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## Agenda

### **New Castle Climate and Environment Commission Virtual Work Session Thursday, August 18, 2022, 3:30 PM**

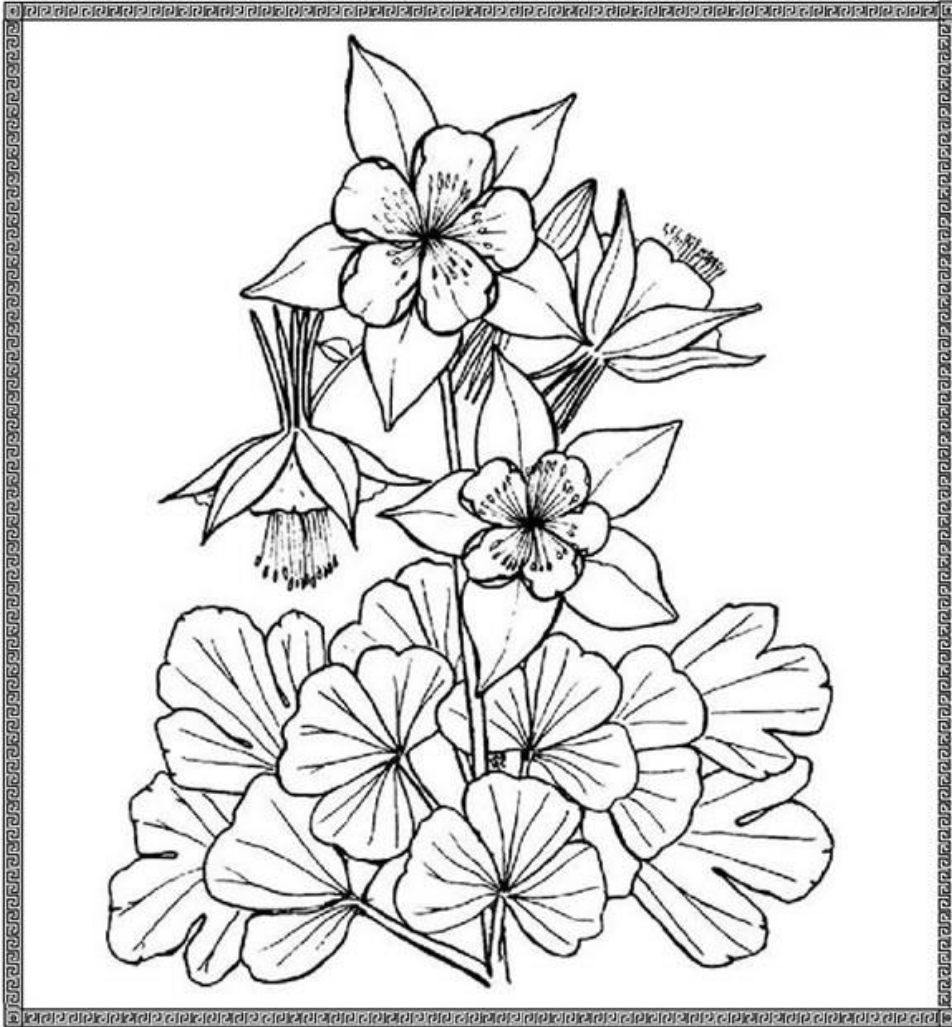
#### **Call to Order**

- 1. Discussion: Martin Bonzi, CLEER Programs Coordinator Regarding EV Charging Station Grant Opportunity**
- 2. Finalize Burning Mountain Festival Plans**
- 3. GCE Funding Increase Discussion**
- 4. Items for September Meeting**

## Love where you live!

Let's love our town of New Castle, the state of Colorado, the United States of America,  
and our beautiful blue planet.

Here's the state flower to color. Have you ever seen a columbine?



### Colorado Columbine

*Aquilegia coerulea* Ranunculaceae the Buttercup Family

The Colorado Columbine is our state flower. The flowers are white and blue with large spurs pointing behind the flower. The unusual shape of the flower make it an easy plant to recognize. It is common in Aspen groves and moist, forested areas. This plant was so heavily collected in the early 1900's that a law was passed limiting the number of flowers one person could pick in one day.

(Photo courtesy of US Forest Service.) Climate and Environment Commission



Never play with matches or lighters.

**RULE 3**

Always Be Careful with fire.

**RULE 2**

Only you can prevent wildfires.

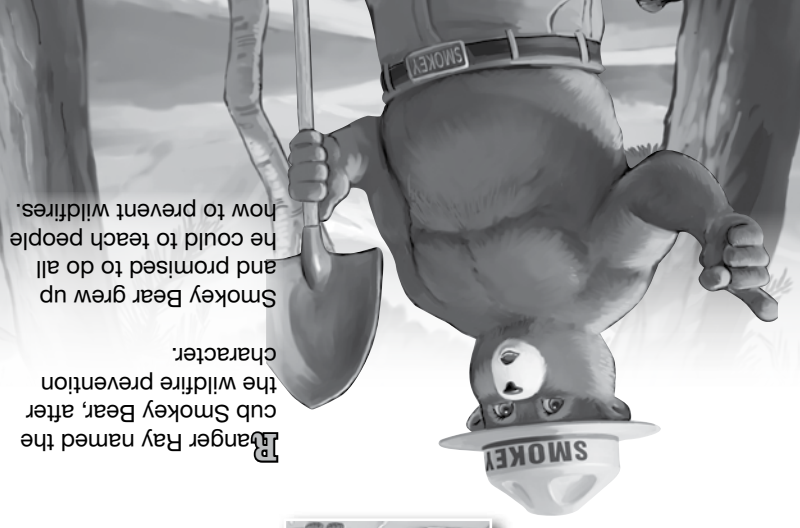
**RULE 1**

Smokey Bear wants you to know the **five rules** of fire prevention.

**RULE 4**  
Always watch your campfire.

**RULE 5**  
Make sure your campfire is completely out before leaving it.

Smokey Bear needs **YOU** to follow these rules to help prevent wildfires.



Ranger Ray named the cub Smokey Bear, after the wildfire prevention character.

Smokey Bear grew up and promised to do all he could to teach people how to prevent wildfires.



A firefighter rescued the cub who was injured and very scared. The firefighter gave the cub to Ranger Ray Bell.

Ranger Ray and his daughter brought the tiny bear to Dr. Edwin Smith, an animal doctor, who fixed the cub's injuries and returned him to Ranger Ray.

# Smokey's Story

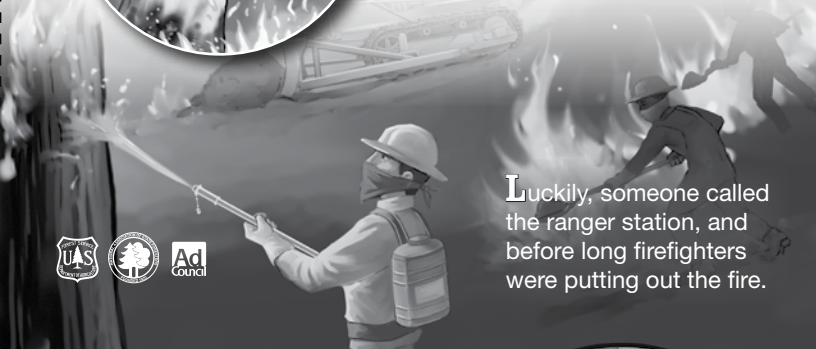
In 1950, a tiny bear cub played happily in the forest.

Somewhere in the forest, people were being careless with their fire.



Soon the fire was burning out of control – a wildfire! Trees and bushes were in flames!

Quick as he could, the tiny bear climbed a tree to save his own life.



Luckily, someone called the ranger station, and before long firefighters were putting out the fire.



Love Where You Live

# Love the Earth

New Castle's Climate and Environment  
Commission invites you to:



Avoid fire hazards  
and prepare for a  
fire emergency



Reduce pollutants  
by not idling  
your engine



Plant bee and  
butterfly friendly  
plants & flowers

Volunteer to help with environmental projects!

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