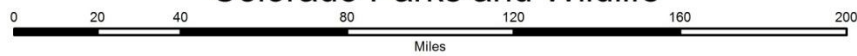


## 2012 Grant Awards for Wetland and Riparian Restoration Projects Colorado Parks and Wildlife



- BLM
- County
- NWR
- Private
- State Trust Land
- State Wildlife Area

**Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW)  
Wetlands Program  
2012 Grant Awards Summary**

Grant awards = 19

Wetland/riparian acres impacted = 2,870

State Wildlife Areas (SWA) impacted = 8

Priority Waterfowl Species Benefitting = 8

Priority At-Risk Species Benefitting = 20

Total Project Costs = \$2,685,092

CPW funds granted = \$1,018,020

Partner funds leveraged = \$1,667,072

Funding Partners (23):

*Beebe Draw Gun Club*

*Boulder County*

*Colorado Department of Transportation*

*Colorado Water Conservation Board*

*Foundation for Sustainability and Innovation*

*Front Range Land and Livestock*

*Henrylyn Irrigation District*

*Mesa County*

*Natural Resources Conservation Service*

*New Belgium Brewing*

*Playa Lakes Joint Venture*

*Private Landowners*

*Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory*

*Sorin Natural Resources Partnership*

*Tamarisk Coalition*

*The Nature Conservancy*

*U. S. Bureau of Land Management*

*U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service*

*Urban Drainage and Flood Control District  
Weld Co. Youth Conservation Corps  
Wildland Restoration Volunteers  
Wildlife Conservation Society  
Yuma County*

**#577 Tamarack SWA West Sandbar  
Restoration**

*Recipient:* CPW staff

*Description:* This project will remove vegetation and recontour sandbars to promote scouring during high river flows.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Sandhill Crane, Piping Plover, Least Tern, Western Snowy Plover

*Acres Impacted:* 85

*Total Cost:* \$105,000

*CPW funding:* \$100,000

**#578 Wellington SWA Pond Improvement  
Project**

*Recipient:* CPW staff

*Description:* This project will install water control structures facilitating proper water management to promote desirable wetland vegetation.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Bald Eagle, Western Snowy Plover, Northern Leopard Frog

*Acres Impacted:* 100

*Total Cost:* \$16,009

*CPW funding:* \$16,009

**#579 Banner Lakes SWA Wetland  
Enhancements**

*Recipient:* CPW staff

*Description:* This project will dredge cattails to improve wetland habitat conditions and access by hunters.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Northern Leopard Frog, Common Garter Snake, Bald Eagle

*Acres Impacted:* 106

*Total Cost:* \$116,840

*CPW funding:* \$97,840

*Partner funding:* \$19,000

*Funding partners:* Colorado Department of Transportation, Henrylyn Irrigation District

**#580 Campbell Valley Restoration  
Project**

*Recipient:* Wildland Restoration Volunteers

*Description:* This project will stabilize creek banks and restore riparian and wetland vegetation.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse, Northern Leopard Frog, Common Garter Snake, Bald Eagle, Waterfowl

*Acres Impacted:* 17

*Total Cost:* \$195,552

*CPW funding:* \$23,500

*Partner funding:* \$172,052

*Funding partners:* Foundation for Sustainability and Innovation, Colorado Water Conservation Board, The Nature Conservancy, New Belgium Brewing

**#581 Farr-North Ponds Wetlands  
Enhancements**

*Recipient:* U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service

*Description:* This project will construct ditches and embankments to facilitate wetland management, and will provide limited public access for waterfowl hunting on the Beebe Draw Gun Club.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Short-eared Owl, Northern Leopard Frog, Sandhill Crane

*Acres Impacted:* 72

*Total Cost:* \$123,642  
*CPW funding:* \$50,000  
*Partner funding:* \$73,642  
*Funding partners:* U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Beebe Draw Gun Club

### **#582 Ducks Unlimited Area 4 Wetland Projects**

*Recipient:* Ducks Unlimited, Inc.  
*Description:* This project will create shallow wetlands and restore warmwater sloughs and sandbars on three sites including Chestnut Slough (A), Rumsey Farms (B) and Eagle's Nest (C). Limited public access for waterfowl hunting will be allowed on two of the properties.  
*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Bald Eagle, Short-eared Owl, Sandhill Crane, Common Garter Snake, Brassy Minnow  
*Acres Impacted:* 302  
*Total Cost:* \$439,436  
*CPW funding:* \$150,000  
*Partner funding:* \$289,436  
*Funding partners:* U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Front Range Land and Livestock, Playa Lakes Joint Venture, Sorin Natural Resources Partnership, Weld Co. Youth Conservation Corps

### **#583 Upper Rock Creek Restoration**

*Recipient:* Boulder County  
*Description:* This project will restore a riparian corridor through stream channel stabilization and revegetation.  
*Priority Species Benefitting:* Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse, Northern Leopard Frog, Bald Eagle, Waterfowl  
*Acres Impacted:* 6  
*Total Cost:* \$207,595  
*CPW funding:* \$58,125  
*Partner funding:* \$149,470

*Funding partners:* Boulder County, Urban Drainage and Flood Control District, Wildland Restoration Volunteers

### **#584 Oxbow STL Cattail Reduction**

*Recipient:* CPW staff  
*Description:* This project will remove dense cattails from an oxbow wetland through spraying and burning.  
*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Sandhill Crane, Bald Eagle  
*Acres Impacted:* 38  
*Total Cost:* \$7,174  
*CPW funding:* \$2,174  
*Partner funding:* \$5,000  
*Funding partners:* U. S. Bureau of Land Management

### **#585 Chuck Lewis SWA Water Delivery**

*Recipient:* CPW staff  
*Description:* This project will rehabilitate a pipeline, lateral ditches, and a pump inlet to facilitate water delivery to wetlands.  
*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Sandhill Cranes, Northern Leopard Frog, Bald Eagle  
*Acres Impacted:* 60  
*Total Cost:* \$13,100  
*CPW funding:* \$13,100

### **#586 Lower White River Riparian Restoration**

*Recipient:* Tamarisk Coalition  
*Description:* This demonstration project will control tamarisk and Russian olive on two BLM tracts, Big Trujillo (A) and Olive Garden (B).  
*Priority Species Benefitting:* Bald Eagle, Northern Leopard Frog, River Otter, Lewis's Woodpecker, Waterfowl.  
*Acres Impacted:* 95

*Total Cost:* \$81,690  
*CPW funding:* \$40,000  
*Partner funding:* \$41,690  
*Funding partners:* U. S. Bureau of Land Management, Tamarisk Coalition

### **#587 Hunter Wash Restoration**

*Recipient:* Mesa County  
*Description:* This project will restore a stream channel through regrading and revegetation.  
*Priority Species Benefitting:* Northern Leopard Frog, Lewis's Woodpecker, Waterfowl.  
*Acres Impacted:* 4  
*Total Cost:* \$50,000  
*CPW funding:* \$25,000  
*Partner funding:* \$25,000  
*Funding partners:* Mesa County

### **#588 Gypsum Ponds SWA Wetlands Improvements**

*Recipient:* CPW staff  
*Description:* This project will replace a failing water pump that is used to flood wetlands (A) and create a shallow wetland by partially filling an existing deeper pond, reducing the threat of nonnative game fish escaping into the Colorado River system (B).  
*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Bald Eagle, River Otter, Northern Leopard Frog.  
*Acres Impacted:* 27  
*Total Cost:* \$137,000  
*CPW funding:* \$117,000  
*Partner funding:* \$20,000  
*Funding partners:* U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service

### **#589 Brown's Park NWR Invasive Tree Management**

*Recipient:* U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service

*Description:* This project will remove tamarisk at sites near cottonwood galleries along the Green River.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Bald Eagle, River Otter, Red-naped Sapsucker, Lewis's Woodpecker

*Acres Impacted:* 18

*Total Cost:* \$12,744

*CPW funding:* \$6,372

*Partner funding:* \$6,372

*Funding partners:* U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service

### **#590 Republican River Restoration Project**

*Recipient:* Three Rivers Alliance

*Description:* This project will remove invasive Russian olive and tamarisk on private lands along the Republican River.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Plains Leopard Frog, Plains Orangethroat Darter.

*Acres Impacted:* 600

*Total Cost:* \$320,000

*CPW funding:* \$100,000

*Partner funding:* \$220,000

*Funding partners:* Yuma County, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory, Private Landowners

### **#591 Melon Valley SWA Oxbow Wetland Project**

*Recipient:* CPW staff

*Description:* This project will remove cattails and sediments from an oxbow wetland via dredging, and will revegetate spoil piles.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Plains Leopard Frog, Bald Eagle, Long-billed Curlew.

*Acres Impacted:* 2

*Total Cost:* \$17,500

*CPW funding:* \$17,500

### **#592 John Martin SWA Gageby Creek Wetland Enhancements**

*Recipient:* CPW staff

*Description:* This project will improve wetlands by controlling cattails through dredging and spraying.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Sandhill Crane, Bald Eagle.

*Acres Impacted:* 70

*Total Cost:* \$21,700

*CPW funding:* \$21,700

### **#593 Upper Gunnison Basin Wet Meadow Enhancements**

*Recipient:* The Nature Conservancy

*Description:* This project will improve wet meadow hydrology and habitat by reducing head cuts and erosion in ephemeral drainages.

*Acres Impacted:* 800

*Total Cost:* \$218,400

*CPW funding:* \$53,500

*Partner funding:* \$164,900

*Funding partners:* The Nature Conservancy, Wildlife Conservation Society

### **#594 Alamosa NWR Units P and U Wetland Restoration Project**

*Recipient:* Wetland Ecological Services Team

*Description:* This project will repair 10 water control structures and levees to adjust timing and distribution of water delivery to wetland and riparian areas.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Southwest Willow Flycatcher, American Bittern, Northern Leopard Frog, Bald Eagle.

*Acres Impacted:* 335

*Total Cost:* \$174,700

*CPW funding:* \$46,200

*Partner funding:* \$128,500

*Funding partners:* U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service

### **#595 Southwest Colorado Riparian and Wetland Habitat Enhancements**

*Recipient:* Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory

*Description:* This project will improve contiguous riparian habitat by promoting native vegetation and managing livestock grazing on private lands.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Southwest Willow Flycatcher, Western Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Northern Leopard Frog, New Mexico Meadow Jumping Mouse, Waterfowl.

*Acres Impacted:* 133

*Total Cost:* \$427,010

*CPW funding:* \$80,000

*Partner funding:* \$347,010

*Funding partners:* Natural Resources Conservation Service, Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory, Private Landowners