

Kathleen Griffin

I look forward to the opportunity to serve on the Board as the NW Representative. For the past 7 years, I have been the Grouse Conservation Program Coordinator for Colorado Parks and Wildlife working with greater sage-grouse, Gunnison sage-grouse, and Columbian sharp-tailed grouse. My experiences include working with a diversity of species (from turtles to fishers, red cockaded woodpeckers, and spotted owls) in a wide variety of ecosystems. I received my PhD from University of Montana, a M.S. from Washington State University, and a B.S. from Humboldt State University in California. Most of my experience is focused on species management/conservation and making conservation work on-the-ground. As a Peace Corp Volunteer (Honduras 1991-1993), I certainly gained an understanding of the importance of involving the local stakeholders in order for conservation efforts to be sustainable for the long-term.

Within this group, it's probably fairly trite to say I enjoy the outdoors/nature but it truly is the core of my being. I grew up exploring the SW deserts, rock hounding, and investigating every bit of nature with my father. In my endeavors closer to home, I find joy in growing and eating my own vegetables, and all types of biking - mountain biking, cyclocross racing, and road biking.

