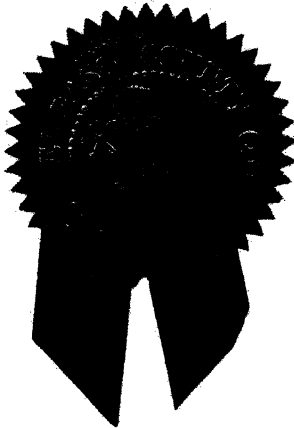


Proclamation Recognizing Creek Week 2021

- WHEREAS** El Paso County residents and visitors are able to enjoy extensive and diverse natural resources, such as forests, grasslands, riparian areas, lakes, creeks, and a wide variety of open spaces; and
- WHEREAS**, the Fountain Creek watershed, including Fountain Creek, related wetlands, existing trails, and recreational facilities, is a unique watershed that is an important resource and valuable asset for the people of El Paso County and the Pikes Peak Region; and
- WHEREAS**, the Fountain Creek Watershed Flood Control and Greenway District is partnering with El Paso County, the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs Utilities, and numerous community organizations to coordinate the 8th annual "Creek Week" cleanup to encourage the protection, restoration, and maintenance of the Fountain Creek watershed; and
- WHEREAS**, this nine-day litter clean-up effort begins in El Paso County's Fountain Creek Regional Park on September 25th and runs through October 3rd; and
- WHEREAS**, "Creek Week" programs and activities are designed to raise awareness of water quality and littering issues within our watershed, to encourage organizations and individuals to collect litter and debris, and make Fountain Creek and the watershed cleaner and safer; and
- WHEREAS**, businesses, churches, schools, non-profits, neighborhood associations, youth groups, service clubs and individuals are encouraged to form a "Creek Crew" to clean up at a "Creek Week" project site; and
- WHEREAS**, "Creek Week" litter removal activities will reduce pollution in our creeks and remove clogs in our waterways that can lead to flooding, provide for a safer drinking water supply, and enhance wildlife habitat and property values.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of El Paso County, Colorado, hereby recognizes the week of September 25 through October 3, 2021, as "Creek Week" in El Paso County and encourages citizens to help protect, restore, and maintain our waterways by participating in "Creek Week" activities.

DONE THIS 7th day of September 2021 at Colorado Springs, Colorado.



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