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SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Keystone Center, Associate

Denver, Colorado (2005 -present)

Facilitate community groups in their efforts to share information, find common ground, and come to consensus on environmental, health, and energy issues.

The Wilderness Society, Public Lands Intern

Denver, Colorado (2004-2005)

Evaluated federal public lands management policy and planning documents and drafted comments on behalf of The Wilderness Society and other environmental groups; researched complex public lands issues and wrote "action alerts" for mass distribution, generating almost 9,000 public comments on federal land-use plans.

Global Greengrants Fund, Program Researcher

Boulder, Colorado (2003-2004)

Analyzed project status, accomplishments, and challenges from grantee organizations in Africa and assessed grantee progress reports for impact, trends, and problems; researched economic, social, and environmental aspects of resource extraction in grantee communities.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Justice Program, Public Health Research Associate

Denver, Colorado (2002-2003)

Researched public health issues associated with air quality in Pueblo, Colorado; collaborated with community groups and governmental agencies at all levels to exchange information on issues of public health and the environment in Pueblo, Colorado; prepared public outreach and education materials on air quality issues and presented them to community leaders and at conferences.

EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND CERTIFICATES

Colorado State University, Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science (candidate 2008)

- Concentration in Comparative Environmental Politics

University of Colorado, Master of Public Administration (1997)

- Certifications in Environmental Law and Policy and Nonprofit Organization Management

Beloit College, Beloit, Wisconsin, Bachelor of Arts (1994)

- Majors in International Relations and Modern Languages

MEDIATION AND FACILITATION EXPERIENCE

Fountain Creek Vision Task Force

(2006 to present)

Stakeholders from a variety of government agencies, community groups, and neighborhoods in southern Colorado working to find a shared vision and implementation plan for the Fountain Creek Watershed.

Washington School Site Design Process

(2008)

Neighbors, investors and the developer – of a proposed redevelopment of a closed public school in Boulder, Colorado – seek consensus on a series of site design options for this urban infill project.

Amnesty International Membership Development Advisory Committee

(2008)

Experts in advocacy and mobilization of diverse communities and in messaging and cutting-edge technology advising a large human rights organization on ways to improve membership and increase levels and types of participation among members.

LiveWell Colorado Strategic Planning

(2008)

Development of a comprehensive strategic plan discussion of a new organization created to lead and coordinate efforts to reduce obesity in Colorado.

South Platte River Working Group

(2006-present)

City and county officials, land trust organizations, and other community members working together to identify and prioritize open space and other conservation investments in the area surrounding the South Platte River in Arapahoe County, Colorado)

Washington School Site Ad Hoc Process Design Group

(2008)

Neighbors, investors and the developer – of a proposed redevelopment of a closed public school in Boulder, Colorado – seek consensus on a series of site design options for this urban infill project.

Surface Water Protection Planning

(2007)

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment bringing together stakeholders in surface water health to engage planning to protect water quality.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Clean Energy-Environment State Technical Forum

(2006-2008)

Monthly conference calls with approximately 40 participants from state governments around the country learning about energy efficiency and renewable energy policies and programs from others states who have successfully implemented those policies.

High Country Conservation Center Strategic Planning

(2007)

Facilitation of strategic planning discussions of a community-based conservation and recycling organization in the mountains of Colorado.

Bureau of Land Management, Community Assessments in North Central Colorado

(2006-2007)

Small-group meetings to gather input from local governments about their vision for the landscape and the benefits they seek from the public lands that surround their communities.

Fire Research and Management Exchange System

(2006-2007)

A partnership between federal agencies and research institutions to share information on wildland fire among wildfire professionals from a wide variety of institutions and organizations.

Non-Stockpile Chemical Materiel Program, Core Group

(2005-2007)

Community members, environmentalists, and state regulators addressing the discovery and safe destruction of non-stockpiled chemical weapons.

Pueblo Region Community Vision

(2007)

Elected officials and other leaders in the greater Pueblo community identifying a vision for the region and outlining specific steps toward achieving that vision.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Community Controls for Pandemic Influenza

(2007)

Community meetings to hear the public's thoughts and suggestions about how best to implement community controls to slow the spread of pandemic influenza.

Appalachian Regional Commission, Energy Blueprint

(2007)

Detailed written brief on state and national energy efficiency and renewable energy policies.

Friends of the Dillon Ranger District

(2005-2006)

Citizens supporting the Forest Service's effort to manage public lands through forest stewardship projects on the ground and public outreach and education.

Northwest Colorado Stewardship

(2005-2006)

A group of diverse stakeholders working to create a community alternative for the Resource Management Plan for 1.3 million acres of public land.

Sustainable Pueblo

(2005)

Citizens striving to create a vision and plan for building an environmentally and economically sustainable community.