#### 1. PLEASE READ THIS BEFORE COMPLETING THE SURVEY

American Whitewater and the Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project needs your help to define streamflows that support the full range of recreational boating opportunities on the Rio Grande and Conejos Rivers in Southern Colorado.

Information collected by this study will be used to assess river-dependent recreation as part of a joint stream management planning effort between American Whitewater and the Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project. We have developed this survey so individuals and outfitters can report how changes in stream flows affect recreation quality on each of our targeted river segments. Your input will help American Whitewater identify the full range of flows necessary to support recreation experiences, from technical low water to challenging high water opportunities. The information you provide will support development of multipurpose projects in the Basin and can help protect and enhance economies that rely on environmental and recreational water uses.

The river segments targeted by this study include:

- 1) Rio Grande Box Canyon (CO, this not the Taos Box)
- 2) Rio Grande from Box Canyon to Creede (CO, not the Taos Box)
- 3) Rio Grande from Creede to Wagon Wheel Gap
- 4) Rio Grande from Wagon Wheel Gap to South Fork
- 5) Rio Grande from South Fork to Del Norte
- 6) Conejos River from Platoro Reservoir to South Fork Campground
- 7) Conejos River from South Fork to Hwy 17 Bridge
- 8) Conejos River From Highway 17 Bridge, to Mogote Camp Ground
- 9) Rio Grande River From Alamosa to Lasauses
- 10) Rio Grande from Lasauses to Lobatos Bridge
- 11) Rio Grande from Lobatos Bridge to Lee Trail, New Mexico

You will only be asked to respond to survey questions for the segments you have personally experienced.

Please encourage your fellow paddlers to participate in this study.

#### 2. Survey Overview

American Whitewater is conducting the study because decades of research confirms that changes in stream flow, or the amount of water in a river, fundamentally affects recreation quality in most river settings. In the short term, flows determine whether a river provides opportunities for boating and angling, and they affect attributes such as the challenge of whitewater or trip aesthetics. Longer-term flow regimes may also have effects on ecological resources, riparian environments, or channel features such as beaches, pools, rapids, and riffles.

American Whitewater is presenting two series of questions for each study segment in this web-based survey. The first series will ask participants to evaluate flows and overall recreation quality using a five-point "acceptability" scale (unacceptable -2 and acceptable 2) for flows measured at specific data nodes or stream gages. These individual evaluations of flows will be aggregated into social norms to describe overall flow-recreation quality, and allow AW to create Flow-Agreement Acceptability curves (FAAI) that graphically represent this important relationship. In most cases, FAAI curves show inverted U-shapes where low flows and high flows provide less acceptable recreation conditions, while medium flows provide more acceptable (greater value) conditions.

To further refine and validate results from the flow-evaluation curves, a set of single-flow judgments will be requested of survey respondents. For each study segment, respondents will be asked to report a single flow value that provides a distinct paddling experience or "niche" along a spectrum: low, technical, standard, high challenge, and maximum or "highest acceptable" flow. Overlaying these specific flow evaluations on overall flow-evaluation curves provides greater detail for understanding the effect that changes in streamflow can have on recreation quality.

Please take your time responding to the questions in this study. Your thoughtful participation is important to advancing good water policy and river management in the State. For more information on the Rio Grande Basin Stream Management Plan, please visit <u>American Whitewater's Project Page.</u>

3. Participant Information	
Please describe yourself. American Whitewater uses your personal information or accuracy and avoid duplication in our web-based survey methods. We do not sell information.	=
* 1. Your name	
* 2. How would you describe your skill level on the river?	
Novice Intermediate Advanced	
Expert	
* 3. What is the highest class of rapid you confidently paddle?	
Class II Class III Class III/IV Class IV Class IV/V Class V	
4. Would you characterize yourself as a private or commercial boater?	
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* 8. Your City	
* 9. Your State	

* 10. Your Zip Code
* 11. How often do you participate in river-recreation activities? (check only one)
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* 12. How confident are you in reporting flows that you have experienced on the river?
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presented for each segment. Lets get to it!

4. Rio Grande River - Box Canyon
* 13. Have you floated or paddled the Box Canyon section of the Rio Grande in Colorado? (This is not the Taos Box section in NM)
For more information and a map of this stretch of river, visit the American Whitewater River Page.  Yes
○ No

5. Box Canyon Flow Survey
For the questions on this page, please rate the quality of the run at each specified flow <u>for your preferred craft-type</u> . Please pay particular attention to the gage and report acceptable flows for that gage only.
* 14. What is your preferred craft for paddling the Box Canyon section of the Rio Grande River? (Choose one)
Hard shell kayak/canoe Raft/Shredder Inflatable kayak/canoe/packraft
Open canoe
Other (please specify)
* 15. What is your primary recreational objective on the Box Canyon section of the Rio Grande River? (Choose one)
Floating/Scenery Fishing
Exercise
Other (please specify)

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6. Rio Grande River - Box Canyon to Creede
* 25. Have you floated or paddled the Rio Grande from the Mouth of Box Canyon to Creede (Airport Rd)?  For more information on this stretch of river visit the <u>American Whitewater River Page.</u>
Yes
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8. Rio Grande River - Creede to Wagon Wheel Gap
* 37. Have you floated or paddled the Rio Grande from Creede to Wagon Wheel Gap in Colorado?
For more information and a map of this stretch of river, visit the American Whitewater River Page.
Yes
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10. Rio Grande River - Wagon Wheel Gap to South Fork
* 49. Have you floated or paddled the Rio Grande from Wagon Wheel Gap to South Fork Colorado?  For more information and a map of this stretch of river, visit the American Whitewater River Page.  Yes
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1	2. Rio Grande River - South Fork to Del Norte
	* 61. Have you floated or paddled the Rio Grande from South Fork to Del Norte, Colorado?  For more information and a map of this stretch of river, visit the American Whitewater River Page.  Yes  No

South Fork	to Del Norte - Flow	Survey			
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		se rate the quality of th			
62. What is yo	our preferred craft for t	the Rio Grande River fror	n South Fork t	o Del Norte? (Ch	oose one)
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Raft/Shredo	der				
Other (pleas	se specify)				
63. What is yo	our primary recreation	al objective on this sectio	n of the Rio G	rande River? (Ch	oose one)
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Exercise					
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67. Some people are interested in taking trips at lower flows for a technical e "technical trip" in your craft and for your primary objective. What is the best f specify in cfs)	•
68. Many people are interested in a "standard" river trip at average flows. The your craft and for your primary objective. What is the best flow for a standard	•
69. Some people are interested in taking trips at higher flows for increased of challenge trip" in your craft. What is the best flow for a high challenge trip? (	
70. What is the highest safe flow for your craft and skill level? (please specif	fy in cfs)
71. Do you have any general comments on flows that you feel have not been we've asked? Specifically if you do not have a good record of flows or dates river please include any qualitative observations on flows needs.	·
72. Are there other concerns or opportunities on this reach of river that you could be related to safety, aesthetics, crowding, access facilities, or other face	•

14. Conejos River - Platoro to South Fork Campground	Ì
* 73. Have you floated or paddled the Conejos River from Platoro to the South Fork Campground? For more information and a map of this stretch of river, visit the American Whitewater River Page.	
Yes	
○ No	

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ne auestions on this	page, please rate the c	uality of the run at eac	ch specified flow <u>for your</u>
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Packraft/Inflatable kayak/canoe	Kayak/C-1	Open canoe	
Raft/Shredder			
Other (please specify)			
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What is your priman	, recreational objective o	n this section of the Con	ejos River? (Choose one)
		if this section of the Con	ejos River? (Choose one)
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## Flows represented are measured by the CO DWR Gage Conejos River below Platoro Reservoir.

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challenge trip	n your craft. What is the best flow for a high o	challenge trip? (please specify in crs)
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=	e any general comments on flows that you fe	
	specifically if you do not have a good record of	
river please inc	ude any qualitative observations on flows ne	eds.
84. Are there o	her concerns or opportunities on this reach o	of river that you would like to report? These
could be relate	to safety, aesthetics, crowding, access facil	ities, or other factors.

16. Conejos River - South Fork to Hwy 17 Bridge
* 85. Have you floated or paddled the Conejos River from South Fork Campground to Highway 17 Bridge? For more information and a map of this stretch of river, visit the American Whitewater River Page.
Yes
○ No

. So	outh Fork Confluence to Highway 17 Bridge - Flow Survey
r the	e questions on this page, please rate the quality of the run at each specified flow <u>for your</u>
	red craft-type. Please pay particular attention to the gage and report acceptable flows for th
ge o	only.
86. \	What is your preferred craft for the Conejos River from South Fork Campground to Highway 17?
(Ch	oose one)
	Packraft/Inflatable Kayak/C-1 Open canoe kayak/canoe
	Raft/Shredder
Ш	Other (please specify)
	What is your primary recreational objective on this section of the Conejos River? (Choose one)
	Floating/Scenery Fishing
	Exercise
	Other (please specify)

### Flows represented are measured by the CO DWR Gage Conejos River below Platoro Reservoir.

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94. What is the	e highest safe flow for your craft and skill level? (please specify in cfs)	
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18. Conejo	River - Hwy 17 Bridge to Mogote Campground	
	you floated or paddled the Conejos River from Highway 17 Bridge to Mogote Campground? information and a map of this stretch of river, visit the <u>American Whitewater River Page.</u>	
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	e questions on this page, please rate the quality of the run at each specified flow <u>for your</u> red craft-type. Please pay particular attention to the gage and report acceptable flows for tha
ige o	only.
	What is your preferred craft for the Conejos River from Highway 17 Bridge to Mogote Campground loose one)
	Packraft/Inflatable
	Raft/Shredder
	Other (please specify)
' 99. <u>'</u>	What is your primary recreational objective on this section of the Conejos River? (Choose one)
	Floating/Scenery Fishing
	Exercise
	Other (please specify)

### Flows represented are measured by the CO DWR Gage Conejos River near Mogote.

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20. Rio Grande River - Alamosa to Lasauses
* 109. Have you floated or paddled the Rio Grande from Alamosa to Lasauses, through the Alamosa National Wildlife Refuge?  For more information and a map of this stretch of river, visit the American Whitewater River Page.
Yes
○ No

21. Alamosa to Lasauses - Flow Survey
For the questions on this page, please rate the quality of the run at each specified flow <u>for your preferred craft-type</u> . Please pay particular attention to the gage and report acceptable flows for that gage only.
* 110. What is your preferred craft for the Rio Grande River from Alamosa to Lasauses, through the Alamos National Wildlife Refuge? (Choose one)
Dory/Drift Boat Packraft/Inflatable Kayak/C-1 Open canoe kayak/canoe
Raft/Shredder
Other (please specify)
* 111. What is your primary recreational objective on this section of the Rio Grande River? (Choose one)
Floating/Scenery Fishing
Exercise
Other (please specify)

112. With your preferred craft-type in mind, please consider all the flow-dependent characteristics that contribute to a high quality experience (e.g., depth, challenge, safety, availability of surfing or other play areas, aesthetics, and length of run). For comparative purposes, please rate the acceptability of each flow level.

## Flows represented are measured by the CO DWR GageRio Grande River at Alamosa

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22. Rio Grande River - Lasauses to Lobatos Bridge	
* 121. Have you floated or paddled the Rio Grande from Lasauses to Lobatos Bridge, Colorado?  For more information and a map of this stretch of river, visit the American Whitewater River Page.	
<ul><li>Yes</li><li>No</li></ul>	

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Raft/Shredde Other (please	er				
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24. Rio Grande River - Lobatos Bridge, Colorado to Lee Trail, New Mexico	
* 133. Have you floated or paddled the Rio Grande from Lobatos Bridge, Colorado to Lee Trail, New Mexico?	
For more information and a map of this stretch of river, visit the American Whitewater River Page.	
Yes No	

25. Lobatos Bridg	je to Lee Trail - Fl	low Survey			
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* 134. What is you (Choose one)	ır preferred craft for	the Rio Grande River fro	om Lobatos Br	idge to Lee Trail,	New Mexico?
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Raft/Shredder					
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146 What are you	ur top <u>3 infrastructure goals</u> or needs that the Stream Management Plan should focus
	ated to diversion structures, storage, gage data, boat ramps, or other factors.
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Second Priority	
Third Priority	
147. What are you	ur top <u>3 regulatory goals</u> that the Stream Management Plan should focus on? These
be related to water	er quality, species of concern, future flow retiming, or other needs.
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•	ur top <u>3 environmental goals</u> or needs that the Stream Management Plan should focເ
on? These can be	e related to habitat, channel form and function, flows, or other factors.
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	ribe any opportunities you think exist for improving recreational use and access on the
Rio Grande or Co	nejos Rivers.

A. Rio Grande - Box Canyon
B. Rio Grande - Texas Creek Ramp to Creede
C. Rio Grande - Creede to Wagon Wheel Gap
D. Rio Grande - Wagon Wheel Gap to South Fork
E. Rio Grande - South Fork to Del Norte
F. Rio Grande - Alamosa to Lasauses
G. Rio Grande - Lasauses to Lobatos Bridge
H. Rio Grande - Lobatos Bridge to Lee Trail, NM
e explain your ranking.  but have any final comments to add, that may not have been captured by the survey?

27. This Completes the Survey.				
Thank you for your participation in this survey!				
Your responses will help American Whitewater and Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project create Stream Management Plans (SMPs) in the Rio Grande Basin that include robust community engagement. Your feedback allows us to characterize and prioritize environmental and recreational values, and create SMPs that will be used to inform multi-objective projects to restore and protect the natural and cultural resources within the basin.				
153. Would you like more information about American Whitewater and our work to Protect, Restore, and Enjoy our nations rivers?				
Yes				
Yes No				

28. Sign-Up				
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29. Thank You!
From all of us at American Whitewater and the Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project, thank you for your participation. We appreciate your time and hope you continue to enjoy and explore the basin's river resources.