



Carpe Diem West

Healthy Headwaters Working Group Meeting

Friday, March 25, 2011 8:30am - 5:00pm (Breakfast - 8:00am)

Conference Room - Western Governors Association

1600 Broadway, 5th Floor Conference Room, Denver, CO

Detailed Agenda (as of 3-21-11)

8:00am Registration/breakfast

8:30am **Welcome**

Kimery Wiltshire, Director, Carpe Diem West

- ▶ Group introductions

8:45am **Conversation with Under Secretary Harris Sherman**

Moderator: Mike Anderson, Senior Resource Analyst, The Wilderness Society

- ▶ What will success in headwaters protection look like six years from now?
What will be the success indicators two years from now?
- ▶ How will the new planning rule, the new Action Plan, the President's budget and other USDA/USFS administrative actions effect agency priorities and actions?
- ▶ What can this Healthy Headwaters alliance do to most effectively advocate for greater priority to headwaters protection?

9:30am **Carpe Diem West - Today's meeting**

Kimery Wiltshire

- ▶ Carpe Diem West & Healthy Headwaters Project

- Outcomes for today
- Two year success indicators - reporting out

10:00am **The Forest - Faucet Partnership**

Focus #1 - The story

- *In the beginning:* Ron Lehr, Past Chair, Denver Water Board
- *Concept to completion:* Jim Lochhead, CEO, Denver Water
- *View from the Board room:* Tom Gougeon, Denver Water Board
- *The FS story:* Rick Cables, Regional Forester, USFS

Focus # 2 - What's next?

- *After the first five years:* Rick Cables & Jim Lochhead

Focus #3 - Three key lessons - what's your advice?

- *Getting it right on the ground:* Brad Phiel, JW Associates
- *Hindsight:* Jim Lochhead
- *Hindsight:* Rick Cables

11:30am **Developing the Partnerships**

- *Across the West - partnerships & user contribution programs:* Matt Clifford, Policy Director, Carpe Diem West
- *USFS partnerships:* Rick Cables
- *Voluntary contribution programs:* Mary Mitsos, Vice-President, National Forest Foundation
- *Salt Lake - Growing the partnerships:* Laura Briefer, Special Projects Manager, Salt Lake Public Utilities
- *Pacific NW watershed programs:* Mike Anderson
- *Cache la Poudre:* John Shepard, Senior Advisor, Sonoran Institute

12:30pm Lunch (working lunch/in room)

1:00pm **Developing the Partnerships (continued)**

1:30pm **What do we know so far?**

Kimery Wiltshire

- Key lessons
- Priority places
- What success could look like
- Defining “resilient watersheds”
- What Healthy Headwaters alliance can do

2:00pm **Managing Watersheds - the long & short-term paths**

Dr. Holly Hartmann, Director Arid Lands Information Center, University of Arizona

- Certainty - what do you do with what you have?
- How can scientists help with mid-range scenarios?
- How to evaluate long-term management alternatives?

Commenters:

Tony Cheng, Assistant Professor, Colorado State University

Polly Hays, Water Program Manager, USFS, Rocky Mountain Region

Jim Verdin, Deputy Director, NIDIS/USGS

Kevin Werner, Service Basin Coordinator, CO Basin River Forecast Center

3:30pm **What's next?**

Kimery Wiltshire & John Shepard

- In the next six months
- In the next year

4:00pm **Adjourn**