

5. Abstract:

Flagstaff Area Stream Team - F.A.S.T. - The mission of the Flagstaff Area Stream Team (F.A.S.T.) is to identify opportunities for restoration maintenance and preservation of streams, wash corridors and open channels within the city limits and take an active role in achieving these goals.

Collaborators on each project can represent a wide range of and very different stakeholders. Often they may not have thought of themselves as a stakeholder. Taking the time to scope the project is essential to the step of figuring out the who your partners may be (you might already have quite a few).

A lesson I have learned is to keep an open place within your project that is mindful to new collaborators. Even if they seem like they may not be a key of your current project get them involved and interested.

Within the Federal, State and Local regulations there are many different tools the city uses to promote voluntary means of protection. *Find out what they are* and talk with other cities and counties to see what works for them and how they apply these regulations to benefit/protect the watershed.

6. Brief Bio:

David McKee spends his work days at the City of Flagstaff as the Watershed Specialist within the Stormwater Section of the Utilities Department. As with any small town he wears many hats that range from project management to environmental regulatory enforcement and education. One of his favorite hats is being the director for the city sponsored Flagstaff Area Stream Team (F.A.S.T).