

**ANNOUNCING
THE BIG THOMPSON WATERSHED FORUM'S**



**DAVE COLE
ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
2011**

"Dave Cole served on the Big Thompson Watershed Forum's Board of Directors for 10 years, 1998 - 2008 and was keenly interested in water science education for our region's youth. Dave has long been a steward for improving and protecting water quality and promoting water conservation. Dave and the Silver Lake Homeowners Association have assisted several students from Colorado State University with their research and dissertations in the water quality and watershed arena. Dave continues to be a strong standing member of the Forum and community and annually leads youth church members in the City of Loveland's Spring Cleanup and Big Thompson River Revival. Dave retired from 30 years of employment with Hewlett-Packard and currently resides in Loveland with his wife, Lily, their two children and four grandchildren."

The Big Thompson Watershed Forum (BTWF) will award an environmental scholarship to a student attending *Colorado State University* or the *University of Northern Colorado* in the amount of *\$1,500*.

To be considered, the candidate must be a sophomore, junior, senior or graduate student by the Fall 2011 semester, in an approved academic program with a primary focus of study in hydrology, environmental health, biology or sociology, water resources, watershed science, water pollution, and/or water quality. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0.

Application for the award must be submitted electronically via email or hard copy to the Forum by the close of business on June 30, 2011. The application package must include a resume, three references (contact information only), a copy of the candidate's most recent academic transcripts, and a short (one-page) statement of interest letter that describes the candidate's course of study, future educational and career plans, past/current volunteer or community work and why they should be selected for the award.

If selected, the candidate will agree to volunteer a minimum of 40 hours for the Forum over the 12-month period beginning July 15, 2011. Many volunteer opportunities are available with the Forum that can provide the candidate with unique and valuable learning experiences.

Applications must be received by *June 30, 2011*. The selected candidate will be announced on *July 15, 2011*, and the scholarship award and check will be presented at the Forum's end of the year board meeting and luncheon in December, 2011.

For the following information about the award, the acceptable fields of study, a list of acceptable volunteer activities, and instructions for submitting an application or consult our website at www.btwatershed.org and select the Dave Cole Environmental Scholarship Fund link.



The mission of the Big Thompson Watershed Forum is to protect and improve water quality in the Big Thompson Watershed through collaborative monitoring, assessment, education and restoration projects.



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Candidate Requirements

Application packet:

Resume (sophomore, junior, senior or graduate student by the fall 2010 semester)
Three references (contact information only, not letters of recommendation)
Academic transcripts (3.0 GPA minimum)
Application letter (one page short statement of interest that describes the candidates course of study, future educational and career plans, previous/current volunteer or community work and why the candidate should be selected for the award)

Acceptable fields of study include:

Environmental/Civil Engineering
Environmental Health & Biology
Environmental Science/Studies
Environmental Sociology
Forestry/Soil/Crop Sciences
Hydrology
Watershed/Water Quality Sciences

Forum events to attend/assist:

(note: not all events required; must volunteer a minimum of 40 hours from July 15, 2011 to July 15, 2012)

Board of Directors meeting	August/September 2011
End of Year BOD Meeting	December 2011 (award announcement)
USEPA Volunteer Sampling Survey	August-November 2011; April-July 2012
USGS Sampling Survey	August-December 2011; Feb-July 2012
Loveland Spring Cleanup	April 2012
Loveland Children's Water Festival	May 2012
Fort Collins Water Festival	May 2012

Candidate should submit application packet materials electronically via email or hardcopy by **June 30, 2011**, to Zack Shelley. The selected candidate, as determined by the Forum's scholarship committee, will be announced **July 15, 2011**.

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