



ANNUAL REVIEW 2021



DWRF spent a second year holding most collaborative meetings online - a clear challenge for a collaborative group. Despite this, DWRF maintained strong stakeholder engagement and expanded its network of partners. In 2021, DWRF developed new outreach materials, held multiple tours, expanded monitoring efforts, and facilitated important dialogues about wildfire risk and forest management. DWRF continued engaging Rocky Mountain Restoration Initiative prioritization efforts and helped continue to build the foundation for the SW CO Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program.

Thank you to all partners for participating in and supporting these collaborative efforts and for your work advancing forest, community, and watershed resilience in Montezuma and Dolores counties.

MISSION

Promoting forest, community, and watershed resilience through collaboration.

VISION

A resilient and adaptive upper Dolores River watershed that provides ecosystem services, maintains ecological integrity, and sustains community values in the face of environmental change, supported by a diverse and active collaborative group.

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720 HOURS

THAT PARTERS INVESTED
AT STAKEHOLDER
MEETINGS AND TOURS



Check out the DWRF video at our website. Thanks to everyone involved!



Photo: John Whitney

In May, DWRF helped organize a forest health conversation with Senator Hickenlooper.



PROGRAM AREA HIGHLIGHTS - 2021



RESILIENT FORESTS AND COMMUNITIES

- With many partners, DWRF installed a snowgauge monitoring site at Chicken Creek to help understand the effects of thinning on snow and soil moisture.
- Collaboratively identified treatment priorities across RMRI landscape

COLLABORATE WITH LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES

- Held planning discussions, tours, and presentations on proposed NEPA projects.
- Helped build foundation for the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program for SW Colorado
- Coordinated rapid monitoring and discussion on forest treatment outcomes

Snowgauge monitoring installation



OUTREACH & EDUCATION

- Developed a DWRF video for outreach
- Led public mountain biking and hiking tours focused on forest ecology and management with SJMA
- Helped train Forest Ambassadors with SJMA
- Helped organize a forest health conversation with Senator Hickenlooper and other local voices

Lone Pine EA implementation tour

FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT

- Deepening relationships and participation from forest products producers.
- Facilitated conversations focused on funding low-value and waste wood utilization



COLLABORATIVE EFFECTIVENESS

- Advanced cross-collaborative partnerships
- Strong and diverse stakeholder investment
- New coordinating committee members to represent key interests across our area.

Forest Ambassador Program training

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