

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) Wetlands Program 2018 Wetland Grant Awards

Grant awards = 10

Wetland/riparian acres impacted = 869

State Wildlife Areas (SWA) impacted = 7

State Parks (SPs) impacted = 2

Priority Waterfowl Species Benefitting = 8

Tier 1 At-Risk Species Benefitting = 7

Total Project Costs = \$4,089,677

CPW funds granted = \$1,925,012

Partner funds committed = \$2,164,665

Funding Partners (19):

Badger Creek Restoration Partnership (BCRP)

Central Colorado Conservancy (CCC)

City of Durango (DUR)

CO Parks and Wildlife – Areas 3, 6, and NW

Terrestrial

CO Water Conservation Board (CWCB)

Ducks Unlimited (DU)

Mountain Studies Institute (MSI)

Park Co. (PARCO)

Private Landowners (PL)

Southern Ute Indian Tribe (SUIT)

Southwest Conservation Corps (SCC)

Tomichi Creek Wetlands, LLC (TCW)

Trout Unlimited (TU)

U. S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

U. S. Dept. Agr. – Forest Service (USDA – FS)

U. S. Dept. Agr. – Nat. Res. Cons. Service (NRCS)

U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)

 $U.\ S.\ Fish\ and\ Wildlife\ Service\ (USFWS)$

Volunteers

Upper Gunnison Conservancy District (UGCD)

673 Jackson Lake Piping Project

Grantee: CPW staff

Description: This project will replace ditches with pipelines to improve water delivery to managed wetlands on Jackson Lake State Wildlife Area (A) and State Park (B).

Priority Species Benefitting: Waterfowl, Greater

Sandhill Crane, Northern Leopard Frog

Acres Impacted: 35 Total Cost: \$143,000

CPW wetlands funding: \$120,000

Partner funding: \$23,000

Funding partners: CPW Area 3, NRCS,

Volunteers

674 BOR Narrows Project

Grantee: Ducks Unlimited

Description: This project will restore and create wetlands on 2 tracts of BOR property (Lantz = A, Kinnaman = B) along the South Platte River corridor.

Priority Species Benefitting: Waterfowl,

Northern Leopard Frog *Acres Impacted*: 70 *Total Cost*: \$1,374,869

CPW wetlands funding: \$495,000

Partner funding: \$879,869 Funding partners: CWCB, DU

675 CPW Area 6 SWA Wetland Enhancements

Grantee: CPW staff

Description: This project will renovate water delivery ditches to wetlands on the Rio Blanco Lake State Wildlife Area (A), and will fence a riparian corridor and create wetlands on 2 units of the Piceance State Wildlife Area (Yellow Creek = B, Little Hills = C).

Priority Species Benefitting: Waterfowl, Greater

Sandhill Crane, Northern Leopard Frog

Acres Impacted: 37 Total Cost: \$44,500

CPW wetlands funding: \$35,400

Partner funding: \$9,100

Funding partners: BLM, CPW Area 6 and NW

Terrestrial, USFWS

676 First Creek

Grantee: USDA Forest Service

Description: This project will reconnect a stream to its floodplain, create off-channel ponds, and revegetate native riparian plants. *Priority Species Benefitting*: Waterfowl, Greater Sandhill Crane, Northern Leopard Frog, Boreal

Toad

Acres Impacted: 9
Total Cost: \$470,000

CPW wetlands funding: \$120,000

Partner funding: \$350,000

Funding partners: TU, USDA-FS, USEPA

677 Melon Valley SWA Oxbow II

Grantee: CPW staff

Description: This project will dredge an open hole in a cattail-dominated wetland for access

for both waterfowl and hunters.

Priority Species Benefitting: Waterfowl

Acres Impacted: 3
Total Cost: \$16,450

CPW wetlands funding: \$16,450

Partner funding: N/A Funding partners: N/A

678 Badger Creek Riparian and Wetland Restoration Project

Grantee: Central Colorado Conservancy *Description*: This project will restore an incised creek on 2 BLM tracts (A, B) by installing sod structures mimicking beaver dams and by

revegetating native riparian plants.

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

Acres Impacted: 80 Total Cost: \$132,574

CPW wetlands funding: \$64,200

Partner funding: \$68,374

Funding partners: BCRP, BLM, CCC, PARCO,

USFWS

679 Tomichi Creek Preserve Restoration

Grantee: Tomichi Creek Preserve, LLC *Description*: This project will reconnect a stream to its floodplain and revegetate native riparian and wetland plants.

Priority Species Benefitting: Waterfowl, Greater

Sandhill Crane, Northern Leopard Frog

Acres Impacted: 28 Total Cost: \$360,150

CPW wetlands funding: \$70,000 *Partner funding:* \$290,150

Funding partners: NRCS, TCW, UGCG,

USFWS

680 Spring Creek Restoration Project

Grantee: Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Description: This project will stabilize eroding streambanks and revegetate native riparian

plants.

Priority Species Benefitting: New Mexico

Meadow Jumping Mouse *Acres Impacted*: 9

Total Cost: \$261,850

CPW wetlands funding: \$90,300 Partner funding: \$171,550

Funding partners: NRCS, SUIT, USEPA

681 Animas River Phreatophyte Removal Phase II

Grantee: Mountain Studies Institute

Description: This project will remove Russian olive and revegetate some areas with native

riparian plants.

Priority Species Benefitting: Southwestern Willow Flycatcher, Western Yellow-billed

Cuckoo

Acres Impacted: 100 Total Cost: \$162,019

CPW wetlands funding: \$64,043

Partner funding: \$97,976

Funding partners: DUR, MSI, PL, SUIT, SCC

682 SW Region Public Lands Wetlands

Grantee: Ducks Unlimited

Description: This project will improve water delivery to wetlands on Navajo SP (A) in the San Juan Basin and on 2 State Wildlife Areas (Rio Grande = B, Russell Lakes = C) in the San Luis Valley.

Priority Species Benefitting: Waterfowl, Greater

Sandhill Cranes, Southwestern Willow

Flycatcher, Western Yellow-billed Cuckoo, New Mexico Meadow Jumping Mouse, Northern

Leopard Frog

Acres Impacted: 498 *Total Cost*: \$1,124,265

CPW wetlands funding: \$849,619

Partner funding: \$274,646

Funding partners: CWCB, DU, USFWS