

Falls Creek Ranch Community Orchard

The FCR Community Orchard comprises a plot of common property land (approximately 90' x 95') adjoining the southern fence line of the current horse pasture to the east of the current slash yard on the south end of the Ranch. The orchard was established in 2020 by membership approval vote. The orchard is surrounded by high fencing for protection from wildlife damage.

Funding for the Community Orchard is provided 100% by resident donations. A team of resident volunteers carefully manages and maintains the orchard for the shared benefit of all FCR residents. The management of the orchard utilizes proven varieties and organic farming methods for Southwest Colorado. Approximately 50 fruit trees (apple, pear, peach, plum, nectarine or cherry) and 200 berry bushes and vines have been planted. Drip irrigation was installed and white clover groundcover was sown in 2021.

Fruit to be harvested is shared with FCR residents. We expect fruit production to increase as the orchard matures each year. Residents are encouraged to visit the orchard and participate as a volunteer to help maintain this amenity and to learn more about this endeavor. Volunteers are highly encouraged and welcomed to join our team.

When you do visit the orchard, always be sure to lock the gate when you leave and do not pick any fruit until the Team announces the right time for harvesting!

Please contact the Team Leaders, Jim and Mary Grizzard, with any questions.

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