COLORADO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE

2010 Volunteer Annual Report



VOLUNTEER PROGRAM MISSION:

To provide a willing, skilled, and knowledgeable volunteer work force to augment the Division of Wildlife staff and programs, provide training and exposure to wildlife management, and, as a result, cultivate informed citizen support for the wildlife of Colorado.

The Colorado Division of Wildlife relies significantly on the contribution of dedicated volunteers to accomplish important work in such areas as: wildlife education and conservation, hunting and angling education and recruitment, wildlife habitat conservation and maintenance, terrestrial and aquatic program assistance and research, public information and outreach assistance, and much more. Contact your local Volunteer Coordinator for more information on how you can help Colorado's wildlife.

Some statewide statistics:

Total volunteer hours contributed

statewide: 62,087

Active volunteers: 839

DOW Projects: 409

Labor contributed to DOW: \$1.3 million

Equivalent FTE: 29.8



Aspen Bear Aware volunteers Graham Wilgus and Marjorie Rodell assist with the relocation of a collared black bear.



Future anglers pose before a fishing day at Palmer Lake, Southeast Region.

NORTHEAST Currently vacant 6060 Broadway Denver 80216 (303)291-7369 NORTHWEST Trina Romero 711 Independent Avenue Grand Junction 81505 (970)255-6191 SOUTHEAST Jena Sanchez 4255 Sinton Road Colorado Springs 80907 (719)227-5204 SOUTHWEST Lauren Buchholz PO Box 1420 Gunnison 81230 (970)641-7078



2010 HIGHLIGHTS

BEAR AWARE

Highlights:

10 Teams

3,703 hours



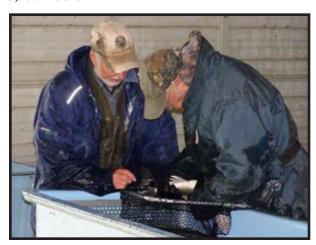
Community outreach on reducing human-bear conflicts in bear country

AQUATIC PROGRAMS

Highlights:

Spawning, electrofishing, education, fishing clinics, and more

3,739 hours



Outreach and assistance for aquatic programs

WILDLIFE TRANSPORT

Highlights:

8 Teams

5,426 hours



Transporting sick and injured wildlife to rehabilitation

HUNTING PROGRAMS

Highlights:

Hunter outreach, women afield, education, customer service hours

10,719 hours



Education, license sales, recruitment programs and more



2010 HIGHLIGHTS

WILDLIFE VIEWING FESTIVALS

Highlights:

Viewing festivals all around the state for species ranging from Sandhill cranes to bighorn sheep and moose

2,234 hours



Wildlife viewing festivals provide opportunities to view wildlife, attend educational programs, and more

SPORTSMEN'S SHOWS & HUNTER INFORMATION BOOTHS

Highlights:

Hunter recruitment and outreach opportunities, information distributed in hunt camps

936 hours



Volunteers provide information about the DOW, hunting, and fishing in Colorado

BIGHORN SHEEP SURVEYS & LEK COUNTS

Highlights:

10 Projects

1,995 hours



Volunteers participate in bighorn sheep and other wildlife population surveys assisting field staff

WILDLIFE HOSTS

Highlights:

11 Sites

6,544 hours



Wildlife hosts assist with maintenance of SWAs and hatcheries during the summer season



2010 PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS



Aspen Bear Aware volunteer Cheri Grinnell receives a thank you letter from the Director. Pictured with Cheri are DWM Kevin Wright and AWM Perry Will.



Volunteers Dick and Sue Ramsay's granddaughter with a big smile after catching a fish.



A great photo from the Mt. Evans mountain goat survey.



Grand Valley Wildlife Rescue Team member Steve Bouricius prepares to release a Western screech owl.



College intern Liz Gardner transports an injured red tailed hawk. Liz attends Pikes Peak Community College.



Wildlife viewing at the Colorado Springs office. This family arrived after hours to find the office closed.