

I am a Colorado native and was born and raised in Gunnison. I spent my childhood hiking around in the Rocky Mountains, where I gained a great deal of exposure and appreciation for the outdoors and wildlife through fishing, hunting, and camping with my family. I spent several years in Alaska, attending the University of Alaska in Fairbanks and studying Wildlife Biology. During the summers, I did volunteer work for the Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge in Tok. I returned to Colorado in 2013, where I lived and worked on a ranch in the Gunnison Valley learning animal, land, and water management, while simultaneously finishing my B.S. in biology at Western State Colorado University.

Soon after, I was hired as a biologist at Pinyon Environmental Engineering, Inc. in Lakewood. At Pinyon I provide environmental planning and permitting services to a wide array of clients in various industries including mining, transportation, and wind energy. I lead biological resource evaluations for many projects and provide supporting technical and permitting documents. My extensive field experience includes migratory bird and bat surveys; raptor nest monitoring; threatened, endangered, and sensitive species

surveys; habitat assessments; and wetland delineations. My Wife, Ashley, is also from Gunnison and we love to spend just about all our free time outdoors with our two dogs. We enjoy a wide array of outdoor activities like hunting, fishing, birding, skiing, and hiking/backpacking. We will use just about any excuse to get away from the hustle and bustle of the city and back into the mountains.