



RiversEdge West

RESTORE + CONNECT + INNOVATE

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Restore | Connect | Innovate



Our Mission

Advancing the restoration of riparian lands through collaboration, education, and technical assistance.

Our Vision

We envision a network of healthy riparian ecosystems throughout the American West.

Who We Are



- Small/Med 501(c)3, non-profit with 10 staff
- Based in Grand Junction, Colorado
- Satellite staff
- New Executive and Associate Directors

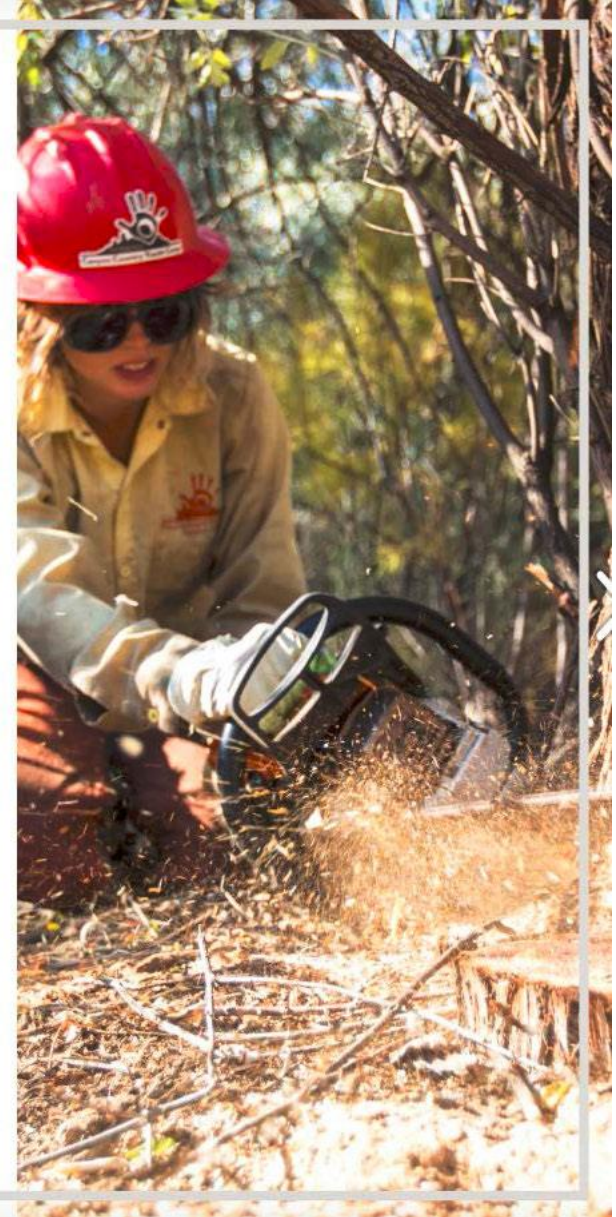


2018 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

INCOME | \$1,695,120



EXPENSES | \$1,009,049



From Tamarisk Coalition to RiversEdge West



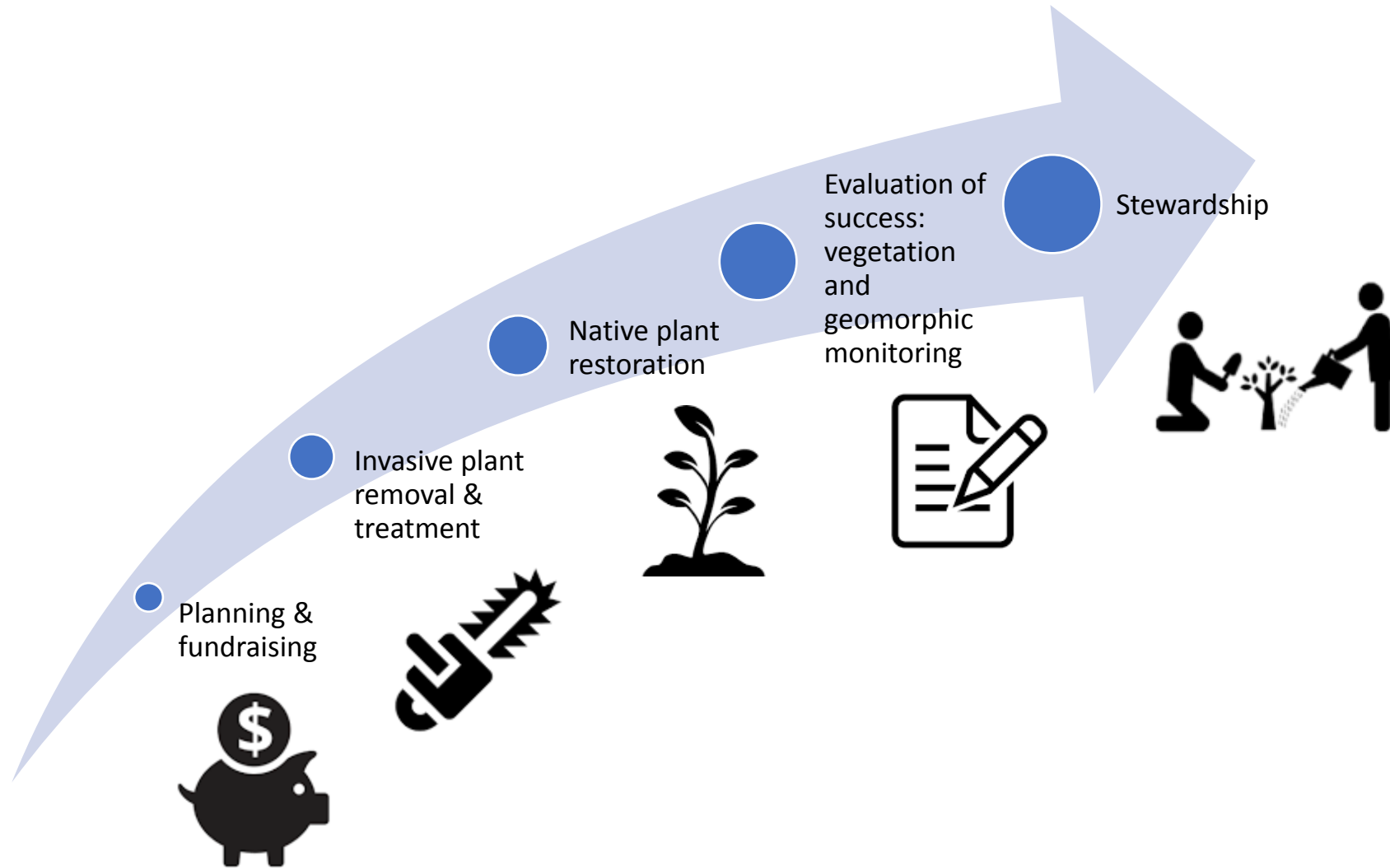
What we do



We help restore rivers and riparian areas impacted by invasive plant species.



Life Span of Restoration



How we work within the restoration framework

- Focus on a landscape-scale
- Collaborate with diverse partners
- Connect with other local/regional related watershed initiatives
- Understand the other threats to river systems
- Set goals and evaluation metrics
- Fundraising
- Phases of riparian restoration
 - Control invasive plants
 - Revegetation with native plants
 - Monitoring and adaptive management
 - Repeat monitoring and steward the land indefinitely



Our Partners



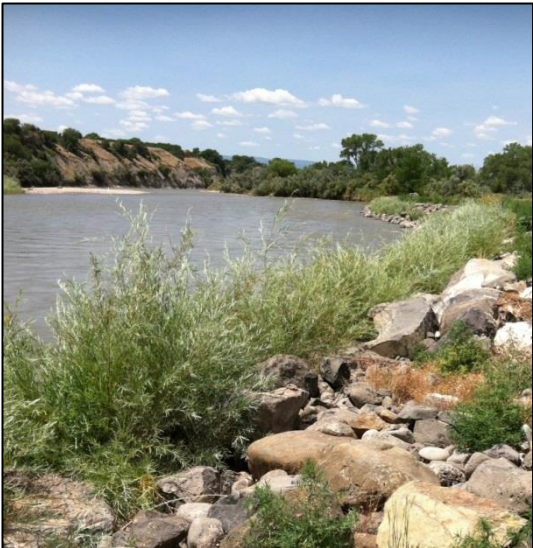
- Local, State and Federal governments
- Private land owners
- Tribal governments
- Colleges and Universities
- Non-profits
- Private businesses



How RiversEdge West contributes to advancing riparian restoration



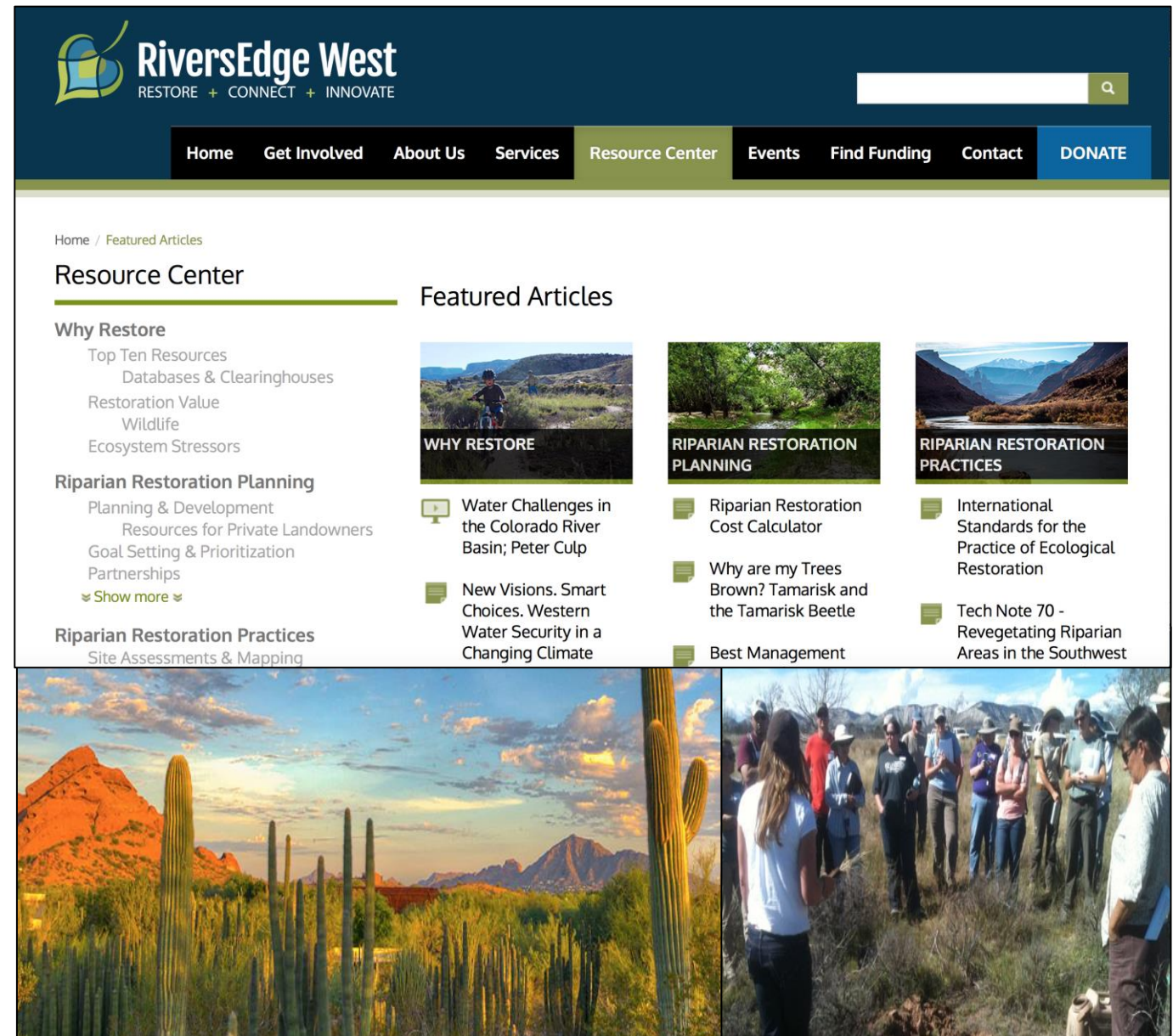
- Technical assistance
- Educational programs
- Coordination, capacity, and planning



Technical Assistance



- Restoration Resources
 - Website Resource Center
 - How to videos - YouTube
- Plant Materials
- Monitoring
- Funding Program
- Planning
- Technical writing/reports
- Annual Conference



Website – Resource Center

<http://www.riversedgewest.org/resource-center>



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Resource Center

Why Restore

- Top Ten Resources
- Databases & Clearinghouses
- Restoration Value
- Wildlife
- Ecosystem Stressors

Riparian Restoration Planning

- Planning & Development
- Resources for Private Landowners
- Goal Setting & Prioritization
- Partnerships
- [Show more](#)

Riparian Restoration Practices

- Site Assessments & Mapping

Featured Articles



Water Challenges in the Colorado River Basin; Peter Culp



New Visions. Smart Choices. Western Water Security in a Changing Climate



Riparian Restoration Cost Calculator



Why are my Trees Brown? Tamarisk and the Tamarisk Beetle



Best Management



International Standards for the Practice of Ecological Restoration



Tech Note 70 - Revegetating Riparian Areas in the Southwest

YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/user/TamariskC>

The screenshot shows the YouTube channel page for TamariskCoalition. The browser address bar displays the URL <https://www.youtube.com/user/TamariskCoalition/videos>. The channel banner features a large image of a river flowing through a desert landscape, with the Tamarisk Coalition logo in the top left corner. Below the banner, the channel name "TamariskCoalition" is displayed, followed by a "Subscribe" button and a subscriber count of 15. The navigation tabs include Home, Videos (which is selected), Playlists, Channels, Discussion, and About. The "Uploads" section is visible, showing a grid of video thumbnails. The left sidebar contains the YouTube logo, navigation links (Home, My Channel, Subscriptions, History, Watch Later), and a "SUBSCRIPTIONS" section with options to "Add channels" and "Browse channels". The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows various application icons and the system clock indicating 4:51 PM on 9/29/2015.

YouTube Channel: TamariskCoalition

Channel Information:

- Channel Name: TamariskCoalition
- Subscribe Button
- Subscriber Count: 15

Navigation Tabs: Home, Videos, Playlists, Channels, Discussion, About

Uploads Section:

- Olive Invasion on the San Juan River, Southeastern Utah** (23:01)
- Cynthia Dott - Dynamics & History of Russian Olive Invasi...** (9 views • 4 months ago)
- Hydrographs: La Jencia Creek, NM** (23:42)
- Conor Flynn - Riparian Restoration In a Time of** (17 views • 4 months ago)
- Bosque** (32:30)
- Raul Campos-Marquetti - Changes Following a Sudden** (7 views • 4 months ago)
- A world context for the evaluation of success in Tamarix control projects** (20:11)
- Eduardo Gonzalez - A World Context for the Evaluation of** (5 views • 4 months ago)
- Paul Tashjian - Historic Landform Conceptual Process Models** (19:27)
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Left Sidebar:

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Windows Taskbar:

- System tray: 100% battery, network, volume, date/time (4:51 PM 9/29/2015)
- Taskbar icons: Windows Start, Chrome, File Explorer, VLC, Task Manager, Internet Explorer, Mail, Calendar, Word, PowerPoint, etc.

Annual Conference: Feb. 4-6, 2020

Grand Junction, CO

**CALL FOR
ABSTRACTS &
SYMPOSIA
DUE OCTOBER 31, 2019**

**RIPARIAN
RESTORATION
CONFERENCE**



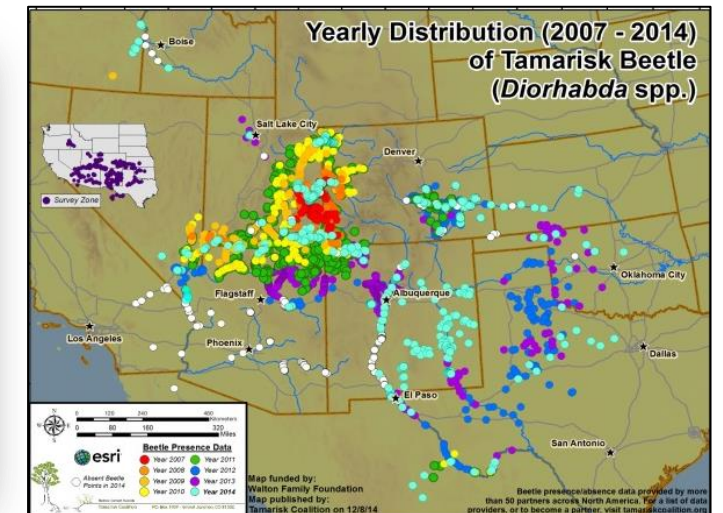
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COLORADO MESA
UNIVERSITY
RUTH POWELL HUTCHINS
WATER CENTER

**FEBRUARY 4-6, 2020
GRAND JUNCTION, CO**

Educational Programs

- Training and Workshop Series
 - TRO removal
 - Plants and re-vegetation
 - Monitoring
 - Weed and Plant ID
 - Planning
- Tamarisk Beetle Education
 - Monitoring Resources/Techniques
 - Mapping
- Stewardship
 - K-12 education
 - College students engagement
 - Conservation Corps Programs



RIVERSEDGE WEST RESTORES RIPARIAN AREAS BY:

Planning &
fundraising for
riparian restoration



Leading & supporting
invasive plant
management



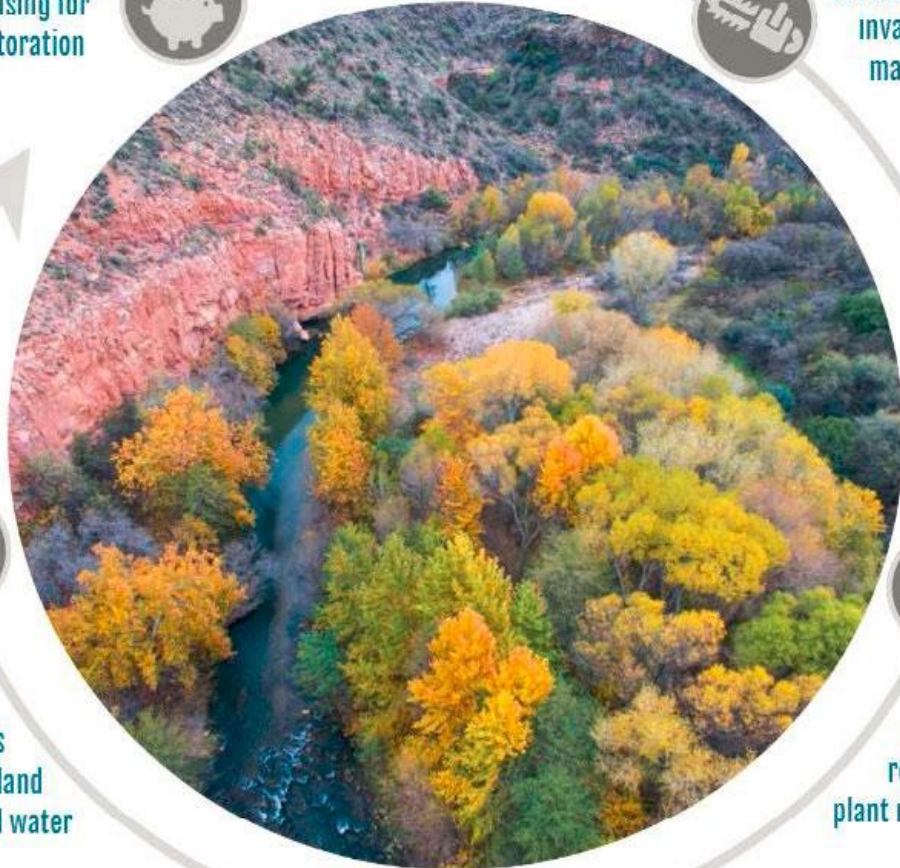
Conducting &
promoting
research of native
plant restoration



Educating, evaluating,
& sharing lessons
learned



Inspiring
communities
to be stewards
of the land
and water



2018 IMPACT



\$3,998,680

Raised for river
restoration



1,931

Acres of invasive
plants treated



142

Acres of
native
plants planted



652

River restoration
professionals
trained
& educated



57

Jobs created
for young
adults & local
contractors



1,254

Youth & adults
inspired &
engaged in river
restoration

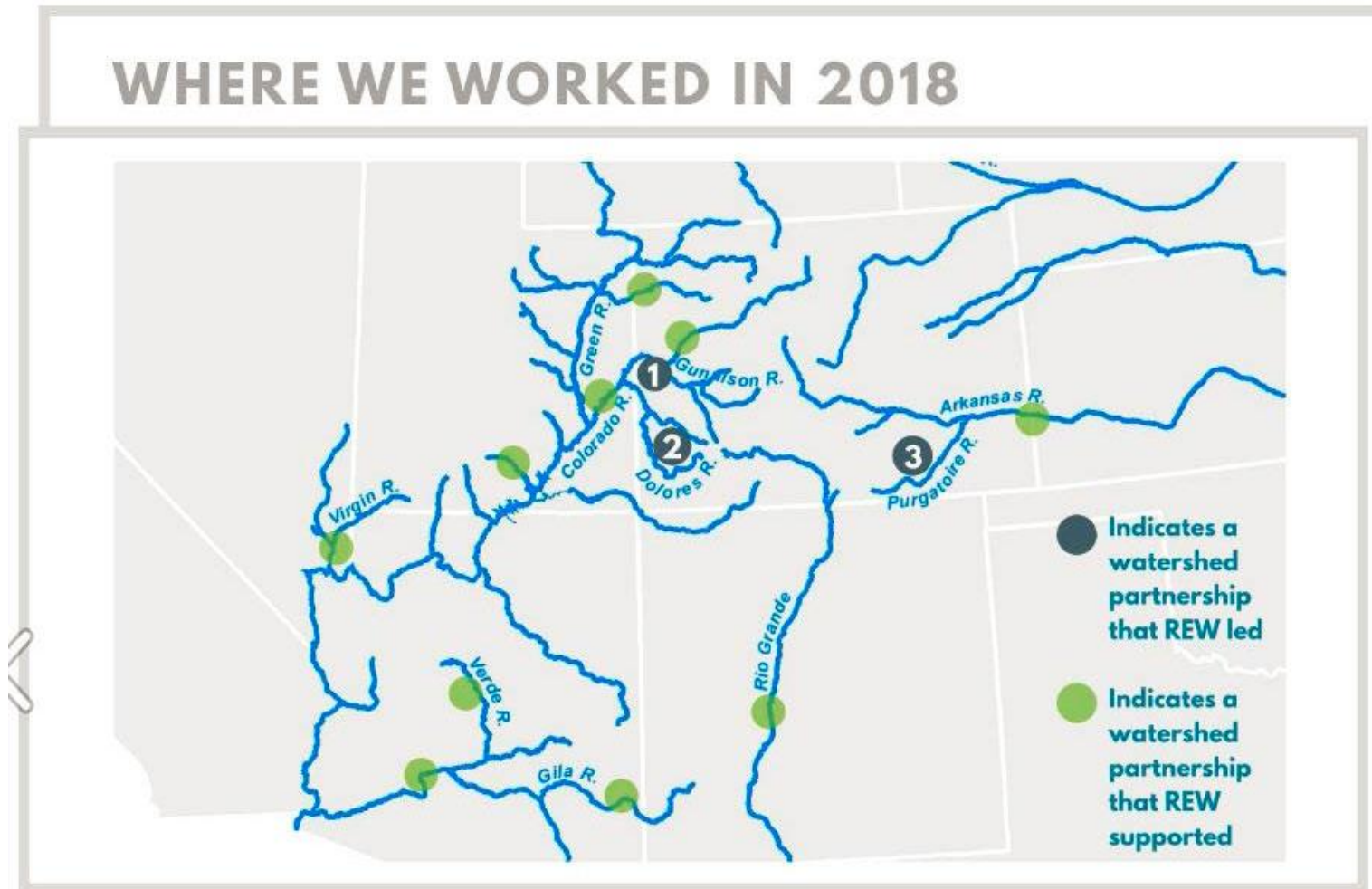


Coordination, Capacity, and Planning



Partnership facilitation, support

- Dolores River Restoration Partnership
- Desert Rivers Collaborative (Colorado, Gunnison)
- White River Partners
- Arkansas Watershed Partners (Arkansas, Purgatoire, Tribes)
- Escalante Watershed Partnership
- Verde River Watershed Partnership
- Gila Watershed Partnership
- Virgin River Conservation Partnership



Restore Our Rivers

A fundraising and awareness building campaign

- 9 restoration partnerships
- 6 rivers



equivalent acres treated
(some acres were treated multiple times) for invasive weeds such as tamarisk and Russian olive, seeded and planted with native plants, and monitored for resprouts



200+
individuals and
60
new corporate,
foundation and local
government funders
were established

\$1.56 MILLION RAISED



10

full-time partnership coordinator
jobs were created or retained



349
seasonal
restoration jobs
created

WELCOME!

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