



HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES
Zoom Video Conference
March 24, 2021
1:00pm

Introductions: **Members attending the meeting were:** AAWM Darren Chacon/CPW, Scot Doderer/Livestock Grower, Pat Luark/Livestock Grower, Rick Bumgardner/Sportsperson, Phil Nyland/USFS, Jim Nieslanik/Livestock Grower and Admin. Samantha Sorensen/CPW. **Guests attending the meeting were:** Kristy Wallner, Jes Pettee, Aric Schwan, Loyd Gerard, and Pat Tucker HPP Coordinator.

General Public Comments: Darren let everyone know he'd met with Hilary Boyd regarding a potential future proposal up on Light Hill. Pat Luark mentioned another project he had in mind; he was encouraged to put his ideas to paper and bring in a proposal.

Budget Report: Samantha provided committee members with a current budget report. Only 4 fence vouchers and 1 herbicide voucher redeemed to date.

Old Business: Draft minutes from March 3 were presented and approved as written.

New Business: BLM South Cliffs Treatment Maintenance: Kristy explained 876 acres were formally treated a number of years ago. Pinyon and Juniper sprouts are coming back in and they'd like to retreat the area with tordon herbicide. Asking HPP to pay Pat Luark labor. Pat Luark recused himself. The committee approved \$15,020.00 for the project.

USFS Gypsum Creek C&H Allotment Spring Rebuilds: Jes pointed out they have a mess of old spring developments, they'd like to start chipping away on rebuilds beginning with three springs on Loyd's allotment. The goal is to upgrade and relocate them, which would reduce riparian damage and once again become a reliable water source. Asking HPP for equipment rental reimbursement. Escape ramps will be installed in the two tanks, the third spring site will be a pond. All collection boxes will be fenced off. Phil abstained from voting. Scot provided Hilary's proxy in favor of approval. The committee approved \$4,330.00 for the project.

Remaining Committee Business/Other Discussion: Select Next Meeting Date: Another meeting was scheduled for April 15th. Future Agenda Items: TBD, but a number of proposals are in the works.

Roundtable: Darren may have a SWA proposal to compliment Phil's Toner Creek hydro-ax.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at approximately 1:58pm.