

Colorado Cave Survey Meeting  
7:00 pm, Monday, June 13, 2011  
Home of Derek Bristol, Vice Chairman

### **Meeting Agenda**

#### ***USFS Region 2 Blanket Closure***

Now that the annual closure order is about to expire, let's discuss what actions we can take to help influence the USFS not renew the order or perhaps adopt a more targeted approach to their policy.

#### ***LaSunder Cave – NSS 2011***

Due to the stipulations under the current management plan, the BLM is not allowing for the use of additional permits during the NSS convention, outside of our annual allotment of 10 trips. They are allowing us to use all of the permits over the course of that week, limited to two trips per day. Since I believe 3 recreational trips have already occurred, that leaves us with 7 trips to use if we so choose. We need to decide if all 7 trips are to be used during the convention or if only a portion will be used to allow for additional trips to the cave this fall.

#### ***Division of Wildlife Bat Surveys***

Amy Englert, former CG and FRG member, is working for the Division of Wildlife as a seasonal wildlife technician. She is hoping to coordinate several bat surveys of caves this summer and is looking for caver participation. Kirk Navo, DOW Wildlife Biologist, is also planning for bat survey trips in NW Colorado this fall. The number of slots available is limited. So, let's come up with a positive solution where all grottos have an opportunity to be involved.

## CCS Managed Caves

### ***Groaning Cave***

Dave Lambert hopes to begin working this summer with Kay Hopkins on the renewal of the cave management plan.

### ***LaSunder Cave***

Derek Bristol and Doug Kent were joined by several representatives of the Division of Wildlife to the cave last month to evaluate the back zone of LaSunder in regards to opening this area up to recreational use. Derek submitted a report with their findings to the BLM and is planning a work trip next month to replace the flagging tape prior to the NSS convention.

### ***Fly and Marble Caves***

Access information is available on the CCS website. The access management team is:

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## Reports from active committees and projects of the CCS

### ***Cave Information System Committee***

Goal: Plan a system for creating a comprehensive, centralized repository of cave and karst data for Colorado which will be actively supported and maintained for the foreseeable future. The database would be intended to promote preservation of cave and karst resources and to encourage science, exploration, and recreation.

Committee members:

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### ***Clear Creek Canyon Project***

Goal: Develop a relationship with JeffCo Open Space regarding cave management and promote exploration and conservation in Clear Creek Canyon.

Project members:

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***NSS 2011 Convention Committee***

Goal: Coordinate between the NSS convention planning committee and the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management. The committee will last through the NSS 2011 convention or until determined no longer needed.

Project members:

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**Topics from the floor**

## Next meeting

***Discussion:** Next meeting perhaps in September on the Western Slope. An announcement will be made one month prior.*

### Officers of the Colorado Cave Survey

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### Voting Membership of the Colorado Cave Survey

(Please inform the Survey of any changes at your respective grottos.)

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### Cave Survey Communication

The Colorado Cave Survey maintains an extensive website at:  
[www.coloradocavesurvey.org](http://www.coloradocavesurvey.org)

A Google group is maintained for making announcements and discussing CCS business. An email sent to the group automatically goes out to everyone subscribed. For those interested, this is the best way to keep apprised of what is going on with the CCS. A person can unsubscribe without assistance whenever he or she wishes. To subscribe, please email [cbern5@juno.com](mailto:cbern5@juno.com).