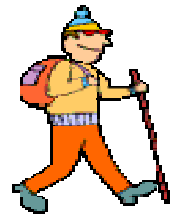




# PPG OUTINGS



Events are **in or from Colorado Springs**. \$1 per member per outing requested to help our Sierra Club chapter defray costs. To register, or for more info. contact: John Stansfield, 303-660-5849 or e-mail [jorcstan@juno.com](mailto:jorcstan@juno.com)

All outings participants are required to sign a standard liability waiver. To view this before choosing to participate in an outing, go to <http://www.sierraclub.org/outings/chapter/forms/> or call (415) 977-5528 for a printed copy

**Sunday, April 5** **8:30 AM - Late Afternoon** **Ring the Peak Hike/Snowshoe**  
Late March/early April is actually the snowiest part of the year in Colorado. Depending on weather conditions, this will be a moderate hike or snowshoe trip to the west side of Pikes Peak along the Ring the Peak Trail, hosted by Pikes Peak Sierra Club Group, Wild Connections, and the Central Colorado Wilderness Coalition. The trip will hopefully give participants a late chance to use their snowshoes in warm Spring conditions, and to see a portion of the Pikes Peak West area, one of the Wild Ten proposed wildernesses. This trip is rated moderate, and will be 4-5 miles with about 600 feet elevation gain. Bring lunch, water, and clothing suitable for the weather conditions. Participants will have to own or rent snowshoes and ski poles, plus suitable footwear. For more information or to sign up, call Jim Lockhart at 385-0045.

**Sunday, April 26** **7:30 am to 5:30 pm** **Browns Canyon Proposed Wilderness Walk**  
Experience the changing sights and sounds of a wildland spring with Pikes Peak Sierra Club Group, Wild Connections, and Central Colorado Wilderness Coalition. Learn why Browns Canyon, introduced (but not yet approved) for wilderness designation in the past two Congresses, is deserving of the protection. Our six-mile, moderate hike, gaining a maximum of 800 feet, will be mostly on trail. Along the way find out about other nearby Wild Ten proposed wildernesses, too. For more information and to register, contact trip leader John Stansfield, 303-660-5849 or e-mail [jorcstan@juno.com](mailto:jorcstan@juno.com) by 8 PM, January 23.

**Saturday, May 2** **8:00 am to 5:30 pm** **Beaver Creek Proposed Wilderness Spring Hike**  
On its way downward from the summit of Pikes Peak to the Arkansas River, Beaver Creek snakes through spectacular granite-walled canyons. Spring is a great time to visit. Come explore this wild land gem on a moderately strenuous seven mile hike with elevation gain of 1,000 feet, sponsored by Pikes Peak Sierra Club Group, Wild Connections, and Central Colorado Wilderness Coalition. We will experience solitude only a few miles from the urban roar and learn about the wilderness future of this and other nearby natural areas. For more information and to register, contact John Stansfield, 303-660-5849 or e-mail [jorcstan@juno.com](mailto:jorcstan@juno.com) by 6 PM May 1.

**Sunday, May 31** **8:30 am to 5 pm** **Rampart Range Exploratory Mapping Hike**  
Join Pikes Peak Sierra Club Group on an exploratory hike of the Rampart East Roadless Area, west of Palmer Lake, aimed at mapping the Saylor Park/Plum Creek portion of the area. Participants will have the opportunity to learn the basics of GPS navigation as it applies to recording natural features of an area with potential as a wilderness area. This will be a moderately strenuous seven-mile hike, partially off-trail, with a maximum of 1,000 feet in elevation change. For more information and to register, contact Jim Lockhart at 719-385-0045 or e-mail [jlock@datawest.net](mailto:jlock@datawest.net).

**Saturday, June 20** **8:00 am to 6:00 pm** **Green Mountain Wilderness Quality Survey Hike**  
The second in a series of exploratory hikes to wilderness candidates beyond the Wild Ten Green Mountain roadless area is a wild and rugged companion to the nearby Lost Creek Wilderness. Come help determine if the area's wild values are worth preserving on this strenuous 7-mile, mostly off-trail hike with 1400-foot elevation gain, sponsored by Pikes Peak Sierra Club Group, Wild Connections, and Central Colorado Wilderness Coalition. Also learn about nearby Wild Ten and other proposed wildernesses. Well-behaved, leashed dogs allowed. For more information and to register, contact trip leader John Stansfield, 303-660-5849 or e-mail [jorcstan@juno.com](mailto:jorcstan@juno.com) by 8 PM, March 13.

### ***Wild Connections Trout and Eagle Creek Restoration Project***

Volunteers are needed to help restore a sensitive riparian zone in Pike National Forest. Volunteers will hike about two miles in to the project site, erect post and cable closures, broadcast grass seed, install erosion matting, and have lots of fun and meet new people. Tools and on-site training in the various restoration techniques will be provided. Delicious food will be served for breakfast and lunch, prepared by volunteer staff. Project days are Saturdays, May 9th, May 16th, and May 30th, with June 6th as a backup date in case of weather. Minimum age for volunteers: 16. Leadership positions are available for crew leaders, volunteer cooks, and a tools manager. Free leadership and technical training will be provided.

The restoration project is sponsored by Wild Connections (formerly the Upper Arkansas South Platte Project (UASPP)). For more information, visit the Wild Connections website: [www.WildConnections.org](http://www.WildConnections.org) or contact Ellen Clark at 719-375-8338, e-mail: [ellen@wildconnections.org](mailto:ellen@wildconnections.org).