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Save the Poudre and C.A.R.D.

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Poudre River Savers and Uranium Mine Fighters Unite! Fundraiser will "Protect Our Water" -- POW!

Fort Collins, CO - Water protection in northern Colorado has taken a big step forward this week as Save the Poudre and Coloradans Against Resource Destruction (C.A.R.D) have united for a joint fundraiser to "Protect Our Water" (POW!). The two groups are both fighting the proposed destruction of water supplies in northern Colorado -- Save the Poudre is fighting proposed new dams and reservoirs just west of Fort Collins; C.A.R.D. is fighting proposed uranium mines just east of Fort Collins.

"Fort Collins is in the crosshairs of potential environmental and economic destruction," said Gary Wockner of Save the Poudre. "These two groups are uniting to raise money to protect northern Colorado's quality of life."

"We are excited to join with Save the Poudre to protect northern Colorado's water resources," said Jay Davis of C.A.R.D. "The water in Colorado is a valuable multi-use resource that requires protection to ensure that it continues to be available in a clean, healthy manner."

The fundraiser will happen Friday, April 30th at the Lincoln Center in Fort Collins from 6:30pm-11:00pm and will include a huge silent auction, two live bands -- Poudre River Irregulars (Dixieland Jazz) and Futaba (Funk Rock) -- and plenty of food and drink. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at the Bean Cycle Coffee shop (144 N. College), at the Lincoln Center Box Office (970-221-6730), or online here: <http://savethepoudre.org/fundraiser-2010-04-30.html>.

Adding to the connection between the two groups, both the Northern Integrated Supply Project (NISP) and the Million Pipeline are proposing to locate one of their massive reservoirs just a few hundred yards from the proposed uranium mines. The proposed "Cactus Hill Reservoir" site just northeast of Fort Collins would potentially store drinking water right next to potential in-situ leach and open-pit uranium mines. (see map below)

"Northern Colorado's water, property values, and economy are at risk," said Gary Wockner. "Destroying the public's rivers and water supplies to enrich special interests is wrong. Protecting Our Water is right."

"This event is a great way to have fun while supporting the critical work of two hardworking community non-profit groups," continued Wockner. "Please join us at the fundraiser."