

ORRCA

Mission-

ORRCA collaborates to preserve ecosystem health and function across working landscapes and public lands while ensuring equitable access to sustainable recreation, thereby enhancing the region's quality of life.

Vision-

The community will have the resources to fulfill our conservation values and recreation opportunities based on collaborative evaluation of the region's natural landscapes, waterways, wildlife habitats, and existing recreation infrastructure.

Themes that guide ORRCA's vision include:

- Identify and balance outdoor recreation opportunities and conservation values. Prioritize a comprehensive plan for the region based on data that considers wildlife, healthy land and water, climate change, high-quality recreation experiences, agriculture, and resilient local economies.
- Educate about land stewardship, responsible recreation, and cultural history.
- Sustain a resilient community supported by diverse and active collaboration.



STAKEHOLDER MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023, 5-7 pm

ALL – VIRTUAL

Join Zoom Meeting

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AGENDA

MEETING OBJECTIVES:

- 1) OVERVIEW & USER TRAINING ON THE [COLORADO CONSERVATION DATA EXPLORER "CODEX"](#) SYSTEM BY COLORADO NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM (CNHP) TEAM: MICHAEL MENEFFEE, DAVID ANDERSON, AND LEE GRUNAU.**
- 2) DISCUSSION OF "CONSERVATION VALUE SUMMARIES" AND SPECIES ASSESSMENT MODELING THE CODEX TEAM IS DOING FOR THE NOCO REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COOP.**
- 3) DETERMINE STAKEHOLDER REQUESTS FOR CUSTOMIZATION OF WILDLIFE AND HABITAT INPUT LAYERS FOR A GIS WILDLIFE/HABITAT SENSITIVITY MODEL PERFORMED BY CPW BASED ON ORRCA STAKEHOLDER VALUES**
- 4) DETERMINE STAKEHOLDER REQUESTS FOR ANY ADDITIONAL MODELING/ANALYSIS BY THE CODEX TEAM INCORPORATING CNHP AND CPW DATA.**

5 pm -- Call to Order & ZOOM Ice Breaker

- **LYNN PADGETT, OURAY COUNTY COMMISSIONER**

5:10 pm – **COLORADO CONSERVATION DATA EXPLORER (CODEX) TEAM PRESENTATION.**

- **MICHAEL MENEFEE, Data Distribution and Environmental Review Coordinator, Colorado Natural Heritage Program**

Mr. Menefee has been a Research Associate at the Colorado Natural Heritage Program for over 20 years, where he is currently co-team leader of the Conservation Data Services Team. He has expertise in conservation science, report writing, geographic information systems, spatial analysis, information technology, data distribution, graphic design, desktop publishing, project administration, public outreach, and communications. He also has a strong passion for photography, with images in numerous publications and placements in conservation education campaigns.

- **LEE GRUNAU, Conservation Planning Team Leader, Colorado Natural Heritage Program**

Ms. Grunau's expertise includes biodiversity science; conservation assessments and priority setting; land conservation planning and protection; threat abatement, impact mitigation, and conservation strategies; management plan development; project management; technical writing and graphic design; data management. She has 17 years of professional experience in the field of biodiversity conservation and planning. She earned an MLA in Landscape Architecture from the University of Colorado's School of Architecture and Planning, Denver (1994).

- **DAVID G. ANDERSON, Director/Chief Scientist, Colorado Natural Heritage Program**

Mr. Anderson grew up in Aurora, Colorado. He worked in Alaska and the Canadian Arctic through his formative years and in graduate school. In 1999, after 2 years in the Peace Corps in the Solomon Islands, he began his career at the Colorado Natural Heritage Program. He served as Botany Team leader before becoming the program's director in 2008. He works with a broad range of stakeholders throughout Colorado and elsewhere to address conservation challenges through collaborative development and application of data and tools, biodiversity conservation priority setting, and management of natural resources. He has experience in climate change vulnerability assessment, ecoregional assessment, biological surveys, monitoring, mapping natural resources, GIS, data analysis, writing, outreach, education, program development, and fundraising in the service of biodiversity conservation.

6:00-6:10 pm – Break

6:10 pm – 7 pm – Determine ORRCA modeling and analysis requests for:

- **GIS habitat sensitivity model customization for direction to Colorado Parks & Wildlife (CPW).**
- **CNHP-CODEX species assessment modeling using CNHP, CPW, NatureServe data.**

Note: March 2 (CPW), March 27 (CNHP), and April 10 meetings all are providing overviews of existing data sources and modeling tools available for ORRCA to customize and utilize to inform ORRCA's "Species & Habitat Sensitivity Model."

Below is a list of the informational materials that have been discussed and made available to ORRCA via the March 2, March 27, and April 10 agendas and notes.

- The **CPW Spreadsheet of Envision Chaffee's and other RPI's inputs into wildlife/habitat sensitivity models.** with changes made by consensus during the second half of the March 2 meeting is [HERE](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_A8uo6k1L2W2t2HM5kTVs8obZnSNXsLS/edit?usp=sharing&oid=107931067833494421528&rtpof=true&sd=true) (https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_A8uo6k1L2W2t2HM5kTVs8obZnSNXsLS/edit?usp=sharing&oid=107931067833494421528&rtpof=true&sd=true)
- **CPW March 2, 2023 Presentation Slide Deck – “Recreation in Balance”** created for Chaffee County/Envision Chaffee: [HERE](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IV-YpbGMBTDgZNixWqmhfjBZFIY4wQ7R/view?usp=sharing) (<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IV-YpbGMBTDgZNixWqmhfjBZFIY4wQ7R/view?usp=sharing>)
- **Wildlife Decision Support Tools for Recreation Protecting wildlife and associated economic, ecosystem, and experiential benefits as recreation use increases in Chaffee County, Colorado Feb. 20, 2021** https://envisionchaffeecounty.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/ChaffeeRecPlanforWildlifeTools_2021F.pdf
- <https://envisionchaffeecounty.org/>
- <https://envisionchaffeecounty.org/recreation-in-balance/>
- **CPW Q/A & Wildlife Big Picture Model Talking Points:** [HERE](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dO5GTf8Sc4Fe7XeqxutjsCn2-rdctaF4/edit?usp=sharing&oid=107931067833494421528&rtpof=true&sd=true) (<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dO5GTf8Sc4Fe7XeqxutjsCn2-rdctaF4/edit?usp=sharing&oid=107931067833494421528&rtpof=true&sd=true>)
- **ORRCA Stakeholder STORYMAP Discussion Aid 1 - ORRCA Overview (Origin, Partners & Stakeholders, Priorities, Mission/Vision, Geographic Scope):** <https://arcg.is/11z88H>
- **ORRCA Stakeholder STORYMAP Discussion Aid 2 - Wildlife & Sensitive Species Habitat Model Inputs:** <https://arcg.is/vHWeb>
- **CNHP – Ouray County Survey Reports & PCAs:** <https://cnhp.colostate.edu/projects/county-survey-reports/>
- **CNHP – Colorado Wetland Inventory Tool:** <https://cnhp.colostate.edu/cwic/tools/mapper/>
- **CNHP Spatial Data Layers:** <https://cnhp.colostate.edu/maps/cnhp-spatial-layers/>
- **COLORADO CONSERVATION DATA EXPLORER (CODEX)**

7:00 PM -- Adjourn

- **Save the date:** 4th Monday of each Month, 5 to 7 pm – **STAKEHOLDER MEETING** at Ridgway 4H Event Center/Zoom Option. **NEXT STAKEHOLDER MEETING: Monday, April 24, 2023**