* **Education and Recreation May 20, 2014**
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* **Intro:**
  1. Learn what is being done in conservation/education
  2. Identify and prioritize needs
  3. Develop outcomes to reach needs
  4. Brainstorm financial resources
* **Brainstorming:**
* **What is the best topic to address for the interests of our audiences?**
  1. Economics are huge now- what does it do for me? Looking at jobs, funding challenges/realities, what kind of information needs to be communicated to deliver a punch
  2. Trail closure and travel management
  3. Climate change materials

**Program and Resource Inventory:**

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|  | * **Current Actors and Work** | * **Gaps Identified** |
| * **Climate Change** | 1. **Durango Nature Center** 2. **Farmington Nature Center** 3. **MSI** (climate curriculum with school and scientists, PikaNET, teacher training on curriculum) 4. **Four Corners** (Professional Development) 5. **SJNF** (adding climate adaptation management strategies) 6. **Montelores Climate Action Network** 7. **4Core** | 1. Adaptation strategies, 2. Semantics and CC as “long-term drought” 3. Foundation info for younger kids 4. Younger kids monitoring of ecological change 5. Rec-avalanche danger, 6. Fall colors/water for boating (tourism) 7. Fire danger and access (general public) |
| * **Water** | * 1. **SJMA** (classroom presentations) * 2. **MSI** (curriculum/ecology camp/ science fair) * 3. **USFW** (trout) * 4. **AWP/Conservation Legacy** (Get to Know the Animas float trip) * 5. **USFS** (book store ed materials) * 6. **SW Basins Roundtable** (funding, information, implementation plan) * 7. **Governors Water Plan** * 8. **Basin Plan** * 9. **Training for youth corps** * 10. **Mancos Watershed Group** * 11. **NDRMS/BLM** (mine drainage/water quality) * 12. **ARSG** (mine remediation) * 13. Forest to Faucets teacher training * 14. **4 Corners School** (5-day training with some water) * 15. **Dolores River Boating Advocates** * 16. **River Watch** | * 1. River festivals and coordinating dates * 2. Resources on outreach water quality info for general public * 3. Education on seeps and springs (economic/cultural/climate change impacts) |
| * **Forest Health** | * 1. **SJMA** (hikes and trips) * 2. **SCC** (LNT, Wilderness Medicine) * 3. **CSU Ext** (Native plants) * 4. **CSFS/CSU Ext/USFS** (Bark beetles) * 5. **SJH Forest Health Partnership** * 6. **USFS** (Trailhead kiosks) * 7. **Dolores River Restoration Partnership** (Brochures, interpretative trails) * 8. **USFW** (Landowner outreach and ed) * 9. **BLM/USFS** (travel management) * 10. **Firewise Communities** | * 1. More travel management best practices * 2. Campsites/backcountry etiquette * 3. Watershed protection * 4. Healthy forest definition * 5. Outreach/education gap for forest health issues |
| * **Economics and Conservation** | * 1. More project-specific * 2. **MSI** (Animas River Corridor Revitalization) * 3. **Dolores River Dialogue** * 4. **Conservation Colorado** | * 1. No institution or people educating on this topic * 2. Know the issues, who is involved and main points * 3. What is going on at state/national level * 4. How to acquire funds and create impacts on local community |
| * **Archaeology** | * 1. **USFS/Chimney Rock** (tours) * 2. **Crow Canyon** * 3. **Anasazi Heritage Center** * 4. **Aztec Ruins** * 5. **Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Park** | * 1. Not many * 2. Repeat photography for documenting ecological change * 3. Need to have archaeology and “recent history” distinction |
| * **Hodgepodge** | * 1. WSA monitoring * 2. Hunter education * 3. **Durango Nature Studies** * 4. Weed monitoring/outreach * 5. **BLM/FS** (field stations) * 6. Avy Education * 7. **Colorado Avalanche Information Center** * 8. **SJMA** (nature hikes) * 9. **Colorado 14ers** * 10. **Colorado Trail Foundation** * 11. **MSI** (geo-cache tours, fens restoration, weed management) * 12. **National Mustang Ass.** (wild horses) * 13. **San Juan String Band** * 14. **Mancos state park** summer programs * 15. **CSU ext.** (gardening master gardener, STEM ed) * 16. **City of Durango** (boat ramp signage) * 17. **USFS** rail rangers * 18. **Backcountry Horsemen** stock education * 19. **Trails 2000** |  |