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Annual Conference highlights Cherry Creek watershed

ARAPAHOE COUNTY, CO --- A one-day conference addressing issues facing the Cherry Creek watershed will be held Nov. 5 at the Doubletree Inn Conference Center, 13696 E. Iliff Pl., Aurora.

This annual conference is presented by the Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners and offers an invaluable opportunity for those interested in the future of the Cherry Creek watershed to exchange ideas, as well as provide a forum to identify and focus on the pressing issues facing the watershed.

The conference, *Harvesting the Benefits of Water Quality Enhancements*, will be held 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. with conference registration and breakfast at 7:15 a.m. Registration is \$45 and includes conference sessions, lunch, refreshments and networking opportunities during the poster session and silent auction.

Conference topics include, designing drainage way improvements that take into consideration wildlife connections, highlighting recreational opportunities in the basin, technical updates on water quality advancements and land preservation strategies that continue to promote water quality and open space values.

To register or view the conference materials, visit the Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners web site at www.cherry-creek.org or request materials by e-mail at joandhowerter@aol.com.

Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners is an informal association of groups interested in promoting the stewardship of the Cherry Creek watershed, and includes representatives from local jurisdictions, state and federal resource management agencies, business groups, and conservation, recreation and historic preservation groups. The partners recently won an Environmental Achievement Award from the Environmental Protection Agency for their Smart Growth for Water Quality project accomplishments, thanks in part to funding awarded by the Governor's Office of Smart Growth, Department of Local Affairs.

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