

# Halligan Fish and Wildlife Mitigation and Enhancement Plan: CPW Staff Report

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# Background



“It is the intent of the general assembly that fish and wildlife resources that are affected by the construction, operation, or maintenance of water diversion, delivery, or storage facilities should be mitigated to the extent, and in a manner, that is economically reasonable and maintains a balance between the development of the state's water resources and the protection of the state's fish and wildlife resources.”  
(C.R.S. 37-60-122.2)

# CPW Staff Team

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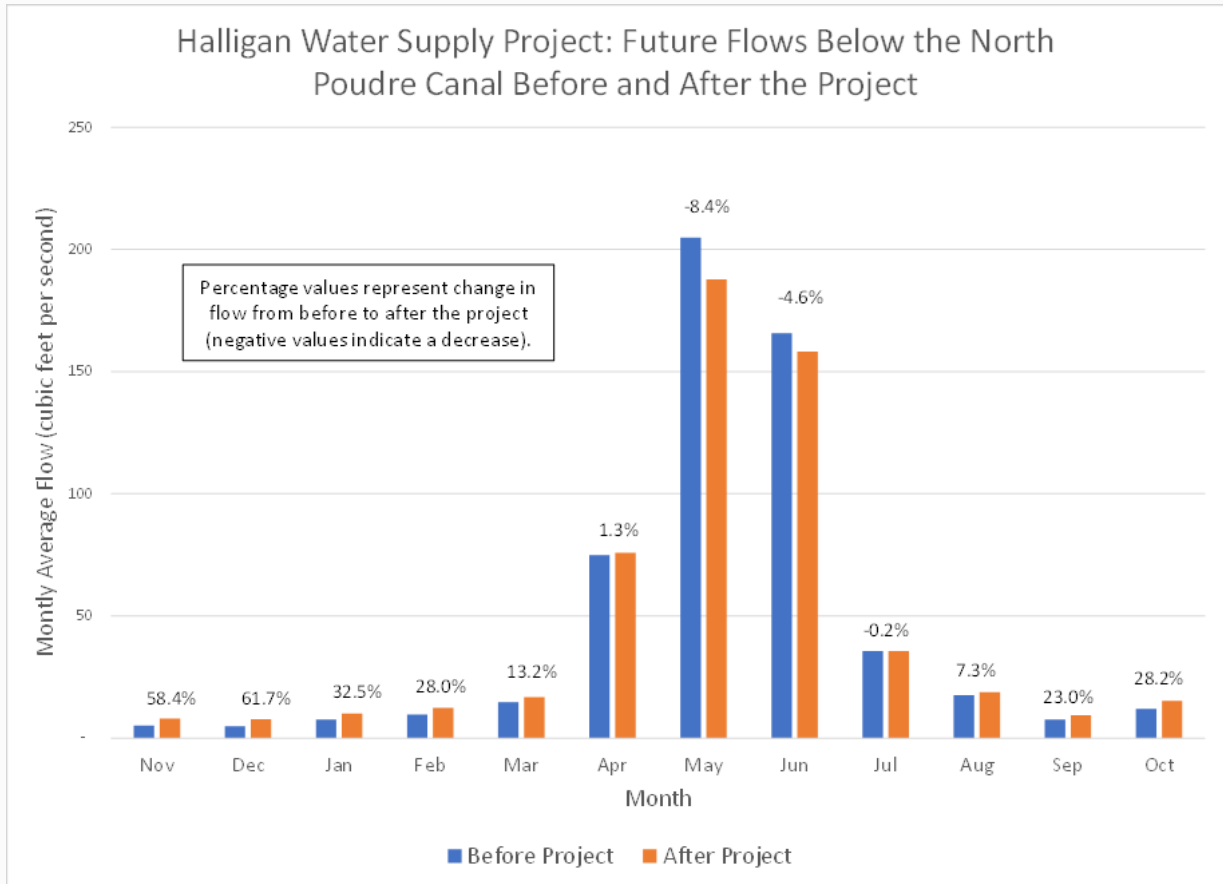
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# Aquatic and Water Resources

- Hydrologic and Stream Impacts
- Water Quality
- Aquatic life



**Legend:**

-  Gage
-  Water quality mitigation
-  Fish passage



# Terrestrial Resources

- Wildlife: **Impacts from transmission construction**
- Bighorn sheep



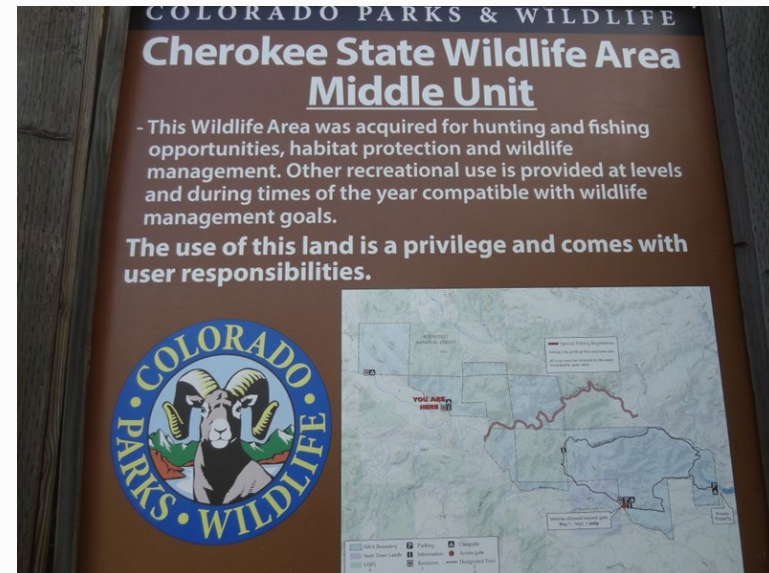
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# Recreation



*The North Fork of the Poudre, near the Cherokee SWA. Photo by Ryan McSparran. Source: Colorado Outdoor Magazine*

- Land ownership developments
- Recreation mitigation as part of the FWMEP
- Future recreation



# Key Takeaways

- Mitigation package value
- CPW and Fort Collins continue to fine tune the FWMEP
- Transmission line impacts need to be mitigated
- Future conversations about recreation at Halligan Reservoir
- IGA development



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# What's Next

## PWC Process (60 days)

- April - Fort Collins submission of FWMEP
- May - Fort Collins presentation and CPW staff report
- June - Fort Collins submission of Final FWMEP
- June - PWC vote on FWMEP

## CWCB Process (60 days)

- July - CWCB vote on FWMEP
- If PWC and Applicant agree on FWMEP, CWCB adopts FWMEP
- If PWC modified FWMEP, CWCB affirms or modifies PWC's position

## Position of State of CO

- If CWCB affirms PWC's position, it becomes state position
- If CWCB *modifies* PWC's FWMEP, governor decision

# Questions



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