

# River Protection Workgroup for the Animas River

## A review of where the Workgroup is “at” and where it is going....

### What has the Workgroup Accomplished?

- Agreed to proceed and to form this Workgroup; kicked off June '11
- Reviewed basic information about the RPW project, terms, etc.
- Values statement done
- Field trip done
- Reviewed the Information Sheet many times, and gained agreement on it
- Speakers for learning \*7 total\*
- Discussing 6 segments: values, tools, information, pro's/con's, etc.  
( NO DECISIONS ARE BEING MADE IN THIS PHASE )
- Meeting held on June 18<sup>th</sup> in Durango as an informational meeting

### Where does the Workgroup go from here?

- Continue segment by segment discussion
- Facilitator will develop an issues, concerns and opportunities list - group will review
- Fall: members asked to craft proposals for protections that meet the various interests' and working group members' needs - these will be discussed in detail
- A check will be done for consensus or a range of opinion might emerge
- Option to appoint a smaller working group(s) (e.g. drafting committee)
- As proposals come forth, any that involve water rights will include more specific information
- Projected conclusion = ? Depends on many factors...hopefully spring '13
- **GOAL: Produce report and widely disseminate reflecting the work of the Workgroup and any findings and conclusions**



