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Background

In a decade of service at REP, Professional Project Manager (PMP) Mike Harvey has worked with many communities to successfully guide whitewater park, dam modification and river corridor improvement projects through planning, permitting, public-process, funding, design and construction phases. Mike has worked closely with both municipal governments and citizens groups in order to understand and meet community needs and goals. Mike has served REP as a project manager on projects of varying size and scope and in diverse communities around the country. Mike's background in education and his communication skills complement his abilities in design, modeling and construction. While Mike designs and oversees projects from start to finish, he has the unique ability to communicate goals and objectives to his client as well as the diverse groups in communities in which he works. Mike's personal interests include, a background in competitive whitewater kayaking where he qualified for the US National Kayak Team in 2009 and serving the community of Salida, Colorado as the President of the Arkansas River Trust and Co-Chair of the City of Salida Recreation Board. Mike is co-owner of Badfish, Inc. a company designing and manufacturing Stand Up Paddle Boards for whitewater rivers.

Education & Professional Credentials

B.A. Outdoor Environmental Education, Prescott College 1998

Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) Association of State Floodplain Managers, Inc., 2007

Project Management Institute (PMI), Project Management Professional (PMP), 2009

Professional Experience

Arkansas River Trust, founder, Executive Director & Board President 1999-present. Founded a non-profit organization based in Salida that has planned and raised funds for all three phases of the Whitewater Park project. In addition oversaw a whitewater kayaking program for local young people on the Arkansas River.

Recreation, Engineering and Planning, Project Manager 2000-present. Manage projects from early stage planning through construction. Experience with numerical/physical hydraulic modeling, regulatory permitting, drafting/design and construction management.

Highlighted Project Experience

2003-Present, Buck Creek Improvements, Springfield, Ohio. Project Manager for all phases of this dam modification project. Construction is complete on modifications to the first 2 of 4 low-head dams along five miles of river. The improvements create a navigable reach of river, improve in-stream habitat, create pocket parks and improve safety.

2003-Present, Buena Vista River Park, Buena Vista, Colorado. Chief planner, designer, and construction manager of a whitewater park project completed in 2007. This project was funded through a private/public partnership between the Town of Buena Vista and the Town Company, LLC. The project has consisted of completion of a concept plan, regulatory permitting, final design, and construction which was completed in April 2010. This project combines access improvements, whitewater structures and trails with a New Urbanism -inspired residential and commercial development along the Arkansas River.

1999-Present, Salida Whitewater Park, Salida, Colorado. Chief planner, designer, grant writer and construction manager for this whitewater park. Natural-appearing whitewater improvements restored the river, and provided economic and recreational benefits to the downtown area. Includes whitewater course improvements at the site of the longest-running whitewater kayak race in North America, FIBArk. Mike founded, and continues to run, the Arkansas River Trust, a non-profit organization that spearheaded the effort to plan, fund and build the Salida Whitewater Park. For his efforts Mike was awarded the Heart of the Rockies Chamber of Commerce, Service Award in 2003 for outstanding service to the Salida area.