SPEAKER INFORMATION

Date: Thursday, October 29, 2015

Event: Panel Discussion – "The Future of Water: Wins, Woes and Worries"

Time: 9:30 am – 11:30 am

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Chris Piper has been employed with Denver Water for the past 19 years. He began his career in water policy as a water resource engineer and for the last four years has served as Denver Water's senior government relations specialist. Mr. Piper's most recent legislative success was spearheading the passage of legislation to phase in the sale of high efficiency water fixtures in the state. This accomplishment in water conservation will shrink Colorado's looming water supply gap by 10% in the coming years. In 2013, Mr. Piper lead the effort to pass legislation that streamlines and maximizes the use and storage of water in reservoirs creating more flexibility in the use and storage of water. In addition to his legislative efforts at the State Capitol, he also provides leadership within the Colorado water community by serving on various boards including the Colorado Water Congress.

Outside of his day job, Mr. Piper maintains his zeal for politics and also enjoys participating in extreme sports. He has organized several successful political fundraisers for top level elected officials in addition to competing in four IronMan triathlons and several multi-day adventure races. In a recent four-day, 350 mile, self-supported mountain biking expedition with a friend, he devoted the effort to raising over \$2,000 for Parkinson's research from his friends and family. But by far the "job" he gets the most reward from is sharing in the raising of his two boys with his wife, Danielle.