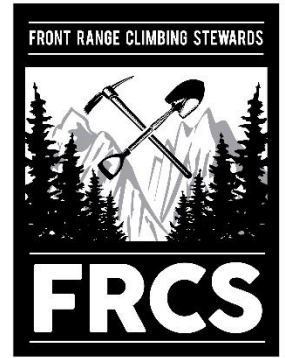


# The Front Range Climbing Stewards

## Darkside Boulders Project Report

Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> 2015



### Synopsis:

On Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 the FRCS completed the final phase of the project. The main focus was to construct a central trail that connects the various boulders in the area. We were directed to build stone steps in the steep and already eroded initial section after the trail crosses over the ridge. This was done by quarrying stone within 100 ft. of the proposed worksite, transporting materials to the area and building structures within the existing trail corridor. The focus was on the main steep trail corridor (photos: Main Staircase). Additionally, we enhanced three other areas with stone structures in order to work in a more efficient manner and to accommodate work areas for larger volunteer groups (photos: Lower Stairs, Lateral Connector & Cave steps). Supplementing this traditional trail work we endeavored to clean up the graffiti that is prevalent at the site. In collaboration with Access Fund and Earthtreks Climbing Gym we accomplished this to a large degree. (Photo: Lateral Connector 3)

Please see the following link for before and after photos of the worksites:

[https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B3ajKgY2\\_QQ\\_cU95TjRrM1BwM2s](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B3ajKgY2_QQ_cU95TjRrM1BwM2s)



## Volunteer Component:

This work was completed by a primary crew of 3 FRCS trail staff who were complimented by volunteers on occasion during regular work days as well as three organized events: Salewa give-back day, Earthtreks stewardship project and Access Fund's Rock Project. There was a total of 72 volunteer days on this project and a total of 326.5 hours of volunteer labor were utilized. (see appendix A: Darkside Boulders Volunteer Log)

## Metrics:

The metrics of the project are categorized in the following categories with the corresponding amount and unit of measure.

<b>outcome</b>	<b>amount</b>	<b>unit</b>
Trail improved	128	L FT
Rock Step	69	#
Retaining Structure	161	SQ FT
Rubble Structure	98	SQ FT
Junk Structure	7	SQ FT
Staging areas constructed	15	SQ FT
Backfill Aggregate	116	CU FT
Fill, Rock, Restoration 100%	45	SQ FT
Quarry/Move Rock by Hand	127	#
Quarry/Move Rock by Highline	119	#
Seeding w/ native mulch	39	SQ FT

## Appendix A:

### Darkside Volunteer Log

<b>Volunteer Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>hrs</b>
Brian Fredricksen	8/25/2015	8
Douglas Donato	8/26/2015	7
Kyle Rodman	8/27/2015	8
Hayli Nemeth	9/17/2015	8
Jamie Starr	9/2/2015	6
Drew Saunders	9/2/2015	6
Bruno Damias	9/2/2015	6
Danny Ciavario	9/2/2015	6
Matt Whiteman	9/2/2015	6
Ross Herr	9/2/2015	6
Steve Kropf	9/2/2015	6
Kyle DeJohn	9/13/2015	6
Abbey Mojica	9/13/2015	6
Ethan Mojica	9/13/2015	6
Russel R	9/13/2015	6
Kyle Hall	9/13/2015	6
Hagen Hall	9/13/2015	6
Jung Yang	9/13/2015	6
Mike Bonnema	9/13/2015	6
Rowland Chen	9/13/2015	6

Zach Bain	9/13/2015	6
Sara Merkel	9/13/2015	6
Chelsea Anglin	9/13/2015	6
Will Anglin	9/13/2015	6
Sara Elbeheiry	9/13/2015	6
Margaret Brown	9/13/2015	6
Josh Brown	9/13/2015	6
Chandler Heppe	10/4/2015	3.5
Elli Johnson	10/4/2015	3.5
Connor Brazinski	10/4/2015	3.5
Nicholas Menning	10/4/2015	3.5
Martha Strain	10/4/2015	3.5
Emily Cromer	10/4/2015	3.5
Peter Horgan	10/4/2015	3.5
Alex Giggeri	10/4/2015	3.5
Elisha Davis	10/4/2015	3.5
Anthony Appezzato	10/4/2015	3.5
Laura Olson	10/4/2015	3.5
Nick Turner	10/4/2015	3.5
Alexandra Bassett	10/4/2015	3.5
Stanley P Wrozek	10/4/2015	3.5
Karen Skruch	10/4/2015	3.5
Lauren Leuck	10/4/2015	3.5
Nick Leuck	10/4/2015	3.5
Rachel Simpson	10/4/2015	3.5
James Cardinal	10/4/2015	3.5
Jesse Montgomery	10/4/2015	3.5
Heather McGonegle	10/4/2015	3.5
Brian Fredricksen	10/4/2015	3.5
Emily F Freed	10/4/2015	3.5
Eliot Augusto	10/4/2015	3.5
Richard Blumberg	10/4/2015	3.5
Allen Griffith	10/4/2015	3.5
Rylan Summit	10/4/2015	3.5
Sam Elias	10/4/2015	3.5
Caitlin Greagor	10/4/2015	3.5
Fred McGuinness	10/4/2015	3.5
Stephanie Miller	10/4/2015	3.5
Anadrea Prat Banadas	10/4/2015	3.5
Mike Piasecki	10/4/2015	3.5
Andrea Stader	10/4/2015	3.5
Sarah Lockwood	10/4/2015	3.5
Tommy Caldwell	10/4/2015	3.5
Paige Caassen	10/4/2015	3.5
Anneliese Thies	10/4/2015	3.5
Jonathan Siegrist	10/4/2015	3.5
Paul Kaster	10/4/2015	3.5
Ethan Chase	10/4/2015	3.5
Jediah Porter	10/4/2015	3.5
Holly Hansen	10/4/2015	3.5
Jonathan Barolak	10/4/2015	3.5
Robin Evans	10/4/2015	3.5

**Total vol. days: 72      Total hrs.:      326.5**