



Economic impact summary of GJFO proposal- GJFO horribly undervalues economic contributions of recreation

1. a. GJFO Plan asserts total recreational value is:

"Recreation would generate nearly **\$7.2 million in total spending**, \$4.4 million in total value added and **90 full-time equivalent jobs** by 2029." ¹

1b. GJFO closures would impact economics as follows:

"Economic effects from recreation would be similar but **slightly less** than Alternative A. Motorized use is anticipated to be slightly less under this alternative, while mechanized and non- mechanized use may increase."

2. COHVCO found significant motorized recreational economic contributions for NW & SW Colorado including Garfield and Mesa County

Motorized recreation provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year as follows:

Contribution	NW CO	SW CO
Direct Impact		
Direct Sales	\$38,810,143	\$102,241,835
Number of Jobs	514	1,633
Labor Income	\$15,726,777	\$40,726,942
Other Property Type Income	\$5,046,453	\$13,111,387
Indirect Business Taxes	\$4,911,339	\$12,917,639
Other Economic Activity		
Indirect and Induced Sales	\$17,260,416	\$56,622,012
Number of Jobs	139	480
Labor Income	\$5,409,525	\$17,694,877
Other Property Type Income	\$3,829,771	\$11,383,096
Indirect Business Taxes	\$1,117,435	\$3,231,585 ²

¹ RMP at pg 2-247

² COHVCO Economic contribution of motorized recreation in Colorado at pg ES-6

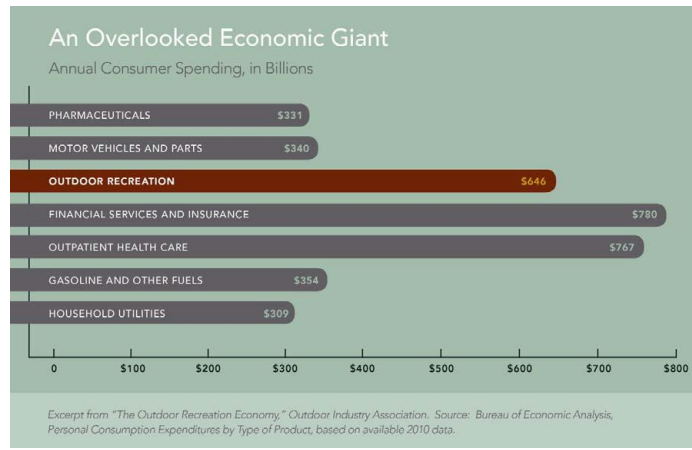
3. CPW economic impact to Garfield & Mesa counties from hunting

In 2007 CPW performed an Economic Contribution Analysis for hunting and fishing expenditures. The Organizations must note that the expenditures for recreation calculated in the draft RMP are wholly irreconcilable with these calculations as well.

County	Direct Expenditures ¹ (\$ in thousands)	Total Impact ² (\$ in thousands)	Jobs ³
Mesa	43,980	76,100	813
Garfield	31,700	54,420	579
Total Contributions		\$130,520,000	1392

4.a GJFO contributions are wholly inconsistent with State level analysis

4b. Western Governors found 646 Billion is contributed to western states economies from recreation-



4c. Outdoor Industry Foundation found 10 Billion is contributed to Colorado Economy annually from all non-motorized recreation

³ CPW The Economic Impacts of Hunting, Fishing and Wildlife Watching in Colorado September 2008 at section iv, pg 16 & 17.