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Subject: July 30th Restoration Training Invitation: Hold the Date!

Invitation: Please join us for a *Restoration/Resilience Building Methods Training and Work Day*! Come build a one rock dam, media luna and/or Zuni bowl!

What: Bill Zeedyk, restoration expert and author of *Let the Water Do the Work: Induced Meandering, an Evolving Method for Restoring Incised Channels* 2012) will lead this one-day training on restoration methods, e.g., one rock dams, for natural resource managers, ranchers/landowners, volunteers, and interested citizens. The workshop is sponsored by the Gunnison Climate Working Group, a partnership of land and water managers, planners, researchers, ranchers and landowners, is working to reduce the adverse effects of climate change on nature and people. We are using simple restoration methods in small drainages and wet meadows to help retain moisture in stream banks, increase wet-loving plants and insects and improve brood-rearing habitat for the Gunnison Sage-grouse in the face of a changing (and drying) climate. This project also helps to improve elk and deer winter range and nesting habitat for neo-tropical migratory birds and increases forage for livestock. This summer we plan to build over 120 rock structures on BLM and USFS lands – we need and welcome your help -- come roll up your sleeves at this fun hands-on training.

When: Tuesday July 30th from 8:30-12 pm we will meet inside for lecture and presentations on restoration objectives, methods and case studies from across the Southwest US. Then, after lunch, we will head out to the field for a hands-on training and building of rock structures from 12:30-4:30 pm. Hold the date!

Where: Meet at the Fred R. Field Western Heritage Center, 275 S. Spruce Street, Gunnison and then head to the field.

RSVP: Please RSVP with Betsy at bneely@tnc.org or 720-974-7015 (for more information/questions or to volunteer). We need to limit the number of participants to 30 people for safety and logistical reasons. More information will follow.

Thanks! Please feel free to forward this email.

Cheers,
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