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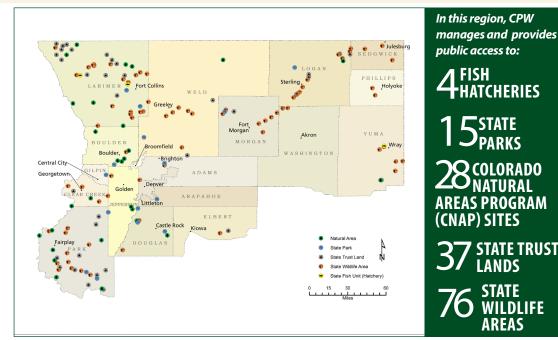
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Northeast Region

FACT SHEET



The Northeast Region spans from the bird watcher's grassland paradise of the eastern plains to the edge of the majestic Rockies to the west. Encompassing the cities of Denver, Boulder and Fort Collins, northeast Colorado has one of the fastest-growing populations in the country. The Northeast Region's residents' demands for a balance of urban amenities and outdoor recreation opportunities present unique challenges. Maintaining quality service and managing large crowds in parks and on trails, while providing hunting and angling opportunities for a changing and diverse population requires strong and sustained financial support.



Expanding visitor access at Staunton State Park

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) values the right of every visitor to experience our state's natural beauty. To provide this opportunity to the disabled community, Staunton State Park offers the use of the Action Track Chair, which allows visitors to explore designated trails in the park. 226 applications for reservations have been submitted and 120 visitors have already been able to "hike" the Park with the aid of the chairs.













Helping neighbors in need after the Haxtun Fire



CPW provided support to an eastern plains neighbor who experienced damage due to the Haxtun Fire by donating bales of hay to help the family feed their livestock. 22 thousand-pound bales were collected from Tarryall Reservoir State Wildlife Area and 25 800-pound bales from the Cline Ranch State Wildlife Area, both in South Park. CPW organized the use of a semi and several pick-ups with trailers to bring the bales down, which were then donated and distributed through the Northeast Colorado Cattlemen's Association.

"As neighbors and land managers as well, we recognize that wildfires like the recent Haxtun, Logan and Sandhill fires can have a devastating impact," said Todd Schmidt, Area Wildlife Manager for Brush (Area 3). "We realized we have hay bales stored that could really help the community during this difficult time so we got to work in getting those resources moved down where they were most needed."

TOTAL ANNUAL ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTION OF HUNTING IN THE NORTHEAST REGION:* Output: \$349 million Salaries & Wages: \$108 million GDP Contribution: \$183 million State/local taxes: \$20 million Federal taxes: \$26 million

Jobs: 3500 *includes big game, small game and waterfowl hunting only (2019 SCORP)



\$6.8 billion TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEWIDE





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