



News Release

Communication Services
5334 South Prince Street
Littleton, Colorado 80166-0001
Phone: 303-795-4284
Fax: 303-738-7894
www.co.arapahoe.co.us

Due to weather the event was rescheduled for May 8

For release: April 24, 2010

Contact:

GLEN POOLE OR
Parks Coordinator
Direct: 720-874-6826
Mobile: 303-358-4088
E-mail: gpoole@co.arapahoe.co.us

NICHOLE PARMELLY
Communication Services Specialist
Direct: 720-874-6669
Mobile: 303-710-7893
E-mail: nparmelly@co.arapahoe.co.us

Volunteers needed to plant trees along Cherry Creek Trail *Arapahoe County invites residents to participate in Arbor Day project*

Centennial, Colo. – In celebration of Arbor Day, Arapahoe County invites residents to help plant trees and shrubs along the Cherry Creek Trail.

The event is scheduled 8 a.m. – noon, Saturday, **May 8**, at the 17 Mile House Farm Park, along the Cherry Creek Trail in Centennial. Volunteers will help plant small cottonwood trees along the creek and also cut and plant willow whips along the stream bank. Participants also will have the opportunity to hike along the local trail to learn about stream restoration in the area.

“These volunteers will not only save the County maintenance costs but will be directly involved in enhancing wildlife habitat and stabilizing the local stream banks,” said Arapahoe County Commissioner Rod Bockenfeld, who serves as Board Chairman. “The impact volunteers have on our community is enormous.”

Volunteers are asked to bring their own gloves and a spade shovel. The County will supply additional tools, water and snacks. Space is limited. Call Glen Poole at 720-874-6826 to reserve your spot by **May 3**.

This park along with other areas of open space are made possible by the generous citizens of Arapahoe County through the voter-approved Arapahoe County Open Space Sales and Use Tax, which is dedicated to preserve open space and natural areas; protect lands that preserve water quality; improve parks, sports fields, picnic facilities and trails; protect wildlife habitat; preserve agriculture and ranchlands; and enhance heritage areas.

To learn more about the Arapahoe County Open Space program, visit www.co.arapahoe.co.us or call 720-874-6500.

* * *

To download photos, click on the following link:

<http://www.co.arapahoe.co.us/Pub/CM/Photos/OpenSpace/>

Photo caption:

CherryCreekTrail2009: Arapahoe County invites residents to participate in Arbor Day project along the Cherry Creek Trail, **May 8**.