



CAMILLE RICHARD

Division 1 – Hinsdale County

Camille Richard has been a part of the Lake Fork of the Gunnison River Valley community since 1965, when she first came to Lake City as a toddler. She has served as Executive Director of the Lake Fork Valley Conservancy since 2008. Under her leadership, the LFVC transitioned into a fully functional 501(c)(3) organization, acquired 60 acres of protected land—now an IDA International Dark Skies Park—and raised \$4 million for restoration, conservation, and education initiatives. Camille also works as an independent consultant, providing grant writing and program coaching for environmental justice organizations across the U.S. Camille’s US based work is informed by extensive international experience in rural development and rangeland management. She spent over a decade working in Asia with various development organizations. In these roles, she managed regional networks across five Himalayan countries, developed sustainable grazing policies in Mongolia, and facilitated community-led conservation projects on the Tibetan Plateau. Camille combines her technical expertise with a deep-rooted commitment to community-based conservation and restoration.