



REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FORUM

May 10, 2023

Fort Morgan, CO



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- A statewide, membership based, industry association that supports economic development efforts across Colorado.
 - Provide education, tools & resources, advocate for sound policy in support of economic development
 - We are rural and urban, public and private-sector, for profit and not-for-profit, and include individual communities, counties and regional organizations, local and state government, chambers of commerce, universities and private industry.

Who is EDCC?

ECON DEV WEEK IS BACK!

MAY 8-12





WHEREAS, economic development is a process that is strengthened by the critical partnership between economic development professionals and local government leadership to promote a shared vision for developing resilient communities; and

WHEREAS, economic developers cultivate and nurture entrepreneurship that helps to secure the next generation of new businesses, working in partnership with industries, brokers, educators, and other key allies to foster an effective business climate and meet the increasingly critical need for a skilled and competitive workforce; and

WHEREAS, economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities by creating, retaining, and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth, and provide a stable tax base; and

WHEREAS, economic developers are engaged in a wide variety of settings including rural and urban, local, state, and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities, and a variety of other institutions; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Council of Colorado works to strengthen our state's economy by unifying organizations involved in economic development, fostering the exchange of ideas, insights, and best practices for economic developers; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Economic Development and International Trade is dedicated to working with the EDC and local economic developers to create a vibrant Colorado;

THEREFORE, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim the period of time between May 8 and May 12, 2023, as

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK

in the State of Colorado.



GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this eighth day of May, 2023

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jared Polis".

Jared Polis
Governor



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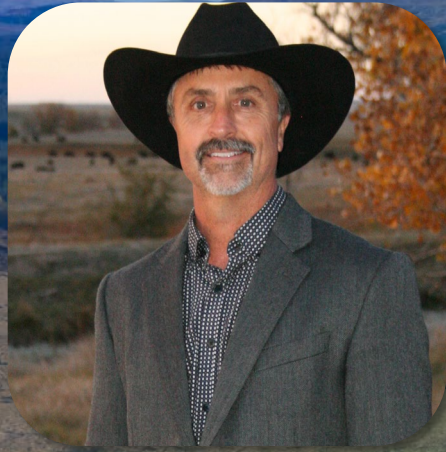


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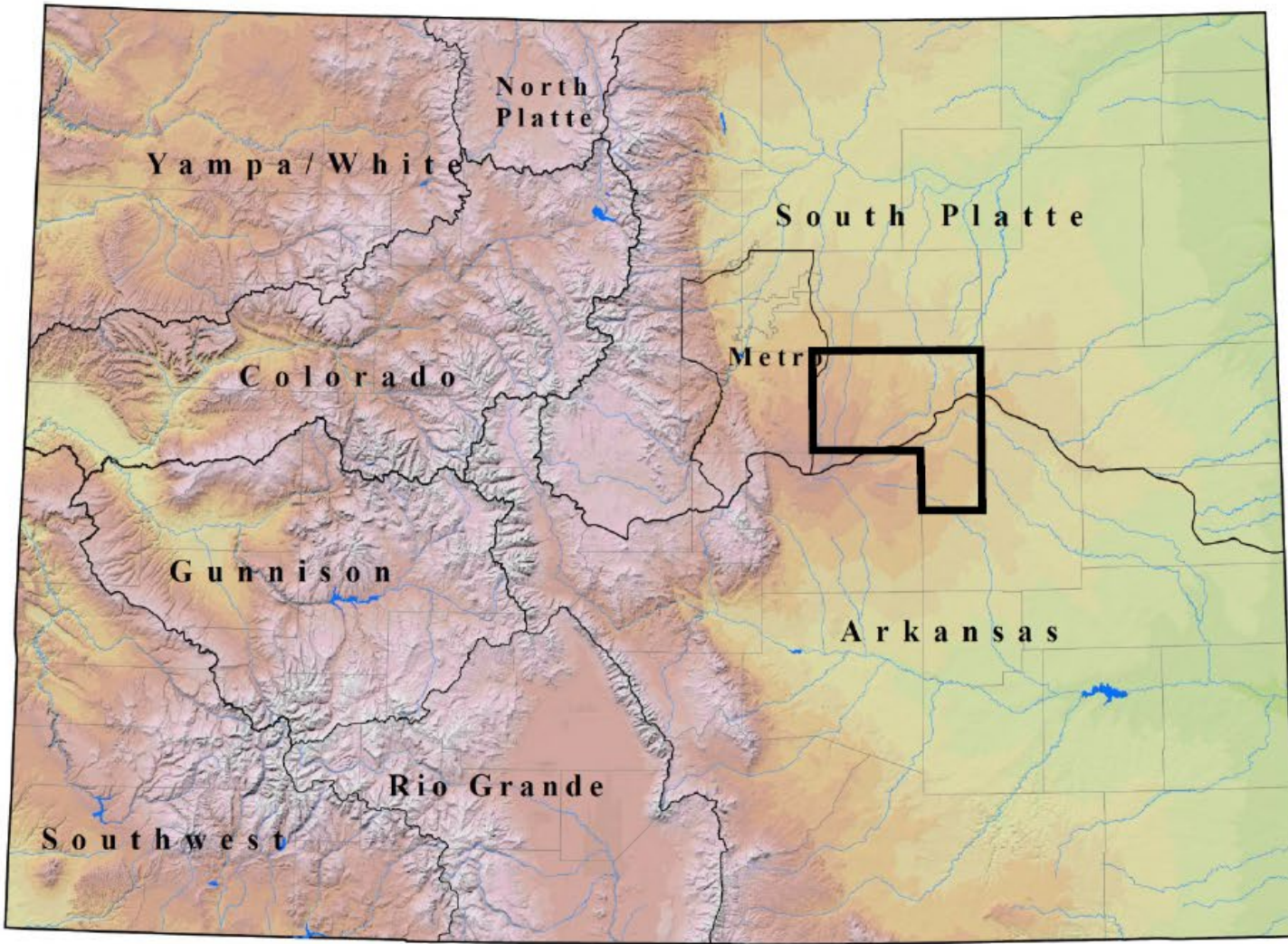


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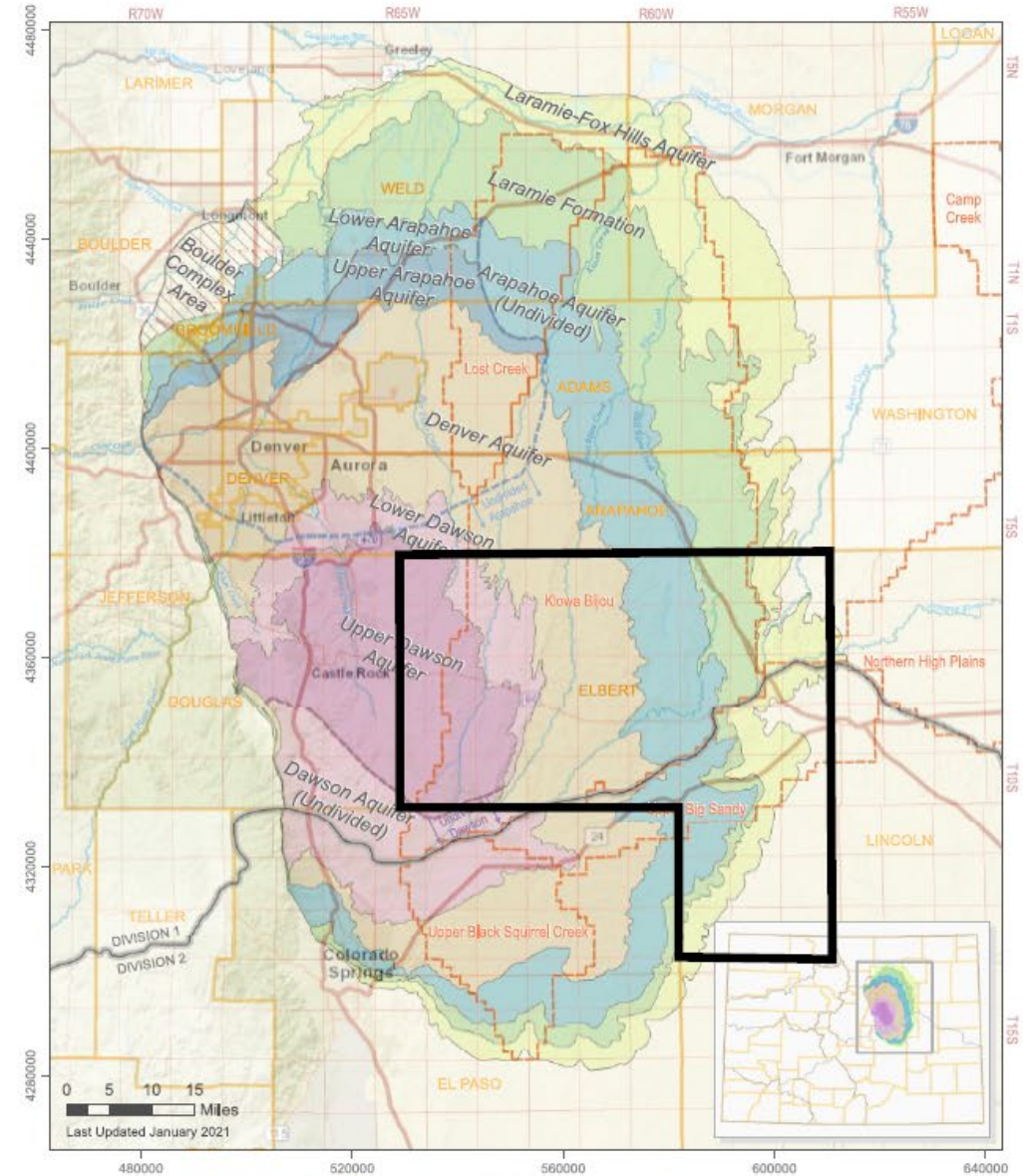
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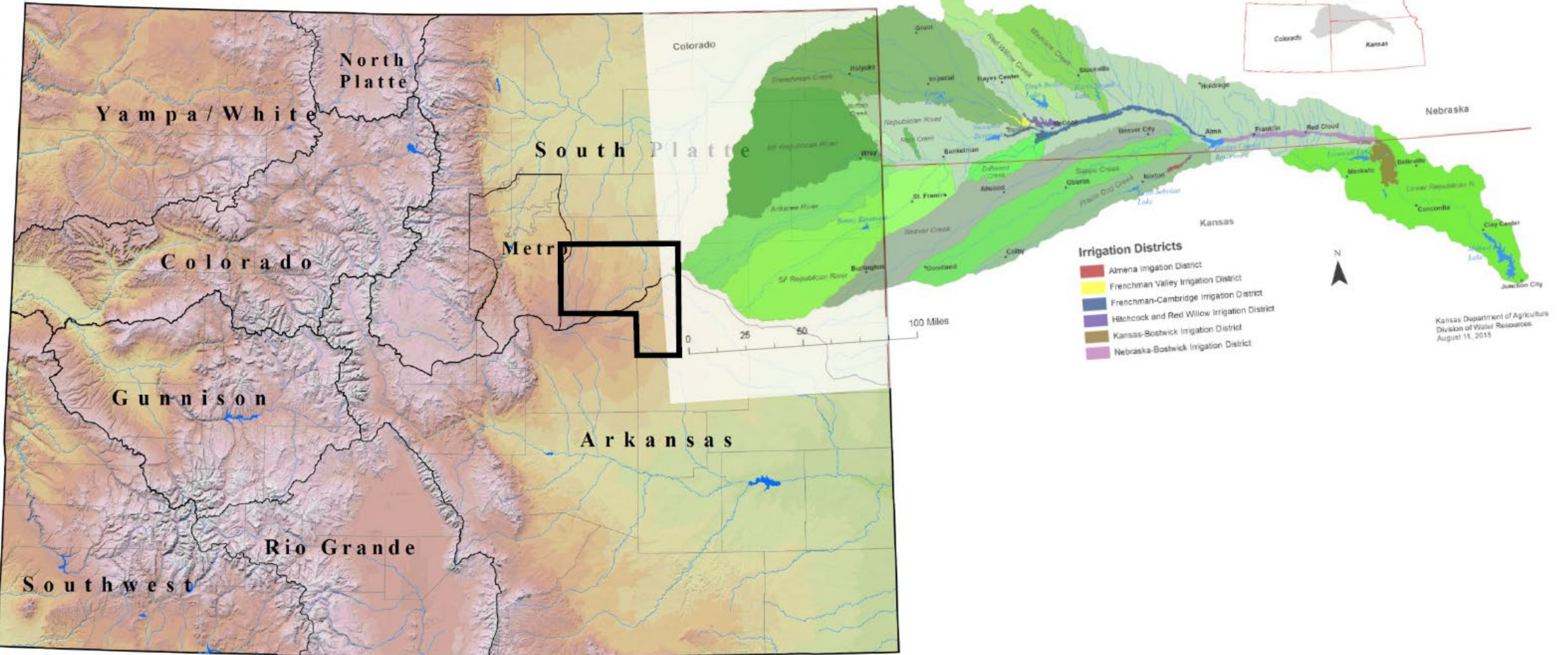


- Upper Dawson
- Lower Dawson
- Dawson
- Denver
- Upper Arapahoe
- Lower Arapahoe
- Arapahoe
- Laramie Formation
- Laramie-Fox Hills
- Designated Basins
- Water Divisions
- Counties

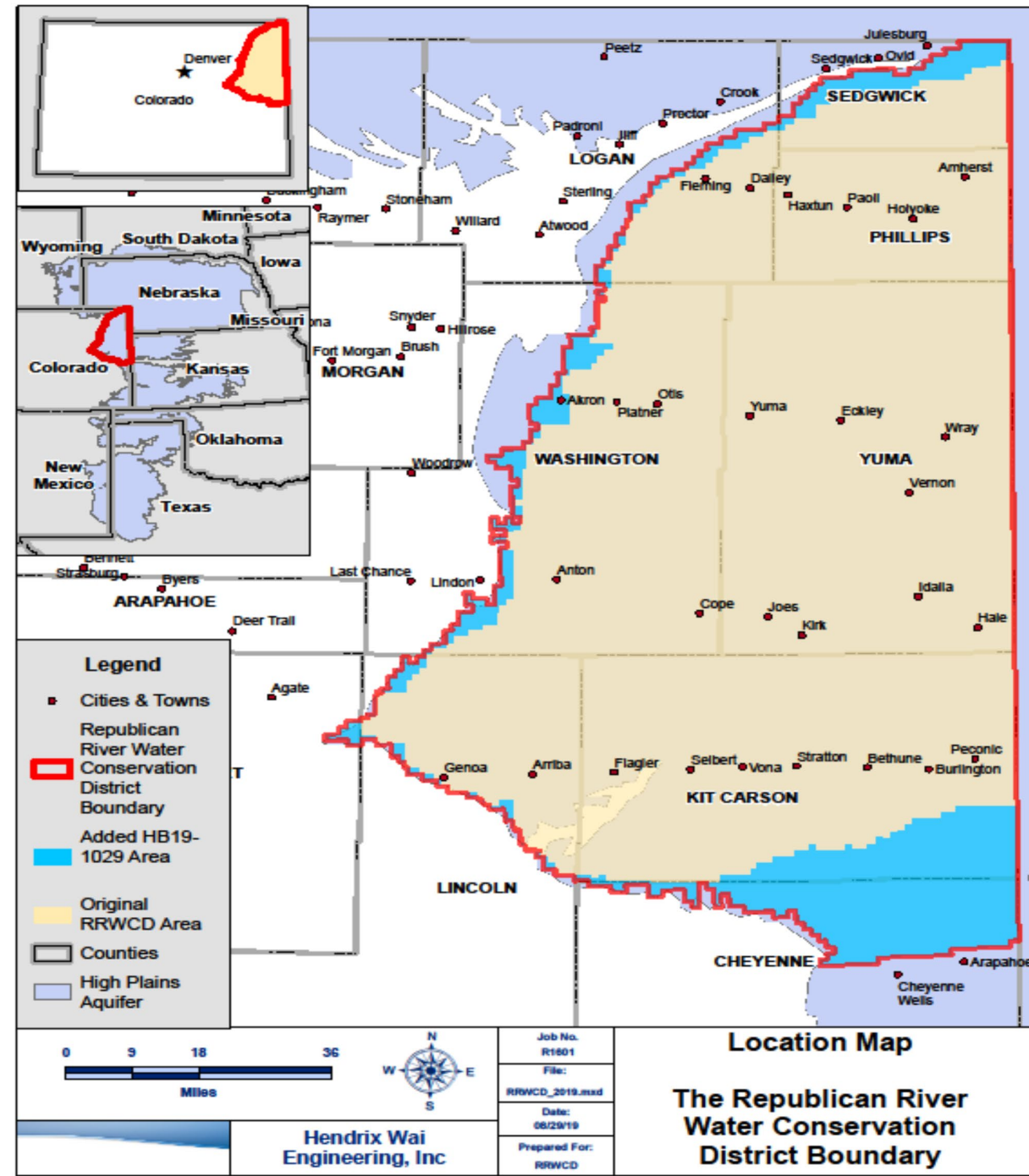
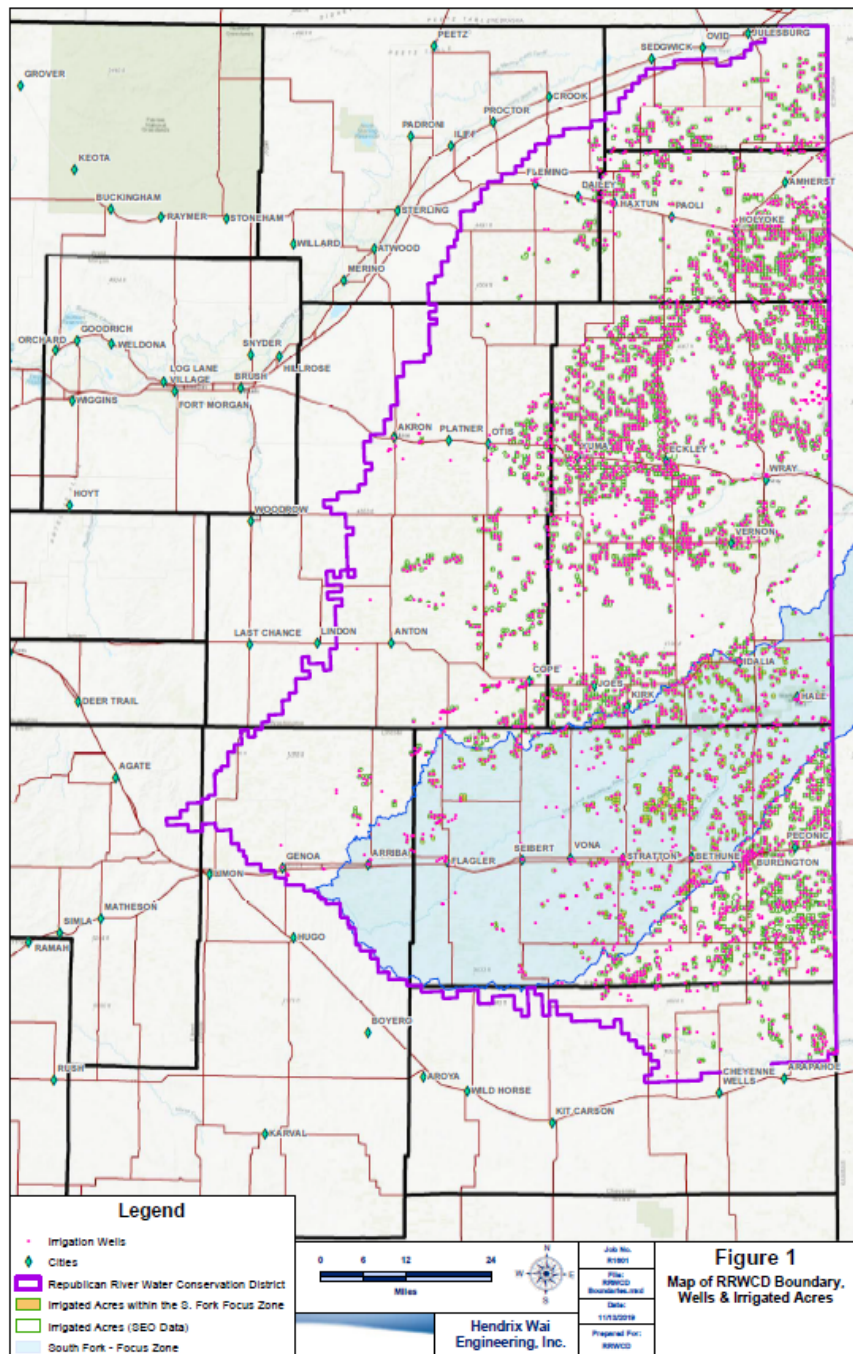


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Republican River Compact Basins and Irrigation Districts



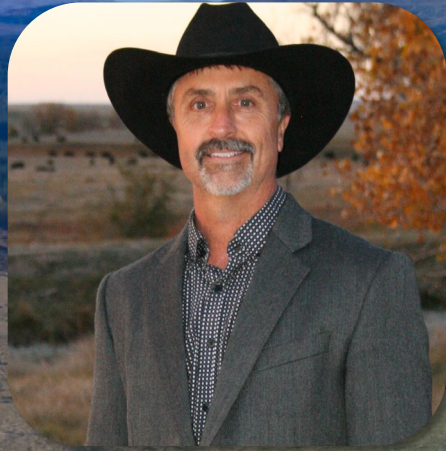
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2023 Events Calendar

<https://edcconline.org/events-calendar>



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Events.

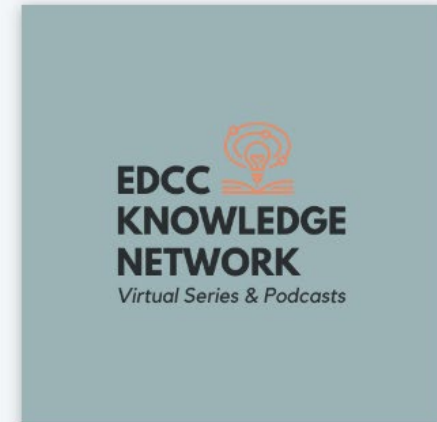
IEDC Recognized
Recertification Event



Legislative Luncheon
Our annual Legislative Luncheon connects economic development professionals...
Feb. 1, 2023
11:30 – 1:30 p.m.



Virtual & Thought Leadership Paper Series
A new annual series designed to tackle timely perplexing issues with international...
Mar. 15 | Aug. 16, 2023
10 – 11:30 a.m.



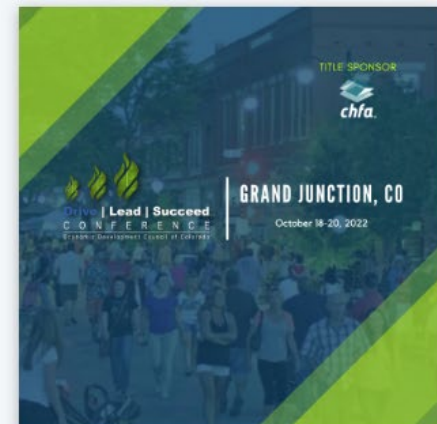
Knowledge Network Series
Real World Theory & Application Strategies for Economic Development Professionals
Apr. 19 | Dec. 13, 2023
9:30 – 11:00 a.m.



Colorado's Celebration Economic Development Week
Join EDCC & DCI as we celebrate Colorado's Economic Development ecosystem in the state!
May 8 – 12, 2023



Regional Economic Development Forum
The EDCC's Regional Economic Development Forums are designed to look at our communities...
May 10, 2023 | The Block, Ft. Morgan



Drive|Lead|Succeed Conference
Providing the knowledge, tools, & connections vital to foster a growing Colorado economy...
Oct. 18 – 20, 2023
Grand Junction, CO