

Hello everyone,

My name is Avi Henn and I am a graduate student in the Center for Environmental Science and Education at Northern Arizona University under the mentorship of Dr. David Ostergren. We have been approached by the Colorado Plateau Ecosystem Study Unit (CPCESU), to create a database of river, stream, and riparian restoration projects for the San Juan River Basin. This database will compile projects which aim to restore ecological conditions in the San Juan. The idea behind this effort is to facilitate information sharing and coordination among restoration implementers, and to assess the state of river, stream, and riparian restoration in the San Juan.

The mission of the Colorado Plateau Cooperative Ecosystem Study Unit (CPCESU) is to facilitate research on pertinent land and water management issues throughout the Colorado Plateau. The CPCESU is part of a nationwide CESU network of 17 units that are determined bioregionally. As a cooperative network, transcending political and institutional boundaries, CPCESU creates innovative opportunities for research, education, and technical assistance in support of partner agencies of the Colorado Plateau's natural, cultural, and social resources.

The creation of this database is supported by a number of federal and local institutions such as the Bureau of Reclamation, the San Juan Institute at Fort Louise College, Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service, and the San Juan Watershed Woody-Invasive Initiative partnership. In addition to being a tool for promoting coordination in the San Juan River Basin, this database will be part of an effort to assess the cumulative effects of multiple river restoration projects in the area.

I am contacting you for help in identifying projects which should be recorded in this database. We are interested in recording any projects funded, planned or carried out, by any entity, under the name of river, stream or riparian restoration. We will record projects which date back as far as 2002-2003 to current and planned projects. It would be great help if you could send me information regarding any such projects your organization is or was involved in. Any documentation in any form you may have about such projects would be useful. I would also appreciate if you could inform me of any person or office which may have this kind of information in your organization. Also, if you would, please forward this message to anyone you may feel could help.

I would love to discuss this database further with you and answer questions or provide any additional information to clarify anything requiring clarification. I am providing a link to the CPCESU website and a summary of a proposal which was used to initiate this effort for further information. Please reply to this mail as soon as possible as we would like to get on the way with building and using this database.

<http://www.cens.nau.edu/Orgs/CPCESU/>

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Cheers and have a good day,

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