

Building Successful Stakeholder Groups



Implementing Protection Plans

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Agenda for Today:



- About CRWA's Source Water Protection Program
- Building a Successful Stakeholder Group
- Case Studies of Implement Protection Plans

CRWA SWP Program



Goal: To build self-directed community source water protection teams who want to contribute to the planning process and commit to implementing the Action Plan.

My job: To empower these teams to achieve this goal.

Building the Team



- Getting the right people to the table
- Facilitating a comfortable, well-run meeting
- Building trust through sharing
- Resolving issues through consensus
- Encouraging ownership of the Plan

Building Partners



Why do you need partners?

- To develop widespread support
- To help carry out the Plan
- To increase public understanding
- To provide necessary resources
- To avoid reinventing the wheel

Case Studies

Implementing Protection Plans:

- Northern Colorado Water Association
- Plateau Valley
- Beulah Area



Northern Colorado Water Association

Steamboat Springs

Brush Sterling

Jamestown Boulder

Vail Denver

Meeker Glenwood Springs

Burlington

Aspen

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Collbran, Mesa, Powderhorn

Park Center Colorado Springs Ramah

Silverton

Avondale Pueblo

Beulah

Walsenburg, LaVeta, Cuchara

Cortez Mancos Durango

Trinidad

Springfield

Plateau Valley Source Water Protection Plan



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Collbran

National Forest Land

**Planning Team:
55 Participants
7 Meetings**



- Landowners & Citizens
- Land Managers: USFS & BLM
- Government Representatives
- Water Utility Board & Operators
- Agencies: NRCS
- Conservation Groups
- Oil and Gas Industry

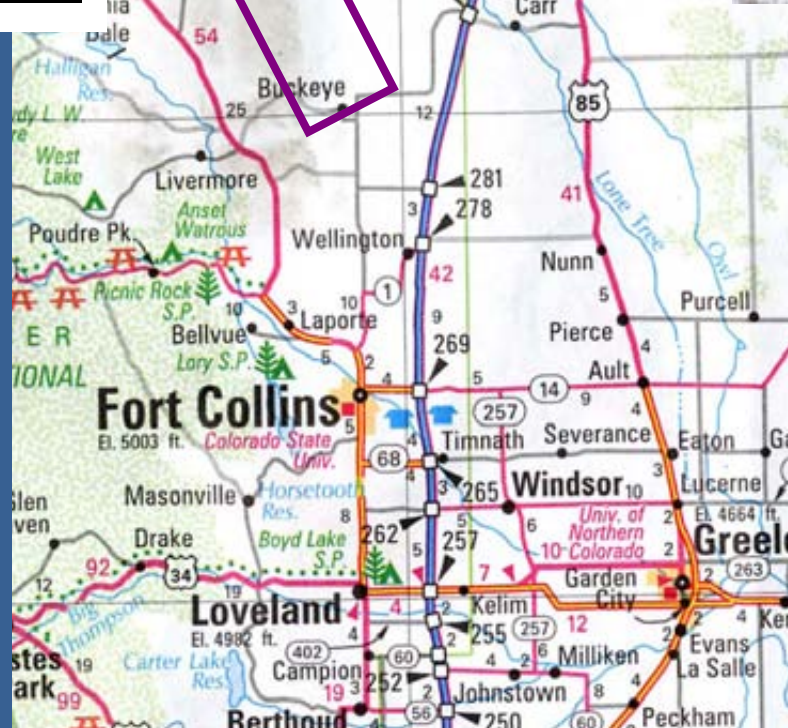
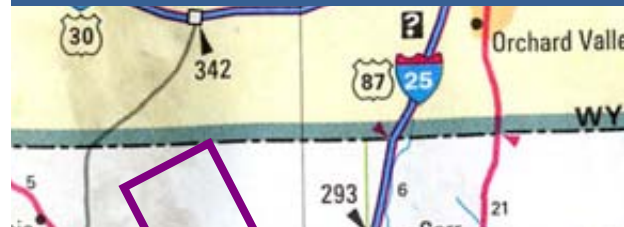
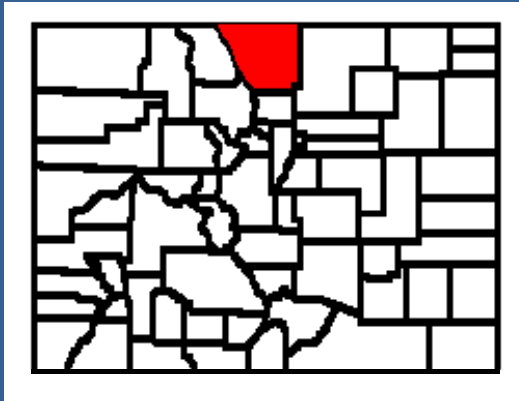
Management Approaches Implemented



- County and Public Land managers overlaid protection area on maps
- Town of Collbran is making SWP brochure for residents of valley
- Water managers are cleaning up the dump around the springs
- County Road Department is helping with signage on major roads identifying protection area and reporting spills

Northern Colorado Water Association

Larimer County



Planning Team Participants: 20



- County Commissioners, Land Use & Health Departments
- City of Fort Collins Wastewater Department
- Water Utility Manager, Operators & Board Member
- Local Ranchers & Property Owners
- State Health Department

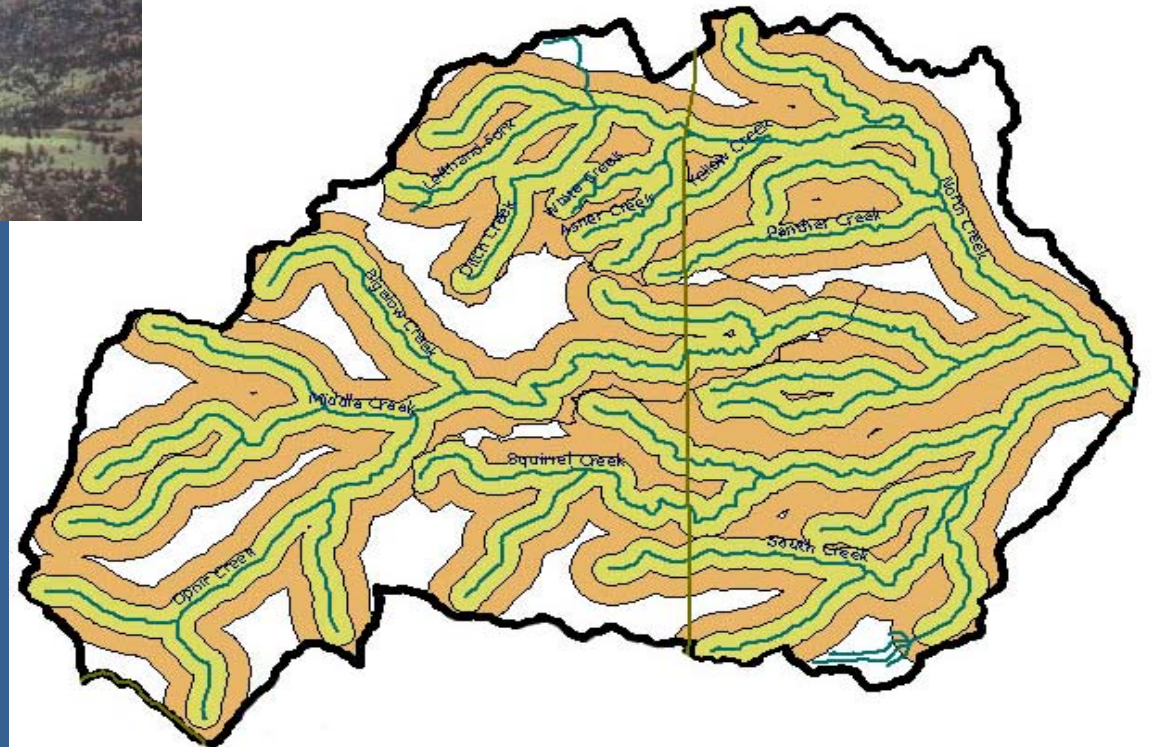
Management Approaches Implemented



- Public education on septic maintenance
- Water District purchased land and new wells
- County overlaid protection area on maps
- Inventoried old water wells & capped wells

Beulah Area Source Water Protection Plan

Pueblo County



Planning Team Participants: 22

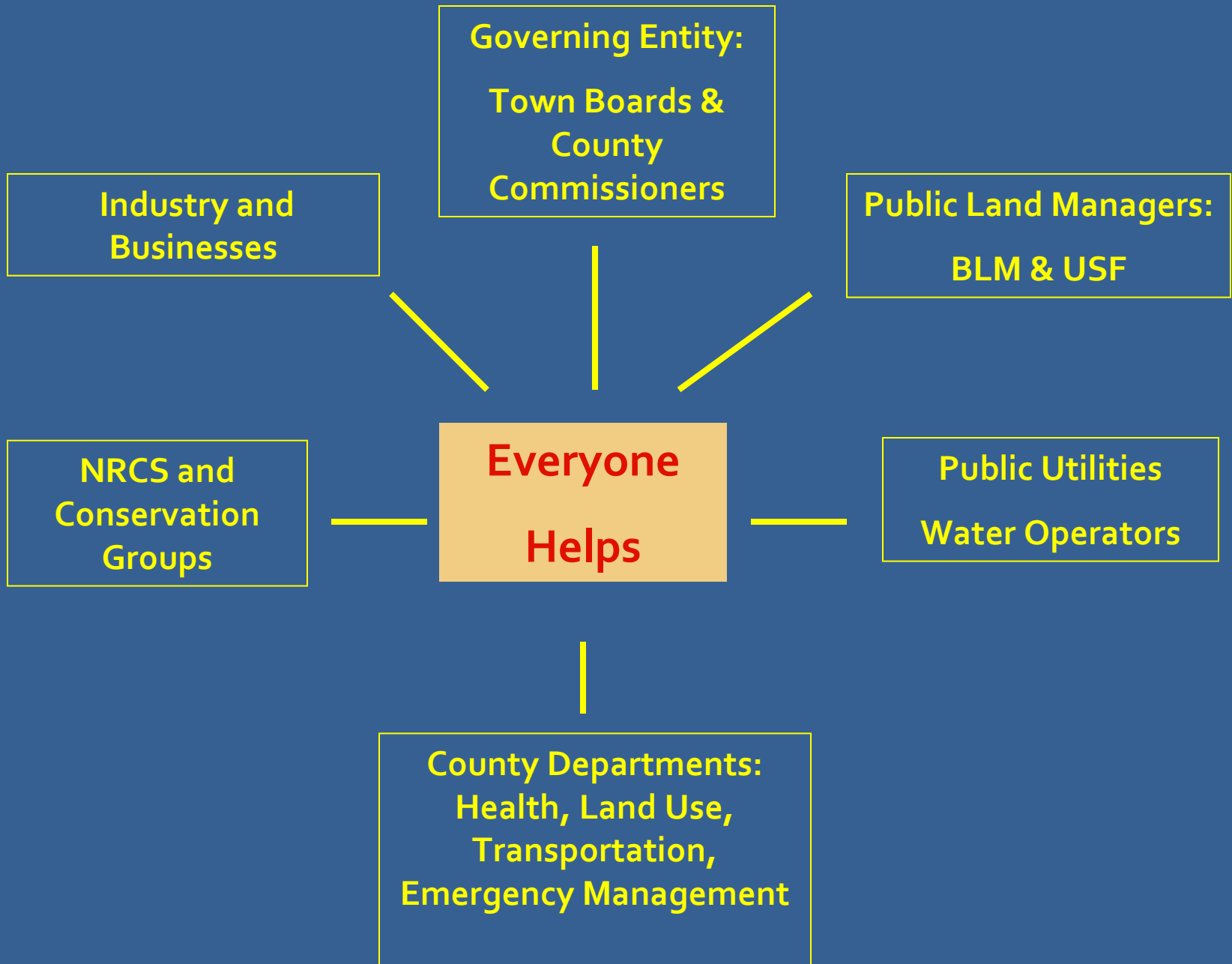


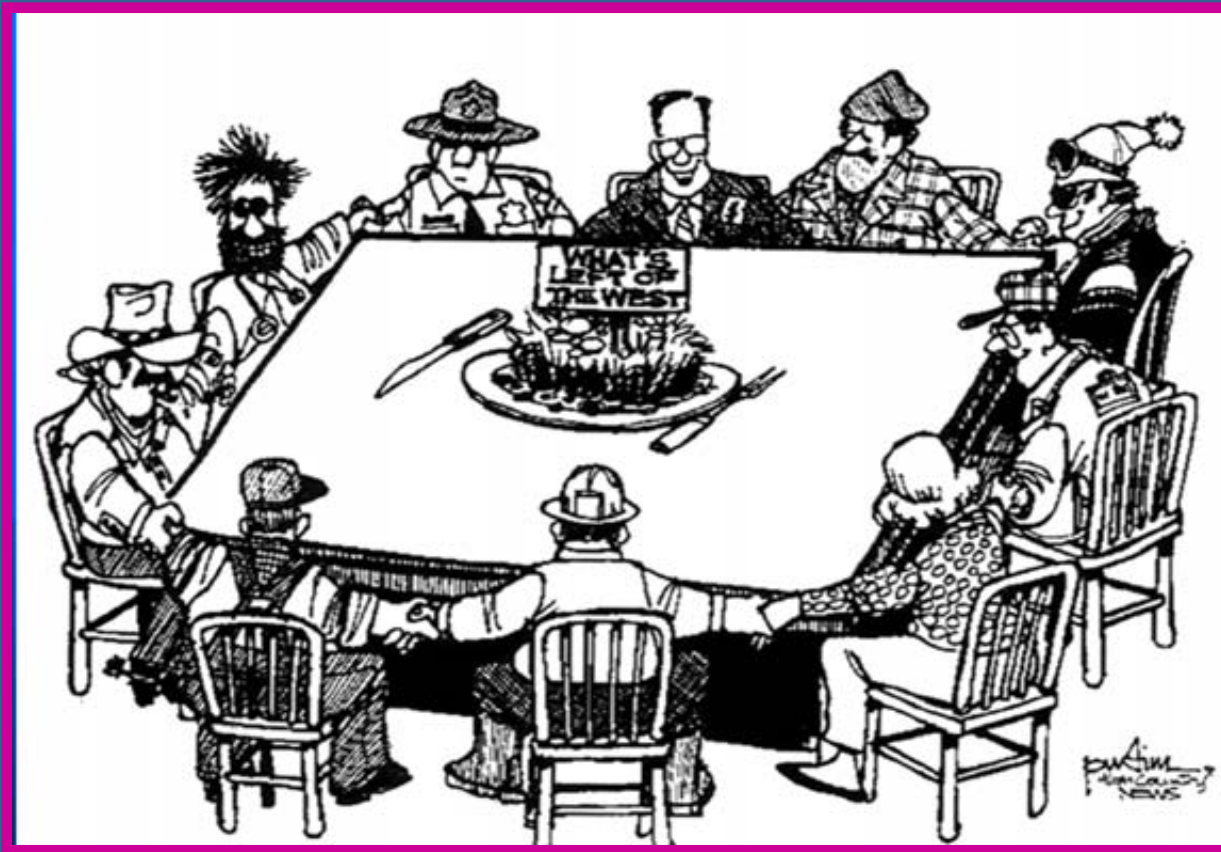
- Pine Drive and Beulah Water Works District
- Pueblo County: Planning, Health, GIS, Emergency Management
- Colorado State Forest Service
- Residents

Management Approaches Implemented



- Public education forum on septic maintenance
- County overlaid protection area on maps
- Water Districts develop monitoring plan, attended River Watch training, and began monitoring 4 sites





Building strong relationships with your partners is a fundamental necessary ingredient to making this protection plan work.