

FLOWING THROUGH THE POUDRE RIVER CORRIDOR HERITAGE VIDEO SERIES

"Water is sacred and we respect that. Without water there is no life."

- Crawford White, Northern Arapaho leader

OVERVIEW

The Flowing through the Poudre River Corridor Heritage Video Series invites teachers to take their students beyond the classroom walls and into the Cache la Poudre River National Heritage Area (CALA) for rich learning experiences — no permission slips required.

Unfortunately, it isn't always practical or possible to take students on field trips. Tight budgets, location, transportation, time, and resource restrictions can keep students school-bound. The Heritage Video Series removes those barriers, allowing students and families to engage with CALA and explore places important to their discipline of study and consistent with their individual learning needs, without leaving the classroom.



The video units highlight the Poudre River corridor, beginning in the tundra of Rocky Mountain National Park and tracing the river 145 miles through several life zones and cultural and historic eras before joining the South Platte just east of Greeley. Along the way students might encounter Hubert Friday or Mark Soldierwolf, Northern Arapahoe Leaders; or learn about the health of the Poudre River; or enjoy an entertaining, animated history of the Cache la Poudre River National Heritage Area.

The Heritage Video Series currently consists of 22 video units and seven audio units that explore the excitement and drama of the Poudre River corridor. Come along as we take you, your family, and your students on great adventures! They are free for anyone to view online!

poudreheritage.org/videos

PARTNERS

- Northern Arapaho Tribe
- City of Fort Collins
- City of Greeley
- City of Windsor
- Fort Collins Museum of Discovery
- City of Greeley Museums
- Larimer County
- Weld County

GOALS & OUTCOMES

Goal:

Increase the opportunity to teach about CALA, the Poudre River and water heritage.

Outcomes:

- Raise awareness about CALA and the Poudre Heritage Alliance
- Inspire appreciation of the Poudre River and water heritage
- Support educators in delivering required curriculum content
- Enhance and expand content knowledge, especially related to CALA

BUDGET: \$60,000

- \$200 – Convene local teachers to explore relevant new video topics
- \$1,000 – Conduct video interviews with content experts (historians, water law experts, biologists)
- \$2,500 – Produce one 2-4 minute video
- \$10,000 – Produce one animated 5-10 minute video

