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EL PASO BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Date: September 18, 2014 Agenda Item No: 8.  
To: Board of County Commissioners  
From: Dennis Hisey - Chair , Board of County Commissioners  
Subject: Proclamation Recognizing "Creek Week" in El Paso County.

**SUMMARY (including information on budgeted matters):**

See above

**BACKGROUND (including information on budgeted matters):**

See above

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (completed only if not currently budgeted, and is an emergency, mandated or grant/unanticipated revenue funding request before the Board for consideration):**

Not Applicable

Revenue/Funding Sources:	NA
Revenue/Funding Amount:	NA
Future Revenue/Funding Amount:	NA
Subject to TABOR?	NA
Increase to Original Adopted Budget:	NA
Increase to Future Budget:	NA
Net Cost to El Paso County:	NA
Future Net Cost to El Paso County:	NA
Total Project Cost:	NA
Future Total Project Cost:	NA

# *Proclamation Recognizing “Creek Week” in El Paso County*

**WHEREAS,** Citizens of El Paso County are blessed with extensive and diverse natural resources, including forests, grasslands, riparian areas, lakes, creeks and a wide variety of open spaces; and

**WHEREAS,** the Fountain Creek watershed, highlighted by Fountain Creek itself, is a 927-square mile area that drains into the Arkansas River at Pueblo; and

**WHEREAS,** Fountain Creek, along with its tributaries and related wetlands, trails, and recreational opportunities, is an important resource and asset to the people of El Paso, Teller and Pueblo counties; and

**WHEREAS,** the Fountain Creek Watershed Flood Control and Greenway District is partnering with El Paso County, City of Colorado Springs, the Trails and Open Space Coalition, and other organizations on “Creek Week” to promote cleanup, restoration and maintenance of the Fountain Creek watershed; and

**WHEREAS,** this week-long, clean-up effort begins at the Colorado Sustainability Conference on September 27<sup>th</sup> and runs through October 5<sup>th</sup> with a special added project on October 11<sup>th</sup> in Fountain Creek Regional Park; and

**WHEREAS,** “Creek Week” programs and activities are designed to raise awareness about littering within the watershed, to collect litter and debris, and to make Fountain Creek and the watershed cleaner and safer for everyone; and

**WHEREAS,** Keep America Beautiful and Lowes have awarded a \$20,000 Community Beautification grant to support “Creek Week” activities; and

**WHEREAS,** area businesses, churches, schools, non-profits, neighborhood associations, youth groups, service clubs and individuals are encouraged to form a “Creek Crew” to assist at a “Creek Week” project site; and

**WHEREAS,** “Creek Week” litter removal activities will reduce pollution in our creeks and clogs in our waterways that can lead to flooding, enhance wildlife habitat and protect property values.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Board of El Paso County Commissioners hereby proclaims September 27 through October 5, 2014, as “Creek Week” in El Paso County and encourages all citizens to help protect, restore and maintain our waterways by participating in “Creek Week” activities.

**DONE THIS** 18<sup>th</sup> day of September 2014 at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

## **THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO**

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**ATTEST:**

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