## **ST-2 Colorado Representative**

MPLA Board Report

September 2013

## MPLA activities

- Reviewed MPLA executive board reports submitted for September 2013 meeting (at the conference!)
- Posted news and announcements to MPLA and CAL Facebook pages
- Advertised Leadership Institute on social media and lists
- Submitted material for association newsletters
- Reported MPLA activities for CAL 2013 annual report

## Colorado news & legislation

- Severe flooding in Colorado state agencies providing assistance for rescue, recovery, safety and consumer information (e.g. insurance)
  - CDOT continuing highway closures in Northern Colorado, Weld, Jefferson and Morgan counties and some areas in metro Denver. Currently, CDOT estimates approximately 30 bridges have been destroyed, 20 have serious damage.
  - Colorado National Guard assisting in flood evacuation. 2,378 people have been airlifted out and 856 animals have been rescued by air. You can see more about Colorado flooding on <u>Facebook</u> and the <u>2013 Colorado Floods Google map</u>.
- 2013 Colorado Legislature included an appropriation of \$2 million in the state's budget to
  fund the State Grants to Libraries Act. The funds will be available to eligible publically
  funded school, public and academic libraries to fund grants for library materials (see CRS 2490-401). Materials must be intended for educational materials in libraries that support or
  enhance opportunities for early literacy and early learning.

Respectfully submitted, Tiffanie Wick