

# WATER EDUCATOR NETWORK

## WORKSHOP TO PLAN FOR ACTION!

In conjunction with the [Sustaining Colorado Watersheds](#) Conference  
October 6, 2015 from 8:30-11:30am  
Westin Riverfront in Avon, CO – Riverside Salon I

### WORKSHOP GOALS

Basin roundtables, educational institutions, utilities, government agencies and non-profit groups who are invested in water-related education – join your statewide network of peers and the Colorado Foundation for Water Education for their annual workshop. Today you will gain a better understanding of the education and outreach components of Colorado's Water Plan and create new thinking and momentum towards implementing the actions in Chapter 9.5.

### AGENDA

#### **8:30 Introductions and Our Goals for Today**

#### **9:00 Setting the Context**

Kate McIntire, Colorado Water Conservation Board (via video) will review the actions outlined in Chapter 9.5 of Colorado's Water Plan, including its intended reach, current state funding approaches and items for further development

#### **9:30 Leveraging Our Expertise**

We deliver water education on a regular basis but how does that work relate to Chapter 9.5? To promote an outcomes-oriented discussion, we will focus on audience – who are we reaching and why? Are we effective in demonstrating measurable results with our participants? Looking towards the eventual implementation of Colorado's Water Plan, we will learn from programs that are integrating their organizational objectives with statewide priorities and basin level efforts.

#### **10:30 Aligning Our Interests**

Utilizing our collective expertise and interests for successful implementation of Chapter 9.5, we will identify areas where resources exist and where additional support is needed. Two action items will result from this discussion – practical feedback from the group will detail how the Water Educator Network can participate in the state's "vision" according to the alignment of our individual and organizational interests and a set of commitments for continued engagement and coordination.

#### **11:30 Next Steps (and optional lunch)**

## WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

If you are attending the full conference, register at [www.coloradowater.org](http://www.coloradowater.org)  
If you are NOT attending the conference, RSVP to Kristin Maharg at [kristin@yourwatercolorado.org](mailto:kristin@yourwatercolorado.org)  
Non-members of the Water Educator Network will be charged a \$25 registration fee