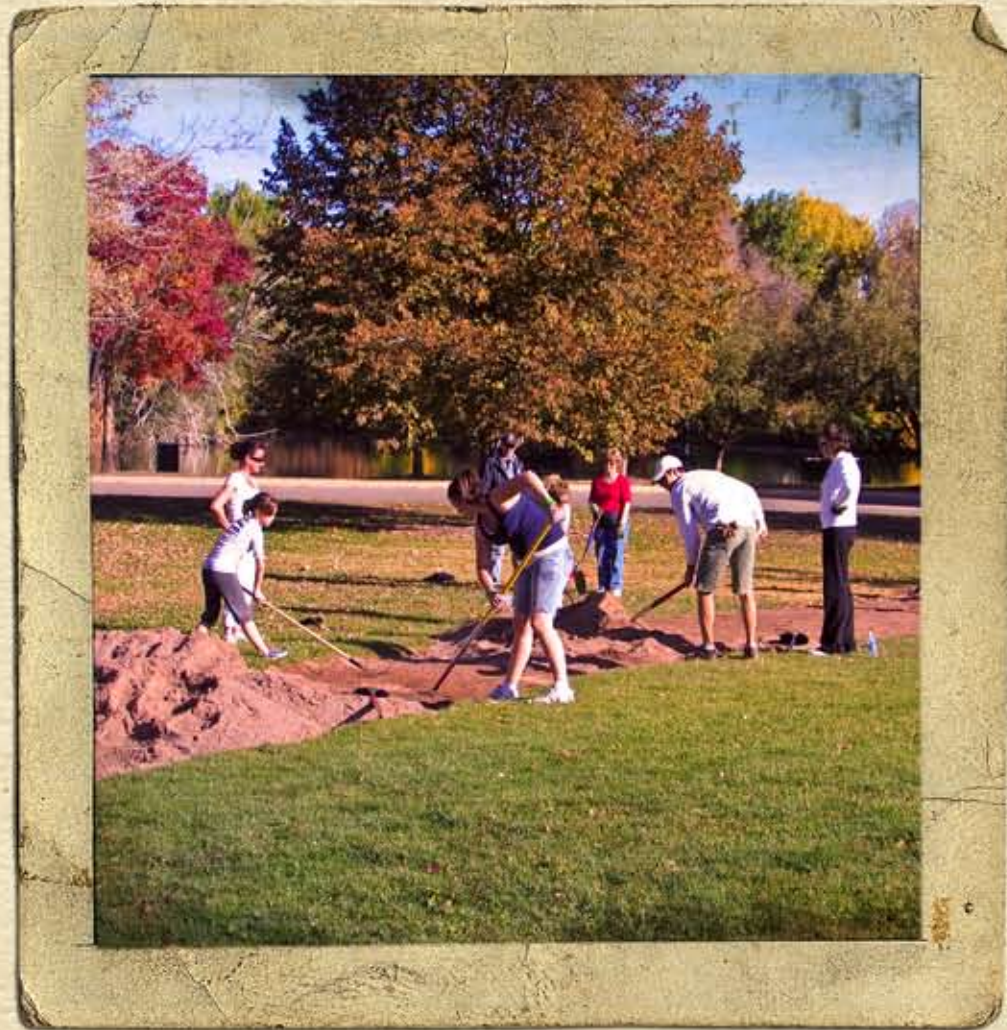
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FY2008 Annual Report

GOCO's Investment of Lottery Proceeds



GOCO GRANTS AT WORK:

City Park Mile High Loop, Denver County.
GOCO Photo.

A responsibility of the **Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Trust Fund Board** is to keep elected officials and citizens informed about how the Board is meeting its Constitutional mandate to help “preserve, protect, enhance and manage the state’s wildlife, park, river, trail and open space heritage” with Lottery dollars.

This annual report is one of the reporting mechanisms required by Article XXVII of the Colorado Constitution to keep you aware of the Board’s activities.

The GOCO Board is interested in your questions, comments, critiques and project ideas. Contact GOCO’s Executive Director Lise Aangeenbrug at 303.226.4501 or liseaa@goco.

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Background

Created in 1992 as the result of a citizens' initiative, the Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Constitutional Amendment—Article XXVII of the Colorado Constitution—redirected a portion of Lottery proceeds to the GOCO Trust Fund for projects that preserve, protect and enhance Colorado's wildlife, park, river, trail and open space heritage. The Amendment also created the GOCO Board to oversee distribution of the funds.

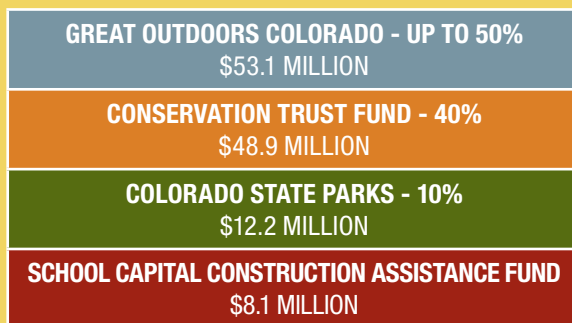
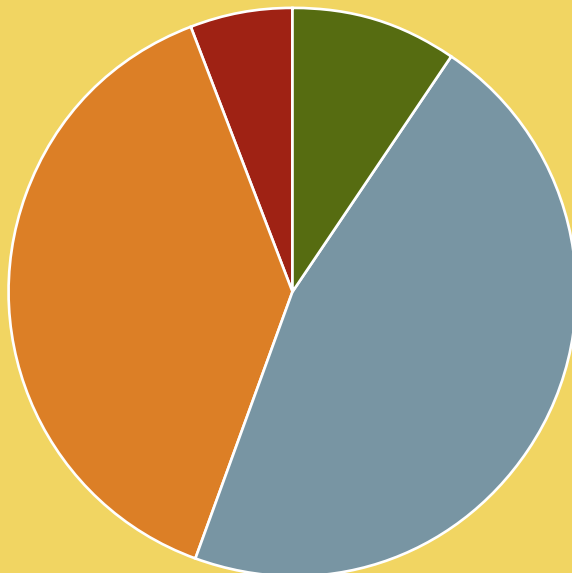
Contrary to what many people think, GOCO receives only a portion of Lottery proceeds. The Conservation Trust Fund and the Colorado Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation are allocated 50% of the proceeds. Additionally, a cap is placed on the total amount of funding GOCO receives. In Fiscal Year 2007-2008, GOCO reached its cap of \$53.1 million. Therefore, \$8.2 million was contributed to the School Capital Construction Assistance Fund, created by voters in November 2000 with the passage of the Lottery's Powerball game.

THE ALLOCATION OF LOTTERY PROCEEDS IN FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 WAS:

- 40%—or \$48.9 million— to the Conservation Trust Fund for distribution to local governments, and park and recreation districts on a per capita basis for parks, recreation and open space.
- 10%—or \$12.2 million— to the Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation for state park and outdoor recreation projects.
- 50% to the GOCO Trust Fund capped at \$35 million annually adjusted for inflation. That translated to \$53.1 million.
- \$8.1 million to the School Capital Construction Assistance Fund for facility improvements since GOCO reached its cap.

Lottery Proceeds Distributed in FY2008

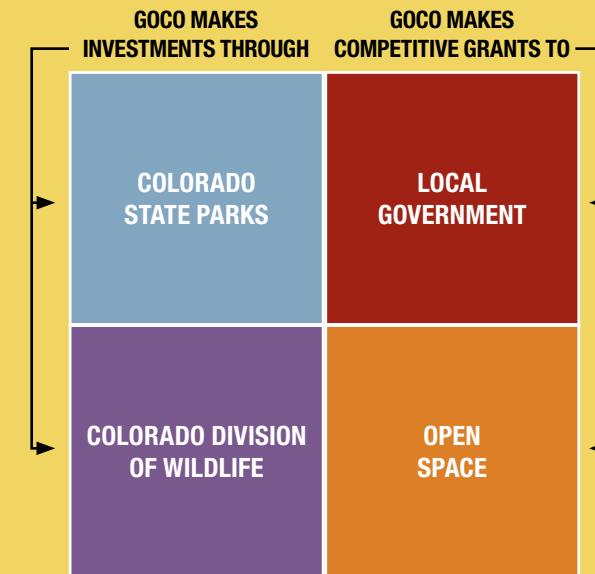
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Funding Categories

THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION REQUIRES GOCO TO ALLOCATE ITS PROCEEDS TO FOUR AREAS IN SUBSTANTIALLY EQUAL PORTIONS OVER TIME:

1. "Investments in the wildlife resources of Colorado through the Colorado Division of Wildlife, including the protection and restoration of crucial wildlife habitats, appropriate programs for maintaining Colorado's diverse wildlife heritage, wildlife watching, and educational programs about wildlife and wildlife environment."
2. "Investments in the outdoor recreation resources of Colorado through the Colorado Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, including the State Parks system, trails, public information and environmental education resources, and water for recreational facilities."
3. "Competitive grants to the Colorado Divisions of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, and Wildlife, and to counties, municipalities, or other political subdivisions of the state, or non-profit land conservation organizations, to identify, acquire, and manage open space and natural areas of statewide significance."
4. "Competitive matching grants to local governments or other entities that are eligible for distributions from the Conservation Trust Fund, to acquire, develop or manage open lands and parks."



Structure of the Board

Great Outdoors Colorado Board members are appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Colorado State Senate. The structure of the 17-member Board is designed to provide representation to all parts of the state based on population.

- Two members from each of Colorado's seven congressional districts serve.
- No two members from one congressional district can be from the same political party.
- One member of the Board must represent agricultural interests.
- Two members must live west of the Continental Divide.
- The Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Natural Resources and a representative from the Colorado Board of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, and from the Colorado Wildlife Commission are members.

Accountability

The Great Outdoors Colorado Board strives to be responsive to the needs of communities, takes seriously the enormous responsibility the citizens have given it to allocate these public funds, and works hard to be an accountable organization.

The Board:

- has adopted bylaws.
- has adopted the State Code of Ethics.
- has adopted the Colorado Open Meetings Law.
- is subject to an annual audit by the State Auditor presented to the Legislative Audit Committee.
- must provide this annual report to the Governor, Colorado General Assembly and Colorado citizens.
- ensures the Joint Budget Committee and Capital Development Committee are notified of grants to the Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation, and the Division of Wildlife.
- regularly conducts "stakeholder" meetings with citizens who represent organizations with involvement or expertise in each of GOCO's funding categories to set grant award criteria.
- has conducted four extensive public hearing processes in conjunction with formulating three strategic plans and one rule-making.
- directs staff to conduct grant writing workshops throughout the state twice a year.
- holds one-half of all Board meetings outside the Denver metro area.
- commissioned four statewide surveys to identify citizen priorities for use of Lottery proceeds and to gain a better understanding of Coloradans' preferences for open space, parks, outdoor recreation and wildlife.
- commissioned three surveys of eligible grant recipients to assess the grant process and where additional technical assistance should be provided.

GOCO GRANTS AT WORK:

Animas River Greenway, La Plata County.

Photo courtesy of City of Durango.

PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILT)

GOCO does make Payments In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) on properties purchased by the Colorado Divisions of Wildlife and Parks. GOCO's share of the payment equals the portion of the project for which it paid. For example, if GOCO paid 50% for acquisition of a parcel, it would provide 50% of the PILT payment based on the agricultural value of the property.

WHAT GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO DOES NOT DO

- The Board does not have the power to regulate. It only makes grants to willing recipients.
- The Board itself does not have the authority to acquire any interest in real property. The Board makes grants to eligible entities to acquire interest in real property.
- The Board does not have power of eminent domain. GOCO dollars cannot be used to acquire real property by condemnation.
- The Board cannot have an effect on Colorado water law. However, it can make grants to purchase water for recreational purposes or for aquatic habitat restoration or enhancement pursuant to Colorado water law.

GOCO GRANTS AT WORK:

Peak to Prairie Conservation Initiative, El Paso, Pueblo and Lincoln counties.

Photo courtesy of Colorado Open Lands.

Overview of Grants Awarded for FY2008

In Fiscal Year 2007-2008, the GOCO Board awarded \$83.7 million for 141 projects—projects that preserve land, provide new ballfields, skateparks and playgrounds, protect species, improve existing facilities at state parks and establish new state parks, and expand the state's trail system.

While the dollars GOCO awards are significant, demand continues to be greater. To maximize its resources, GOCO encourages grant recipients to form partnerships and to leverage GOCO dollars. Grant recipients have embraced these criteria, providing cash matching contributions and in-kind services far exceeding GOCO's requirements.

Project partners include local governments, state and federal agencies, land trusts, foundations, special districts, the business community, private landowners, non-profit organizations, school districts, community groups and volunteers.

Legacy Grants

Take a minute to imagine the Colorado you want your children to inherit. This is the challenge Great Outdoors Colorado poses to local governments, land trusts and state agencies through its Legacy Grant Program. Legacy Grants are of regional or statewide significance and often draw funding from more than one of GOCO's funding purposes. Multi-year efforts to which GOCO has made multi-million dollar commitments, Legacy projects preserve land and water, enhance critical wildlife habitat, create new state and local parks, construct trails and provide environmental education. Projects are marked by strong partnerships that cross political and jurisdictional boundaries, and include federal agencies, non-profit organizations, landowners and the private sector. Legacy projects are making a long-lasting contribution to the preservation of Colorado's natural heritage. Without GOCO funding, these innovative projects would take decades to achieve—if they could be achieved at all.

All entities eligible for GOCO funds can participate in the Legacy Grant Program: local governments, land trusts, Colorado State Parks and the Colorado Division of Wildlife. The program is offered periodically as GOCO's financial position allows.

IN FY 2008, GOCO AWARDED \$57.1 MILLION FOR SIX NEW LEGACY PROJECTS AND PROVIDED ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO NINE EXISTING LEGACY EFFORTS. PROJECTS FUNDED INCLUDE:

- Phase II of the San Juan Skyway Initiative, an effort to protect the 236-mile scenic byway in southwest Colorado through permanent land acquisitions and conservation easements. Sponsored by the Black Canyon Regional Land Trust, Phase II of the San Juan Skyway Initiative strives to purchase conservation easements on seven working riparian ranches totaling 1,331 acres. Each ranch easement will serve to connect previously protected lands, building upon past conservation accomplishments. To date, more than 10,000 acres have been permanently protected throughout the Skyway corridor, which runs through Ouray, Montezuma and La Plata counties.
- Peak to Prairie Conservation Initiative, a 10-year project sponsored by Colorado Open Lands to protect more than 250,000 acres encompassing 28 miles of the Fountain Creek corridor, two military reserves, working ranches and State Land Board holdings. During the first three years of the initiative, which runs through El Paso, Pueblo, Lincoln and Crowley counties, more than 70,000 acres will be permanently protected through conservation easements.
- Phase I of the Northeast Greenway Corridor Legacy Project, a multi-jurisdictional effort sponsored by Adams County to develop a world-class, urban greenway and open space network covering approximately 150 miles of trails surrounding the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge and extending from Denver to Brighton and Commerce City to Aurora. The first phase of the project focuses on completing the South Platte River Corridor—the largest and most ecologically diverse river corridor in the Greater Denver metro area—through land preservation and the creation of recreational opportunities along the corridor.
- The South Platte Greenway Legacy Project, a comprehensive effort to preserve open space, improve connectivity, conserve and restore wildlife habitat, and enhance recreational opportunities and flood control along the South Platte River corridor from Englewood to the Arapahoe County line south of Littleton. Sponsored by Arapahoe County, the project addresses the rapid development occurring in the South Platte River corridor.

GOCO GRANTS AT WORK:
San Juan Skyway Initiative, Ouray,
Montezuma and La Plata counties.
*Photo courtesy of Montezuma Land
Conservancy.*



Local Government Park, Outdoor Recreation and Environmental Education Facility Grants

Places to play, gather, compete. All communities in Colorado have varying needs for such places and GOCO funds help provide for them. Cities, counties, and park and recreation districts are eligible for GOCO grants to acquire, expand and improve local parks, outdoor recreation facilities and environmental education facilities. For some communities, GOCO funding provides an opportunity to build a first playground or ballfield. Others use GOCO assistance to complete major sports facilities. Local Government Park and Outdoor Recreation Grants and Mini-Grants (for smaller projects in communities of 5,000 people or less) are offered twice yearly.

IN FY 2008, GOCO AWARDED \$8.9 MILLION IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARK AND OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANTS FOR 54 PROJECTS IN 36 COUNTIES. THE GOCO BOARD OFFERED A GRANT CYCLE IN FY 2008 WITH LARGER DOLLAR GRANTS FOR REGIONAL RECREATION FACILITIES IN ADDITION TO REGULAR GRANTS AND MINI-GRANTS. PROJECTS FUNDED INCLUDE:

- Manassa Fairgrounds Project sponsored by Conejos County.
- Pac Man Pond Rebuild in Gunnison County sponsored by the City of Gunnison.
- Pierce Skateboard Park in Weld County sponsored by the Town of Pierce.
- Swimming Pool Project in Bent County sponsored by the City of Las Animas.
- City Park Mile High Loop sponsored by the City and County of Denver.
- Centennial Park in Garfield County sponsored by the City of Rifle.

GOCO GRANTS AT WORK:
Snow Mountain Ranch, Grand County.
Photo courtesy of The Conservation Fund.

GOCO GRANTS AT WORK:
Trinidad Skate Park, Las Animas County.
Photo courtesy of City of Trinidad.



Open Space Grants

As Colorado's population grows, so do the number of subdivision and commercial complexes. Lost amid this development are many of the state's prime agricultural lands, important wildlife habitats, buffers surrounding parks, natural areas and corridors between communities. While the Front Range and mountain valleys have experienced the greatest share of growth, few parts of Colorado are left untouched. Maintaining the state's beauty and open space in the midst of such rapid change presents an enormous challenge. GOCO funds are helping entities eligible for open space grants—local governments, land trusts, the Colorado Division of Wildlife and Colorado State Parks—address this challenge. Open Space grants are offered twice yearly.

IN FY 2008, GOCO AWARDED \$8.6 MILLION IN OPEN SPACE GRANTS FOR 18 PROJECTS THAT ARE HELPING TO PRESERVE 38,062 ACRES. PROJECTS FUNDED INCLUDE:

- Middle Bijou Creek Conservation Easement in Arapahoe and Elbert counties sponsored by The Trust for Public Land.
- Gates Ranch Conservation Easement in Eagle County sponsored by Eagle Valley Land Trust.
- Iva Mae Michigan River Ranch Conservation Easement in Jackson County sponsored by the Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust.
- Mesa County Community Separator sponsored by Mesa County.
- Cow Camp Extension sponsored by Summit County.

Wildlife Investments through the Colorado Division of Wildlife

The Division of Wildlife (DOW) manages the state's 960 wildlife species. The DOW also manages more than 230 wildlife areas for public recreation, conducts research to improve wildlife management activities, provides technical assistance to private and other public landowners concerning wildlife and habitat management, and develops programs to protect and recover threatened and endangered species. Funded largely by fees on hunting and fishing licenses, the Division spends most of its revenue managing game species. That leaves limited resources for nongame species, many of which have declined during the past 30 years due to changes in the state's landscape. GOCO dollars help the Division fund projects for nongame species and habitat protection, and provide opportunities for Coloradans to watch and learn about the state's magnificent wildlife.

IN FY 2008, GOCO INVESTED \$8.6 MILLION IN PROJECTS THROUGH THE DOW. PROJECTS FUNDED INCLUDE:

- The 2,905-acre Berryman Property in Rio Blanco County on which a conservation easement was placed protecting vital habitat for the area's Greater sage-grouse populations.
- 250 Angler Education Clinics that attracted approximately 35,000 participants.
- The Southeast Colorado Birding Trail, for which GOCO funds helped print 22,000 guides and assess 14 new birding trails that include 200 potential viewing sites.
- The Colorado Wetlands Program, which restored or enhanced 986 acres of wetlands and nine miles of streams.

GOCO GRANTS AT WORK:
Baby Owls.
Photo courtesy of Adams County.



Outdoor Recreation Investments through the Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation

Attracting more than 11 million visitors per year, Colorado's 42 State Parks are a vital cornerstone in Colorado's economy and quality of life, offering some of the highest quality outdoor recreation destinations in the state. GOCO funds have been essential to State Parks' ability to enhance existing facilities, buy land and provide facilities at new state parks, and acquire buffers to protect existing parks from encroaching development. The DPOR has also used GOCO funds to improve visitors' experiences by establishing visitor centers, expanding campgrounds and trails, and providing educational opportunities for Colorado youth.

IN FY 2008, GOCO AWARDED \$4.84 MILLION IN GOCO LEGACY FUNDING. PROJECTS FUNDED INCLUDE:

- Purchase of the Top of Cheyenne Mountain, a 1,000-acre addition to Cheyenne Mountain State Park in El Paso County that offers extraordinary views and will eventually add to the park's trail system.
- Colorado Front Range Trail, for which State Parks/GOCO funds were combined with local government/GOCO funds to award grants for five new trail segments. The Colorado Front Range Trail is an effort to create a network of multi-use trails connecting Colorado's burgeoning population centers.
- St. Vrain State Park Water Acquisition, an effort to obtain water for the Weld County park to offset evaporative loss and keep the park's ponds full throughout the year. The ponds are the park's primary attraction as they offer visitors opportunities for fishing, bird watching and boating.

GOCO GRANTS AT WORK:
Cheyenne Mountain State Park,
El Paso County.
Photo courtesy of Colorado State Parks.

Trail Grants

Since its establishment in 1971, the Colorado State Trails Program has actively encouraged the development of a variety of trails including those for hiking, biking, wildlife watching, horseback riding, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. GOCO funding has provided a huge boost to the State Trails grant program, which helps provide grants for trail planning and design, construction, maintenance, special projects and equipment. Trail grants are offered once a year through the Colorado State Trails Program.

IN FY 2008, GOCO PROVIDED \$499,000 FOR STATE TRAILS PROGRAM GRANTS TO FIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. ADDITIONALLY, THE GOCO BOARD WAS ABLE TO OFFER \$3.4 MILLION IN FY 2008 FOR FOUR TRAIL PROJECTS REQUIRING LARGER GRANTS NOT OFFERED BY THE STATE TRAILS PROGRAM. PROJECTS FUNDED INCLUDE:

- Cherry Creek Trail between Cherry Creek Reservoir and Downtown Denver sponsored by the City and County of Denver.
- East/West Regional Trail sponsored by Douglas County.
- Expansion of southern Pikes Peak Greenway Trail and northern Fountain Creek Regional Trail sponsored by the City of Colorado Springs.
- Clifton Nature Park Trail and the Lower No Thoroughfare Trail sponsored by Mesa County.

Planning Grants

Many communities are working to preserve their character in the face of growth while planning for future outdoor needs. GOCO grants help these communities produce plans to protect and enhance open space, wildlife habitat and parks—features that define and distinguish towns and cities. Planning grants lead to high quality projects with a greater chance of long-term success. Local governments, land trusts, the Colorado Division of Wildlife and Colorado State Parks can apply for planning grants, which are offered twice yearly.

IN FY 2008, GOCO AWARDED \$367,045 IN PLANNING GRANTS FOR 10 PROJECTS. PROJECTS FUNDED INCLUDE:

- Survey and Assessment of Critical Biological Resources in Chaffee County. In addition to biological resources, the project will identify open space, wildlife habitat and ecosystems of global, statewide or local importance.
- Deerfield Regional Park Completion Plan in Garfield County sponsored by the City of Rifle.
- Durango Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Master Plan in La Plata County sponsored by the City of Durango.
- Fruita Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan in Mesa County sponsored by the City of Fruita.

GOCO Citizen Survey

In June 2008, the GOCO Board commissioned a public opinion survey, the fourth such survey since 1994. Results of public opinion surveys provide the Board with a review of GOCO's performance, priorities, policies and its constitutionally-mandated programs. There were 806 respondents statewide to the June survey.

The latest survey's results indicate that public priorities for GOCO grant awards remain as they have in past surveys with work on river corridors, and the preservation of open space, greenbelts around urban areas and agricultural land topping the list. While 64% of respondents think the highest priority in land preservation should be creating more parks and open areas with easy public access and well-developed facilities, 59% see the benefit in using Lottery dollars to purchase conservation easements that protect wildlife habitat and scenic views. Additional priorities include continuing to create or expand trail systems, and funding opportunities for youth and families to participate in outdoor activities and work in outdoor programs.

Results of this public survey are being reviewed along with results of an in-depth survey of GOCO grantees to make any necessary adjustments to grant programs.



GOCO GRANTS AT WORK:
Post Office Ranch, Chaffee County.
*Photo courtesy of Colorado Cattlemen's
Agricultural Land Trust.*



GOCO GRANTS AT WORK:
Charmar Tennis Courts, Gunnison County.
*Photo courtesy of Gunnison Parks &
Recreation.*

Financial summary for FY 2007-2008

The following is a summary of financial information drawn from State Audit reports for 15 fiscal years of Great Outdoors Colorado's operation. More detailed financial information is included in the annual audit reports, which are available through GOCO.

Since Fiscal Year 1993-1994, Great Outdoors Colorado has authorized grants from Lottery proceeds for:

- local government park, outdoor recreation and environmental education facilities projects.
- outdoor recreation projects through the Colorado Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation.
- wildlife projects through the Colorado Division of Wildlife.
- open space projects.
- planning and capacity building projects.
- trail projects.
- Legacy projects that integrate components of GOCO's four Constitutionally mandated funding categories.

THERE ARE TWO FINANCIAL STEPS TO THE GOCO GRANT PROCESS:

- 1) Grant Authorization - The GOCO Board approves the use of funds for projects up to a specified amount.
- 2) Grant Expenditure - Funds are distributed for projects as either reimbursements to sponsors for expenses incurred, or in the case of land acquisition payments, to a title company at the time of closing.

The Board furthered its mission during Fiscal Year 2007-2008 with \$52.1 million in grants expended.

Financial Summary	FY 2007-2008	FY 1993-1994 to FY 2007-2008
Total Revenues	\$55,181,536	\$597,014,266
Grant Expenditures	\$52,085,202	\$528,895,994
Administrative Expenses	\$1,747,523	\$21,462,174

Revenue and Expenditures

Revenues

Great Outdoors Colorado revenues are primarily from Lottery proceeds and interest income.

Revenues FY 2007-2008	FY 2007-2008	FY 1993-1994 to FY 2007-2008
Lottery Proceeds	\$53,104,374	\$566,031,163
Interest and Other Income	2,077,189	30,983,103
Total Revenues	\$55,181,563	\$597,014,266

Expenditures

Great Outdoors Colorado expenditures include payments to grantees and those covering administrative expenses. Administrative expenses include operating expenses and Board expenses. Through 15 fiscal years, administrative expenses totaled 3.59% of total revenues, substantially less than interest earned on cash balances.

Expenditures FY 2007-2008	FY 2007-2008	FY 1993-1994 to FY 2007-2008
Grant Expenditures	\$52,085,202	\$528,895,994
Administrative Expenses	1,747,523	21,462,174
Total Expenditures	\$53,832,725	\$550,358,168

Grants Allocated to Funding Categories Authorizations

Great Outdoors Colorado authorizes grants in categories defined in Article XXVII of the Colorado Constitution.

Grant Authorization Allocations	FY 2007-2008	FY 1993-1994 to FY 2007-2008	% authorized by funding category
Wildlife	\$20,766,864	\$157,764,516	24.1%
Outdoor Recreation	4,726,667	143,927,125	22.0%
Open Space	31,783,282	179,384,704	27.5%
Local Government	26,426,111	172,643,927	26.4%
Total Grant Authorization Allocation	\$83,702,924	\$653,720,272	

Expenditures

The Constitution requires grants expended in these funding categories to be substantially equal over time.

Grant Expenditure Allocations	FY 2007-2008	FY 1993-1994 to FY 2007-2008	% authorized by funding category
Wildlife	\$19,914,298	\$131,344,800	24.9%
Outdoor Recreation	10,550,252	132,470,518	25.1%
Open Space	11,787,289	135,288,214	25.6%
Local Government	9,833,363	128,722,288	24.4%
Total Grant Expenditures	\$52,085,202	\$527,825,820	

Fund Balances

Great Outdoors Colorado divides its available fund balances into two categories:

- Unreserved and undesignated funds. These include funds that will be available for future appropriations.
- Reserved (for grants previously appropriated, but not yet expended).

Available Fund Balances as of June 30, 2008	
Unreserved and Undesignated	\$46,837,958
Total	\$46,837,958

The Undesignated Fund Balance has not been reduced for projects that have been authorized but not yet expended. As of June 30, 2008, this amount was \$125,154,538.

Budget

Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Estimated Budget			
Lottery Proceeds	\$54,800,000	Grant Expenditures	\$48,000,000
Interest and Other Income	\$850,000	Administrative Expenses	\$1,799,822
Total Revenues	\$55,650,000	Total Expenditures	\$49,799,822

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 GRANT AWARDS BY COUNTY

COUNTY	GRANT TYPE	PROJECT TYPE	PROJECT TITLE	GRANT AMOUNT
Adams	Legacy (Master)	Adams County	Northeast Greenway Corridor Phase I - South Platte River Corridor Preservation	\$5,250,000
Adams	Legacy (General Sub)	City of Brighton	CFRT - E-470 to Brighton / Colorado Front Range Trail Legacy	\$425,000
Adams	Local Government	City of Commerce City	Prairie Gateway Open Space Loop Trail	\$200,000
Adams	Local Government	Strasburg Metro Parks and Rec District	High School/Community Track	\$200,000
Alamosa, Conejos, Mineral, Rio Grande	Legacy (Master)	Rio Grande Headwaters Land Trust	Rio Grande Initiative	\$7,384,885
Arapahoe	Legacy (Master)	Arapahoe County	South Platte Greenway Legacy Project - Expanding an Urban Oasis	\$5,250,000
Arapahoe	Local Government	Cherry Creek Vista Metro Rec and Park District	Orchard Park Playground Renovation	\$68,000
Arapahoe	Local Government	City of Aurora	Red-Tailed Hawk Park, Phase II	\$200,000
Arapahoe	Local Government	City of Englewood	Duncan Park Acquisition	\$200,000
Arapahoe	Local Government	City of Glendale	Seminary Park Expansion	\$200,000
Arapahoe	Local Government	Town of Deer Trail	Deer Trail Rodeo Grounds Restrooms	\$62,400
Arapahoe	Planning	Arapahoe County	Arapahoe County Surface Water Evaluation for the Arapahoe Grasslands	\$75,000
Arapahoe, Elbert	Open Space	The Trust for Public Land	Middle Bijou Creek Conservation Easement	\$800,000
Archuleta	Local Government	Town of Pagosa Springs	Sports Complex Trail and Parking Improvements	\$200,000
Archuleta, Mineral	Legacy (Master)	The Conservation Fund	Upper San Juan River Watershed Project	\$4,150,000
Bent	Local Government	City of Las Animas	Swimming Pool Project	\$199,045
Boulder	Legacy (General Sub)	City of Longmont	Saint Vrain Greenway, Phase 7B / Colorado Front Range Trail Legacy	\$500,000
Boulder	Local Government	Boulder County	Heil/Lyons Trail Project, Phase II	\$124,000
Boulder	Local Government	City of Louisville	Louisville Elementary Playground and Children's Park - Phase 2	\$85,000
Boulder	Open Space	Boulder County	Benjamin Open Space Acquisition	\$600,000
Chaffee	Local Government	City of Salida	Salida Middle School Playground Project	\$31,500
Chaffee	Open Space	Chaffee County	Post Office Ranch-Phase II	\$350,000
Chaffee	Open Space	The Trust for Public Land	Chubb Park Ranch	\$449,320
Chaffee	Planning	Chaffee County	Survey and Assessment of Critical Biological Resources in Chaffee County	\$65,000
Conejos	Local Government	Conejos County	Manassa Fairgrounds Project	\$31,500
Conejos, Alamosa, Mineral, Rio Grande	Legacy (Master)	Rio Grande Headwaters Land Trust	Rio Grande Initiative	See Alamosa

COUNTY	GRANT TYPE	PROJECT TYPE	PROJECT TITLE	GRANT AMOUNT
Crowley	Local Government	Crowley County	Crowley County Recreational Field Drip System	\$29,690
Custer	Legacy (Master)	San Isabel Land Protection Trust	Wet Mountain Valley Ranchland Preservation Program Phase II	\$2,000,000
Delta	Local Government	North Fork Pool, Park and Rec District	Crossroads Recreation Complex Youth Multi-Purpose Field	\$39,500
Delta	Local Government	Town of Paonia	Town Park Playground	\$80,000
Denver	Local Government	City and County of Denver	City Park Mile High Loop	\$200,000
Denver	Local Government	City and County of Denver	Cherry Creek Corridor Enhancement Project	\$725,000
Dolores	Open Space	Montezuma Land Conservancy	Groundhog Ranch	\$686,000
Douglas	Legacy (General Sub)	Town of Castle Rock	East Plum Creek Trail Phase 3, Land Acquisition / Colorado Front Range Trail Legacy	\$230,627
Douglas	Local Government	City of Lone Tree	Lone Tree Community Park	\$200,000
Douglas	Local Government	Douglas County Parks and Trails	East/West Regional Trail	\$1,000,000
Douglas	Local Government	Douglas County Parks and Trails	Pinery Access to the Cherry Creek Regional Trail, Phase I	\$130,000
Douglas	Local Government	Roxborough Village Metropolitan District	Roxborough Skate Park	\$200,000
Douglas	Local Government	South Suburban Park and Rec District	DAL Regional Park Multi-Purpose Athletic Field	\$672,000
Douglas	State Parks	Colorado State Parks	Land Purchases; Buffer Acquisitions - Capital / Stonehenge Property	\$101,431
Eagle	Local Government	Crown Mountain Park and Recreation Assoc.	Picnic Shelter	\$15,626
Eagle	Open Space	Eagle Valley Land Trust	The Gates Ranch Conservation Easement	\$600,000
Eagle	Planning	Eagle County	Eagle River Preserve - Phase II Design	\$22,153
Elbert, Arapahoe	Open Space	The Trust for Public Land	Middle Bijou Creek Conservation Easement	See Arapahoe
El Paso	Legacy (Master)	City of Colorado Springs	Manitou Section 16 Open Space Acquisition	\$1,000,000
El Paso	Legacy (Master)	Colorado State Parks	Cheyenne Mountain State Park Property Acquisition	\$843,612
El Paso	Local Government	City of Colorado Springs	Memorial Park Skatepark Construction	\$200,000
El Paso	Local Government	City of Colorado Springs	Regional Spine Trail Extension	\$662,270
El Paso	Local Government	City of Colorado Springs	Swing High Park - A Universally Accessible Playground	\$200,000
El Paso	Local Government	Paint Brush Hills Metro District	Drayton Green Park & Play Amenities	\$30,660

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El Paso, Lincoln, Pueblo	Legacy (Master)	Colorado Open Lands	Peak to Prairie Conservation Initiative	\$4,750,000
Fremont	Local Government	Canon City Recreation and Park District	Pathfinder Regional Park Restroom and Playground	\$200,000
Fremont	Local Government	City of Canon City	Rudd Park Playground Replacement Project	\$20,000
Garfield	Local Government	City of Rifle	Centennial Park	\$750,000
Garfield	Planning	City of Rifle	Deerfield Regional Park Completion Plan	\$55,000
Garfield, Gunnison, Pitkin	Legacy (Master)	Pitkin County	Crystal Watershed Legacy Project	\$5,000,000
Gilpin	Local Government	Gilpin County	Gilpin County Parks and Recreation Restroom Facility	\$31,500
Grand	Local Government	Town of Hot Sulphur Springs	Hot Sulphur Camp Relocation in Pioneer Park	\$26,235
Grand	Open Space	The Conservation Fund	Snow Mountain Ranch	\$646,000
Grand	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Acquire High Priority Habitat - Leroux Ranch SHA	\$490,000
Gunnison	Local Government	City of Gunnison	Pac Man Pond Rebuild	\$83,000
Gunnison, Saguache	Legacy (Master)	Gunnison Ranchland Conservation Legacy	The Gunnison Headwaters Partnership	\$3,000,000
Gunnison, Garfield, Pitkin	Legacy (Master)	Pitkin County	Crystal Watershed Legacy Project	See Garfield
Huerfano	Local Government	City of Walsenburg	Walsenburg Wild Waters Shading Project	\$25,345
Huerfano, Las Animas, Otero, Pueblo	Planning	Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust	Phase II: CCALT Southeast Colorado Inventory of Critical Biological Resources	\$54,150
Jackson	Open Space	Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust	North Park Ranchland Conservation-Iva Mae Michigan River Ranch	\$575,000
Jackson	Open Space	Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust	Coyte Ranch	\$500,000
Jefferson	Local Government	City of Lakewood	Ray Ross Park Phase Two Development	\$200,000
Jefferson	Local Government	Evergreen Park and Rec. District	EPRD Bergen Meadow Field Project	\$200,000
Jefferson	Local Government	Jefferson County	NEAT Meadow Trail	\$200,000
Kiowa	Local Government	Kiowa County	Kiowa County Fairgrounds Covered Arena	\$200,000
Kiowa	Local Government	Kiowa County	Kiowa Creek Natural Area Trail	\$25,000
La Plata	Planning	City of Durango	Durango Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails Master Plan	\$50,000
La Plata, Montezuma, Ouray	Legacy (Master)	Black Canyon Land Trust	San Juan Skyway Initiative, Phase II	\$4,395,150
Lake	Local Government	Lake County	Lake County Community Park Project	\$200,000

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Larimer	Legacy (General Sub)	City of Fort Collins	Power Trail / Colorado Front Range Trail Legacy	\$350,000
Larimer	Legacy (General Sub)	Larimer County	Colorado Front Range Trail and Trailhead at River Bluffs / Colorado Front Range Trail Legacy	\$494,373
Larimer	Local Government	Larimer County	Northern Colorado Recreation Improvement and Expansion Project	\$695,000
Larimer	Local Government	Larimer County	Hermit Park Open Space Redevelopment Project, Phase I	\$100,000
Larimer	Open Space	City of Fort Collins	Bernard Ranch, Phase I	\$265,793
Las Animas	Local Government	Town of Kim	Kim Equine Recreation and Educational Facility	\$200,000
Las Animas, Huerfano, Otero, Pueblo	Planning	Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust	Phase II: CCALT Southeast Colorado Inventory of Critical Biological Resources	See Huerfano
Lincoln	Local Government	Town of Limon	Limon Community Building Playground Improvement	\$26,830
Lincoln, El Paso, Pueblo	Legacy (Master)	Colorado Open Lands	Peak to Prairie Conservation Initiative	See El Paso
Mesa	Local Government	City of Fruita	Little Salt Wash Park - Phase 2	\$200,000
Mesa	Local Government	Mesa County	Mesa County Colorado Riverfront Project	\$988,970
Mesa	Open Space	Mesa County	Mesa County Community Separator-Swinger	\$125,000
Mesa	Planning	City of Fruita	Fruita Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan	\$45,742
Mesa	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Acquire High Priority Habitat - Luster Basin SHA	\$499,065
Mineral, Alamosa, Conejos, Rio Grande	Legacy (Master)	Rio Grande Headwaters Land Trust	Rio Grande Initiative	See Alamosa
Mineral, Archuleta	Legacy (Master)	The Conservation Fund	Upper San Juan River Watershed Project	See Archuleta
Moffat	Local Government	Moffat County	Moffat County Loudy Simpson Soccer Field Expansion	\$200,000
Montezuma	Local Government	Town of Mancos	Mancos Skate Park	\$55,082
Montezuma, La Plata, Ouray	Legacy (Master)	Black Canyon Land Trust	San Juan Skyway Initiative, Phase II	See La Plata
Morgan	Legacy (OS Sub)	Colorado Open Lands	Wacker Conservation Easement / South Platte Conservation Initiative Legacy	\$100,000
Morgan	Local Government	City of Brush	Joslin/Needham Softball Complex Re-Light	\$57,600
Otero, Huerfano, Las Animas, Pueblo	Planning	Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust	Phase II: CCALT Southeast Colorado Inventory of Critical Biological Resources	See Huerfano
Ouray	Local Government	Town of Ridgway	Ridgway Regional Park, Phase II	\$185,000
Ouray, La Plata, Montezuma,	Legacy (Master)	Black Canyon Land Trust	San Juan Skyway Initiative, Phase II	See La Plata
Park	Open Space	Colorado Open Lands	Tarryall Creek Ranch, Phase I	\$500,000

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Pitkin, Garfield, Gunnison,	Legacy (Master)	Pitkin County	Crystal Watershed Legacy Project	See Garfield
Prowers	Local Government	City of Lamar	Lamar Baseball/Softball Complex, Phase I	\$200,000
Pueblo	Local Government	Colorado City Metro District	Greenhorn Meadows Park Outdoor Recreational Facility, Phase II	\$200,000
Lincoln, El Paso, Pueblo	Legacy (Master)	Colorado Open Lands	Peak to Prairie Conservation Initiative	See El Paso
Pueblo, Huerfano, Las Animas, Otero	Planning	Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust	Phase II: CCALT Southeast Colorado Inventory of Critical Biological Resources	See Huerfano
Rio Grande	Local Government	City of Monte Vista	Ski-Hi Rodeo Arena and Grandstand Renovation	\$500,000
Rio Grande	Local Government	City of Monte Vista	Natural Wonders of the San Luis Valley Play Park	\$135,382
Rio Grande	Local Government	Town of Del Norte	Del Norte Area Trails Master Plan	\$20,000
Rio Grande	Open Space	Rio Grande Headwaters Land Trust	River Valley Ranch II	\$410,000
Rio Grande, Alamosa, Conejos, Mineral	Legacy (Master)	Rio Grande Headwaters Land Trust	Rio Grande Initiative	See Alamosa
Routt	Legacy (Master)	City of Steamboat Springs	Yampa Valley: River to Ridges Legacy Project	\$2,000,000
Routt	Local Government	City of Steamboat Springs	Whistler Park Playground Project	\$30,000
Routt	Local Government	Routt County	PLAY: Playground Learning and Playing for ALL	\$200,000
Routt	Open Space	City of Steamboat Springs	Howelson Hill Open Space	\$400,000
Routt	Open Space	Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust	Saddle Pocket Ranch	\$600,000
Saguache, Gunnison	Legacy (Master)	Gunnison Ranchland Conservation Legacy	The Gunnison Headwaters Partnership	See Gunnison
San Miguel	Open Space	San Miguel County	Hamilton Land Partnership Ranch, Phase II	\$288,500
Statewide	Legacy (Master)	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Colorado Wildlife Habitat Protection Program	\$8,000,000
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Acquire High Priority Habitat - Land Acquisitions and Improvements	\$610,000
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Acquire High Priority Habitat - Program Investments/Operations & Administration	\$560,000
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Enhance Wildlife Habitat - Program Investments	\$525,000
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Support for Land Use Decisions/GIS Habitat Info - Program Investments	\$475,000
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Propagation of Aquatic Species at Risk - Program Investments	\$425,000
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Native Species Protection - Program Investments	\$2,238,137
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Threatened and Endangered Species Recovery - Program Investments	\$961,863

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Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	River Stewardship - Program Investments	\$161,000
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Wildlife Viewing - Capital Improvements	\$67,000
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Wildlife Viewing - Program Investments/Operations & Administration	\$300,000
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Wetlands Conservation - Capital Improvements	\$750,000
Statewide	Wildlife	Colorado Division of Wildlife	Youth Education - Program Investments	\$554,000
Summit	Open Space	Summit County	Cow Camp Extension	\$709,434
Weld	Legacy (Master)	Colorado State Parks	St. Vrain State Park Water Acquisition and Development	\$2,000,000
Weld	Local Government	City of Evans	Evans Off-Leash Dog Park	\$31,500
Weld	Local Government	Town of Kersey	Kersey Centennial Park Land Acquisition	\$126,000
Weld	Local Government	Town of Pierce	Pierce Skateboard Park	\$30,000
Weld	Local Government	Town of Windsor	Boardwalk Park - Phase 5	\$200,000
Weld	Open Space	The Nature Conservancy	Chalk Bluff Transaction Cost Easements	\$47,238
Weld	Open Space	The Nature Conservancy	Kaufman Conservation Easement (part of Chalk Bluffs Transaction Cost Easements)	\$16,800
Weld	Open Space	The Nature Conservancy	Chalk Bluffs Transaction Costs - Everitt	\$19,700
Yuma	Local Government	City of Wray	City of Wray Restroom Renovations	\$54,221