

## November 18 – Plan on Attending the Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership Meeting

The Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership is pleased to hold its next Stakeholders Meeting in Ridgway this month, to discuss water quality goals, fun winter events, and the successes of the Rapid River Assessment. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 1:30 – 5:30 pm at the Ridgway Community Center.

The Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership is leading the formation of the Uncompahgre Watershed Plan. Community involvement is vital because the document is reflecting how the river, land, and people work together. In response

to advice from Camille Price, of Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety, this month's meeting will focus on "making clear goals." To open the discussion, Peter Butler of the Colorado Water Quality Control Commission will share how the Animas River Stakeholders Group made their water quality goals. The process will likely involve a committee dedicated to reviewing a drafted water quality report and inventorying mining in the watershed. Please attend the meeting if you are interested in being involved.

Highlights and les-

sons learned from the recent Uncompahgre Rapid River Assessment will also be shared. The event brought in 11 new volunteers, who reported that the event was educational and fun!

The UWP would like to discuss ideas for more community activities, such as a Nordic Ski Tour and Pot Luck. Come with any suggestions of your own!

For more information about the next stakeholder meeting of the Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership, please contact Rachel Boothby at UW-PVista@gmail.com.