



GREELEY PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024 -- 7:00am

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Agenda

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Culture, Parks, & Recreation: Who We Are
Presentation by CPRD Director, Diana Frick
5. Public Input
6. Board Member Committee Reports: Art Commission
7. Staff Reports
8. Old Business
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9. New Business
A. Bylaw review
10. Upcoming Agendas
11. Next Meeting Set – Tentatively Friday, June 7, 2024
12. Adjournment

Board members unable to join this meeting, please notify
Greta Steinmetz at: greta.steinmetz@greeleygov.com.

GREELEY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES – April 5, 2024

1. ROLL CALL

The Greeley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met Friday, April 5, 2024, at 7:03 am at the Greeley Recreation Center. Board members joining: Sharon Wright, Greg McIntosh, Rand Morgan, Michael Herron, and Shane Kigin. Councilmember Deb DeBoutez. Staff joining: Diana Frick (Director), Benjamin Alexander (Business Manager), Eric Bloomer (Parks Division Manager), Justin Scharton (Natural Areas & Trails Division Manager), Daniel Lawrence (Recreation Division Manager), Ashton Reinhardt (City Clerk), and Greta Steinmetz (Office Manager).

- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Sharon Wright made a motion to approve the agenda, which was seconded by Greg McIntosh and passed unanimously.

- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Sharon Wright made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, which was seconded by Greg McIntosh and passed unanimously.

- 4. INTRODUCTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL LIASION TO THE BOARD** – Councilmember Deb DeBoutez of Ward II was introduced to the Board as the City Council Liaison. She spoke about the need to get people out in the community and physical activity and wants to support the board.

- 5. PUBLIC INPUT** – None

- 6. BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Art Commission - Sharon Wright: District Six is giving all third graders a coloring book of public art in Greeley. The Courage mural on 7th Street and 7th Avenue needs to have the stucco fixed. Once fixed the artwork will be repaired. She will be serving on the selection committee for Redtail Park. New artwork will be painted at the intersection of 7th Avenue and 16th Street.

7. STAFF REPORTS

Diana Frick

- Asked Councilmember Deboutez to be at the meetings due to the enormous amount of things going on at CPRD.
- There will be a City Council worksession to review that Comprehensive Plan and long-term planning along with the name change for the Shure View project.
- Announced the change of location of the Farmer's Market to Lincoln Park and trying to activate the space.

Eric Bloomer

- The opening of Sanborn Park and Peakview playgrounds is close.
- The David Jones playground should be done next week depending on the weather.

- The annual Arbor Day celebration will be held at Sanborn on Saturday, April 27th at 9:00 am.
- District 6 will start the Giving Tree program with kindergarten classes in 2025.

Daniel Lawrence

- Once swim team programs are over the pool and locker rooms at the Rec Center will be closed for remodeling. May 13th through September 9th. Centennial Pool will open early and longer to accommodate this project. The weight room will be relocated temporarily during this time.
- The Youth Job Fair was held on March 27. There were 673 attendees.
- Reviewed the building plan for Anna Gimmedstad Park that can have an occupancy to 499, helping to serve more children like the Rodarte Center.
- Working with Dist. 6 on a Learn to Swim program for third and fourth grade students.

Justin Scharton

- The Poudre Ponds Trail Repair will happen in the fall, taking about a month.
- The Duran Project is out for bid.
- The Missile Silo Park is open. Trail counters were installed to see the use of the site.
- The Open Space sales tax proposal is in the focus group stage.

8. OLD BUSINESS

Attendance requirements per the PRAB bylaws were discussed.

9. NEW BUSINESS

2024 Chairperson Selection

Shane Kigin motioned to nominate Greg McIntosh for President, which was seconded by Rand Morgan. The motion passed unanimously.

Greg McIntosh motioned to nominate Shane Kigin for Vice President, which was seconded by Rand Morgan. The motion passed unanimously.

10. UPCOMING AGENDAS

A link to the Parks and Recreation Board Agenda on the City of Greeley Boards and Commission Portal will be added in the body of the email when the agenda is sent out.

11. NEXT MEETING – The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, May 3, 2024.

12. ADJOURNMENT –The meeting adjourned at 8:11 am.

Respectfully submitted:

Greg McIntosh, Chair

Greta Steinmetz, Office Manager

Culture, Parks, and Recreation

Who We Are

Diana Frick
Director of CPRD



Culture



Parks



Recreation



Natural Areas



Island Grove



Golf



PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

STAFF REPORTS – May 3, 2024

[Diana Frick – Director of Culture, Parks, and Recreation](#)

[Benjamin Alexander – Business Manager](#)

[Eric Bloomer – Parks Superintendent](#)

Parks:

- The new playground at JB Jones was completed and opened on April 12th. There are minor punch list items to complete and some irrigation repairs to be made, but the site is open and ready for play.





- The purchase of the 27 acre “Ferguson Property” was completed on April 11th. This land is our first purchase for a Community Park in a decade and will be home to a new dog park and other much needed amenities for the area. Staff will return to the board in a future meeting for official naming of the site. The site located west of Redtail Park along the Boomerang Ditch, on the North side of Hwy 34 at 82nd Ave.



- Staff installed tee boxes for the first time at the Epple Park Disc Golf Course. There have never been any in the past, and we have received some requests to install them as the soil areas that had been used were in poor condition and unusable after rain events. The new boxes will be stamped with the hole numbers as well. This will allow the course to be more accessible after rain events. Staff will perform soil and grass restoration around the new pads after completion.



Forestry:

- Staff have been focused on our Annual Arbor Day Celebration, held in Sanborn Park on April 27th.
- The annual Giving Tree Program was held the week of April 15th. 13 schools participated and staff handed out 1,113 saplings to first grade students.
- The annual Share the Shade Program also took place the week of April 22nd, details to follow in the next meeting.

Linn Grove Cemetery:

- Staff are finalizing plans for the 2024 Memorial Day event.
- Staff are also planning an event for this year to mark the 150th anniversary of Linn Grove Cemetery. This event will take place on June 1st at 10am at Linn Grove. More details to follow.

Daniel Lawrence - Recreation

Family FunPlex

- HVAC Mechanical Engineer contracted to assess current HVAC and make recommendations of a new unit.
- Walking track – initial meeting to replace the second-floor walking track.

Recreation Center

- Locker Room construction begins May 13th.
 - Equipment relocation in the basement on May 15th.

Rodarte Community Center

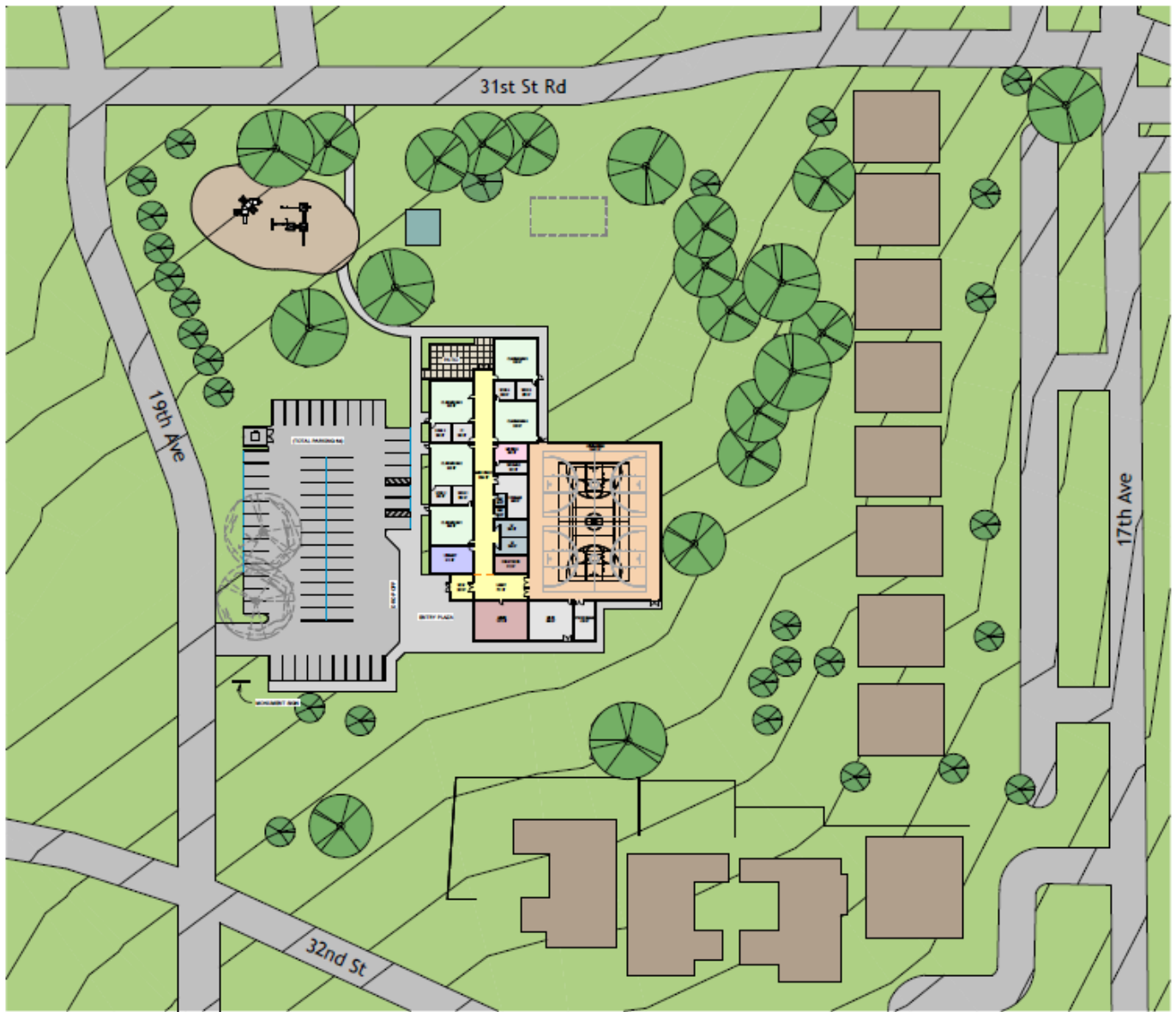
Project Updates: Awaiting to plant at the community garden to the property to the North of the Rodarte Center.



Anna Gimmestad

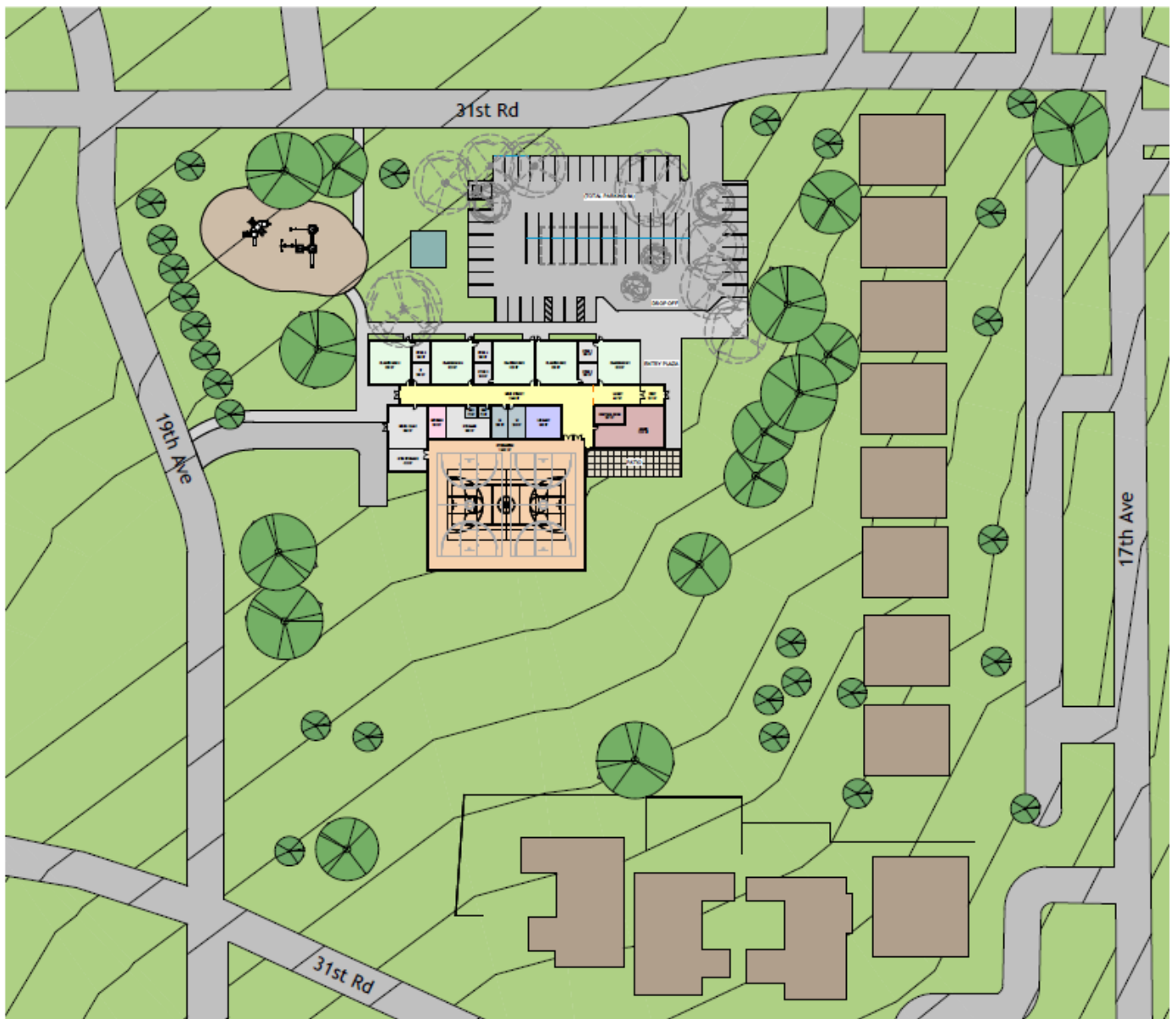
Proposed facility location

Option A: Enters from the west and seeks to keep as many existing trees as possible and allow for future expansion to the north and south. The drawback is limited open space for outdoor play fields.



TOTAL AREA = 25,845 SF

Option B enters from the north and seeks to maximize the availability of open park space to the south. The drawback of this option is that quite a few existing trees are sacrificed.



Ice Haus

Programs/Events:

Current Programs:

- Learn to Skate 4/2-5/11
- Cub 4/7-5/19
- Into to Adult 4/7-5/19
- D League 4/7-6/16
- C league 4/9-6/25
- Over 35 league 4/11-6/27

Upcoming Programs and Events:

- Youth Rec Hockey 5/7-6/20
- Mother's Day Skate 5/11
- Learn to Skate 5/14-7/6
- Cub 5/19
- Into to Adult 5/19
- Skate Camp 6/17-6/21
- Pucks and Pints 6/21-6/23

- D League
- C league
- Over 35 league
- Hockey Camp

Project Updates:

- The liquor storage room: We are waiting until April to add an exhaust fan to the liquor storage room.
- First Floor Concession Stand:
 - The renovations have begun.
 - We have been having color and materials meetings with the CPRD staff
- Ice Haus Acoustics.
 - We had our kickoff meeting with the architectural team and the CPRD staff last week.
- Exterior Plaza
 - CPRD has approved moving forward with the architectural proposal – we are now waiting for the Purchase Order.

Active Adult Center

Programs:

- Volunteer Appreciation Lunch – April 26 Sponsored by Blossom Brokage, GracePointe, and The Bridge Greeley
- Senior Prom – May 11
- Springtime Hootenanny – May 22
- Hand Building Clay Class: Home Decor Hanging Plaque – May 8
- Acrylic Painting Class – May 17
- Beginner Watercolor Classes – May 3 and May 31

Upcoming Senior Trips:

- Air Force Academy Tour – May 1
- Denver Center For Performing Arts: The Cher Show – May 5
- Barry Bingo – May 29
- Colorado Rockies Game – May 9
- Golden Corral – May 24
- Mother Cabrini Shrine – May 14
- Hiking: Rooney Trail Loop – May 8

Facility Updates:

- Pool Club and Woodshop Refurnished the Second Snooker Table

Sports and Programs

- Youth Sports
 - Leagues
 - Flag Football-400
 - Youth Soccer – 980
 - 50 on wait list.

Aquatics

Family FunPlex

Current Programs

- Spring swim lessons end May 4

Upcoming Programs and Events

- WSI Aide class – May 7-30, Tuesday/Thursday 5-5:45p
- Swim Lessons, M-Th AM
 - Session 1 June 3-13

- Session 2 June 18-27
- Session 3 July 8-18
- Session 4 July 22-Aug 1
- Swim Lessons, T/Th PM
 - Session 1 June 4-27
 - Session 2 July 9-Aug 1
- Swim Lessons, Sat
 - Session 1 June 8-29
 - Session 2 July 13-Aug 3

Recreation Center

Current Programs:

- Aquatics - Lifeguarding April 25-27
- Outdoor pool preparation: Awnings installed, waxing slides, power washing bathrooms & pool shells.
- Connected plumbing at outdoor pools: showers, sinks, drinking fountains, hot water heaters, toilets, and urinals.
- A new auto fill has been installed at Discovery Bay pool that will allow the pool to self-regulate water levels.
- Splash pads are automated systems for pumps to be shut down and turned on based on time of day and activity.

Centennial Pool

- The concrete refurbishment project has been completed and the pool will be filled at the end next week. This will give the water 2 weeks to heat before opening for lap swim and swim teams on 5/13.





Discovery Bay

- Concrete cap repair on the slide footers at Discovery Bay



Justin Scharton – Natural Areas & Trails

Poudre and Sheep Draw trail counts (Mar 2024)

Location	Month Total	Daily Avg (Month) Trend (prior month)	YTD Daily Avg Trend (prior year)
Sheep Draw @ McCloskey TH	3262	105 ↑611%	58 ↓43.1%
Triple Creek Spur @ Mountain Vista TH	2610	84 ↑22.0%	74 ↓2.2%
Poudre Trail @ Island Grove	3619*	117 ↑10.6%	99 ↑16.8%
Poudre Trail @ Rover Run	2597	157 ↑71.5%	106 ↑12.3%
Poudre Trail @ PLC	1831**	122 ↓NA%	45 ↓50.1%
Poudre Trail @ Kodak TH	5225	170 ↑52.3%	122 ↑15.3%
Missile Site TH – New counting site (installed 3/22/24)	545	50 ↑NA%	50
Missile Site Car/Bus - New counting site (installed 3/19/24)	538	41 ↑NA%	41

*Battery depleted. No data starting 3/26

**Battery replaced 3/19. No month data prior to that date.

TRAIL COUNTERS

Two new trail counters have been installed at Missile Site Park and Shurview property. The new counters were installed the week the property was opened for the year in March. One counter is to measure car traffic and the other is a pedestrian counter. The pedestrian counted 545 users (55/day), and the car unit counted 538 vehicles (41/day).

POUDRE RIVER TRAIL – DURAN SECTION

This project will repair approximately 500 linear feet of damaged trail along the Poudre River Trail in a section where there is not opportunity to move the trail to another location because of the 30 foot corridor the trail traverses between private property on both sides. NAT has worked with a consultant, Otak, on the design and floodplain permitting for two years, in addition to securing a small land acquisition from the adjacent landowner to make the design achieve “no rise” in the floodway.

The project will cost approximately \$600K, and the project team is in the contracting phase of the project with a contractor. The City received a \$260K Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant for the project, and Weld County will be contributing \$200K to the project. The remainder will come from NAT’s Trail Capital Maintenance account. The project should start in the mid-to-late summer and will take approximately one month to complete.



View upstream at PRT Duran section.



View upstream at the PRT Poudre Ponds section.

POUDRE RIVER TRAIL – POUDRE PONDS

This project will repair and restore approximately 700 linear feet of poorly armored and eroding riverbank in the Poudre Ponds Recreational Fishery property. Decades of dumping and careless riprapping has created multiple issues along outside bend, and the result is the bank is failing in several locations, threatening the Poudre River Trail and a non-potable reservoir managed by the Water & Sewer department.

After a year-long design and floodplain permitting process with Otak, Water & Sewer and CPRD awarded the \$1.2 million project to L4 Construction, who complete the project in late 2024.

SMALL CAPITAL PROJECTS

Thanks to the NAT Community Conservation Fellowship position, many badly-needed updates have been made to dated and degraded amenities in the NAT system. This month, fencing was replaced over the #3 canal bridge in Cottonwood Bend Natural Area. This update not only provides a fresh and updated look to the bridge, but also provides safe passage over the canal structure for users. Additional projects are in the pipeline thanks to the Fellowship position, which is primarily funded by Great Outdoors Colorado. The position currently ends at the end of 2024.



New fence along Poudre Trail in Cottonwood Bend NA.

RESTORATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT

Trailside mowing has begun in the trail system and will run non-stop until vegetation stops growing in October. In addition, trailside herbicide application has begun, partnered with weed management mows as part of an integrated pest management program. Early season

GRANTS

NAT was awarded three grants in April. First, a \$45K planning grant for the Narrows section of the Poudre River Trail was awarded from the State Trails program within Colorado Parks and Wildlife. In addition, a \$250K award was made from the RESTORE Colorado program to begin the restoration efforts at Shurview, specifically cheatgrass control. Finally a \$100K Fishing is Fun was also awarded to NAT for fishing improvements at Poudre Ponds.

OUTREACH

NAT staff was busy this month with various outreach efforts, in particular several staff who helped with Forestry's The Giving Tree project reading the classic Shel Silverstein book to local 1st graders.

In addition, NAT had a booth at the LINC library's Earth Day event on April 22nd.



NAT staff talking to kids at the Earth Day event at the LINC library.



Reading the Giving Tree to students at Trinity Lutheran School.

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