



# ***Big Thompson River Ecology Class at Namaqua Park***

*Pick a date  
and join  
Loveland Open Lands  
Volunteers for an  
interactive River Lab.  
Explore the Big  
Thompson River!*



**These classes are offered through  
the Leisure Times catalog**

**Dates offered:  
Saturdays, April 25<sup>th</sup> or May 2<sup>nd</sup>  
9:00 – 11:00 am**

**April 25<sup>th</sup> class is geared more toward adults.**

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> class targets families with children. Best suited for children over the age of 5 years.**

- Learn about the Big Thompson Watershed, River Ecology, and the Floods of 1976 and 2013.
- Experience gathering information used in diagnosing the health of the river at our River Lab.
- Collect (actual wading is optional), observe, and identify several macro-invertebrates (bugs) to determine how the river has recovered.

*Participants will engage in hands-on activities and should wear long pants, closed-toed shoes, and be able to walk on uneven surfaces. Children should be age 5 or older and though there is plenty to share & do, the information is best suited to older students & adults interested in introductory information. Rain date Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>.*

**Please RSVP to: Michele Van Hare, Environmental Education and Open Lands Volunteer Coordinator**  
[Michele.vanhare@cityofloveland.org](mailto:Michele.vanhare@cityofloveland.org) (note: only one "L" in Michele), or 970-217-3173.

