Open Space Operations

General-

- Attended Agricultural Advisory Board (AAB), Habitat Protection Program (HPP) and Open Lands Advisory Board meetings
- Completed new rental contract for McGraw house at Red Mountain Open Space
- Terminated security contract with Pat Grant at Red Mountain Open Space
- Preparing budget for 2015
- Toured Devil’s Backbone Open Space with a group from Ethiopia/CSU to discuss management of open spaces

Rangers-

- Registration has started for the Ranger Excellence School to be hosted at the Ranch on May 12 – 16
- Rangers assisted with a search and rescue mission for an overdue runner at Horsetooth Mountain Open Space
- Assisted lessee at River Bluffs Open Space with burning irrigation ditches
- Rangers helped with a carry out of an injured runner at Lory State Park
- Will host half marathon/10K at Eagle’s Nest Open Space on 4/26
- Rangers assisted the Nature Conservancy and various other assisting agencies with a prescribed burn at Fossil Creek Reservoir

Maintenance/Projects/Leases-

- Open Space intern, Chris Sabina, hosted a volunteer project in the Indian Creek valley/Devil’s Backbone doing fence removal, 12 CSU students, Chris has completed his 400 hour requirement with us
- Hired two new seasonal maintenance techs
- Completed renovation work at Blue Sky trailhead, the trailhead now has 51 vehicle spaces and four horse trailer spaces
- Ran power to Horsetooth Mountain auto pay station so that we could install a wireless signal amplifier for the new 3G ATT modem
- Moved cattle into the North property which we manage for Solid Waste
- Set up hydro mulching of new islands at the renovated Blue Sky trailhead
- Completed grazing plan with lessee at Eagle’s Nest Open Space
- Removed asphalt, installed new automatic gate sensors and repaved at Soderberg trailhead
- Replaced automatic gate sensor at Red Mountain Open Space