

Pike's Peak Fire Learning Network



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The Pike's Peak FLN is a new collaborative initiative focused on

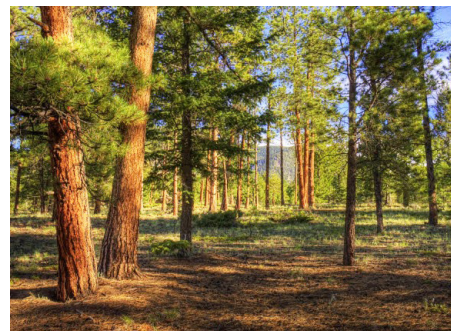
- increasing public understanding of and support for the use of fire in forest management,
- expanding local forest and fire management capacity, and
- demonstrating the safe and effective use of fire in high priority landscapes.

Pike's Peak area partners are using the FLN to leverage and expand on the great work already being implemented by other local organizations, including the Woodland Park Fire Adapted Communities Learning Network hub. FLN activities will include building an effective stakeholder network, hosting public workshops on fire ecology and the use of fire for management, facilitating training opportunities for fire practitioners, and implementing at least one prescribed burn in the coming year. The FLN's work will build

Above, and bottom right: The Conservancy's Southern Rockies Wildland Fire Module at work on the Little Sand Fire in southwest Colorado in July 2012.

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on the accomplishments of the Upper Fountain Creek Watershed Restoration Initiative (which was supported by Scaling-up to Promote Ecosystem Resilience (SPER)) and will contribute to the goals of the Front Range Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program (CFLRP) project, Colorado Prescribed Fire Council and Southern Rockies Fire Science Network.



The Conservancy's Colorado chapter recently delivered a report to the U.S. Forest Service with a set of collaboratively-developed, science-based management recommendations for the 67,000-acre Upper Monument Creek landscape, which is in the FLN core area. *Left:* Webster Park in the Upper Monument Creek project area; *Right:* Field tour to the project area



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Landscape Partners

City of Colorado Springs
Coalition for the Upper South Platte
Colorado Division of Fire Prevention and Control
Colorado Parks and Wildlife
Colorado Prescribed Fire Council
Colorado Springs Utilities
El Paso County

Pike's Peak Wildfire Prevention Partners
Southern Rockies Fire Science Network
Teller-Park Conservation District
The Nature Conservancy—Colorado
U.S. Air Force Academy
USDA Forest Service
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
U.S. Geological Survey



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