



WIn (Watershed Initiative)

Water Resources Review Committee Presentation
August 10, 2015



West Fork Complex Fire - July 2013

RWEACT has brought together more than 70 partners and over 200 accomplished projects and processes.

RWEACT-WIn Projects; Summer 2015 (Governor's Executive Order 2013-022, 2013-017, DOLA) Public Safety/ Critical Infrastructure/Watershed Protection

- RADAR-PX 1000 mobile radar; deployed at LOBO on top of Wolf Creek Pass August 1 through September 30, 2015 (Partners, CWCB Joe Busto, OU(Oklahoma University), NWS(National Weather Service), OEM(Office of Emergency Management), 3-Counties, USFS).



- Permanent Radar; Rio Grande/ Regional partnership. CWCB, OU, ARRC (Advanced Radar Research Center), NWS, OEM, 7 SLV Counties, FAA, Water Districts, RGNF, SJNF. **OCT 2016**

- Rain/stream gauge deployment (9 Sutron Gauges) deployed May 2014-October 15, 2015 (Partners, USFS, DWR, 3- Counties, NWS).



- VHF Radio 100-300 Watt Upgrade (Deployed May 1, 2015). Partners 3-County Emergency Managers and Sheriff Offices, OEM, NWS, USFS.

- Weather Spotter Training; Partners 3-County EM(Emergency Managers), SO, OEM, USFS, NWS.

- Campground Hazard Tree removal of 43 acres of hazardous trees at: 1) Tucker Ponds CG, 9 ac; 2) 30 Mile CG, 25 ac: and 3) Riverhill Camp Ground, 9 ac on USFS lands. Completed April 2015.



- Water Quality Study expanded with Colo. School of Mines. May 2014-September 2015.



- West Fork Fire Tour; RGNF together with San Juan NF- June 19-20,2015.



- Lynx Habitat Suitability Project (purchase lynx collar)



- Biomass Feasibility Study, Fell/Buck Study, Spruce Deterioration Study etc.



- Economic Recovery Master Plan Implementation

RWEACT-WIn

Creation of Watershed Initiative Collaborative

- Name expanded RWEACT to RWEACT-WIn Inc., (Expanded Mission)
- Developing Non-Profit status (501-c-3)

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● Forest Plan Revision, RWEACT/RGNF



● US Senate/House meetings with Senators Michael Bennett, Corey Gardner, Rep Tipton (Radar, Farm Bill, Healthy Forest Bill, Watershed Protection measures for Watershed Collaborative).

● Stewardship Agreement with USFS

*Expanded Forest/District Projects:

IE: Conservation Stewardship Projects: ie: watershed/forest health, timber/biomass/biochar, species habitat improvement, lynx habitat study, RGCT, Boreal Toad, Riparian, recreation,

