

Where Can I Get More Information  
on Colorado Recreation?



For OHV registration information:  
**Colorado State Parks**  
13787 S. Highway 85  
Littleton, CO 80125  
(303) 791-1920

For information on **Colorado State Parks**:  
1313 Sherman St., Rm 618  
Denver, CO 80203  
(303) 866-3437  
www.parks.state.co.us



For OHV routes, maps & use information:  
**USDA Forest Service**  
Rocky Mountain Region  
PO Box 25127  
Lakewood, CO 80225  
(303) 275-5350  
www.fs.fed.us/r2/  
recreation



**Bureau of Land Management**  
Colorado State Office  
2850 Youngfield Street  
Lakewood, CO 80215  
(303) 239-3600

For hunting and fishing  
information:  
**Colorado Division  
of Wildlife**  
6060 Broadway  
Denver, CO 80216  
(303) 297-1192



For general tourism  
information call:  
1-800-265-6723



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www.cohvco.org

Public lands are held in joint ownership by all citizens; their management requires different laws and regulations based on local conditions. Please become familiar with restrictions by checking with local offices and reading signs and bulletin boards.

It is your responsibility to be aware of potential risks. Have proper equipment and take safety precautions at all times when you visit public lands. Changing terrain, forests, canyon lands and weather conditions present a wide variety of hazards. Hazards include, but are not limited to: snow and ice fields; avalanches; landslides; caves; falling trees or limbs; high or rushing water; contaminated water; wild animals; severe weather; becoming lost or overexerted; hypothermia; remnants of mining and other activities involving excavations; and exposure to unreasonable acts of other people.

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## Welcome to the Colorado OHV Program!

**M**any exciting and beautiful areas in Colorado can be explored on an off-highway vehicle. There are motorcycle, ATV and four-wheel drive trails and roads on the plains, in the foothills and high mountain passes to challenge recreationists of all abilities.

Before heading out, owners of vehicles used for off-highway recreation need to be aware of a Colorado law administered by Colorado State Parks. It requires the registration of all terrain vehicles (ATVs), unlicensed motorcycles (dirt bikes), unlicensed four-wheel drives and dune buggies operated on public lands. (For specifics on registration, see the following page.) This law is the basis of the Colorado Off-Highway Vehicle Program, and the registration fees fund the program.

### What are the reasons for the law?

- To fund trail maintenance and construction, trailheads, parking areas, trail signs and maps that would not otherwise be possible;
- To help prevent theft and enable law enforcement personnel to identify and return stolen vehicles;
- To encourage safe and responsible OHV use and promote respect for public lands; and
- To facilitate search and rescue efforts.

### Who Benefits?

- Citizens who own and operate OHVs;
- Towns and counties that wish to attract OHV recreationists and tourists and enhance their local economies; and
- The general public. Educated recreationists are more conscientious and better stewards of the land. Registration funds also enable local, state and federal land managers to better manage our natural resources. Since the program started in 1990, over 12 million dollars have been granted for on-the-ground trail improvements.



## The Specifics of Registration & Non-Resident Permits

All OHV owners must have a Colorado OHV registration or a non-resident OHV permit.  
Non-residents must buy a Colorado non-resident permit to operate an OHV in the state.

### Registration

#### Vehicles that must be registered:

- unlicensed trail motorcycles;
- all-terrain vehicles; and
- other unlicensed, motorized recreation vehicles.
- snowmobiles are registered through a separate program.

#### Registration is not required for:

- motorcycles designed for use on public streets, roads and highways and carrying a current license plate;
- vehicles used strictly in mining or agriculture;
- vehicles used strictly on private land for non-commercial purposes;
- vehicles provided by a dealer for education or safety programs;
- vehicles owned by the government;
- vehicles operated in certain organized events authorized by the appropriate agency.

#### Registration locations:

- Contact the Colorado State Parks Registration Unit for your nearest outlet:  
13787 South Highway 85  
Littleton, CO 80125  
(303) 791-1920 or
- Colorado State Parks Regional Offices located in:  
Colorado Springs (719) 227-5250  
Clifton (near Grand Junction) (970) 434-6862
- Mail-in registrations are available from a variety of locations including the Parks Registration Unit in Littleton.
- Registration information online at [www.parks.state.co.us/](http://www.parks.state.co.us/)

#### The current registration fee is:

- \$25.25
- Registrations are valid from April 1 through March 31.
- Non-Resident OHV Permits \$25.25

### Permits

#### Out-of-state OHVs:

- Out-of-state residents who bring OHVs into Colorado must purchase a non-resident OHV permit to operate here. OHV non-resident permits can be purchased online at: [www.parks.state.co.us/parkstore](http://www.parks.state.co.us/parkstore) or call (303) 791-1920 for more information.

#### Non-Resident permits are not required for:

- Vehicles owned by the government;
- vehicles operated in certain organized events authorized by the appropriate agency;
- vehicles used on public lands for purposes other than recreation such as logging, mining or livestock grazing.

#### When purchasing an OHV:

- OHV dealers are required to collect the registration application and fee before a vehicle leaves their premises.
- Colorado residents who purchase an OHV from a private party may use their dated bill of sale as a temporary registration for 30 days.

#### Where to place your registration:

- Registration decals must be affixed permanently on the upper forward half of the OHV, in a location where the decal can be easily seen.
- OHV operators must carry their OHV registration card and show it to any law enforcement officer upon request.

## Where to Ride in Colorado

#### Public Lands

- Many routes and areas are open to OHVs in Colorado.
- Know before you go. Contact the local U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management or other appropriate agency office to find out about trails, roads or areas open to OHV use. Addresses and phone numbers are provided at the end of this brochure, with a map to show their location.
- All federal roads, areas and trails are categorized as open, closed or restricted in some manner. Find out what the regulations are in the area where you will be riding.
- Many public lands in Colorado border private lands. It is your responsibility to know where private lands are and to obtain permission to travel across them.
- OHVs must meet state and federal noise emission standards.

#### Streets, Roads and Highways

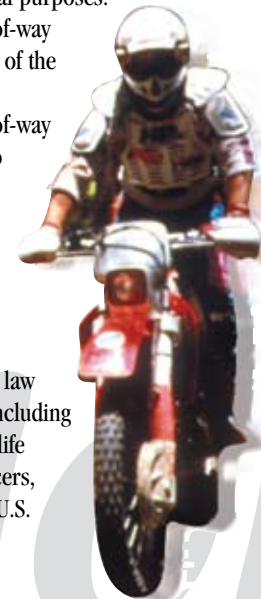
##### Ethics Information

You may ride on the roadways of streets and highways:

- When crossing railroad tracks, bridges or culverts;
- During any emergency declared by appropriate state or local authorities;
- Where towns & counties have authorized OHV use on roads; and
- When using an OHV for agricultural purposes.
- It is unlawful to ride on the right-of-way (the area adjacent to the shoulder of the road) of any freeway; and
- It is unlawful to ride on the right-of-way of any operating railroad except to make a right-angle crossing of the tracks at their intersection with a road or highway, or unless otherwise approved.

#### Law Enforcement

- This registration is enforced by all law enforcement officers in the state including sheriff's deputies, Division of Wildlife officers, Colorado State Parks officers, Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Forest Service rangers and others.



#### Necessary Equipment for OHV Operation

- OHVs operated between sunset and sunrise must have at least one operating headlight and one operating red tail light.
- Operable brakes and a muffler.
- A U.S. Forest Service approved spark arrester is required for use on any public lands.
- Follow manufacturers' age and operational restrictions for ATVs.
- Use of a helmet, eye protection and other appropriate safety equipment is highly recommended.

#### What Can I Do to Help?

Preserve your right to ride. Help to protect the trails you ride. You can make a difference by riding safely and responsibly.

#### Safety considerations

- Plan ahead. Colorado has a variety of terrain and climates. The weather can change rapidly. Carry all necessary supplies including an emergency repair kit, food, water and warm clothing.
- Develop a supply check list, to include the above items and other equipment such as area maps and guides, protective gear, flashlight, sunscreen, etc.
- Know what to wear for your sport. Quality helmets, gloves, boots, goggles and protective clothing will keep you comfortable and help prevent serious injuries.
- Know your vehicle. Keep it in good condition and read the owner's manual.
- Let someone know where you're going and when you expect to return.
- Travel with other people.
- Know what to do in an emergency.
- For safety or training information, contact the ATV Safety Institute at 1-800-887-2887 or MSF Dirt Bike School at 1-877-288-7093.
- Colorado law requires reporting of accidents if property damage reaches \$1,500 or more or there are injuries resulting in hospitalization or death.

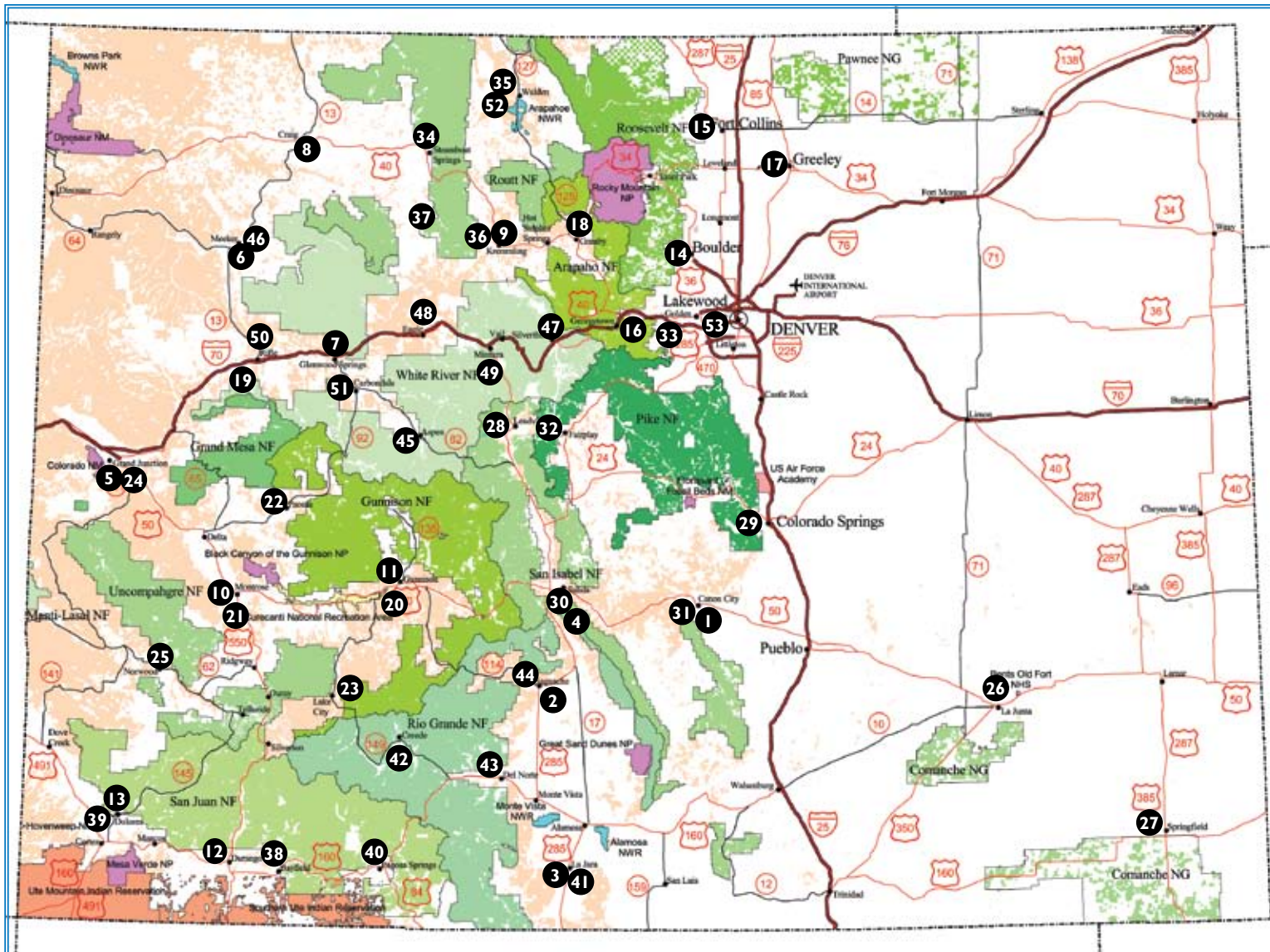
Reports may be filed with the Colorado State Patrol, the sheriff's office in the county of the accident or the police within the municipality of the accident.

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Bureau of Land Management  
Colorado State Office  
2850 Youngfield St.  
Lakewood, CO 80215  
(303) 239-3600

**District and Resource Area Offices:**

- 1 **FRONT RANGE CENTER**  
Royal Gorge Field Office  
3170 East Main St.  
Cañon City, CO 81212  
(719) 269-8500
- 2 **Saguache Field Office**  
46525 Highway 114  
Saguache, CO 81149  
(719) 655-2547
- 3 **La Jara Field Office**  
15571 County Road T5  
La Jara, CO 81140  
(719) 274-8971  
(719) 852-5941
- 4 **Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area**  
307 West Sackett  
Salida, CO 81201  
(719) 539-7289
- 5 **NORTHWEST CENTER**  
Grand Junction Field Office  
2815 H Road  
Grand Junction, CO 81506  
(970) 244-3000
- 6 **White River Field Office**  
73544 Highway 64  
Meeker, CO 81641  
(970) 878-5717
- 7 **Glenwood Springs Field Office**  
50629 Highways 6 & 24  
Glenwood Springs, CO 81601  
(970) 947-2800
- 8 **Little Snake Field Office**  
2103 East Park Ave.  
Craig, CO 81625  
(970) 724-3000
- 9 **Kremmling Field Office**  
2103 E. Park Ave.  
PO Box 68  
Kremmling, CO 80459  
(970) 724-3000
- 10 **SOUTHWEST CENTER**  
Uncompahgre Field Office  
2505 South Townsend Ave.  
Montrose, CO 81401  
(970) 240-5300
- 11 **Gunnison Ranger District/BLM Field Office**  
216 North Colorado  
Gunnison, CO 81230  
(970) 641-0471
- 12 **San Juan Field Office**  
15 Burnett Court  
Durango, CO 81301  
(970) 247-4874
- 13 **Anasazi Heritage Center**  
27501 Highway 184  
Dolores, CO 81323  
(970) 882-5600
- 14 **USDA FOREST SERVICE**  
Rocky Mountain Region  
740 Simms Street  
Golden, CO 80401  
(303) 275-5350
- 15 **ARAPAHOE AND ROOSEVELT NATIONAL FORESTS**  
2150 Centre Ave., Bldg. E  
Ft. Collins, CO 80526  
(970) 295-6600
- 16 **Boulder Ranger District**  
2140 Yarmouth  
Boulder, CO 80301  
(303) 541-2500
- 17 **Canyon Lakes Ranger District**  
2150 Centre Ave., Bldg. E  
Ft. Collins, CO 80526  
(970) 295-6700
- 18 **Clear Creek Ranger District**  
101 Chicago Creek  
PO Box 3307  
Idaho Springs, CO 80452  
(303) 567-2901
- 19 **Pawnee National Grasslands**  
660 "O" Street  
Greeley, CO 80631  
(970) 346-5000
- 20 **Sulphur Ranger District**  
9 Ten Mile Drive  
PO Box 10  
Granby, CO 80446  
(970) 887-4100
- 21 **GRAND MESA, UNCOMPAHGRE & GUNNISON NATIONAL FORESTS**  
2250 Highway 50  
Delta, CO 81416  
(970) 874-6600
- 22 **Grand Valley Ranger District**  
218 High Street  
PO Box 330  
Collbran, CO 81624  
(970) 487-3534
- 23 **Gunnison Ranger District**  
216 North Colorado  
Gunnison, CO 81230  
(970) 641-0471
- 24 **Ouray Ranger District**  
2505 South Townsend Ave.  
Montrose, CO 81401  
(970) 240-5300
- 25 **Paonia Ranger District**  
403 North Grand Ave.  
PO Box 1030  
Paonia, CO 81428  
(970) 527-4131
- 26 **Gunnison Ranger District**  
at Lake City  
PO Box 89  
Lake City, CO 81235  
(970) 944-2500
- 27 **Grand Valley Ranger District**  
at Grand Junction  
2777 Crossroads Blvd.  
Unit 1  
Grand Junction, CO 81506  
(970) 242-8211
- 28 **Norwood Ranger District**  
1150 Forest Street  
PO Box 388  
Norwood, CO 81423  
(970) 327-4261
- 29 **PIKE & SAN ISABEL NATIONAL FORESTS**  
2840 Kachina Drive  
Pueblo, CO 81008  
(719) 553-1400
- 30 **Comanche National Grasslands Timpas Unit**  
1420 East 3rd Street  
La Junta, CO 81050  
(719) 384-2181
- 31 **Comanche National Grasslands Carizo Unit**  
27204 Highway 287  
PO Box 127  
Springfield, CO 81073  
(719) 523-6591
- 32 **Leadville Ranger District**  
810 Front Street  
Leadville, CO 80461  
(719) 486-0749
- 33 **Pikes Peak Ranger District**  
601 South Weber Street  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903  
(719) 636-1602
- 34 **Salida Ranger District**  
325 West Rainbow Blvd.  
Salida, CO 81201  
(719) 539-3591
- 35 **San Carlos Ranger District**  
3170 East Main Street  
Cañon City, CO 81212  
(719) 269-8500
- 36 **South Park Ranger District**  
320 Highway 285  
PO Box 219  
Fairplay, CO 80440  
(719) 836-2031
- 37 **South Platte Ranger District**  
19316 Goddard Ranch Court  
Morrison, CO 80465  
(303) 275-5610
- 38 **MEDICINE BOW/ROUTT NATIONAL FORESTS**  
2468 Jackson Street  
Laramie, WY 82070  
(307) 745-2300
- 39 **Hahns Peak / Bear Ears Ranger District**  
925 Weiss Drive  
Steamboat Springs, CO 80487  
(970) 879-1870
- 40 **Parks Ranger District**  
Walden Office  
100 Main Street  
PO Box 158  
Walden, CO 80480  
(970) 723-8204
- 41 **Parks Ranger District**  
Kremmling Office  
210 South 6th Street  
PO Box 1210  
Kremmling, CO 80459  
(970) 724-9004
- 42 **Yampa Ranger District**  
300 Roselawn Ave.  
PO Box 7  
Yampa, CO 80483  
(970) 638-4516
- 43 **SAN JUAN NATIONAL FOREST**  
15 Burnett Court  
Durango, CO 81301  
(970) 247-4874
- 44 **Columbine Ranger District East**  
367 South Pearl Street  
PO Box 439  
Bayfield, CO 81122  
(970) 884-2512
- 45 **Dolores Public Lands F.S./BLM Office**  
29211 Hwy 184  
Dolores, CO 81323  
(970) 486-7296
- 46 **Pagosa Ranger District**  
180 Second Street  
PO Box 310  
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147  
(970) 264-2268
- 47 **RIO GRANDE NATIONAL FOREST**  
1803 West Highway 160  
Monte Vista, CO 81144  
(719) 852-5941
- 48 **Conejos Peak Ranger District**  
15571 County Road T5  
La Jara, CO 81140  
(719) 274-8971
- 49 **Divide Ranger District**  
Creede Office  
Third and Creede Ave.  
Creede, CO 81130  
(719) 658-2556
- 50 **Divide Ranger District**  
Del Norte Office  
13308 West Highway 160  
Del Norte, CO 81132  
(719) 657-3321
- 51 **Saguache Ranger District**  
46525 State Highway 114  
Saguache, CO 81149  
(719) 655-2547
- 52 **WHITE RIVER NATIONAL FOREST**  
900 Grand Ave.  
PO Box 948  
Glenwood Springs, CO 81602  
(970) 945-2521
- 53 **Aspen Ranger District**  
806 West Hallam  
Aspen, CO 81611  
(970) 925-3445
- 54 **Blanco Ranger District**  
317 East Market Street  
Meeker, CO 81641  
(970) 878-4039
- 55 **Dillon Ranger District**  
680 Blue River Parkway  
PO Box 620  
Silverthorne, CO 80498  
(970) 468-5400
- 56 **Eagle Ranger District**  
125 West Fifth Street  
PO Box 720  
Eagle, CO 81631  
(970) 328-6388
- 57 **Holy Cross Ranger District**  
24747 US Hwy 24  
PO Box 190  
Mintum, CO 81645  
(970) 827-5715
- 58 **Rifle Ranger District**  
0094 County Road 244  
Rifle, CO 81650  
(970) 825-5715
- 59 **Sopris Ranger District**  
620 Main Street  
PO Box 309  
Carbondale, CO 81623  
(970) 963-2266
- 60 **COLORADO STATE PARKS**  
State Forest State Park  
56750 Highway 14  
Walden, CO 80480  
(970) 723-8366
- 61 **CITY OF LAKEWOOD**  
Thunder Valley OHV Park  
Mail: Thunder Valley  
Motorcycle Park/CMP  
2718 South Cole Court  
Lakewood, CO 80228  
Physical Location:  
701 South Rooney Road  
I-70 & C-470 Interchange  
Lakewood, CO  
(303) 697-1003



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We Stay The Trail.**

[www.staythetrail.org](http://www.staythetrail.org)

*Stay on the trail Keep sound down*

**Colorado OHV Trail Maps**

<http://staythetrail.org/wheretogo4>

*Share the trail*  
**Respect wildlife**

*Avoid wetlands areas*

"Stay the Trail" is a trademark of the Colorado Off-Highway Vehicle Coalition.

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Please observe the following types of signs:

Road Signs	Area Signs	Trail Signs



The Colorado Off-Highway Vehicle Coalition (COHVCO) fully supports the Colorado Off-Highway Vehicle Program. COHVCO is committed to enhancing the future of responsible off-highway vehicle use in Colorado.

Joining a club is a great way to meet others with similar interests and discover new trails and challenges. Colorado clubs promote responsible vehicle use and work with land management agencies. This helps protect everyone's access to public land. If you are looking for a club to join in your area, two umbrella organizations can help.

**General OHV:**

Colorado Off-Highway Vehicle Coalition  
 PO Box 620523  
 Littleton, CO 80162-0523  
 (303) 539-5010  
[www.cohvco.org](http://www.cohvco.org)

**Four Wheel Drive:**

Colorado Association of  
 4 Wheel Drive Clubs, Inc.  
 PO Box 1413  
 Wheat Ridge, CO 80034  
 (303) 857-7992  
[www.hightrails.org](http://www.hightrails.org)

**Encourage your friends**

to participate in this program. Your help is needed to protect the future of motorized recreation on our public lands.



Noxious weeds are becoming a bigger problem in Colorado! As they spread, they can:

- degrade wildlife habitat by crowding out native vegetation;
- cause increased soil erosion;
- decrease water quality;
- lower land values;
- poison wildlife, livestock and humans;
- cost millions of taxpayer and private landowner dollars to control them;
- clog or foul rivers and irrigation ditches.

Sometimes these noxious weeds are unknowingly spread by people who have no intention of causing these problems. This can easily occur when motor vehicles are driven through a patch of noxious weeds. Weed seeds can be caught in tire treads, picked up in mud, be lodged in the radiator or the underside of the vehicle and, later, fall off in some other location, starting a new infestation.

This is where we need your help. By thoroughly washing your OHVs and transport trailers before and after a ride, you will help prevent the noxious weeds from spreading.



tread lightly!