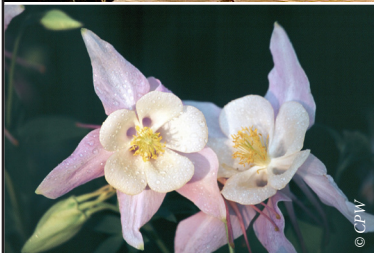


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Introduction

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) is pleased to provide this annual report to Great Outdoors Colorado. This report contains financial and narrative information about CPW's accomplishments CPW between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012 (state fiscal year 2011-12) with GOCO Parks Purpose funds.

Section I of Article XXVII of the Colorado Constitution delineates four basic objectives for GOCO investments in outdoor recreation programs:

- Establish and improve state parks and recreation areas throughout the State of Colorado.
- Develop appropriate public information and environmental education resources on Colorado's natural resources at state parks, recreation areas, and other locations throughout the state.
- Acquire, construct and maintain trails and river greenways.
- Provide water for recreational purposes through the acquisition of water rights or through agreements with holders of water rights, all in accord with applicable state water law.

This annual report is organized accordingly, with GOCO grants grouped into categories based on these four constitutional objectives.

Highlights

Colorado Parks and Wildlife uses GOCO Parks Purpose funding to support a wide variety of programs, park management activities, and capital projects throughout the state. CPW makes every effort to use GOCO funding in a way that results in “on the ground” enhancements – tangible impacts that enhance the visitor experience and result in safer, more sustainable parks and facilities. In FY 2011-12, GOCO funding contributed to programs and improvements at every park in the system – 41 parks that were open to the general public and 2 parks not yet open. State Parks welcomed more than 12 million visitors in FY 2011-12, and GOCO funding contributed in some way to the visitor experience for the vast majority of these outdoor enthusiasts.

CPW is proud of what has been accomplished with GOCO funding. Some particular highlights from FY 2011-12 include:

St. Vrain Legacy Water Purchase – With all water acquisition transactions completed, the diversion structure constructed, and pumps installed, CPW began diverting the water delivered by the City of Longmont pursuant to the 2009 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA). The City of Longmont delivered 300 acre-feet of water which was stored in Blue Heron Reservoir. CPW also diverted additional water pursuant to CPW's water right decree for St. Vrain State Park. The diversion of water will continue in subsequent years to fill the Reservoir and maintain a stable water level for recreational uses within St. Vrain State Park on an as needed basis. All of these water purchases were funded by GOCO.

Staunton State Park – Staunton State Park will open to the public in the Spring of 2013. Visitors will be greeted at a new Park Entrance off of Upper Ranch Road designed to reflect the

resources within. During 2011-12, GOCO funds supported the development of capital infrastructure on the park, including roads, parking lots, water, wastewater, trails and buildings. Work on signage and directional instruction, and operational materials should be complete in early 2013 and ready for park opening in the spring of 2013.

Environmental Education Programs – Colorado’s State Parks make ideal outdoor classrooms for connecting visitors and educating students about nature’s wonders. By providing outstanding learning opportunities for visitors of all ages, CPW expects that people will walk away with a desire to engage in outdoor experiences on their own along with a stronger bond with, understanding of, and sense of stewardship towards the ecosystems in which we all live.

With the assistance of GOCO funding, qualified interpreters have been offering educational programs and other services in state parks throughout Colorado since the mid-1990s. In 2011, these temporary employee interpreters reached over 114,000 park visitors through programs and demonstrations that educated visitors on unique park features, wildlife, and other environmental issues while making direct contact on trails, in campgrounds, at visitor centers and entrance stations. Indirectly, GOCO funding helped to match park resources and assist all staff and volunteers in reaching over 815,000 of 12 million park visitors (about 7%) in 2011-12 through personal interpretation and/or environmental education programs.

Volunteer Program - In FY 2011-12, over 4,900 volunteers contributed more than 205,900 volunteer hours—the equivalent of 99 full-time employees with a value of over \$4.4 million. In the process, these volunteers helped State Parks in a variety of key areas including serving as campground hosts, providing interpretive programs, trail construction, weed control, wildlife and vegetation surveys, and even fundraising. This effort was 100% funded through parks purpose GOCO funds.

Youth Outreach Programs and Connecting Kids to the Outdoors – Colorado’s state parks are uniquely positioned to introduce Colorado’s youth to the outdoors, encourage more physical activity, and foster environmental stewardship by educating them about wildlife and outdoor issues, which in some cases, lead to pursuing natural resources careers. Many parks already collaborate with various school districts in their surrounding region to meet these objectives. Roxborough and Ridgway are examples of two parks that provide school programs, made possible with GOCO funds, geared toward the current state education curriculum requirements. These are experiential environmental education programs that utilize the parks’ wonderful outdoor venues. In addition, many parks work closely with Boy Scout and Girl Scout groups to help them meet badge requirements. More than anything, State Parks provide the physical location and setting that can be used by numerous programs to connect people to the outdoors.

Using GOCO funds, Colorado Parks and Wildlife continued its ongoing partnership with the Colorado Youth Corps Association (CYCA), and Colorado Youth Corps, which is a statewide coalition of youth conservation corps that employs and trains youth and young adults on land, water, and energy conservation projects. Participants include both in-school and out-of-school youth ages 16-26. Colorado Youth Corps members worked over 12,600 hours completing 32 project weeks at 18 state park locations. The project accomplishments of the 157 corps members included: 10.5 miles of trail corridor cleared, 5.5 miles of trail constructed, 2.7 miles of trail maintained, 30 acres of trees removed, and 33 acres of weeds removed. Funding for these youth crews was provided by GOCO.

Maintaining the State Park System – Over the past 20 years, GOCO funds have been used to acquire, expand, develop and enhance the state park system. Demand for recreational opportunities at the state parks continues to grow, and in FY 2011-12 State Parks had over 12 million park visits. Running the parks on a day-to-day basis is a very labor and capital-intensive undertaking. GOCO funds are critical to operating and maintaining these parks after they have been acquired and developed. GOCO funds help make it possible to provide these tremendous opportunities – for outdoor recreation, learning, and simply enjoying nature - to the public.

Stewardship of Colorado's Parks and Wildlife's Lands – The completion of baseline resource information data gathering, now allows CPW biologists to monitor changes in state park resources while concurrently inventorying new resources not previously documented in CPW. Significant findings of rare species, paleontological, and archeological resources on State Parks have occurred. Weed management assistance has increased with 14 parks conducting weed mapping and management support in FY 2011-12. CPW partnered with Colorado State Forest Service and Colorado Youth Corps to remove pine beetle killed trees and improve park safety. Several priority forest management projects occurred on seven state parks. Previous years' fuels management work on Lory State Park is credited with preventing the High Park Fire (June 2012) from spreading into the park, and thereby preventing significant damage to the park and its resources. Three new Colorado Natural Areas were designated, and 64 areas were monitored in FY2011-12 through the volunteer program and partnerships with US Fish and Wildlife, the Bureau of Land Management, universities, and other entities.



Report Format

Each project and program area included in this annual report consists of three sections.

A **Summary Table** lists all the GOCO logs associated with a project or program area that were active during FY 2011-12. Each log also has an associated Grant Budget Line (GBL) code and information on the grant amount, expenditures made during FY 2011-12, cumulative expenditures to date, and the unexpended balance of the grant. Open GOCO grants without FY 2011-12 expenditures are not included in the summary table, but are listed in a Table A at the end of this report.

Example: Land Acquisitions Summary Table

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
09171	10L3	LAND ACQUISITIONS	340,000.00	60,636.64	242,888.31	97,111.69
10171	11L3	LAND ACQUISITIONS	350,000.00	6,000.00	207,292.00	142,708.00
		TOTALS	690,000.00	66,636.64	450,180.31	239,819.69

The **Background and Objectives** section lists the goals of a specific project or program area. In the case of projects, this section contains specific outcomes, such as the construction of a building or development of a trail. In the case of programs (and specific positions within those programs), these goals may contain some specific outcomes but may also be more general in nature.

The **Accomplishments in FY 2011-12** section, highlights specific work that was done and accomplishments achieved in FY 2011-12.

I. Establish and Improve State Parks

Land Acquisitions

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Background and Objectives

GOCO funding has been a cornerstone in the acquisition of Colorado Parks and Wildlife's overall land base. GOCO funding awarded under this grant has enabled the purchase of land to create new state parks or to add to existing state parks.

In-holdings within and adjoining lands next to state parks need to be purchased to preserve the integrity of the park, improve public access and recreational opportunities, protect critical wildlife habitat and migration corridors, address visitor safety or trespass issues, and enhance the management of the park by CPW staff. In some cases, the acquisition of land also helps to resolve boundary disputes and right-of-way problems. These acquisitions are largely opportunistic.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife also uses GOCO funds to acquire fee title or conservation easements on lands that are not directly adjacent to or within a state park, in order to fulfill other aspects of CPW's mission. These acquisitions and/or easements may include parcels that comprise designated or new Natural Areas or trail corridor connections.

Prior to FY 09-10, the Real Estate Program staff and associated operating costs were partially funded through GOCO grants. Beginning in FY 09-10, GOCO grant funds are limited to actual acquisition costs, as well as direct costs associated with those acquisitions.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

In FY 11-12 CPW acquired the Temple easement providing boating access on the Yampa River. This easement was funded 100% with GOCO funds. In February, 2012 CPW acquired the Stephens property comprised of approximately 13 acres of private land along the Arkansas River in Lake County. The Stephens property was added to and is now managed as part of the Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area. Due to its location directly adjacent to the Arkansas River and BLM land, the Stephens property has the potential to provide outstanding recreational opportunities to members of the general public for fishing, boating, and if a trail is constructed on the property, hiking and wildlife viewing. The Stephens property was one of a number of high-priority private properties identified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for acquisitions using Natural Resource Damage (NRD) funds established as part of the legal settlement related

to the California Gulch Superfund Site. The NRD funds are managed by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE). The Stephens property was purchased for \$128,500, funded entirely with NRD funds. GOCO funds were used to cover other costs associated with this acquisition, such as appraisals, boundary surveys and title work. CPW continues to seek opportunities to acquire in-holdings and buffers around State Parks, and anticipates investing the GOCO funds awarded under these grants over the next two years.

Establish and Improve State Parks

Army Corps Cost Share

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
10205	10AA	HPCH ACCS PHASE2 TRL PRO	200,000.00	174,940.67	200,000.00	0.00
10206	10CG	HPCC ACCS CMPR SVS BLG	725,000.00	13,005.45	712,389.15	12,610.85
10207	10CS	HPCC CTTNWD CG 9/30/12	385,000.00	103,327.00	103,327.00	281,673.00
10208	10RD	SETR ACCS REC IMP & DEV	636,000.00	9,048.45	550,991.84	85,008.16
11204	1204	HPCH ROAD IMPROVEMENTS	510,000.00	86.01	86.01	509,913.99
11205	1205	HPCC ASPHALT RESURFACE	25,000.00	23,322.00	23,322.00	1,678.00
		TOTALS	2,481,000.00	323,729.58	1,590,116.00	890,884.00

Background and Objectives

In early 2003 the former Colorado State Parks and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers signed agreements in establishing a landmark 50/50 monetary partnership for recreation improvements and developments at three state parks located on Army Corps property: Chatfield, Cherry Creek and Trinidad State Parks. Through this partnership the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers committed to funding one half of a combined total of up to \$38 million dollars in proposed improvements at all three parks. Colorado Parks and Wildlife's share of the partnership comes primarily from GOCO and Lottery funding, with a small amount of HUTF funding.

Chatfield, Cherry Creek, and Trinidad combined host over three million state park visitors each year. The cost share partnership ensures that each park will continue to provide a high level of quality recreation management and safety, as well as resource protection, to the public. The three parks contain many aging and under-designed recreation facilities that were not originally intended to accommodate the tremendous number of visitors. Colorado Parks and Wildlife has invested millions to meet its commitment to maintain these properties, but many of the facilities are 25 to 30 years old and not able to adequately support the growing number of visitors to the parks. The cost share partnership is a proactive approach designed to implement a vision for the future. The Army Corps Cost Share agreement is subject to the federal budget/appropriations process and any corresponding adjustments, which carries a great deal of uncertainty.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

Chatfield State Park – Phase 2 Trail: This project completed a 1.1 mile 8 foot wide concrete trail stretching from the Heronry Group Picnic Area to just beyond the headquarters complex. The new trail is compliant with federal accessibility requirements and is part of a larger eastern main trail reconstruction effort.

Chatfield State Park – Road Improvements: This project continued improvements to the main park roadway system by resurfacing 1.34 miles of road from the top of the Chatfield dam, down the back face of the dam, and east to the Cottonwood Grove parking and picnic area. Bike lanes will be added to improve safety in this road section. This project was underway in FY 2011-12 and will be completed in FY 2012-13.

Cherry Creek State Park – Asphalt patching road repairs on the most critical sections of road at Cherry Creek State Park are underway and will be completed in summer 2013.

Cherry Creek State Park – Camper Services Building: CPW completed this project which included demolition of an existing building and construction of a new 2,365 SF camper services building, parking lot, utilities and site plantings. The building provides shower and laundry facilities and is fully accessible, energy efficient, and constructed with materials that require minimal maintenance.

Cherry Creek State Park – Cottonwood Campground Improvements: This completed project removed and replaced the water and electrical lines, refurbished approximately 30 individual camping site and shelters, repaired the drive loop for the campground and replace site furnishing.

Trinidad State Park – Recreational Improvements completed in FY 2011-12 include:

- South Shore Entrance and Overlook: Added Full service entrance station and reconfiguration of the access road and accessibility improvements to the overlook including a mile long, 8 foot wide concrete trail.
- Boat Ramp: Refurbished amenities at the boat ramp including a fish cleaning station and new vault restroom.
- Capios Ridge Amphitheatre: Refurbished to update accessibility and electrical infrastructure.



St. Vrain State Park Water Acquisition

Background and Objectives

Located about five miles due east of Longmont right along the I-25 corridor, St. Vrain State Park is an ideal natural site for a variety of outdoor recreation activities. Colorado Parks and Wildlife is making major capital investments at St. Vrain to provide recreation experiences in an area undergoing rapid population growth.

In 2004 the former Colorado State Parks commissioned a local design firm to prepare a master plan outlining development of the infrastructure and amenities necessary to make St. Vrain State Park a true outdoor recreation destination. The St. Vrain State Park Master Plan contains detailed recommendations on improving every aspect of the park, including recreation opportunities, habitat protection, access, circulation, and sustainability.

Critical to the future of the park and the implementation of the master plan was an acquisition of water to ensure that the ponds, which form one of the primary natural resources on the park, could be kept full. In December 2007, the GOCO Board awarded a Legacy grant for the purpose of acquiring water for St. Vrain State Park. Since that time State Parks has invested considerable time and effort pursuing a number of different options for obtaining this water.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

With all water acquisition transactions completed, the diversion structure constructed, and pumps installed, CPW staff began diverting the water delivered by the City of Longmont pursuant to the 2009 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA). The City of Longmont delivered 300 acre-feet of water which was stored in Blue Heron Reservoir. CPW staff also diverted additional water pursuant to CPW's water right decree for St. Vrain State Park. The diversion of water will continue in subsequent years to fill the Reservoir and maintain a stable water level for recreational uses within St. Vrain State Park on an as needed basis. All of these water purchases were funded by GOCO.



Establish and Improve State Parks

New Park Development

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
10196	0196	HPVR MASTER PLAN 6/30/13	2,880,000.00	433,260.13	2,383,654.46	496,345.54
10197	0197	HPST DAVIS DAMS RENOVATN	1,350,000.00	37,301.45	92,881.95	1,257,118.05
10214	0214	HPST PHASE I DEVELOPMT	5,000,000.00	725,044.24	1,102,848.58	3,897,151.42
		TOTALS	9,230,000.00	1,195,605.82	3,579,384.99	5,650,615.01

Background and Objectives

There were three capital projects in this program for FY 2011-12: Implementation of the St. Vrain Master Plan, Phase 1 development of Staunton State Park, and Renovation of the Davis Ponds at Staunton State Park. Work completed on these projects is described below.

FY 2011-12, the road, water delivery system, toilets, day use area and reservoir improvements at St. Vrain State Park were completed. The entrance station was delayed to accommodate nesting birds and is scheduled to be completed in early 2013 which will complete the renovation.

Staunton State Park lies approximately 40 miles southwest of downtown Denver. Encompassing about 3,700 acres, the park is situated within Park and Jefferson Counties and is surrounded by the Pike National Forest to the north and northwest. Staunton is not yet open to the public and represents a rare opportunity for CPW to develop an entirely new state park from the ground up. Staunton State Park contains many spectacular natural features, including rugged rock outcroppings, lush grassy meadows, rolling hillsides forested with conifers and aspens and a dramatic waterfall.

Numerous streams (including Elk Creek, Black Mountain Creek, Jones Creek and Mason Creek) wind through the park and have significant riparian areas, adding to the natural beauty of Staunton.

Staunton State Park will open to the public in the Spring of 2013. Visitors will be greeted at a new Park Entrance off of Upper Ranch Road designed to reflect the resources within. During 2011-12, GOCO funds completed the development of capital infrastructure on the park which includes: $\frac{3}{4}$ mile of paved road; 94 parking spaces in three parking areas; $\frac{1}{4}$ mile of waterlines; an onsite wastewater treatment system; 10 miles of multiuse trails and 3 miles of hiking trails; 1 picnic shelter; 1 water treatment building; 1 temporary entrance station and office; 1 open line shed; 2 double vault toilets buildings and 1 temporary toilet.

Work on signage, wayfinding and operational materials should be complete in early 2013 and ready for the park opening in the spring of 2013.

The three Davis dams, located on Black Mountain Creek, were constructed in 1935 and are not in good condition. The earthen dams (referred to as Davis #1, Davis #2, and Davis #3) were inspected by the Office of the State Engineer in 2005 and determined to be Conditionally Satisfactory, with several improvements required in order to achieve a fully Satisfactory approval rating. The dams lack adequate upstream slope erosion protection, the outlet works are in disrepair and are leaking, the spillways are not adequately sized or protected against erosion, and the dams have seepage issues. The current Hazard Status of the dams is Low Hazard/Minor, but the Office of the State Engineer is in the process of reevaluating this status.

During FY 2011-12, CPW completed an engineering analysis to evaluate several options for ensuring the Davis dams are repaired. The most recent analysis has determined that the most economical solution is to combine two of the three ponds and construct concrete spillways over the dams. The analysis work was more complicated than originally envisioned, but was completed in FY 2011-12. Funds for construction work have since been de-obligated, pending final decision to proceed, and the project will be re-submitted in future years Investment Proposals.



Park Infrastructure Improvements

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
10200	0200	DAM MAINTENANCE 9/30/12	168,000.00	34,523.90	107,124.47	60,875.53
10201	0201	HECLA JUNCT SITE REPAIR	477,500.00	36,764.32	279,162.47	198,337.53
10209	0209	HPCH NEW HQ OFFICE/SHOP	2,480,000.00	1,507,288.93	2,480,000.00	0.00
10211	0211	ASSETINV&CONDASSMT9/30/12	300,000.00	78,409.51	127,538.81	172,461.19
10216	0216	HPSF CG IMPR	90,000.00	14,885.00	14,885.00	75,115.00
10217	0217	RMHI DREDGING	276,000.00	54,260.14	56,150.55	219,849.45
10220	0220	RMHI MAINT COMPLEX	811,500.00	9,368.33	9,368.33	802,131.67
11206	1206	HPCC ROAD IMPROVEMENTS	387,500.00	153.60	153.60	387,346.40
11207	1207	HPCC E WATERLINE REPLACE	150,000.00	180.00	180.00	149,820.00
11208	1208	SEPU S SIDE WTRLINE REPL	1,200,000.00	1,200,000.00	1,200,000.00	0.00
		TOTALS	6,340,500.00	2,935,833.73	4,274,563.23	2,065,936.77

Background and Objectives

The parks system is nearly 50 years old and requires continuous maintenance, restoration, and improvement of facilities and infrastructure. The Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation is statutorily charged with promoting outdoor recreation in Colorado. To meet this charge, recreational facilities must be well maintained. Further, in order to provide recreational opportunities to a growing number of visitors, new and diverse features need to be added to the state park system. Furthermore, state park system is dependent on revenue from visitors for operational funds. Maintaining and improving basic park facilities is an important part of sustaining a solid base of visitation and generating enough cash revenues to cover a majority of the operating costs of the state park system.

In FY 2011-12 the following projects were completed:

- Chatfield Headquarters and Shop construction complete. This included replacing the mobile office for staff and updated an industrial building to serve as a maintenance shed.
- Hecla Junction repairs completed include a large concrete ream to enable loading of busses and trailers, upgrades to restrooms and the drainage surrounding the area, and repair of culverts and landscaping to prevent further erosion.
- Lake Pueblo South Side Waterline was replaced. Due to two previous failures of the waterline tests were reported by the Colorado Department of Health and Environment (CDPHE). By inserting an 8" pipe into the current 12" pipe, the leaks and infiltration of chemicals should be eliminated. Continued testing by CDPHE will be required to ensure that the water meets their requirements.
- State Forest water system upgrade at Bockman Campground was initiated to provide domestic water to this campground. A well was drilled, however there were water quality and quantity issues, so this system will utilize shallow ground water and treatment with an Ultra-filtration system.

Projects supported with GOCO funds that have completed the engineering and design packages or have construction underway and targeted for completion during FY 12-13 and include:

- Highline State Park dredging and maintenance complex, near Grand Junction
- Chatfield Plum Creek Entrance Station at Chatfield State Park
- Chatfield Camper Registration Building study at Chatfield State Park
- Chatfield Phase 6 Road Improvements
- Cherry Creek Perimeter Road Engineering
- Cherry Creek Swim Beach Trail
- Cherry Creek Waterline
- Cherry Creek Asphalt Resurfacing

Capital Project Management

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
11172	12AD	CAPITAL PROJECT MANAGMT	603,000.00	603,000.00	603,000.00	0.00
		TOTALS	603,000.00	603,000.00	603,000.00	0.00

Background and Objectives

CPW's Capital Development Program is responsible for construction and development projects around the state, ranging in size from small landscaping projects to the planning and development of new state parks. Capital staff, park managers, regional staff, work to ensure that CPW's many construction and development projects are completed in a timely, cost-effective, and safe manner. Activities under this grant include planning, designing, engineering, budget, contract management, supervision, as well as inspecting the design and construction of facilities and all other park infrastructure. Capital staff manage the procurement process for approved projects, including advertising and soliciting bids, evaluating contractor qualifications, and managing bid awards. Additionally, capital staff oversee the design and implementation of the asset inventory system, energy efficiency feasibility analyses, administrative office space planning and management, and numerous other aspects of managing capital facilities.

Over the past half century, Parks has grown significantly, now managing over 220,000 acres of park lands and a significant capital infrastructure, estimated at about 1,000 facilities and structures throughout 43 parks.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

In FY 2011-12 nine capital project managers were involved in overseeing work on over 180 active capital projects in various stages of completion, with a three year value of over \$50 million.

In 2010, the Division embarked on a comprehensive evaluation of every building, road and infrastructure asset within CPW. The Asset Inventory for the state park system is the first component of an overall Capital Asset Management Program. This program is on-line, and log-in information has been provided to GOCO staff. The objective of overall program is to guide a wide range of decision making and management of all constructed assets. The specific objective of the Asset Inventory is to develop facility and infrastructure evaluation criteria and a methodology to survey and asses the physical condition of the constructed assets within Colorado State Parks. The evaluation criteria will not only establish benchmarks for the assessment of the conditions and needs of park infrastructure but will also serve as the basis for quantifying the costs to maintain the assets and serve as a tool to help predict and recommended

capital improvements. Key goals of the development of the criteria are to minimize future maintenance obligations and establish renovation and construction guidelines that will provide uniformity and therefore improve the cost-effectiveness for future construction and maintenance of projects.

In FY 09-10, the Asset Inventory process was designed, and data collection began. In FY 10-11 the information was entered into a database that can be displayed on a map so specific assets can be located easily.

Survey and assessment were also completed along with a web interface to display the information. In early 2012, the program was made available to the field managers and maintenance staff for reference and data refinement. Data regarding existing assets will be an integral part of assessing the needs for future capital investment.

Resource Management Program

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
09173	10F3	FOREST MANAGEMENT	300,000.00	234,074.65	297,674.96	2,325.04
09173	10NR	RESOURC MGMT PGM 6/30/12	421,000.00	77,627.31	421,000.00	0.00
10223	11F3	FOREST MANAGEMENT	300,000.00	98,735.27	98,735.27	201,264.73
11173	12NR	RESOURCE MGMT PROGRAM	421,000.00	368,076.01	368,076.01	52,923.99
		TOTALS	1,442,000.00	778,513.24	1,185,486.24	256,513.76

Background and Objectives

The Colorado Parks and Wildlife Resource Management grant funds activities designed to protect, preserve and enhance the natural, scenic, scientific, and outdoor recreation values of Colorado's public recreation areas. This includes a variety of resource issues, with responsibility for five major areas shown below:

- Resource stewardship planning for each state park
- GIS production and management
- Threatened and endangered species reviews
- Natural Areas Program coordination
- Forest management

Resource stewardship plans developed under this grant contain information about land, water, geology, fossils, soils, vegetation, wildlife, cultural resources, internal and surrounding land use and property ownership. On-the-ground surveys are conducted to map, document, and monitor the condition of the vegetation, rare plants, weeds, aquatic nuisance species and selected wildlife habitat. Comprehensive Resource Stewardship Plans are produced to guide park staff on specific goals and objectives for protection of significant resources. Management prescriptions are developed that focus on weed management, park-specific re-vegetation and habitat restoration, guidance on dealing with specific resource issues (wildlife/trash interactions, rattlesnakes, large predators, dogs-off-leash, cottonwood/willow maintenance, etc.), and monitoring methods based on each park's regional context and special resources such as rare species or natural communities. Volunteer monitoring is also an important aspect particularly for raptor monitoring and bird breeding monitoring through point count surveys. Collaboration with the Natural Areas Program benefits parks through rare plant monitoring on park lands.

GIS production and management for planning and maintenance is an ongoing activity under this grant. GIS data is collected with GPS or compiled from other sources (e.g. engineering drawings) and maintained for each park to create a variety of maps, including trail maps. The data is used for information requests, planning (avoiding sensitive plants, animal habitat or

cultural resources when creating a new trail), and construction activities. Boundary and parcel information is tracked in GIS, including which parcel funding source, acreage, and easements. Utilities and maintenance information is tracked including data on noxious weed locations, water, sewer and electric line locations. All park field offices have GIS data installed and have at least one staff member trained in its use.

Environmental and Cultural Review is a vital step in CPW's capital development process. Review of development project descriptions, GIS information on habitat, species occurrence, and significant cultural resources in the area surrounding a project, project site visits to conduct habitat evaluations, and consultation with other biologists, archaeologists and park staff are used to produce a recommendation regarding a given project's compliance with state and federal regulations.

The **Natural Areas Program** has 116 designated or registered natural areas encompassing 235,000 acres which protect elements of statewide significance and importance. These areas can be owned by federal, state, local or private entities; the program's role is to ensure proper stewardship of these rare and special areas through cooperative agreements. Areas are eligible for designation based on a variety of factors, but in general the aim is to incorporate the best representative examples of rare plants, rare animals, native ecosystems, unique geology and unique paleontology. Protection of these areas requires vigilant monitoring, accomplished with a cadre of over 150 volunteers. Volunteers monitor these areas with regular photo monitoring, fill out detailed technical tracking forms, or may perform technical plant counts. Staff visit 20-40 designated or registered sites a year, as well as several new sites to be surveyed and evaluated for inclusion into the Program. The program collaborates with partners to implement stewardship projects, research studies or outreach to protect Colorado's most significant natural features.

Forest management is an ongoing Colorado Parks and Wildlife grant activity that responds to the trends and conditions of Colorado's forests. The project funding helps maintain continued oversight and stewardship of state land assets by developing and implementing appropriate forest management plans on all parcels. Investing in these forest management activities helps improve the resilience of state parks and wildlife areas to recover from the effects of wildfires, insects and diseases and helps reduce the risk of wildfire to communities within the vicinity of many state parks and wildlife areas.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

Resource Stewardship Planning: In FY 2011-12, park inventory efforts documented resources on park lands. These inventories are prioritized based upon collaboration with the management plan development team. Inventory efforts include resource management plans and recommendations. Inventory findings and reports are incorporated into a comprehensive stewardship plan for each park and inventory reports are included in the appendices of each plan. Stewardship plans are then shared with the management planning team for use in the management planning process.

The following are the major resource projects, inventories and surveys performed in FY 2011-12:

- Weed Mapping and Weed Management Plan development – James M. Robb (Colorado River), Lake Pueblo, Eleven Mile, Spinney Mountain, Rifle Falls, Rifle Gap

- Bird Surveys (Breeding, Raptor, Owl surveys) – Lake Pueblo, Sylvan Lake, Cheyenne Mountain, Staunton, St. Vrain, Castlewood Canyon, Golden Gate Canyon
- Small Mammal Surveys – Staunton, Golden Gate Canyon
- Herptile Surveys – Castlewood Canyon, Golden Gate Canyon, Staunton, St. Vrain
- Dog Management Advice – Staunton
- Prairie Dog Management Planning – St. Vrain
- Preble’s Meadow Jumping Mouse Habitat Mapping & Reporting – Castlewood Canyon, Roxborough, Eldorado Canyon, Lory
- Paleontology and Geology Surveys – Roxborough, Cheyenne Mountain, Lake Pueblo
- Geologic Hazard Reports – Cheyenne Mountain, Lake Pueblo
- Cultural Resource/Archeology Resource Mapping and Reports – Sylvan Lake, Stagecoach, Lone Mesa, Trinidad Lake, Roxborough, Lake Pueblo
- Revegetation Projects (seed mix/revegetation specifications) – James M. Robb (Colorado River), Barr Lake, Lake Pueblo, Staunton
- Ecological Restoration – development of Lory post-fire restoration plan, St. Vrain wetland mitigation
- Technology – Stationary binoculars to allow the public to view wildlife at a distance, development of wildlife sightings and raptor monitoring databases

Stewardship Planning details:

- New or updated Stewardship Plans are in the draft/completion stage of the plan writing process at Stagecoach, Sylvan Lake, Lone Mesa, Lake Pueblo, Roxborough, and Arkansas Headwaters.
- Baseline natural resource inventories for the entire state park system were performed over the last 10 years to provide foundational vegetation and wildlife data. Current surveys are focused on monitoring resources already inventoried and documenting additional resources. Archeological and paleontological resources were thoroughly surveyed at several parks as described above. Detailed breeding bird information is being gathered and the volunteer raptor monitoring program is being expanded to more parks. Rare species surveys have been conducted at several parks including Preble’s mice, rare pocket gopher, swift fox, and an unusual whiptail lizard population consisting of all females. All of this information is helping to protect, manage, and interpret these resources at our parks.
- A partnership was established with the University of Colorado (Denver) for paleontological fossil surveys and has produced some scientifically significant discoveries that will open the way for state parks to be interpretive sites for dinosaur era resources. A partnership with Wildlands Restoration Volunteers has grown to assist parks in restoring native habitats and train parks employees on restoration techniques. Collaboration and information sharing with other agencies included work with wildlife staff, Denver Water, US Forest Service, Arkansas Valley Audubon, Colorado Natural Heritage program, Colorado Breeding Bird Atlas, and Colorado Department of Agriculture.
- Research, Analysis and Planning to protect parks - Inventory and planning was conducted at six state parks for noxious weeds. Prairie dog inventory and planning was conducted at St. Vrain.

Natural Areas

- As of the end of FY 2011-12, Colorado Parks and Wildlife was cooperatively monitoring approximately 235,000 acres in 116 registered or designated natural areas. Three additional Natural Areas were designated in FY 2011-12: Haviland Lake, Miramonte Reservoir, and Arikaree River Natural Areas. The first two sites are State Wildlife Areas while Arikaree River is owned by the State Land Board. Natural Area designation on state lands gives these sites added resources for both the protection and management of their unique features. Colorado Natural Areas Program (CNAP) staff work with grazing lessees and SLB staff to assure that the irreplaceable values found on these lands are protected for current and future Colorado citizens.
- 64 of the Designated and Registered Natural Areas were visited by CNAP staff or volunteers to monitor sensitive features and look for threats. During the 2011 field season, CNAP staff made two site visits to West Creek Natural Area which had been impacted by the Cow Creek wildfire in Rocky Mountain National Park (RMNP). Staff was able to monitor site conditions and pass on valuable observations to the Park regarding burn impacts and noxious weed populations in these areas. CPW work with RMNP will help keep this special place in pristine condition.
- In Fiscal Year 2011-12, CPW utilized Species Conservation Trust Fund moneys to bring in over \$250,000 of match funding for rare plant conservation and research projects. These efforts include keeping species off federal lists, developing science-based Best Management Practices for oil and gas development, and mapping newly discovered species within the state. Working with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, BLM, Universities, and other partners, the leveraging of these funds has magnified the effectiveness of rare plant conservation in Colorado.
 - In partnership with Utah State University, CNAP organized research efforts to study the effects of disturbance from oil and gas operations on endemic rare plants and their pollinators. Better information about the status of Colorado's rarest plants will help inform federal decisions about Endangered Species Act listing.
 - CNAP is helping to expand populations of a rare plants species that was recently petitioned for federal listing as a threatened species. This effort is intended to reduce the pressure on the two original populations in addition to understanding more about the habitat requirements for this rare plant. If successful, this project may serve to improve the integrity of this very rare species.
- In 2011, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service honored CNAP's leadership of the Rare Plant Conservation Initiative (RPCI) with a Recovery Champions for Conservation Award. RPCI is a partnership of 23 statewide and regional agencies and organizations working to conserve rare plants in Colorado. There are currently 121 rare plants in Colorado, and 16 of these have been listed as threatened or endangered. RPCI works to more effectively recover these species by coordinating conservation efforts to maximize benefits from funding, research, planning, and management actions executed by multiple agencies throughout the state.

Forest Management

Colorado Parks and Wildlife responded to changing conditions in the state and successfully coordinated with partners to obtain funding and get the forest managed in key areas to keep parks open and safe.

- Mountain Pine Beetle response – Colorado Parks and Wildlife continues to partner with the Colorado State Forest Service (CSFS) to address rapidly changing conditions at Steamboat, Pearl, and State Forest State Parks by removing a considerable number of dead and diseased trees in high use areas. Also, proactive work at Golden Gate to stay ahead of the pine beetle continues. CSFS has assisted with future project development, forest health inspections and hazard tree evaluations.
- Reducing Risk of Wildfire – Several projects were conducted in FY2011-12 to mitigate hazardous fuel loads on several state parks. GOCO funding paid for 50% of the project cost for fuels mitigation treatments at Castlewood Canyon (50 acres), Staunton (121 acres) and Golden Gate Canyon (77 acres). Grant programs from the Colorado State Forest Service matched the other 50% of the project cost. Several additional projects are planned for future years at Sylvan Lake, Lone Mesa, Golden Gate Canyon, Trinidad, Vega and State Forest State Parks among others.
- Youth Corps Partnership – Colorado Parks and Wildlife continued to partner with the Colorado Youth Corps Association. Youth Corps performed over 10 weeks of work and made major progress at 4 state parks. State Forest, Steamboat, Pearl, and Golden Gate Canyon State Parks that each received a significant amount of forestry work.
- Private Contractors - Colorado Parks and Wildlife made use of local, private companies for project planning, clearances, evaluations, hazard tree removal, preventative insect spraying, and project access improvement. Hazardous tree removal remains a priority, especially in parks faced with new forest pest invasions including the pine beetle.

Vegetation Management

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
09452	9452	GOCO VEGETATION MANAGEMENT	513,000.00	8,638.84	478,858.09	34,141.91
09174	10V3	VEGETATION MANAGEMENT	400,000.00	107,688.04	396,660.36	3,339.64
10174	11V3	VEGETATION MANAGEMENT	400,000.00	105,641.55	305,941.34	94,058.66
11174	12V3	VEGETATION MANAGEMENT	400,000.00	238,136.59	238,136.59	161,863.41
		TOTALS	1,713,000.00	460,105.02	1,419,596.38	293,403.62

Background and Objectives

Great Outdoors Colorado investments for mechanical and other vegetative management efforts are the most important funding for on-the-ground resource protection at the state park areas. This funding helps CPW maintain the momentum to sustain native ecosystems by containing noxious weed infestations at many of our parks statewide. By continuing to seek out the most innovative, effective and comprehensive means available, CPW has been able to initiate proactive efforts to better manage the natural habitats at our parks.

GOCO funding is used to complete a wide variety of urgent vegetation management tasks. Primary efforts include identification of non-native plant areas through mapping and other means; development of integrated weed management plans; selective application of herbicides; bio-controls and weed agents; and restoration with native grasses, shrubs and trees best suited for habitat improvements. Hazardous tree removal has become especially important in recent years, especially in parks faced with new forest pest invasions including the pine beetle.

A large portion of Colorado Parks and Wildlife's vegetation management efforts are cooperative, with local county weed control coordinators, county land use officials, the Colorado State Forest Service, and adjoining landowners playing an important role.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

GOCO funding was used to help treat over 8,700 acres of noxious weeds and improve the native vegetation on state park lands, utilizing volunteers, contractors and/or state park staff. Over 800 acres were re-vegetated with native species and over 2,000 acres were mowed to control weeds. Tamarisk continues to be addressed at 26 parks. Hazard trees were addressed as a priority as well.

Northeast Region

- Barr Lake State Park treated hazard trees in several areas of the park with significant financial assistance from the Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory and Friends of Barr

Lake. The park also increased mowing operations and worked with the local irrigation company on re-vegetating disturbed areas.

- Boyd Lake State Park has made excellent progress in controlling Canada thistle, puncture vine, field bindweed and Russian olive. Boyd Lake partnered with a large volunteer group to remove two large stands of Russian olive.
- Chatfield State Park treated 245 acres of weeds utilizing efforts from contractors, staff and volunteers. The park continues to mow 75 acres along the edges of trails and campgrounds. 25 acres burned by wildfire is being monitored for potential new weeds.
- Cherry Creek State Park is successfully re-vegetating disturbed areas and contracting out effective herbicide application. Large amounts of Russian olive were removed and Dalmatian toadflax and leafy spurge continue to decrease in previously dense areas.
- Eldorado Canyon State Park treated 115 acres with herbicides to control Dalmatian toadflax, mullein, diffuse knapweed and thistle. Several hundred volunteer hours were logged in hand pulling efforts to reduce populations of a variety of noxious weeds.
- Eleven Mile and Spinney Mountain State Parks are effectively controlling Canada thistle and yellow toadflax. The park continues to respond quickly to the discovery of new populations of noxious weeds, preventing establishment.
- Golden Gate Canyon State Park continues to make progress reducing the number of visible weeds along roadways. Leafy spurge patches are now under control and Chinese clematis has been eradicated from the park.
- Lory State Park is seeing the success of annual treatments in restoring areas to native grasses, forbs and shrubs. The High Park Fire burned about 500 acres in the park and restoration efforts have been initiated to prevent an explosion of noxious weeds.
- North Sterling State Park used contractors and staff to apply herbicide to 70 acres. Mowing and grazing is being used to control weeds on another 250 acres of the park.
- Roxborough State Park treated known patches of several species designated for eradication including Japanese knotweed, plumeless thistle, houndstongue, hoary cress (whiteweed), bull thistle, and Dalmatian toadflax.
- St. Vrain State Park continued Russian olive and tamarisk eradication and improved control of knapweed, whiteweed and thistles with new herbicides.
- Staunton State Park used contractors to aggressively spray active development areas prior to equipment moving in. Work began on a new inventory and mapping of noxious weeds in the park. The park has also started to tap volunteer resources to assist in these efforts.

Northwest Region

- James M. Robb - Colorado River State Park completed a re-vegetation project using volunteers from a local middle school. The park has also partnered with Western Colorado Conservation Corps on removal of tamarisk and Russian olive and has seen high success rates of newly planted cottonwood trees.
- Highline Lake State Park has completely removed tamarisk, Russian olive and elm trees in several areas of the park. The park has also worked diligently on removal of hazardous and diseased limbs and trees in high use areas.
- Stagecoach State Park is having positive results in treated areas and overall weed populations on the park are decreasing. The park has also developed a plan with neighboring property owners to control weeds.

- Vega State Park benefited from a dry spring and summer and was able to attack most weeds as they were in the rosette stage.
- Yampa River and Elkhead State Park saw positive results using contract herbicide applicators for bare ground and right-of way treatments. Cooperative management efforts with the river district, city and county provided good results.

Southeast Region

- Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area used funding to hire temporary employees that worked on control of numerous noxious weeds and to revegetate disturbed areas.
- Cheyenne Mountain State Park has had good success controlling noxious weeds, protecting native vegetation. The park is focusing on manual removal in developed areas.
- John Martin Reservoir State Park has removed all tamarisk from the north side of the reservoir. Staff completed 2,000 hours of native vegetation work and has made great progress on removing weeds near trails.
- Lake Pueblo State Park completed a new weed management plan with assistance from Stewardship staff. The park has made significant reduction of weed populations in the Rock Canyon area.
- Lathrop and San Luis State Parks are continuing to make good progress on tamarisk and Russian olive infestations.
- Mueller State Park continues to protect native vegetation by staff work and contract spraying noxious weed locations.
- Trinidad Lake State Park treated significant amounts of tamarisk and various thistles, along with other weeds in the campground and parking lots.

Southwest Region

- Crawford State Park made good progress controlling Russian knapweed and various thistles.
- Lone Mesa State Park accomplished over 65 acres of spraying and 4 acres of mechanical control through utilizing local contractors.
- Navajo State Park utilized expertise from Archuleta County to treat a variety of noxious weeds. Funds were also used to replace trees in campgrounds.
- Ridgway State Park used Ouray County to make good progress in controlling tamarisk near Dallas Creek.

Park Operations

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
11175	12CM	CHEYENNE MTN OPS	343,000.00	343,000.00	343,000.00	0.00
11176	12CF	CRAWFORD OPS	73,000.00	73,000.00	73,000.00	0.00
11177	12GG	GOLDEN GATE OPS	103,000.00	103,000.00	103,000.00	0.00
11178	12JM	JOHN MARTIN OPS	64,000.00	64,000.00	64,000.00	0.00
11179	12LA	LATHROP OPS	73,000.00	73,000.00	73,000.00	0.00
11180	12LM	LONE MESA OPS	44,000.00	44,000.00	44,000.00	0.00
11181	12RF	RIFLE GAP OPS	28,000.00	28,000.00	28,000.00	0.00
11182	12VR	ST. VRAIN OPS	175,000.00	175,000.00	175,000.00	0.00
11183	12SF	STATE FOREST OPS	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00
11184	12ST	STAUNTON OPS	84,360.00	84,360.00	84,360.00	0.00
11185	12SV	SYLVAN OPS	110,000.00	110,000.00	110,000.00	0.00
11186	12YA	YAMPA OPS	115,000.00	115,000.00	115,000.00	0.00
		TOTALS	1,242,360.00	1,242,360.00	1,242,360.00	0.00

Background and Objectives

Great Outdoors Colorado has provided significant funding to almost every state park in the system to help develop facilities and recreation amenities, acquire land, or both. Several state parks that have been improved through GOCO capital investments receive annual operations support from GOCO. This support varies from park to park but system-wide covers basic operating expenses and a limited number of full-time staff. Typical park operating expenses supported with GOCO funding include:

- Seasonal and/or contract worker support
- Minor repair and maintenance costs
- Utilities costs
- Other administrative and operating costs directly related to normal agency and park business practices

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

In FY 2011-12 GOCO funding supported day-to-day park operations at Cheyenne Mountain, Crawford, Golden Gate, John Martin, Lathrop, Lone Mesa, Rifle Complex, St Vrain, State Forest, Staunton, Sylvan, and Yampa River State Parks. A description of each park and its relevant statistics is provided below.

Situated just south of Colorado Springs, Cheyenne Mountain is the newest addition to the State Parks system. The land base for the park was acquired in June 2000 through the efforts of State Parks, the City of Colorado Springs, GOCO, Colorado Lottery, El Paso County, and private organizations. Cheyenne Mountain offers more than 60 campsites, 41 day-use sites for picnicking, a group picnic area that can accommodate 200 guests, and more than 20 miles of trail. The park's Visitor Center offers park information, hands-on educational displays, and spectacular views.

- FTE: 5.0
- Land acres: 2,336
- Water acres: 0
- FY 2011-12-total visitation: 147,220
- Camping: 61 campsites
- Picnic sites: 41
- Trails: 16 trails encompassing more than 20 miles



Crawford State Park offers great water-based recreation in Colorado's historic North Fork ranching country. The park's 400-surface acre lake is very popular with boaters, water skiers, and fishermen, and includes a designated swim beach. Crawford's two campgrounds were extensively renovated in 1997; the Iron Creek campground includes full-service RV hookups, while the Clear Fork campground offers a more basic camping experience. Crawford also includes numerous trails and great picnic areas.

- FTE: 3.0
- Land acres: 334
- Water acres: 400
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 141,510
- Camping: 66 campsites
- Picnic sites: 40
- Trails: 1 primary trail extending almost 2 miles



Golden Gate State Park encompasses almost 12,000 acres of mountain meadows, aspen groves, and pine forest. The park has an extensive trail network, extending more than 35 miles and providing access to 275 picnic sites; many trails are designated as multi-use and are popular with hikers, bikers, and equestrians. Golden Gate also offers a variety of camping options, including full-service sites with electrical hookups, tent sites with fire rings and picnic facilities, and primitive back-country sites. Golden Gate also offers eight cabins and yurts, available year-round. The park's visitor center contains environmental education activities, including the ADA-accessible Nellie Larkin Nature Trail.

- FTE: 8.0
- Land acres: 11,998

- Water acres: 7
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 608,381
- Camping: 134 campsites, 6 cabins, 2 yurts
- Picnic sites: 125
- Trails: 15 trails encompassing 36 miles are accessible from the park



John Martin State Park offers great boating and fishing in southeastern Colorado. The park has more than 200 campsites, including full-service RV hookups, ten sites with fire rings, and primitive sites. Group picnic and camping facilities are also available. The park's trail network includes connections to the northern (Mountain) route of the historic Sante Fe Trail.

- FTE: 3.0
- Land acres: 1,727
- Water acres: 11,449
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 109,783
- Camping: 213 campsites
- Picnic sites: 17
- Trails: 1 primary trail extending 4.5 miles



Lathrop State Park offers a variety of recreation opportunities in a high plains grassland environment, dotted with pinon and juniper and in the shadow of the Spanish Peaks. The park is a great place for fishing, waterfowl hunting, boating, windsurfing, and swimming. Lathrop has a diverse trail network that includes spectacular views of the Spanish Peaks, Sangre de Cristo, and Wet Mountain ranges. The park offers more than 100 campsites, including full-service RV hookups, tent sites, and primitive sites. Lathrop also offers a group camping site and a large number of picnic areas.

- FTE: 5.0
- Land acres: 1,184
- Water acres: 412
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 76,739
- Camping: 103 campsites
- Picnic sites: 40
- Trails: 2 primary trails extending more than 5 miles



Lone Mesa State Park lies about 20 miles north of the town of Dolores and encompasses 11,702 acres of incredibly scenic land, ranging in elevation from near 7,000 feet to just over 9,000 feet. The park is closed to general public access while development and management planning is in progress. However, a Special Use Permit program allows limited public hunting during the big game seasons, as the park includes fantastic elk, deer and bear habitat. Along with administration of the public hunting program, management of Lone Mesa includes monitoring of a livestock grazing lease and other Special Use Permits, involvement in volunteer and other service partnerships, and operation of a visitor's center in Dolores. The Dolores office provides OHV,

snowmobile and boat registrations and includes a Rocky Mountain Nature Association bookstore.

- FTE: 1.0
- Land acres: 11,702
- Water acres: 0
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 9,605
- Camping: NA
- Picnic sites: NA
- Trails: NA



Rifle Gap State Park lies at the foot of the Grand Hogback, nine miles north of the town of Rifle. The park offers great water-based recreation opportunities, including boating, fishing, swimming, and diving. The park complex is adjacent to BLM lands and connects to an enormous number of trails for hiking, biking, and equestrian use. There are a total of more than 50 campsites at the park, including some RV sites, tent sites, and primitive sites.

- FTE: 5.0
- Land acres: 1,029
- Water acres: 360
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 240,545
- Camping: 89 campsites
- Picnic sites: 14
- Trails: none



St. Vrain State Park offers hiking, camping, and fishing opportunities within an easy drive from several Front Range communities. The park has been extensively rehabilitated in the last four years (supported by GOCO funding); St. Vrain's 80 campsites have been completely updated to support RV camping. St. Vrain also offers picnic and day-use sites, an in-park trail network, and connections to many local and regional trails.

- FTE: 5.0
- Land acres: 452
- Water acres: 236
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 155,483
- Camping: 87 campsites
- Picnic sites: 7
- Trails: 4 trails extending more than 4 miles



The largest park in the system, State Forest State Park encompasses more than 70,000 acres, ranging in elevation from 8500 to 13,000 feet. State Forest contains four campgrounds with more than 150 improved sites, and also includes 76 "dispersed" camping sites in more remote areas of the park. State Forest also has seven yurts available year-round; these facilities are very popular in the winter with snowmobile users and cross-country skiers. The park's extensive trail network provides opportunities to connect to the Routt National Forest, Rawah Wilderness, Roosevelt National Forest, and Rocky Mountain National Park.

- FTE: 5.0
- Land acres: 70,838
- Water acres: 170
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 457,203
- Camping: 158 campsites, 6 cabins, 9 yurts
- Picnic sites: 9
- Miles of trail: 11 trails extending more than 94 miles

Staunton State Park lies approximately 40 miles southwest of downtown Denver. Encompassing about 3,700 acres, the park is situated within both Park and Jefferson Counties and is surrounded by Pike National Forest to the north and northwest. Staunton is not yet open to the public and represents a rare opportunity for our agency to develop an entirely new state park from the ground up. Staunton State Park contains many spectacular natural features, including rugged rock outcroppings, lush grassy meadows, rolling hillsides forested with conifers and aspens and a dramatic waterfall. Numerous streams (including Elk Creek, Black Mountain Creek, Jones Creek and Mason Creek) wind through the park and have significant riparian areas, adding to the natural beauty of Staunton. GOCO funding will help support the day-to-day operations at Staunton State Park. Although the park is not yet open to the public, significant activity occurs within the park, including fuel mitigation and vegetation management work.

- FTE: 1.0
- Land acres: 3,646
- Water acres: 0
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 0
- Camping: NA
- Picnic sites: NA
- Trails: NA

Sylvan Lake State Park is located approximately 10 miles southeast of the town of Eagle in Eagle County. The park is open year-round, with a campground situated near a beautiful 46-acre mountain lake stocked with trout. The park features tent and RV camping, eight rustic cabins, one cabin with running water, and three yurts. Hiking and biking trails, picnic areas, and boating are all popular activities at Sylvan Lake. In the winter, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling and ice fishing are popular activities. Sylvan Lake offers environmental interpretive programs for all ages during the summer, and upon request the rest of the year.

- FTE: 4.0
- Land acres: 1,506
- Water acres: 42
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 100,441
- Camping: 44 campsites, 8 cabins, 3 yurts
- Picnic sites: 30
- Trails: 2 trails extending more than 1.5 miles



Yampa River State Park offers a unique experience in the State Parks system. The park offers a wide variety of recreation opportunities along more than 130 miles of the Yampa River. Park headquarters are located in the beautiful Yampa valley near Hayden, and include a visitor center, nature trail, 50 campsites, and picnic sites. The proximity to State Highway 40 makes park headquarters the base camp for many outdoor activities in the Steamboat area, including hunting, fishing, and OHV use. A 134-mile stretch of the Yampa River is the heart of Yampa River State Park. The river access sites offer recreationists six camping areas, excellent fishing on miles of flat-water and Class I-V rafting. The state park component of this river corridor includes 13 access points, stretching from Hayden to the Dinosaur National Monument near the Utah border.

- FTE: 5.0
- Land acres: 135
- Water acres: 134 miles of river
- FY 2011-12 total visitation: 79,249
- Camping: 49 campsites, 1 yurt
- Picnic sites: 47
- Trails: 1 primary trail extending more than 12 miles



II. Public Information and Environmental Education

Public Information and Outreach Program

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
11187	12PI	PUBLIC INFO PROGRAM	271,000.00	271,000.00	271,000.00	0.00
		TOTALS	271,000.00	271,000.00	271,000.00	0.00

Background and Objectives

Article XXVII of the Constitution states that Parks-purpose GOCO funding will be used to “Develop appropriate public information and environmental education resources on Colorado's natural resources at state parks, recreation areas, and other locations throughout the state.” Colorado Parks and Wildlife’s Public Information Program manages the Division’s external communications, agency brand, public outreach, and publications. Activities under this grant may include analysis of CPW’s position in the marketplace and implementation of short-, medium-, and long-range efforts to improve the Division’s position. The program analyzes and anticipates travel and recreation trends and their effect on the Division’s public outreach efforts and visitation. The overriding purpose of all these efforts is to help connect people to the outdoors.

Specific objectives include:

- Implement public outreach efforts for CPW, including recommending strategies and programs to leadership. Develop outreach campaigns utilizing a variety of media, including print ads, radio, and Internet. Draft, develop, and produce individual advertisements for use in local, statewide, and national print media.
- Produce communications including presentations, reports, brochures, promotional materials and campaign/event specific information.
- Improve outreach and external communications through social media channels.
- Assist with disseminating information to media representatives via news releases and maintaining current media outlet information and contacts.
- Establish professional relationships with tourism-related representatives and other outreach partners. Coordinate public outreach partnerships with media outlets, tourism offices, and other recreation-related organizations.
- Manage CPW website working with the state’s Office of Information Technology (OIT) programmers to enhance visitor website experience. Ensure effective systems are in place for subject matter experts and web page authors to easily provide updated, accurate and timely information on the website.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

- Colorado Parks and Wildlife continues to effectively use social media channels to reach constituents and the general public. Facebook fans grew by 42% to 3,665 fans and total daily reach was 278,708 in FY 2011-12.
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife started a new program to get more families outdoors. Through a donation from The North Face, public outreach and volunteer/education managers worked on developing a first-time campers program called “Let’s Camp!” Equipment was purchased for ten families to attend one of four camping weekends. The initiative was developed to teach basic camp set up and break down, and GOCO park naturalists were consulted to develop “Leave No Trace” and interpretive programs. Park volunteers also offered information about camping etiquette and features of each park for participants. All “Let’s Camp!” programs were held in July-August 2012, and more detail will be provided in next year’s report.
- Through the Customer Relationship Management system that parks began using in 2009, there is now a solid baseline data to compare current results and statistics for outreach activities such as park brochure requests, website Contact Us requests, leads from ad placements, e-store orders, organic traffic leads and email leads.
- In conjunction with America’s State Parks, Colorado Parks and Wildlife promoted First Day Hikes held on January 1, 2012. Hikes were led by staff and volunteers at 11 state parks across the state.
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife e-news opt-in subscribers reached 50,000 with open rates maintained above 20%.
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife once again had a strong presence at Get Outdoors Day Colorado held in June at Denver’s City Park. The 2012 event was attended by nearly 10,000 youth and their families. CPW offered fishing poles to a limited number of participants, taught families to fish and educated them in the Junior Ranger camp zone.
- Created a boating safety video that is used in the Colorado boating safety classes and is shown at national boating safety conference. The video is also sent to all media outlets at the beginning of the boating season as a safety reminder.
- Placed ads for a combined camping and fishing summer campaign – Weekday GetAways to Camp and Fish. Summer camping reservations for parks were promoted through cable and online ads.
- Secured earned media coverage by issuing over 300 news releases on events in parks, issues, initiatives and successes, including the hundreds of programs presented by the summer Great Outdoors Colorado naturalists. The news releases are sent to more than 400 newspapers, radio and television stations, and specialty websites for the outdoors, parents and other interest groups. The news releases also appear on the parks (now Parks and Wildlife) Facebook pages. The outreach attracts more visitors to parks and parks events.
- Responded to media inquiries 24/7 to ensure that parks’ views and activities were accurately represented in media coverage. Fast response and good relationships with the media has enhanced media inquiries and coverage.



- Produced and distributed six issues of the Colorado Parks and Wildlife's internal newsletter, *On Our Screen*, which focuses on the people, accomplishments and other activities of CPW to enhance mutual understanding.
- Park brochures are distributed at 10 Welcome Centers throughout the state reaching more than 1 million visitors annually.

Environmental Education Program

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
11188	12EE	ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM	290,000.00	289,180.11	289,180.11	819.89
		TOTALS	290,000.00	289,180.11	289,180.11	819.89

Background and Objectives

Colorado State Parks make ideal outdoor classrooms for reconnecting visitors to and educating students about nature's wonders. By providing outstanding learning opportunities for visitors of all ages, CPW expects that people will walk away with a desire to engage in outdoor experiences on their own along with a stronger bond with, understanding of, and sense of stewardship towards the ecosystems in which we all live. With the assistance of GOCO funding, the Division has provided qualified interpreters offering educational programs and other services in our parks throughout Colorado since the mid-1990s.

GOCO funding for the Environmental Education program supports temporary workers (on a seasonal basis) at almost every park in the system. These staffers, under guidance from the statewide Volunteer and Education Program, regional and park staff, manage and host a wide variety of services for park visitors. These include:

- Daily contacts with park visitors to provide assistance, information, educational programs and events
- Development of self-directed interpretation hikes and experiences, discovery packs, trail brochures and maps, and interpretive signs and exhibits
- Educational "campfire" programs, and Junior Ranger Program materials and packets
- Classroom programs conducted for children of all ages
- Staffing educational exhibits in park visitor centers
- Coordination and resources for volunteer naturalists providing programs for visitors
- Writing weekly newspaper columns, park newsletters, plant identification booklets, web page updates, and hunting & fishing information packets.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

- Colorado Parks and Wildlife's Interpretation and Environmental Education (I&EE) coordinators reached over 114,000 park visitors through programs and demonstrations including educating visitors on unique park features, wildlife, and other environmental issues while making direct contact on trails, in campgrounds, at visitor centers and entrance stations.
- I&EE coordinators spent over 4,900 hours completing various research projects, working on self-directed interpretation including scavenger hunt preparation, compiling materials

for Junior Ranger Discovery packs, creating self-guided nature trail brochures, coordinating the development of visitor center exhibits and displays, promoting programs through newsletters and slide shows, and maintaining bird feeders, aquariums and other live animal exhibits.

- Over 815,000 of the 12 million park visitors (about 7%) were reached through personal interpretation and/or environmental education programs provided by staff and volunteers across the state as well as informal contacts made by staff on trails, visitor centers, and so forth. These numbers can be attributed indirectly to GOCO funds used to match park resources.
- GOCO funds helped support State Parks' 27 Visitor Centers with educational materials and, in some instances, updated and enhanced interpretive displays or exhibits. In addition, GOCO funding supported efforts in a handful of parks to update interpretive signage and Watchable Wildlife displays along trails.
- Continued in-kind support for various local, state and national "kids and families outdoors" initiatives and events.



Volunteer Program

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through EY12	Unexpended Balance
11189	12VP	VOLUNTEER PROGRAM	306,000.00	294,029.28	294,029.28	11,970.72
		TOTALS	306,000.00	294,029.28	294,029.28	11,970.72

Background and Objectives

The statewide Volunteer and Education Program's mission is to support the achievement of quality outdoor recreation experiences and resource stewardship for present and future generations. Partnerships between the public and private sector are enhanced and promoted through volunteer engagement. The promotion and cultivation of volunteerism plays a major role in helping CPW meet its mission now and in the future, as well as providing for the next generation of park visitors.

The use and value of volunteers within CPW has demonstrated rapid growth since 2003. Empowering park staff to engage volunteers and providing them with the tools, to do so effectively, along with CPW leadership support has ensured success. Specific objectives include:

- Advising staff and volunteer leaders about all aspects of volunteer management: recruiting, orientating, training, supervising, evaluating, and rewarding/recognizing the performance of volunteers, for the purposes of gaining and retaining a diversity of volunteers to meet the needs of Colorado Parks and Wildlife.
- Promoting volunteerism and its benefits to the general public, service groups, clubs, partnerships, and other agencies.
- Identifying, creating, and modifying processes to quantify and tabulate the impact of volunteer contributions to state parks, and consistently apply these processes for reporting purposes.
- Plan, design, implement, and evaluate trainings for staff in areas of volunteer planning and implementation, volunteer management and interpretation/environmental education.
- Coordinate and promote youth outreach and interpretive/environmental education activities statewide. Includes partnering with various local, state and federal agencies and non-profits to further these efforts.
- Work closely with local and statewide Friends Groups to support and grow their volunteer, advocacy and fundraising efforts for the overall benefit of Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

Specific program areas supported by GOCO funding include:

- Volunteer Database: This valuable tracking tool provides the mechanism for CPW to maintain accurate and comprehensive records about volunteer activity in and around state

park areas. The database also serves as a recruiting and advertising tool by allowing volunteers to sign up for volunteer events via the Internet and assists in tracking insurance coverage needs.

- Training: Ongoing training for staff and volunteers is vital to maintaining and improving CPW's ability to attract and retain volunteers.
- Statewide Projects and Volunteer Incentives: Studies have shown that incentives are perhaps the single best way to attract and retain volunteers and ensure that they return to state parks for multiple volunteer projects.
- Partnership Projects: Colorado Parks and Wildlife is proud to partner with a variety of organizations like Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado, Wildlands Restoration Volunteers, and Colorado Mountain Club to complete trail development and redevelopment, wetlands rehabilitation, habitat restoration, and other projects.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

Engaging citizens, as volunteers and supporters, continues to be essential to the sustainability of Colorado Parks and Wildlife. Volunteers play a critical role in supporting parks by performing important administrative tasks, educating visitors, conserving natural resources, serving as leaders of volunteers, and even helping to leverage donation support through Friends groups. The promotion and cultivation of volunteerism helps CPW address critical needs. Overarching statewide efforts and data supporting volunteerism include:

- Over 4,940 volunteers contributed 205,937 volunteer hours which averaged 42 hours per individual. This contribution is equivalent to 99 full-time employees in time and a cost avoidance to CPW of \$4.4 million based on the 2011 Independent Sector Hourly Rate.
- Park volunteers helped CPW in a variety of critical areas including serving as campground hosts, providing interpretive programs, trail construction, weed control, fire mitigation, wildlife and vegetation surveys, and fundraising.
- Continued efforts to clean up and streamline the new CiviCore volunteer database software. The new and improved database includes added functionality for programs and volunteers.
- Facilitated statewide training opportunities for approximately 250 staff and volunteers. Topic areas included volunteer management best practices, customer service, trail building/trail design/habitat restoration/crew leader development, database tips and troubleshooting, marketing and recruiting tips, and keys to providing quality interpretive educational programs.
- Ensured parks successfully recruited and placed camp hosts at 100% of the 37 state park locations marketing openings.
- Hosted the annual Camp host Jamboree at Boyd Lake State Park where 54 camp hosts from around the state participated in trainings with a variety of topics: customer service, teambuilding, animals, plants and habitats.
- GOCO-funded temporary Volunteer Coordinators at 34 state park locations generated nearly 1,350 hours on indirect volunteer involvement to market volunteer programs,



recruit and track volunteers, and spent nearly 3,600 hours on direct volunteer contact to train, reward & recognize, schedule and supervise volunteers.

- Received IRS's 501(c)(3) designation for the statewide Friends of Colorado State Parks purposed with providing sustainable support for 18 local park Friends groups. Efforts included the initial stages of establishing a sustainable organizational structure for the umbrella organization and meeting with local Friends to ensure tailored support.
- Continued to engage volunteers in expanded roles including serving on local Friends boards, aquatic nuisance species control, beetle/fuel mitigation, raptor & rare plant monitors, and public safety (backcountry rescue, boat safety and education).
- Recognized staff for their stellar efforts in engaging volunteers and Friends groups through our annual Lark Bunting and Blue Spruce staff awards.
- Worked with Staunton State Park to finalize their Community Connections Plan (CCP). A new CCP template will serve as a roadmap for other parks when planning their interpretation, education, community outreach, and partnership efforts.

Partnerships between the public and private sector are critical for a successful volunteer program and play a large role in park operations and functions including:

- Hosted projects at seven state park locations in partnership with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC) – Cherry Creek, Cheyenne Mountain, Lory, State Forest, Staunton, Sylvan and Vega. Work included trails building, park clean-up, weed mitigation and more. A total of 580 volunteers (365 adults and 215 youth) contributed 4800 hours collectively.
- Partnered with Youth Corps from across the state to host a variety of pro-bono service learning projects including park clean-ups, bridge building, trail maintenance and more. Youth contributed 4700 volunteer hours collectively at Lory, James M Robb, Pearl, Steamboat, St. Vrain and Yampa State Parks.
- Cultivated new partnership with Leave No Trace (LNT). These efforts included an expanded role with GOCO trainings and promoting their Colorado Tour where LNT delivered a variety of educational programs for park staff, volunteers and visitors at Barr Lake, James M Robb – Colorado River, Lake Pueblo, Lathrop, Ridgway, Rifle Complex and Sylvan Lake.
- Participated with America's State Parks in their inaugural First Day Hikes initiative. Assisted with recruiting and organizing park host sites and volunteer naturalists to lead 15 hikes on New Year's Day 2012 at 12 different parks for over 200 visitors.
- Overall, parks continued to cultivate partnerships with Colorado Backcountry Horseman's Association, DOVIA, Good Sams RV Club, Governor's Commission On Community Service, Metro Volunteers, REI, Scouts, Toyota Denver Region Office, United Way, VOC, Wildlands Restoration Volunteers, Whole Foods, Xcel Energy, Miller/Coors, Backyard Collective, Vail Resorts, America's State Parks, and many others.
- Promoted and/or provided on-the-ground assistance for over 300 local, state and national volunteer and educational events across the state for Colorado Cares Day, National Public Lands Day, National Trails Day, Lakes Appreciation Day, and various local



celebrations including Boy/Girl Scout events, AHRA's CleanUp/GreenUp event, Bonny's FFA Tree Planting and other local celebrations.

- Served on the Denver DOVIA (Directors of Volunteers In Agencies) Board and helped host the 26th annual We Count On You Awards ceremony emceed by Mitch Jelniker of Channel 7 News.
- Served on advisory committee and panel of experts for the Outdoor Stewardship Forum in Grand Junction. Nearly 75 people participated from various nonprofit, local, state and federal agencies.
- Partnered with various organizations, including VOC, to host an Outdoor Stewardship Day at the Capitol. The goal was to reach out to and educate/inform legislators about the value of natural resource and outdoor stewardship for land managers and volunteer organizations at all levels -- nonprofit, local, state and federal.

Youth Programs

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
11190	12YP	YOUTH PROGRAM	215,000.00	194,805.00	194,805.00	20,195.00
		TOTALS	215,000.00	194,805.00	194,805.00	20,195.00

Background and Objectives

Colorado Parks and Wildlife is a strong proponent of providing outdoor education programs and opportunities for all ages. It is especially critical to capture the attention of Colorado’s youth, who are our future land stewards. One key component of CPW’s youth program, is its partnership with the Colorado Youth Corps Association (CYCA) and youth corps around the state that employ and train youth and young adults on land, water and energy conservation projects and engage Colorado’s youth in meaningful outdoor work that helps them build a sense of natural resource stewardship. The program targets both in-school and out-of-school youth ages 16-26.

CPW utilizes youth crews at state parks for a variety of resource management and trail projects. In the past, projects have included trail re-routes and new trail development; fuel mitigation and other forest management work; vegetation management activities including Russian olive and tamarisk removal; fence removal, repair and construction; and shoreline cleanup projects. This supports both improving conditions within the state parks and providing funding for CYCA and individual youth corps statewide. This grant also funds other smaller programs aimed at educating youth about the outdoors and connecting youth to the outdoors.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

- Colorado Parks and Wildlife is uniquely positioned to address the need to introduce Colorado’s youth to the outdoors, encourage more physical activity, and educate them about wildlife and outdoor issues to foster environmental stewardship. Many parks already collaborate with various school districts in their surrounding region to meet these objectives. Castlewood Canyon, Roxborough, and Ridgway are examples of three parks that provide school programs geared toward the current state education curriculum requirements. These are experiential environmental education programs that utilize the parks’ wonderful outdoor venues. In addition, many parks work closely with Boy Scout and Girl Scout groups to help them meet badge requirements.
- Colorado Youth Corps members worked 12,679 hours completing 32 project weeks at 18 state park locations. The project accomplishments of the 157 corps members included: 10.50 miles of trail corridor cleared, 5.5 miles of trail constructed, 2.7 miles of trail maintained, 30 acres of trees removed, and 33 acres of weeds removed.
- Supported the Pathways to Careers initiative for natural resources careers led by CYCA.



- Cheyenne Mountain and Mueller State Parks continued partnerships to hold annual No Child Left Inside events to rally community support around the effort to reconnect kids to the outdoors.
- Assisted Parks' Marketing and Communications Programs with various events to promote getting kids and families engaged with parks' stewardship and outdoor recreation activities.
- Continued efforts with the Colorado Alliance for Environmental Education, Colorado Department of Education, DNR and many other partners to develop the Colorado Environmental Literacy Plan, making Colorado eligible for federal funds once No Child Left Inside legislation passes.

III. Trails and River Greenways

State Trails Program

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
11191	12TP	STATE TRAILS PROGRAM	239,000.00	187,643.96	187,643.96	51,356.04
		TOTALS	239,000.00	187,643.96	187,643.96	51,356.04

Background and Objectives

The State Trails grants primary goal is to support recreational trails throughout the state. Trail use (e.g. hiking, jogging, and walking) continues to be by far the most popular outdoor recreation activity statewide, with nine out of ten Coloradoans routinely enjoying these activities.

A variety of entities are eligible to receive trails grants from CPW, including towns, cities, counties, school districts, non-profit groups, and state and federal land-management agencies. Entities are matched to appropriate funding sources to ensure compliance with federal, state, and GOCO eligibility requirements. Grants are awarded for trail planning, maintenance, construction, special projects, and trail equipment.

Activities in this grant include technical and financial assistance to communities, other agencies, land managers, and organizations devoted to trails, conservation, and open space, as well as assistance with planning, coordination with other agencies, trail volunteers, organization building, funding and other resources, land development regulations, and trail maintenance and management. The A clearinghouse for trails information in Colorado is also provided so trail planners and users can stay apprised of trail development projects and processes across the country.

Workshops and conferences are sponsored to bring trails advocates, community planners, and agency representatives together to learn new techniques and discuss trails issues. Assistance in planning, publicity, and programs is also provided for regional workshops and statewide conferences.

Annual objectives of the Trails Program include:

- Development of strategies, systems, processes, guidelines, and trail standards for the statewide Trails Program. Provide professional input and interpret statutes, policies, and regulations for the Colorado State Trails Committee. This statutorily mandated committee recommends statewide trails policy and trail grant funding priorities to the Parks and Wildlife Commission for approval.
- Extending financial assistance through trail grants to governmental agencies, non-profits, clubs and volunteer organizations that support, maintain, and build trails inclusive of leadership and trail construction training, organizational capacity building and project management techniques.

- Program administers approximately 200 grants annually; develop, implement, and maintain an inspection process for all completed grants. More than half of these projects are Off Highway Vehicles (OHV) with the remaining comprised of Recreational Trails, Snowmobiles, Lottery and/or Land & Water Conservation Funds (LWCF).
- Management of State Trails Program budgets, accounts, and contracts, personal services contracts, and grant payments associated with trail projects for both motorized and non-motorized recreation; manages program budgets to accommodate operations, administration, salaries; environmental reviews.
- Continuous review and revisions, as needed, of internal grant accounting policies and procedures to comply with changing federal, GOCO, and Constitutional Lottery requirements. Develop and implement internal control procedures to assure compliance.
- Identification of staff training needs, such as trail design, maintenance and construction, trail accessibility, purchasing/procurement, and the establishment of training programs to meet those needs.
- Verify compliance of all trail projects with the National Environmental Policy Act.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

In FY 2011-12, GOCO funding supported trails management and grant administration, including operations costs, to help meet the program objectives outlined above. In addition, GOCO funding provides operational support for four Regional Trail Coordinators.

In FY 2011-12, specific accomplishments include:

- Administration of open grants.
- Oversight and management of the FY 2011-12 trails grant award cycles securing funding for trail planning and development projects statewide.
- Coordination of the functions of reporting, funding, audits, inspections, meetings, and projects.
- Completed updates to the Colorado State Trails Program application manual.
- Work with grant review subcommittees to coordinate the grant review process.
- Provide public information regarding the State Trails Program and trails in general.
- Verification of compliance of trail projects with the National Environmental Policy Act.
- Worked with seasonal employees to establish a geographic based maps of all trail in Colorado's state parks including a system to capture and store trail uses as established by each park;
- Completed 641 individual site inspections of projects under the National Park Service's Land and Water Conservation Fund program over the last five years, with 238 of those inspections being completed in FY 2011-12;
- Updated the geographic based maps of the Colorado Front Range Trail and the various alternative routes where the trail has yet to be completed.
- Held grant writing workshops statewide.
- Assisted GOCO in reviewing the grant applications submitted under GOCO's 2011-2012 River Corridors Initiative.

Trail Grants

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project/Sponsor	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY 12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY 12	Unexpended Balance
09456	9456	FRASER TO GRANBY TRAIL - Headwaters Trail Alliance	54,180.00	17,071.96	54,180.00	0.00
09457	9457	REYNOLDS PARK TO SOUTH PLATTE - Jefferson County Open Space	63,321.00	63,321.00	63,321.00	0.00
09459	9459	MOUNTAIN PARKS SIGN INITIATIVE - City of Durango	22,035.00	22,035.00	22,035.00	0.00
09460	9460	CATAMOUNT RANCH - Colorado Legends & Legacies Yth Corp	17,550.00	116.47	13,808.77	3,741.23
09461	9461	OURAY PERIMETER TRAIL - USFS, GMUG Ntl Forest, Ouray Ranger Dist	42,485.00	42,482.42	42,482.42	2.58
09462	9462	PUBLIC ACCESS GROUP OF OURAY - Ouray County	22,000.00	16,803.26	19,494.20	2,505.80
09463	9463	TRNING CO'S NEXT GEN CONS WRKRS - Colorado Youth Corps Assoc.	37,395.00	17,157.42	37,395.00	0.00
09465	9465	GRAND COUNTY COMP TRAIL PLAN - Intl Mountain Biking Assoc.	45,000.00	20,663.34	20,663.34	24,336.66
09196	10TA	REG 14ER TRAIL MTCE - Colorado Fourteeners Initiative	68,046.00	52,559.57	68,046.00	0.00
09197	10TB	HAIYAHA LOOP TRAIL - Rocky Mtn Nature Assoc	41,064.00	2,729.83	41,064.00	0.00
09199	10TD	STEAM SPRINGS URB TRAIL - City of Steamboat Springs	37,285.00	37,285.00	37,285.00	0.00
09201	10TF	HANGING LK RECONSTR - Volunteers of Outdoor Colorado	36,600.00	24,125.44	24,125.44	12,474.56
09202	10TG	BIANCA PEAK & ELL 9/30/12 - Rocky Mtn Field Institute	36,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
09204	10TJ	MID FLUME TR REALIGN - Town of Breckenridge	20,060.00	18,346.51	18,346.51	1,713.49
09205	10TK	2010 STEWARDSHIP PRGRM - Friends of Dillon Ranger Dist	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
09207	10TN	STUDY FOR LEAD-SALIDA - Greater Arkansas River Nature Assoc.	40,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00
09209	10TQ	RF OV CAP BLDG PROJECT - Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers	28,291.00	28,291.00	28,291.00	0.00
10230	11TA	WHITE RIVER 14ERS 9/30/13 - Colorado Fourteeners Initiative	199,780.00	22,633.80	22,633.80	177,146.20
10232	11TD	WHITE RIVER PARK CONN - Town of Rangley	30,000.00	25,030.00	25,030.00	4,970.00
		TOTALS	866,092.00	493,652.02	621,201.48	244,890.52

Background and Objectives

The Trails Grant’s primary goal is to continue to provide funds for recreational trails systems throughout the state. Trail use continues to be by far the most popular outdoor recreation activity statewide.

GOCO capital funds are awarded each year to grant applicants. This program has one grant cycle annually, with the Recreation Trails Grant applications due November 1st.

The State Recreational Trails Committee (sections 33-11-105 and 106 of the Colorado Revised Statutes) uses a subcommittee structure to oversee and organize the grant ranking and selection process. Subcommittees for each grant category are appointed for the purposes of reading, discussing, evaluating and scoring grant applications.

As adopted by the Committee in September, 2010, the Recreational Grant review process is split between three subcommittees aligned with the three types of non-motorized grants awarded annually. These subcommittees are the planning/support, large construction/maintenance and small construction/maintenance and are structured as follows:

Planning Subcommittee Composition:

- 1 State Trails Committee Member
- 2 State Trails Program Staff
- Great Outdoors Colorado Staff
- Up to 6 volunteer, outside reviewers

Large Construction/Maintenance Composition:

- 1 State Trails Committee Member
- 2 State Trails Program Staff
- Great Outdoors Colorado Staff
- Up to 8 volunteer, outside reviewers

Small Construction/Maintenance Composition:

- 1 State Trails Committee Member
- 2 State Trails Program Staff
- Great Outdoors Colorado Staff
- Up to 8 volunteer, outside reviewers

All recreational trail grant reviewers are required to read, score and provide staff comments on each grant application submitted in their category. State Trails Program staff, Great Outdoors Colorado staff and State Trails Committee members are required to attend, one reviewer meeting in Denver, to discuss the grant applications. Volunteer reviewers must also commit to the reviewer meeting in Denver attending either in person or by conference call.

A variety of entities are eligible to receive Trails Program capital funding, including towns, cities, counties, school districts, non-profit groups, and state and federal land-management agencies. Entities are matched to appropriate funding sources to ensure compliance with federal, state, and GOCO eligibility requirements. Grants are awarded for maintenance, construction, special projects, and trail planning.

After grant applications are received, each grant is assigned to a set of reviewers including statewide trail users, experts, local, federal, state and non-profit trail volunteers, the State Trails Committee, the Non-Motorized State Trails Coordinator, and staff.

In FY 2011-12, the State Trails Program was able to fund 18 grants out of 40 grants applications, or about one-half of the applications submitted. Great Outdoors Colorado funding is matched with local, state, federal and donation dollars to these recreation trails grants.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

Of the 18 awarded grants, 11 received GOCO funding. Grants awarded includes both trail maintenance and planning grants. Also, several grants went towards construction, maintenance, and signage for trails and approaches to Colorado's 14,000 ft. peaks. Most of the grants contained a youth component, and several will utilize substantial volunteers in assisting with trail maintenance and construction.

Many grant recipients do not submit invoices to Colorado Parks and Wildlife until their projects near completion. Grants in the above charts that appear to have no expenditures to date do not necessarily indicate projects for which no work has taken place; indeed, most, if not all, GOCO-funded trail projects are well underway and proceeding according to schedule.

Summary of Completed Projects

The Parks and Wildlife Division closed a number of GOCO funded trails projects in FY 2011-12. Narratives of the project work for seven of these projects and a listing of all other GOCO funded trails projects completed and closed out in the past fiscal year are provided below.

Hanging Lake Trail Reconstruction- This VOC project involved the reconstruction of 1.1 miles of the 1.2 miles of natural surface trail leading up to the boardwalk surrounding Hanging Lake. This is a Standard/Terra trail that is highly developed and designed and managed for hiker/pedestrian use. VOC led the two-year trail reconstruction effort under the supervision of the US Forest Service Eagle Ranger District and partnered with local volunteer and user groups including the Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers (RFOV), the 100 Club, Forest Conservancy, the Glenwood Springs Kiwanis Club, Valley View Hospital Youth Recovery Program and other area youth service and school groups. VOC's crew leaders led trail crews in excavating and moving local fill material to improve the trail which involved the construction of 400 feet of new rock wall, the replacement of 600 feet of existing rock wall, the installation of four new water bars and maintenance of nine rock water bars, 30 new rock steps, the maintenance and reconstruction of five switchbacks, the replacement of 30 feet of log cribbing, and the replacement of 60 feet of split rail fence.

Fraser to Granby Trail- The Fraser-To-Granby Trail included the reconstruction of one mile of existing single track within the town limits of Granby, Colorado. Ten small signs with routed posts containing map dispensers were installed, along with the maintenance of three-five foot (5') wooden bridges. Drainage structures with grade reversals and culvert under bridges were created. Trails were rerouted using a Toro Dingo mini-skid steer and hand tools.

Reynolds Park to the South Platte- The seven miles of natural surface trail construction now provides a regional link to recreation within close proximity to the Denver metro area. This project enhances the over six miles of trail available to hikers and equestrians that already existed at Reynolds Park. Constructed by Open Space staff, Jefferson County Open Space Youth Work Program laborers and supervisors, as well as special volunteer trail construction events, the trail ties the Open Space campground located at Reynolds Park to the recreation Opportunities along the South Platte.

Mountain Parks Signage Initiative- The Mountain Parks Signage Initiative provided clarity to the existing primary trail systems within Durango Mountain Park and Dally Mountain Park. Funding was used to fabricate way-finding and trailhead signs and bases, and to contract with the Southwest Conservation Corp for the installation of the way-finding signs and bases. Trailhead signs and bases were installed by the Parks and Recreation Department, and maps of each park were developed for community distribution and placement on various web sites.

Regional 14er Maintenance- Colorado Fourteeners Initiative utilized Adopt-a-Peak volunteer groups and trail crews to complete 28 miles of high-priority trail maintenance projects on 18 Fourteeners (peaks above 14,000 ft). Project work included constructing/repairing check-dams, rock steps, drain-dips, retaining walls, and trail signage, as well as maintaining restoration efforts (e.g. vegetation transplants, soil stabilization structures, drainage structures, and seeding). All maintenance work was completed by seasonal staff and volunteer groups (composed of individuals recruited from Adopt-a-Peak volunteer groups: e.g. youth groups, summer camps, colleges, corporate partners, and trail users). Projects focused on high-priority conservation needs in the sensitive tundra plant community: repairing eroded sections of trail, and restoring areas where hikers have trampled vegetation off-trail. The specific mileage of the trail work completed, by peak, is as follows: Mt Bierstadt – 1.5 miles; Mts. Belford and Oxford – 2 miles; Mt Elbert (North, South, and Black Cloud routes) – 4 miles; Mt Evans – 1 mile; Grays and Torreys Peaks – 4 miles; Mt Harvard-1 mile; Huron Peak-0.5mile; La Plata Peak – 2 miles; Mt Massive – 4 miles; Missouri Mtn-0.5 mile; Mt Sneffels – 2 miles; Uncompahgre Peak – 0.25 mile; Wetterhorn Peak – 0.5 mile; Quandary Peak – 1 mile; Mt of the Holy Cross – 2 miles; Pyramid Peak – 0.5 mile; Capitol Peak – 1.25 miles.

Blanca Peak and Ellingwood Point- This proposal included the reconstruction of a summit trail from Lake Como Basin to both summits, and it represented one of the more difficult trail endeavors in Colorado due to the steep, rocky, high-elevation terrain of the area. Completion of the project resulted in the protection of this unique alpine area and enhancement of the recreational experience for thousands of visitors. The project was completed through the Rocky Mountain Field Institute’s volunteer stewardship programs.

Other GOCO funded trails projects completed in FY 2011-12 include:

- Public Access Group of Ouray
- Catamount Ranch
- Trail Improvements at Summit Lake
- Training Colorado’s Next Generation of Conservation Workers
- Grand County Comprehensive Trail Plan
- Haiyaha Loop Trails Rehabilitation Phase 2
- 2010 Stewardship Program
- Feasibility Study for a Trail from Leadville to Salida



Trails and River Greenways

Trails in State Parks

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
10221	11S3	TRAILS IN STATE PARKS	450,000.00	231,745.49	282,429.43	167,570.57
11221	12S3	TRAILS IN STATE PARKS	450,000.00	93,401.81	93,401.81	356,598.19
		TOTALS	900,000.00	325,147.30	375,831.24	524,168.76

In FY 2011-12, Colorado Parks and Wildlife combined \$450,000 in GOCO funding with \$150,000 from Lottery proceeds to construct and improve trails in state parks. Fourteen projects involving trail design and layout work as well as trail construction and maintenance continued in FY 2011-12 and are listed below.

STATE PARK	PROJECT NAME	Budget
Barr Lake	PLANNING: Bergman Historic Barn Trail Planning, Design and Interpretation: Site assessment, topographic survey, interpretive planning, concept design and preliminary and final design and bid package for a 80-acre site designated as a medium-use zone. Plan will include an ADA trail, 100-yr.old barn restoration. Historic/agricultural interpretation and signage.	\$ 36,005
Chatfield	MAINTENANCE: Phase II Chatfield Trail Maintenance: 1,137 sq. ft. cement trail repairs high priority; 2,161 sq. ft. medium priority; 3,464 sq. ft. low priority. Phased request: this proposal for high priority areas. Contractor will improve base, compact and replace or patch cement. Requests will follow for medium/low priorities.	\$ 25,000
Chatfield	MAINTENANCE: C470 Underpass Asphalt Replacement: Remove 400' existing and degrading 8' asphalt and replace with Mesa Buff cement. Contractor project includes base materials, compaction, final grading, native vegetation reseeding.	\$ 51,200
Chatfield	CONSTRUCTION REROUTE: Cottonwood Picnic Area Trail Reroute: Project has 4 components: removal of 700', 10' cement trail and revegetation; remove 400', 6' asphalt trail from SE corner of Dog Off Leash Area, topsoil fill and revegetation; construct 825', 10' cement trail reroute around Cottonwood Picnic Area; add 500 sq. ft. cement turn around loop to replace removed asphalt trail.	\$ 170,950

STATE PARK	PROJECT NAME	Budget
Cherry Creek	CONSTRUCTION: Dam Trail Phase III: Complete Dam Trail with this final phase which will connect the west side trail system to the east side trail system completing a loop around the lake. 2,100 ft., 9' wide, ADA, crusher fines surface will connect to the Tower Loop area and complete project.	\$ 100,000
Golden Gate	CONSTRUCTION REROUTE: Mule Deer Trail: Continuation of long-term project: 3,000 ft of reroute, 1,500 ft of boulder/rock removal, 1 climbing turn, removal of 150 stumps.	\$ 43,209
Lory	MAINTENANCE: Park-wide Trail Maintenance: Drainage, rolling dips, fill material, corridor clearing including invasive species, switchback repair, social trail rehab, bridge repairs, fencing at trailheads and switchbacks, debarment, beetle-killed tree removal	\$ 23,050
Roxborough	MAINTENANCE: Carpenter Peak Trail: Install 15 stone steps, tread stabilization, drainage, crown tread, fix trail cupping	\$ 25,000
Staunton	PLANNING: South Ridge Trail (Hiker Only): Hire trail designer to develop a plan for a hiker only trail from the main trail to Elk Falls.	\$ 11,000
Sylvan Lake	CONSTRUCTION: West Brush Creek Trail: remaining 3 – 3 1/2 miles of trail to be completed with a mechanized grader (SWECO/Ditchwitch); Sawyer Youth Corps (2 weeks) will remove hazard trees; Road crossing and regulatory signs; interpretive signs at historic structures and along the trail.	\$ 49,000
Ridgway	Ridgway Single Track Trails Planning Project: Trail layout and biological and cultural surveys on about 10 miles of proposed single track on east side of Hwy 500 and would connect with current and proposed trails on BLM land.	\$ 30,000
Cheyenne Mountain	PLANNING: Top of the Mountain Trail Planning Project: hire a trail design consultant for a trail system on Top of the Mountain; provide for evaluation of and connections to historic trails in existence. Identify trail alignments, interpretive opportunities, trail centerlines, ground truth, construction notes, maps.	\$ 25,000
Lathrop	PLANNING: William Henry Jackson Trail Spur: CONSTRUCTION. Environmental, cultural, archeological assessment for switchback access trail to historic interpretive kiosk. Stewardship and Natural Areas Program has been contacted and may be able to signoff. If can't be done in a timely fashion, would need to hire a consultant.	\$ 5,460
Trinidad	CONSTRUCTION: Parkview Hiking Trail: Self-guided, interpretive ADA hiking trail. Concrete additions to 4 areas: short connective section, slope correction section, wheelchair overlook pulloff, concrete apron to existing asphalt area.	\$ 4,340
	Unassigned/Contingency	\$ 786
		\$ 600,000

IV. Water for Recreational Purposes

Water for Recreational Purposes

Water Program Operations and Acquisitions

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
10194	11W3	WATER ACQUISITIONS	360,000.00	10,981.00	126,496.42	233,503.58
11193	12WR	WATER PROGRAM	150,000.00	144,272.56	144,272.56	5,727.44
		TOTALS	510,000.00	155,253.56	270,768.98	239,231.02

Background and Objectives

The Water Program Operations and Acquisitions GOCO grant provides support for the technical, legal, and water policy expertise necessary to protect and expand the Division's interests in all aspects of water resource management. The program is assisted with significant contract personnel and legal assistance from the Attorney General's office. Activities include managing the Division's various water resources including water rights, reservoir operations, and groundwater assets, supervising the Division's water court actions, management of groundwater and well permitting, assessing water markets for individual parks in the system, and coordinating with federal, state, and local user groups to maximize the state's water supplies for recreational benefits.

GOCO funds enable the Division to secure water supplies for a variety of parks that experience inadequate water levels for recreational activities. This is accomplished in a number of ways including water purchases and leases, innovative cooperative water management plans with larger water providers, and leasing water storage space in reservoirs. Without these funds, water-based activities such as boating, fishing, swimming, and wildlife viewing are detrimentally impacted resulting in lower public visitation to the park system. Degradation of water quality and surrounding natural resources are also negative outcomes resulting from insufficient water supplies.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12:

- Retained several consultants to provide technical expertise necessary to protect and expand the Division's interests in all aspects of water resource management, including assisting staff and legal counsel in developing water supply plans for various state parks, providing technical support in water court actions, and developing stream and reservoir operations to protect and improve recreation, fishery and fish habitat.

- During spring and summer of 2012, CPW stored approximately 300 acre-feet of water in Blue Heron Reservoir located in St. Vrain State Park. This water was delivered by the City of Longmont pursuant to an IGA between CPW and Longmont. Furthermore, CPW stored additional water in Blue Heron Reservoir pursuant to its decreed water rights for St. Vrain State Park.
- CPW leased approximately 3000 acre-feet of water to maintain the permanent conservation pool at John Martin Reservoir. This provides boating and other recreational opportunities and helps sustain and enhance the fishery in the lake.
- CPW entered into a storage lease with the Bureau of Reclamation for 1,000 acre-feet of storage space in Pueblo Reservoir. This space is used to store acquired water for later releases to augment and enhance the Arkansas River streamflows for the boating and fishery within the Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area. This park provides some of the best whitewater rafting and fishing opportunities in the country, and adequate water supply is crucial to meeting visitors' demand. Over 1000 acre-feet of water was leased from various sources including the Town of Ordway, City of Salida, and Pueblo Board of Water works for this purpose.
- CPW successfully operated Cherry Creek Reservoir pursuant to recently approved operating and management agreement. As a result, despite a severe drought, adequate water levels were maintained in Cherry Creek Reservoir during the 2012 recreation season. In addition, CPW continued to lease water from other entities including the City of Aurora to replace evaporation from the reservoir.
- CPW entered into a water lease agreement with the North Sterling Irrigation District to acquire the needed water to operate the augmentation plan developed for North Sterling State Park. The plan for augmentation provides the means to pump water from the wells for the visitor center and campgrounds within the North Sterling State Park.
- FY 2011-12 was the first year that CPW operated the recently decreed augmentation plan for Rifle Gap State Park using water acquired pursuant to the 25-year lease contract with the West Divide Water Conservancy District. This plan enables CPW to provide water for drinking and sanitary purposes in new campgrounds that are being developed within Rifle Gap State Park.

V. Management of GOCO Investments

GOCO Funding Management and Interest

GOCO Log Number	CPW GBL	Project	Adjusted Grant Amount	FY12 Reimb Request	Total Reimb Requests Through FY12	Unexpended Balance
10222	11IN	INTEREST	100,000.00	3,601.47	79,053.22	0.00
11195	12FI	GOCO FUNDING MANAGEMENT	162,000.00	162,000.00	162,000.00	0.00
11222	12IN	INTEREST	100,000.00	44,772.95	44,772.95	55,227.05
		TOTALS	362,000.00	210,374.42	285,826.17	55,227.05

Background and Objectives

GOCO funds make up almost 20% of the total funding for the state park system. The GOCO Funding Management and Interest grant supports a variety of finance-related activities associated with the use of these funds, including accounting, grants management, billing, procurement, budgeting, and liaison with GOCO staff and the GOCO board. Grants management activities include preparing the annual investment proposal, preparing annual and other periodic accomplishment reports, managing requests for grant extensions and grant deauthorizations, and resolving day-to-day issues that arise with respect to GOCO grants.

Accomplishments in FY 2011-12

- In FY 2011-12 Colorado Parks and Wildlife managed approximately 130 open GOCO Parks Purpose grants totaling over \$30 million.
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife's turnaround time to submit monthly billing statements declined from several months in FY 2008-09 to approximately 60 days in FY 2011-12.

Table A: GOCO Grants without FY 2011-12 Reimbursement Requests			
GOCO Log Number	GBL	Award Title	Adjusted Award Amount
10202	10RI	HPCH ACCS PHASE4 ROADIMP	\$72,500
10219	0219	ACCS HPCH MARCYGULCHCULV	\$37,500
11200	1200	HPCH CAMPER REGIST BLDG	\$125,000
11201	1201	HPCH PLUM CRK ENTR STATN	\$111,000
11202	1202	HPCH PHASE 3 TRAIL REPLC	\$100,000
11203	1203	HPCC SWIM BEACH TRAIL	\$77,250
11171	12L3	LAND ACQUISITIONS	\$350,000
10198	0198	HPST ELK FALLS RENOVATN	\$500,000
11209	1209	HPST DAVIS DAMS RENOVATN	\$300,000
10199	0199	ENERGY EFF RETROFITS	\$1,000,000
10203	0203	HPNS SPILLWAY RD REPL	\$400,000
10204	0204	SEMU ROAD OVERLAY6/30/13	\$250,000
10210	0210	HPNS MARINABAY 6/30/13	\$600,000
10212	0212	ROAD INV&EVALUATN9/30/12	\$225,000
10213	0213	PROJECT SIGNING	\$15,000
10215	0215	ENERGY EFFICNCY RETROFIT	\$1,000,000
10218	0218	HPJA BOAT RAMP PARKING	\$42,500
11223	12F3	FOREST MANAGEMENT	\$300,000
10190	11YP	YOUTH PGM EXP 09/30/11	\$215,000
09203	10TH	MOOSE DR/AGATE CRK TR	\$35,000
09206	10TM	VOLS & YC ON THE CDNST	\$6,304
09208	10TR	NE LAKEWOOD TR 9/30/12	\$45,000
09453	9453	CAPITAL TRAIL CONSTRUCTION	\$1
10231	11TC	REC DEV PIKES PEAK	\$18,983
10233	11TE	MANCOS COMM TRAILS	\$30,000
10234	11TF	WEST MAGNOLIA TRAIL	\$36,500
10235	11TG	TRNG COS NXT GEN1 9/30/13	\$29,120
10235	11TK	TRNG CO'S NXT GEN WOR II	\$14,560
10236	11TH	DRY CREEK TRAIL PLAN	\$22,000
10237	11TJ	SAND CREEK GREENWAY TR	\$19,057
11192	12T3	STATE TRAILS	\$552,632
11437	11TB	FOUNTAIN-CLEAR SPRING	\$100,000
09194	10W3	WATER ACQUISITION & LEAS	\$300,000
11194	12W3	WATER ACQUISITIONS	\$360,000
Total:			\$7,289,907