The Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area



2005 End of Year Report

Welcome to the Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area's Annual Report for 2005. This annual report covers the activities of the AHRA from January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005.

In general, 2005 was a very good year in terms of both visitation and revenue for AHRA. A good economy and great summer weather, combined with the fact that the drought of the past several years continued to lessen, were major factors contributing to a very successful season. Most AHRA commercial outfitters also saw an increase in use and revenue during 2005. In addition, private boat numbers for 2005 were also somewhat above those reported this past season.

The Citizens Task Force (CTF) continues to be an instrumental force behind the success of the AHRA. This advisory committee meets five times a year and provides recommendations to the management team on many critical and diverse issues facing the recreation area. It is expected that under the current management plan, the CTF will continue to play an important role for the partners that form AHRA – Colorado State Parks, BLM, Division of Wildlife and the U.S. Forest Service. The Citizens Task Force is composed of two representative members from each of the following AHRA constituency groups:

Anglers Private Boaters
Commercial Permittees Local Governments

Environmentalists River Front Property Owners

Water Users

AHRA Sections and Supervisors

Maintenance - John Fell and Ken Lindbloom (Parks)

Rangers - Stew Pappenfort, JW Wilder, Sean Shepherd and

Glenn Cottone (Parks)

Administration - Rose Bayless (Parks)
Commercial AgreementsRecreation Planning - Position not filled (BLM)

Management - Robert White, John Geerdes (Parks)

and John Nahomenuk (BLM)

In 2005 four significant full-time staff changes occurred. In January John Fell and Ken Lindbloom filled both maintenance positions. In July Land Ranger Supervisor JW Wilder promoted to Senior Ranger at Eleven Mile State Park. Glenn Cottone was selected to fill that position in August. He then began his law enforcement training, which continued through the end of 2005, and began duty at the park in February 2006. AHRA Senior Ranger Stew Pappenfort assumed responsibilities for the Land Ranger section in the interim. In April the full time BLM Contact Representative position held by Heather Goodroe was eliminated. Heather stayed on in the same capacity with the position being funded jointly by State Parks and BLM as alternating seasonal positions.

AHRA overall visitation numbers in 2005 increased over 2004 by 2.17% but still remained under the record year of 2001 which saw 806,439 total visitors. The most significant increase for 2005 was in commercial boating, which saw 27,318 more visitors than in 2004 (+10.07%). Camping numbers also rebounded from a drop in 2004 with an increase of 2,263 nights (+11.49%).

Recreational Use of the Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area Two-Year Comparison

		2005	2004	'04 TO '05
ACTIVITY*		PEOPLE	PEOPLE	% CHANGE
SIGHTSEEING		273,664	283,669	-3.66%
FISHING				
	Shore	72,939	68,570	5.99%
	Boat	6,897	6,895	.03%
PICNICKING		45,660	42,740	6.40%
BOATING				
	Commercial	271,180**	243,862**	10.07%
	Private	30,127	28,691	4.77%
TRAIL		24,445	20,715	15.26%
INTERPRETIVE		13,428	29,029	-116.18%
CAMPING		19,692***	17,429***	11.49%
ACTIVITY TOTAL		758,032	741,600	2.17%

^{*}May include participants in multiple activities

The following Special Activities took place within the Recreation Area in 2005.

Special Activity

- Clean Up/Green Up
- Riverbank Cleanup Trout Unlimited
- Colorado Spider Survey
- Build Your Own Raft Race
- Texas A & M Geology Field Trip
- CWWA Training Camp
- Salida Chamber Ducky Race
- FIBArk
- Swift water Rescue Training
- Kayaking Competition
- Kayak Instructional Rodeo
- Colorado Slalom Cup Series
- Kayak/raft race
- Plastic Duck Race
- CSU Geosciences Field Camp
- Catlin/Tergen Wedding
- Donnell/Sheets Wedding
- Love Wedding
- Gold Prospectors Annual Picnic

Location

Arkansas River

Hayden Meadows to Parkdale

Park wide

Canon City

Ruby Mountain

Arkansas River

Salida

Salida to Texas Creek

Parkdale and Browns Canyon

The Numbers

Buena Vista Play Hole

The Numbers

The Royal Gorge

Arkansas River Walk

Ruby Mountain

Upper Riverside

Five Points

Hecla Junction

Point Bar

^{**}Actual visitor number, includes guides and customers

^{***}Number of nights camping

Although recreational use was up just over 2% in 2005, AHRA revenues saw an encouraging 12% increase. As noted on the following table, revenues exceeded three-quarters of a million dollars in 2005.

AHRA YEAR 2005 REVENUES

Year 2006 By Month	Park Passes	Camping Permits/ Reservations	Registrations	Special Use Agreements	Other: Penalties, Donations, Misc.	TOTALS
January	\$1,896.20		_			\$4,076.92
February	\$1,179.96				\$230.35	\$15,009.87
March	\$2,522.17	\$445.80	\$2,555.25	\$22,324.14	\$740.00	\$28,587.36
April	\$5,437.16	\$2,143.26	\$2,923.00	\$20,152.91	\$333.00	\$30,989.33
May	\$13,801.90	\$7,706.40	\$3,751.00	\$96,106.02	\$816.64	\$122,181.96
June	\$18,670.91	\$14,222.25	\$4,303.50	\$130,366.12	\$59.00	\$167,621.78
July	\$19,296.61	\$14,656.00	\$8,213.75	\$7,575.72	\$305.05	\$50,047.13
August	\$10,754.93	\$9,752.96	\$3,200.00	\$13,535.72	\$150.00	\$37,393.61
September	\$4,041.91	\$5,170.99	\$1,878.75	\$4,976.20	\$74.50	\$16,142.35
October	\$1,902.23	\$1,628.41	\$1,674.50	\$119,248.53	\$0.00	\$124,453.67
November	\$965.88	\$519.00	\$1,075.00	\$205,771.30	\$0.00	\$208,331.18
December	\$1,078.13	\$0.00	\$1,266.00	\$12,511.74	-\$27.00	\$14,828.87
TOTALS	\$81,547.99	\$56,480.07	\$32,302.75	\$646,535.84	\$2,797.38	\$819,664.03

AHRA YEAR 2005 EXPENDITURES -COLORADO STATE PARKS ONLY-

Year 2005 By Month	Personnel	Operating	Utilities	Capital Equipment	Controlled Maintenance	Grants & Misc. Accounts	TOTALS
January	\$45,610.05	\$5,309.53	\$632.03	\$0	\$1,942.99	\$1,865.29	\$55,359.89
February	\$47,954.74	\$3,529.92	\$610.81	\$0	\$521.31	\$594.73	\$53,211.51
March	\$49,653.03	\$8,186.94	\$1,063.19	\$0	\$5,741.76	\$4,370.12	\$69,015.04
April	\$56,065.97	\$10,249.59	\$603.77	\$0	\$1,715.35	\$3,561.76	\$72,196.44
May	\$68,962.17	\$31,279.83	\$1,532.23	\$0	\$14,624.36	\$17,121.04	\$133,519.63
June	\$87,409.74	\$16,077.79	\$7,395.41	\$0	\$2,729.66	\$9,480.59	\$123,093.19
July	\$66,377.54	\$14,425.21	\$1,614.98	\$0	\$11,334.82	\$2,762.10	\$96,514.65
August	\$83,893.15	\$14,911.86	\$2,118.46	\$0	\$7,304.90	\$2,801.70	\$111,030.07
September	\$70,719.94	\$7,449.37	\$3,238.27	\$0	\$251.17	\$3,382.88	\$85,041.63
October	\$52,044.88	\$7,416.96	\$2,506.18	\$0	\$65.00	\$13,458.22	\$75,491.24
November	\$47,848.70	\$6,103.44	\$406.81	\$0	\$102.30	\$689.18	\$55,150.43
December	\$42,755.92	\$4,719.15	\$881.98	\$0	\$3,156.48	\$6,613.61	\$58,127.14
TOTALS	\$719,295.83	\$129,659.59	\$22,604.12	\$0	\$49,490.10	\$66,701.22	\$987,750.86
Total Expenditures for Water Purchases in 2005*					\$145,206.00		
Grand Total				\$1,132,956.86			

^{* \$120,000} for water lease, \$12,936 for storage and \$12,270 for stream gauges

AHRA Ranger Section

The Ranger Section patrols all portions, both land and river, of the AHRA throughout the year. The three full-time staff members typically hire up to twelve seasonal staff members to assist them with their patrol responsibilities. The AHRA Seasonal Work Program (SWP) budget for FY 04/05 allowed ten seasonal rangers to be hired during the 2005 summer season. Land and river sections each had five seasonal rangers. Because of budget cuts to the FY 05/06 SWP some seasonal positions were ended earlier than originally projected. Seasonal rangers assigned to land-based operations are responsible for managing visitor use in the busy recreation sites and campgrounds and for collecting field revenue critical to AHRA operations. Because the seasonal staff typically covers two shifts per day, seven days a week, and are assigned to patrol both upstream or downstream of Salida each day, these vital field staff are the primary resource our visitors come into contact with during the summer months.

Five of the AHRA seasonal rangers specialize in whitewater boating activities on the river. Known as river rangers, they patrol whitewater sections of the Arkansas otherwise inaccessible to AHRA staff. These rangers actively monitor river flows and hazards, provide whitewater search and rescue support, inspect commercial and private boat trips for adequate safety equipment and operations, investigate boat accidents and provide expert river education to AHRA visitors in the field. In addition, river rangers also undertake a variety of resource related projects such as the control of invasive plant species in remote sections of the recreation area.

The three full-time park rangers, the state park manager, and the assistant park manager are all certified Colorado peace officers. Additionally, all AHRA seasonal law enforcement rangers are Title 33 commissioned officers. When necessary, they can take the appropriate law enforcement action necessary to protect our visitors, preserve the resource and ensure compliance with other administrative regulations. While law enforcement may not be the primary function of any ranger's job, it is an important and necessary responsibility of all rangers. It should also be noted that AHRA rangers work closely with other local, state and federal peace officers and resource managers in the performance of their duties.

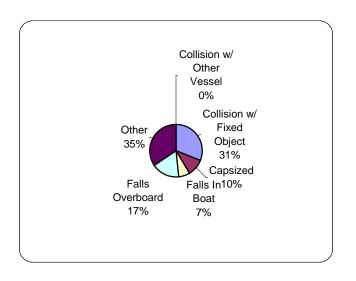
In the winter the full-time rangers continue to patrol AHRA sites along the river corridor. Additionally, rangers manage several snowmobile trail-grooming contracts and patrol snowmobile trails on Bureau of Land Management, National Forest and other public lands within the river corridor as part of the State Parks Snowmobile Program responsibilities. Winter is also the ideal time for rangers to complete most of their training and re-certifications, to organize and evaluate programs and plan for the high use season.

Summary of Public Safety Field Actions

River Outfitter Safety Inspections	107
River Outfitter Office Records Inspections	15
River Assists	193
Search, Rescue and Recovery Operations	11
River Hazard Removal Operations	18

^{*}There have been no private river fatalities for the last two years within the AHRA.

*There was one commercial river fatality within the AHRA in 2005.



2005 BOAT ACCIDENTS B	Y CAUSE
CAUSE	TOTAL
Collision w/ Fixed Object	9
Capsized	3
Falls In Boat	2
Falls Overboard	5
Other	10
Collision w/ Other Vessel	0
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	29

Note: Many "Collision with Fixed Object" accidents resulted in capsize, falls in boat, or falls overboard.

Investigated and Reported Incidents for the Year 2005

Reportable Commercial Boat Accidents	25
Other Commercial Accidents	3
Other Non-Commercial Accidents	1
Interagency Assists / SAR	10
Vandalism / Theft	7
Hazard Removal / HAZMAT	1
Other	7
Total	54

Citations Issued for the Year 2005

Year	2005	
Pass/Permit Violations	70	
Resource Protection Violations	28	
Public Safety Violations	13	
Records/Reporting Violations	7	
OHV Violations	23	
Snowmobile Violations	7	
Other Violations	1	
*Total	149	
*Above total includes 29 citations to commercial		
outfitters		

AHRA Special Use Agreement Section

The Special Use Agreement Section exists to accurately and efficiently administer AHRA Special Use Agreements (Permits) as well as administer the Rationing Plan for Commercial Boating on the Arkansas River within the AHRA. AHRA had 90 commercial outfitters in 2005. Permitted outfitters provided various combinations of activities such as whitewater rafting, float fishing, walk and wade fishing, and photo/ video imaging to over 230,155 clients in 2005. In 2005 commercial use at AHRA increased by 11.80% from 2004. Gross revenue received from commercial operations within the AHRA in 2005 was 16.76% above revenue received in 2004. The Arkansas River remains the most commercially rafted river in the United States.

This section also administers the AHRA Rationing Plan that regulates commercial boat per day (bpd) carrying capacities on twelve different river sections. In 2005, river sections had commercial bpd carrying capacities ranging from 360 bpd to 10 bpd with differing section specific boating restrictions.

In addition, this section develops data control methods and commercial use verification for Contractor Special Use Agreement compliance. Assisting in this program is a four person seasonal Count Crew responsible for collecting Spot Checks and maintaining an electronic database for Trip Log comparison. This section also has a seasonal Rationing Program Assistant, who is employed during both the winter and summer months to assist with annual boat allocations and oversee the Special Use Agreement Application program.

AHRA Commercial Special Use Agreements By Type

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Boating	55	56
Imaging	16	10
Walk and Wade Fishing	15	13
Shuttle Services	5	3
Total	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	

Rationed Days By Section

	<u> 2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Section 1c – The Numbers	36	40
Section 2b – Browns Canyon	7	11
Section 2d – Big Bend to Salida	3	3
Section 3 – Salida to Vallie Bridge	24	38
Section 4a – Vallie Bridge to Texas Creek	4	8
Section 4b – Texas Creek to Parkdale	2	3
Section 5 – The Royal Gorge	<u>14</u>	<u>21</u>
Total	90	124

AHRA Bureau of Land Management

The Bureau of Land Management staff underwent changes again in 2005, with the elimination of the Contact Representative position in April. BLM staff members in 2005 were the River Manager, seasonal Recreation Technician and the addition of a winter seasonal Administrative position.

The BLM River Manager is responsible for the overall operations and the maintenance of this unique multi-agency partnership. He works closely with the Park Manager to assure that the direction within the ARRMP is fully implemented, as well as working with a multitude of other agencies, interest groups and organizations. He is also responsible for the maintenance and enhancement, where possible, of the overall health of the public lands along the river corridor.

The Outdoor Recreation Planner position remains vacant, but is high on the list of priorities for BLM positions to be filled when funding becomes available. This position is directed to work closely with other AHRA staff, many other Federal and state agencies, and local entities and user groups on issues regarding public lands within the river corridor. This includes project planning, grant acquisition, input into NEPA documents, and monitoring and providing resource protection to the two units of BLM Wilderness Study Areas (WSA) and to four Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC).

The Recreation Technician provides assistance to visitors in BLM uplands and carries out patrols and maintenance on public lands immediately adjacent to AHRA sites along the river corridor. He provides support for OHV partnership projects, coordinates volunteer resource improvement projects and works to support AHRA in the Geographical Information System process. He also collects data for the Global Position System in order to record the locations of roads, trails and other recreational use sites within the river corridor. Data collected will be used to support the Travel Management Planning process. He is also part of an AHRA team that performs resource monitoring (in its ninth year) of lunch and campsites within Browns Canyon.

The Contact Representative position was eliminated in April of 2005. Heather Goodroe continues to work as a seasonal BLM and seasonal State Parks employee to fulfill these duties year round. This employee meets and greets visitors to the AHRA Visitor Center and provides a full range of information services on recreational activities including camping, boating, fishing, gold panning, hiking and biking. She handles sales and bookkeeping, including revenues from concession agreements, retail GARNA items, park passes and recreational vehicle registrations. She acts as radio dispatcher to staff in the field and provides administrative support to all AHRA employees as needed. She also files, dockets and maintains the law enforcement penalty assessments, trains seasonal employees and maintains park visitation and revenue information.

In 2005, staff members worked closely with Congressman Hefley to produce a Proposed Browns Canyon Wilderness Map to show what the area may look like. In August of 2005, the Congressman held the long awaited public meeting to hear comments on the proposed wilderness area. Overwhelming support was conveyed to the Congressman during this meeting. As 2005 closed, no Bill had been introduced in Congress, however, BLM remains hopeful that in 2006 a Bill will be introduced to protect this backcountry haven for hikers, horseback riders, fishermen and all other outdoor enthusiasts.

AHRA Administrative Section

The Administrative Section provides support services for all State Parks and BLM employees, full-time and seasonal alike. Administrative staff coordinate visitor and customer services; administer park pass and registration programs and sales; oversee field and office revenues and accounting; manage the Environmental Education and Interpretive Program including special projects and grants; assist with purchasing and receiving; take care of personnel and payroll matters; and handle thousands of telephone and radio calls each year. One permanent full-time State Parks position, three seasonal State Parks employees and one seasonal BLM employee staff this section.

Administrative Services, Sales and Revenue Statistics (January through December 2005):

2005	Activity	ompared to 2004
219	Annual Passes Sold	12.31%
\$9,415	Revenue from Annual Passes Sold	10.18%
177	Aspen Leaf Passes Sold	-3.28%
\$3,732	Revenue from Aspen Leaf Passes Sold	-3.91%
\$68,401	Revenue from Daily Individual Passes	7.14%
\$56,480	Revenue from Camp Permits*	7.60%
1889	Boat, Snowmobile and OHV Registrations Sold	53%
\$32,303	Revenue from Registration Sales	33%
\$646,536	Revenue from Commercial Agreements**	15.95%

^{*}Reservation Revenue is included in this total

Administrative Section Visitor Contacts for 2005

# Of People	Type of Activity	Compared to 2004
20,140	Visitors to Visitor Center	-1.73%
3,293	Personal Interpretation	-57.07%
9,211	Non-Personal Interpretation	29.75%
924	Environmental Education	75.67%

Volunteer Hours for 2005

# of Hours	Type of Activity	Compared to 2004
1559 hrs	Volunteers(groups or individuals)	28.84%
775 hrs	AHRA Advisory Groups (CTF, RAAC)	-20.27%
2334 hrs	Total Volunteer Hours in 2004	6.97%

DOC crews are no longer considered volunteers, so hours are documented under accomplishments.

^{**} Total includes administrative fees and fines not reflected under the Special Use Agreement Section summary

A variety of **Interpretive and Environmental Education** programs and services were presented to the public throughout 2005. Junior Ranger programs took the lead with GOCO Interpreter Phyllis Cron fascinating kids with programs such as: "Close Encounters of the Scaly Kind"; "Don't Bug Me"; "Birds on the Brain"; and "Spider Sniffing". Children ages 5-12 stormed the gates each Wednesday morning in Salida and Thursday afternoon in Buena Vista to watch Ranger Phyllis weave her web of magic and to investigate nature's secrets. The grand finale was the Junior Ranger raft trip in August, with 25 kids and parents participating. It was many a child's first time on the river, and although the stretch of river from Johnson's Village to Fisherman's Bridge is a gentle one, the kids were thrilled and had the time of their lives.

Ranger Phyllis's "dog and pony show" entertained visitors to AHRA recreation sites and the Salida Visitors Center, and Bully the snake and Leggs the tarantula were more than happy to show off. A number of campground programs such as "Starry, Starry Night", public presentations like "Train, Train – Railroad History" and guided nature hikes rounded out the summer's activities.

AHRA continued to be very active in 2005 with Project Wild, area schools, local recreation programs and other youth groups to provide environmental education that is consistent with their own curriculum. AHRA participated in many community events including the FIB-Ark Parade in Salida. AHRA and GARNA (Greater Arkansas River Nature Association) partnered on many educational and interpretive programs, projects and events such as the 14th Annual National River Clean-up and the Hunters Safety Tent. GARNA also assists AHRA with grant writing and administration, interpretive signs and displays, and the GARNA sales outlet at the AHRA Visitor Center, which consistently grows in sales and popularity with the public.

AHRA Maintenance Section

The Maintenance Section is responsible year-round for the routine daily site cleaning, repair, and improvements for the entire recreation area from the Crystal Lakes Recreation Site near Leadville, to the Parkdale Recreation Site near Canon City. In 2005, AHRA welcomed two new Park Resource Technicians to the full time staff – John Fell and Ken Lindbloom. John Fell came to AHRA from the BLM and Ken Lindbloom transferred over from the Department of Corrections.

The maintenance section is extensively involved in site improvements and modifications suggested by our visitors, outfitters, and staff. During 2005, these improvements included boat ramp construction and maintenance, road and parking lot maintenance, drainage, signage, weed control/re-vegetation, fencing, landscaping and trail maintenance and development. Welcome and fee/information sign design, construction, and installation/replacement continued to be a large part of the maintenance objective this past year. An overhaul and standardization of the solar power arrays, which power lights for the pass stations at campgrounds, was another successful project. This section also oversees the maintenance, repairs and reporting for all Fleet vehicles and AHRA heavy equipment.

Extensive utilization of Department of Corrections work crews, volunteer groups, community service workers, and Youth Corps helped AHRA achieve many of its maintenance goals in 2005.

AHRA State Park Management

The State Park Manager and Assistant Park Manager oversee and coordinate the daily visitor service and maintenance operations and overall programs and projects for the entire work unit described above. They are the communication link between field staff and the Southeast Region office in Colorado Springs and State Park offices in Denver and Littleton. They also work closely with the Bureau of Land Management to insure that management plan goals and directives are being met and to implement the Arkansas River Voluntary Flow Program each year. Most importantly, they work with the public to provide the many community and resource wide coordination activities and efforts needed throughout the 148-mile river corridor and continue to develop and enhance communication and cooperation among visitors as well as current and potential partners.

This year, as in past years, AHRA staff continued to maintain the essential quality of management practices and public services that help conserve the Arkansas River and its unique features for everyone's enjoyment.

2005 Annual Report Accomplishments

- ❖ Participated in the Arkansas River Basin Water Forum
- ❖ Developed a web-based Arkansas River Water Flow data and information site
- ❖ Participated in a number of State Parks marketing efforts promoting AHRA and the outfitting community
- Continued an aggressive tamarisk eradication campaign on lands under AHRA jurisdiction
- ❖ Assisted the Colorado State Patrol with the removal of several vehicles from the Arkansas River
- ❖ Conducted swiftwater rescue training for AHRA staff, Salida Fire and Yampa River State Park staff
- ❖ Investigated and sought convictions of three unlicensed/un-permitted boating outfitting operations and one un-permitted photographer operation
- Continued meeting with state and federal agencies as well as local and state officials in an effort to obtain funding for a feasibility study of a Natural Resource Center in Salida
- Continued to work with representatives from the BLM, BOR and Colorado State Parks on the possible acquisition of a portion of the Hayden Ranch property near Leadville
- ❖ Continued work on Phase IV of the AHRA commercial use web site program improvements. Phase V will include a Web Based Rationing Program
- ❖ Completed the reconstruction of the Collegiate Peaks Recreation Site
- ❖ Hosted the 14th Annual Arkansas River Clean-up/Green-up
- ❖ Met with representatives from CIG LLC in Denver to discuss issues related to railroad trespass and their purchase of the quarry at Parkdale. Also met with Fremont County Commissioners to discuss the purchase of Agile Stone by CIG
- Continued to remove rock fire rings and human waste from Brown's Canyon and dispersed camping areas in the Numbers and along Hwy 50

- ❖ Began discussions for use changes at the Ruby Mountain Recreation Site to include access for commercial float fishing and ADA river trips
- ❖ Began work on developing an AHRA river access site in Canon City
- ❖ Began the planning process for development of the Salida East Recreation Site
- ❖ Revised the AHRA map which will be used in future brochure printings and on entrance station signs
- ❖ Supervised Department of Corrections (DOC) work crews from Buena Vista Facility to install 3-panel signs, clean up campgrounds and complete fence repairs at The Numbers. DOC crews from Buena Vista contributed 2,047 labor hours in 2005
- ❖ Completed parking and boat ramp improvements at Salt Lick Recreation Site
- Removed hazardous trees from Ruby Mountain, Hecla Junction and Rincon
- ❖ Youth Corps completed fencing and trail improvement projects at Parkdale and Hecla Junction
- ❖ Attended Arkansas Valley Weed Cooperative training in Canon City
- ❖ Attended Tamarisk Symposium in Albuquerque, NM
- ❖ Began project of reconditioning all picnic tables within the Recreation Area
- ❖ AHRA staff participated in a variety of sports, boat and travel shows in Denver and Colorado Springs promoting State Parks and AHRA
- ❖ Certified in Ice rescue at Chatfield State Park
- ❖ Assisted DOW with a Big Horn Sheep survey at Hecla Junction
- ❖ Received Grant for 2006 OHV presence
- ❖ Applied for OHV grant for 2007 field presence
- Attended Homeland Security Hazardous Materials presentation at Lake Pueblo State Park
- ❖ Attended 2005 State Trails Symposium
- ❖ Hosted a RMSPEC raft trip in the Royal Gorge
- ❖ Attended the annual Colorado River Outfitters Association meeting in Grand Junction
- ❖ Hosted an RMS raft trip through Browns Canyon