

MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDE

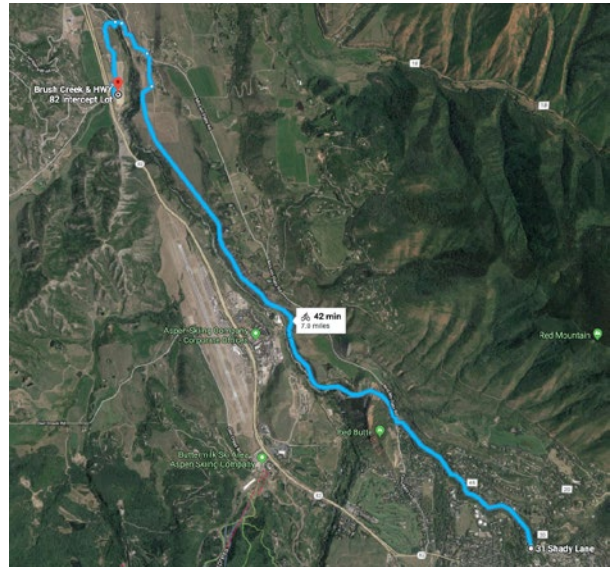
Mountain Bike Tour - Rio Grande River Trail

Led by: Jen Winters, RESPEC

Join us on a morning bike tour through Aspen to learn more about improvements on and near to the Roaring Fork River. We will start our tour at the Brush Creek and HWY 82 Intercept Lot and follow the Rio Grande River Trail into the Town of Aspen. Along the way, we will stop to look at key points of interest. Local project representatives will be on hand to describe the challenges and successes for each project.

This round trip ride will consist of a total of 14 miles with approximately 200ft of elevation gain. Bikers of all abilities are welcome to join. Please be sure to bring water, sun protection, and a small snack with you – we will be out from 9am to noon.

Bike rental information will be available shortly. Please email Jennifer Winters at RESPEC (jennifer.winters@respec.com) if you plan on renting a bike for the tour.



SILENT AUCTION

Proceeds from the Silent Auction fund our CASFM Scholarships.

Since 2002, CASFM has awarded more than \$70,000 to students in Colorado. If you are interested in donating, please contact Jacob James, Town of Parker, at 303-805-3166 or jjames@parkeronline.org.

2017-2018 CASFM Scholarship Awards:

Ben Urbonas Scholarship: Ross Mower

The 2017-2018 CASFM Ben Urbonas Scholarship recipient is Ross Mower, a graduate student at the Colorado School of Mines. Ross is interested in green infrastructure techniques to help promote sustainable water resources. He is working to develop his knowledge of hydrology and hydrogeology. Currently, Ross is working with the City of Denver Public Works/Wastewater Division (with Darren Mollendor) and ReNUWIt (with Professors John McCray and Chris Higgins) on developing Best Management Practices and Low Impact Development Systems for treating contaminated stormwater.

Family Scholarship: Casey Bangs

The 2017-2018 CASFM Family Scholarship award recipient is Casey Bangs, son of Kimberly Watkins at the Pikes Peak Regional Building Department. Casey is attending the University of Colorado at Boulder and is on track to earn a bachelor of science in environmental engineering. He realized the importance of protecting public health and safety from hearing about the Waldo Canyon fire, Black Forest fire, and Gold King Mine spill. These events have inspired him to pursue a career in environmental engineering and clean water in particular.

Undergraduate Scholarship: Alex McPherson

The 2017-2018 CASFM Undergraduate Scholarship recipient is Alex McPherson, a student at the University of Colorado at Denver. Alex was an educator, but made the change to civil engineering after experiencing the impacts of the September 2013 floods. Observing the different flood mitigation projects along the front range inspired Alex to return to school in order to help Coloradans with similar projects in the future. Alex would like to be a voice in the community for smart development to avoid human and structural losses in future floods unlike the events of 2013.

2018 GRANT RECIPIENT

Earth Force is grateful for CASFM's support of our Rocky Mountain Environmental Challenge (RMEC) in partnership with FEMA Region VII. We are working with Colorado schools to decrease communities' flood risk through student-led action projects. The inaugural RMEC summit took place in Fort Collins on May 10, 2018, and included students from Fort Collins and Estes Park. Work is currently underway to implement the flooding prevention projects the students proposed. We are also busy recruiting and training educators in Thompson School District, Poudre School District, and St. Vrain Valley School District, so we expect a significant increase in participation at the 2019 RMEC!

