



**HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES**  
**South Park Committee**  
**June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**Fairplay Fair Barn**

**Committee members present:**

- John Woodward, Livestock grower (via phone)
- Tyler Stoltzfus, CPW
- Webb Smith, Livestock grower
- Randy Tingle, Sports person
- Christine Cloninger, BLM
- Steve Allard, Livestock grower
- Sheila Lamb, USFS

**Administrator: Hanna Cook, Administrative Assistant**

**Guests:** Ben Lenth (Colorado Open Lands), Ian Petkash (CPW-DWM), Pat Tucker (HPP Coordinator), Shannon Schaller (CPW Biologist), Michele Street (Landowner)

**Meeting called to order by John Woodward at 10:00 AM**

**General Public Comments**  
None

**Budget Report**

The budget report was reviewed

**Old Business**

Ian Petkash updated the committee that the Sugarloaf/Topaz Mountain project was completed. 28.16 acres were treated in total. CPW employees were able to spend two days completing hand cutting in the project area, which more than doubled the original acres proposed. Steep and rocky terrain caused the overall cost to be higher than other projects, but Ian feels that the project will be very beneficial to wildlife and it was important to get it completed.

**New Business**

**Project Application Proposals and Reviews**

**Badger Creek East Water Development-Steve Allard**

Steve Allard would like to add more tire tanks to an existing spring, as well as replace old fiberglass tanks with new tire tanks. This will add more water storage for wildlife and livestock, which will help to improve grazing management. The USFS will supply

tanks and materials, and Steve is asking HPP for \$3,000 to reimburse rental costs for a machine that will be used to replace and set the tanks. A 6 ft tire tank that was leftover from an old HPP stock pile will be used for this project.

**The project was approved for \$3,000 reimbursement to the lessee plus a 6ft tire tank from the HPP stockpile.**

#### **Landowner fencing supply and reimbursement program**

The South Park HPP committee would like to continue the landowner voucher program to supply fencing materials to landowners for small fence repair projects. DWMs will hand out vouchers to eligible landowners, and landowners have the option of being reimbursed for purchases, or of picking up materials from the SPHPP stockpile.

**The fencing supply and reimbursement voucher program will be renewed for FY 2019 with a total budget of \$8,000 with the following rules:**

- Landowners must allow some hunting access
  - Vouchers are good for either \$350 reimbursement or \$350 in materials from the stockpile. One roll of white wire from the stockpile may be added on to the voucher limit.
  - Vouchers must be filled out for any landowner taking materials. Material vouchers can be signed by a committee member or a DWM.
  - Landowners must have a minimum of 160 acres. Any exceptions must be approved by the committee at a noticed meeting.
- \$1000 will be allocated to reimbursements, and \$7,000 will be allocated to the purchase of fence materials needed to replenish the stockpile as needed.**

#### **Herbicide Voucher Program**

The South Park HPP committee would like to continue the landowner voucher program to reimburse landowners for herbicide purchases.

**The herbicide voucher program will be renewed for FY 2019 with a total budget of \$2,500 with the following rules:**

- Landowners can be reimbursed for herbicide purchases up to \$250
- Herbicide vouchers can be given out to eligible landowners after being signed by a DWM or a committee member
- Landowners must have a minimum of 160 acres. Any exceptions must be approved by the committee at a noticed meeting.
- Reimbursements are for herbicide only (no dyes, no application costs)

#### **Committee Working Meeting Meals**

The South Park HPP committee is allowed \$500 for working meeting meal expenses.

#### **Remaining Committee Business/Other Discussion**

Shannon Schaller let the committee know that they are working on the DAU plan rewrite for E18. Public surveys have been completed. Based on public opinion a 10% population increase is preferred, with the second choice being maintaining the current population objectives. More information will be brought to the committee at a future meeting. At that time, the committee will be asked to write a comment letter on the plan that will be given to the commission for their review.

Ted Grover, the sportsman's representative and chairman of the Arkansas River HPP committee has passed away. The committee has a vacancy for a sportsman's

representative. The deadline to apply is July 2nd. Interested applicants should contact Hanna Cook.

Ben Lenth (Colorado Open Lands) will be working in the committee area now. He is interested in getting some success stories of projects that have used the Park County Land and Water Trust Fund as a cooperator match. Anyone who has information on any projects that partnered with that fund can talk with Ben.

**Meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM**

The next meeting will be held on June 11th at 8:00 AM as a conference call.

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