

Canyon Country Restoration Workgroup

Society for Ecological Restoration: Southwest Chapter

Spring 2019

Purpose

The ecosystems of the Canyon Country in southeastern Utah, southwestern Colorado and neighboring regions present unique challenges for ecological restoration, yet a growing number of dedicated managers and practitioners are rapidly improving our ability to meet restoration objectives. The Canyon Country Restoration Workgroup seeks to gather those working in ecological restoration to discuss our ecological restoration efforts and provide a space for **idea sharing, knowledge transfer, and collaboration**. The overarching goal of these gatherings is to enable quality restoration and rehabilitation of more ecosystems in the Canyon Country region of southeastern Utah and southwestern Colorado.

Meetings - Overview

Periodic meetings of the Canyon Country Restoration Workgroup will provide an opportunity to network, learn, and share about projects occurring in canyon country. Each meeting will be organized around a theme pertinent to restoration and last 1.5 – 2 hours. Meetings will consist of two to three 15-20 minute talks from invited speakers, followed by group discussions.

Management- oriented talks:

- Background of what restoration actions are taking place
- Results (if any) of how well the restoration action is working
- A list of needs (excluding monetary needs) that the group may be able to fill (e.g. data analysis, volunteer help, expert/context-specific knowledge)
- Resources available other restoration practitioners (e.g. expertise, time, supplies)

Research-oriented talks:

- Background of the research need, study question, and study area
- Methods of study and data analysis
- Results (if any) of experimental results
- A discussion of research applications and future research needs
- Discussing relationship of research to specific local projects and issues.

Schedule – Upcoming Meeting

Time and Location:

3 P.M. – 5 P. M.
Tuesday, March 19
Moab Arts & Recreation Center
111 E 100 N, Moab, UT

Theme: Building Restoration Partnerships

Presenters:

1. Mike Duniway, US Geological Survey
2. Kara Dohrenrod, Rim to Rim Restoration
3. Liz Ballenger, National Park Service

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