



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **MARKIT! FORESTRY MANAGEMENT AND DOMBACH MITIGATION & TRAIL MANAGEMENT WILL RESTORE THE CHRISTMAS ROCK TRAIL AT THE FLYING W RANCH**

Markit Forestry Management ("Markit! Forestry") and Dombach Mitigation & Trail Management ("Dombach Mitigation") have been selected to rebuild the Christmas Rock Overlook Trail on the Flying W Ranch in Colorado Springs.

The Flying W Ranch was a working cattle ranch of over 1400 acres and the home to the world famous Chuckwagon hospitality business. Over its 60 year life the Chuckwagon business of the Flying W Ranch provided food and entertainment to over six million people. In June 2012, the Waldo Canyon fire destroyed 19 of the 20 buildings that comprised the Chuckwagon hospitality business, and burned over 1000 acres of Flying W Ranch land. The infrastructure of the Christmas Rock Overlook Trail was destroyed by the fire and by subsequent flooding.

Markit! Forestry and Dombach Mitigation will restore the trail and the steps leading to the top of the scenic Christmas Rock overlook. Flying W Ranch Executive Director Aaron Winter remarked, "Reopening the Christmas Rock Overlook Trail following the devastation of the Waldo Canyon Fire moves us one step closer towards healing and rebuilding the Flying W."

Dave Dombach, founder of Dombach Mitigation, will design the restoration project and lead the work crews on the project. Markit! will provide laborers and building supplies. The trail restoration includes natural rock steps and wooden box steps.

Dombach Mitigation is a Colorado Springs-based business that offers forest trail design and construction as well as forest trail repair and restoration. Additional information on Dombach Mitigation can be found at [www.dombachtrail.wix.com/dtpm](http://www.dombachtrail.wix.com/dtpm).

Markit! Forestry is a full service environmental forestry management company headquartered in Colorado Springs. Markit! Forestry provides Forest Fuels Reduction, Forest Health Restoration, Post-Fire Rehabilitation, Defensible Space and Timber Harvesting services on State, Federal and private land. For more information on Markit! Forestry please visit [www.markitforestry.com](http://www.markitforestry.com), or call Pat Gayner at 719-948-8220.