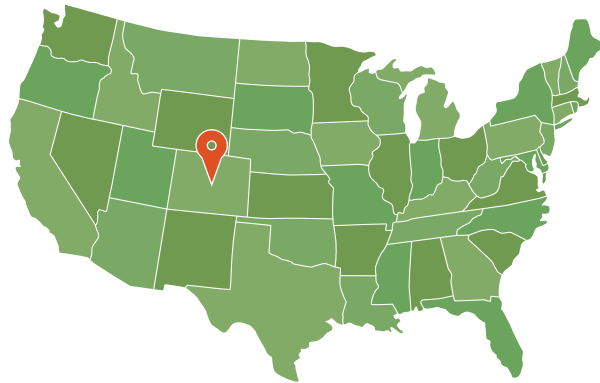


# Pike National Forest

SOUTH PLATTE RANGER DISTRICT

## REASON FOR PLANTING



## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- TIME: April 2016
- TREES: 116,000
- SPECIES: ponderosa pine and Douglasfir
- ACRES: 1,200



The Buffalo Creek Fire of 1996 burned 12,000 acres. The Hayman Fire of 2002 burned approximately 137,000 acres—the largest fire in Colorado’s history. Both fires had a devastating impact on the Upper South Platte Watershed, the primary water source for the City of Denver. In the widespread moderate- and high-intensity burn areas, 100% of the trees were lost—and along with them, future seed sources for natural regeneration. Joining our ongoing efforts is helping re-establish critical habitat and protect a vital watershed.

