



## 2022-23 Wetland Grant Awards



- CPW
- FWS
- NPS
- City
- NGO
- Private

**Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW)  
Wetlands Program  
2022-23 Wetland Grant Awards**

Grant awards = 10  
Wetland/riparian acres impacted = 3,974  
State Wildlife Areas (SWAs) impacted = 2  
National Wildlife Refuges (NWRs)  
impacted = 2  
National Parks (NPs) impacted = 1  
Priority Waterfowl Species Benefitting = 8  
Tier 1 At-Risk Species Benefitting = 7  
Total Project Costs = \$4,598,216  
CPW funds awarded = \$1,121,000  
(24% of total project costs)  
Partner funds committed = \$3,477,216  
(76% of total project costs)  
Total cost per acre = \$1,157  
CPW cost per acre = \$282  
Partner dollars committed per CPW dollar  
awarded = \$3.10

Funding Partners (22):

*City of Fort Collins (FoCo)*  
*Coalition for the Poudre River Watershed (CPRW)*  
*CO River District (CRD)*  
*Ducks Unlimited (DU)*  
*Friends of the Lower Blue River (FOLBR)*  
*Grand Environmental Services (GES)*  
*Grand Valley Audubon Society (GVAS)*  
*Larimer Conservation District (LCD)*  
*Mighty Arrow Family Foundation (MAFF)*  
*National Fish and Wildlife Foundation – RESTORE (NFWF – RESTORE)*  
*North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA)*  
*Northern Water (NW)*  
*Private Landowners (PL)*  
*Rio Grande Headwaters Trust (RiGHT)*  
*River Science (RS)*  
*RiversEdge West (REW)*  
*Rocky Mountain Conservancy (RMC)*  
*U. S. Dept. Agr. – Nat. Res. Cons. Service (NRCS)*  
*U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)*  
*Wetland Dynamics (WD)*  
*Wildland Restoration Volunteers (WRV)*  
*Windy Gap Environmental Fund (WGEF)*

**#732 Red Lion SWA Comprehensive Restoration and Management Plan**

*Grantee: Ducks Unlimited*  
*Description: This project will develop a conservation plan to identify, design, prioritize, permit, and price a set of conservation activities and constructed water infrastructure required to achieve waterfowl habitat and waterfowling recreation goals established for the property.*  
*Priority Species Benefitting: Waterfowl, Northern Leopard Frog*

*Acres Impacted: 0 (planning grant)*  
*Total Cost: \$57,899*  
*CPW funding awarded: \$52,635*  
*Partner funding: \$5,264*  
*Funding partners: DU, NAWCA*

**#733 Larimer County Collaborative Riverscape Restoration**

*Grantee: Larimer Conservation District*  
*Description: This project will work with 4 private landowners along Trail Creek, South Fork Cache La Poudre River, and Black Canyon Creek to restore 3.2 miles of stream/riparian corridor using low-tech, process-based techniques.*  
*Priority Species Benefitting: Waterfowl, Beaver, Preble’s Meadow Jumping Mouse*  
*Acres Impacted: 61*  
*Total Cost: \$632,276*  
*CPW funding awarded: \$234,698*  
*Partner funding: \$347,326*  
*Funding partners: LCD, PL, MAFF, FoCo, CPRW, WRV*

**#734 Front Range Urban Wetlands**

*Grantee: Ducks Unlimited*  
*Description: This project will restore wetland and riparian habitats on Rocky Flats and Two Ponds NWRs and the City of Arvada’s Majestic View Nature Center by installing water control structures, removing invasive riparian plants, and revegetating with native plants.*  
*Priority Species Benefitting: Waterfowl, Northern Leopard Frog, Preble’s Meadow Jumping Mouse*  
*Acres Impacted: 50*  
*Total Cost: \$442,055*  
*CPW funding awarded: \$122,705*  
*Partner funding: \$319,350*

*Funding partners:* DU, NFWF-RESTORE, NAWCA

### **#735 Lower Blue River/Spruce Creek Project Phase II**

*Grantee:* Friends of the Lower Blue River

*Description:* This project will implement low-tech, process-based restoration along Spruce Creek, develop spatial planning tools for future restoration, and conduct community outreach and training.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Beaver, Boreal Toad, Northern Leopard Frog

*Acres Impacted:* 36

*Total Cost:* \$132,791

*CPW funding awarded:* \$121,360

*Partner funding:* \$11,431

*Funding partners:* FOLBR, GES

### **#736 Grand Valley Audubon Society Wetlands Phase II**

*Grantee:* Grand Valley Audubon Society

*Description:* This project will recontour former gravel mine ponds to create shallow wetland and wet meadow habitat, install irrigation infrastructure, and prepare water conveyance for developing a native fish grow-out pond.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Northern Leopard Frog

*Acres Impacted:* 10

*Total Cost:* \$452,384

*CPW funding awarded:* \$27,517

*Partner funding:* \$424,867

*Funding partners:* DU, GVAS, USFWS

### **#737 Kawuneeche Valley Ecosystem Restoration**

*Grantee:* Rocky Mountain Conservancy

*Description:* Within Rocky Mountain National Park, this project will reconnect Baker Creek to

its floodplain using low-tech, process-based restoration techniques, install enclosure fencing, remove invasive plants, install native willows, and conduct community outreach and education.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Beaver, Boreal Toad

*Acres Impacted:* 317

*Total Cost:* \$2,275,200

*CPW funding awarded:* \$216,700

*Partner funding:* \$2,058,500

*Funding partners:* NFWF-RESTORE, RMC, CRD, WGEF, NW

### **#738 Grand Valley Riparian Corridor Wetland Creation and Habitat Improvement**

*Grantee:* RiversEdge West

*Description:* Working with private landowners, this project will enable planning for shallow wetland creation and enhancement, and riparian revegetation on sites previously cleared of tamarisk and Russian olive.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Western Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Greater Sandhill Crane

*Acres Impacted:* 0 (planning grant)

*Total Cost:* \$137,864

*CPW funding awarded:* \$25,000

*Partner funding:* \$112,864

*Funding partners:* DU, REW, NRCS, PL

### **#739 Stone Ranch Project**

*Grantee:* River Science

*Description:* This project will reconnect 0.8 miles of 4-Mile Creek to its floodplain using low-tech, process-based techniques, and will monitor project impacts on surface and groundwater levels.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Beaver, Northern Leopard Frog

*Acres Impacted:* 19

*Total Cost:* \$247,280

*CPW funding awarded:* \$99,810

*Partner funding:* \$147,470

*Funding partners:* RS, NRCS

### **#740 Rock Creek Comprehensive Restoration Implementation Phase I**

*Grantee:* Wetland Dynamics

*Description:* This project will replace a failing headgate (fish-friendly design) facilitating flooding of wet meadow and riparian habitat on 2 conserved ranches. Project addresses top priority in previous planning grant.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Greater Sandhill Crane, Northern Leopard Frog, Southwestern Willow Flycatcher

*Acres Impacted:* 3,490

*Total Cost:* \$301,000

*CPW funding awarded:* \$145,500

*Partner funding:* \$155,500

*Funding partners:* WD, DU, RiGHT

### **#741 Escalante SWA Comprehensive Restoration and Management Plan**

*Grantee:* Ducks Unlimited

*Description:* This project will develop a conservation plan to identify, design, prioritize, permit, and price a set of conservation activities and constructed water infrastructure required to achieve waterfowl habitat and waterfowling recreation goals established for the property.

*Priority Species Benefitting:* Waterfowl, Greater Sandhill Crane, Western Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Northern Leopard Frog

*Acres Impacted:* 0 (planning grant)

*Total Cost:* \$82,583

*CPW funding awarded:* \$75,075

*Partner funding:* \$7,508

*Funding partners:* DU