



HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES

Grand Mesa HPP Committee

Phone Conference

March 4th, 2020

12:00 p.m.

Grand Mesa HPP Members: Kirk Oldham, CPW; Heidi Plank, BLM; John Walter, Livestock Grower; Bob Mosher, USFS; Paul Bernklau, Livestock Grower; Harley Metz, Sportsman; Don Fulton, Livestock Grower

Guests: Erin Quinn, AVLT

Introduction: Committee members introduced themselves. The remaining budget at the start of the meeting was \$14,468.50.

Old Business:

1. The committee resumed discussion of the Record Ranch conservation easement proposal. At the previous meeting, the committee generally supported the project; however there was concern about the number and placement of building envelopes for future home sites. There are seven potential envelopes, however only a total of five may be utilized. Portions of the ranch are already enrolled in a conservation easement which already included three envelopes, and so only four additional envelopes would be added on with this new acquisition. Additionally, one home already exists on the property, and so only a total of four more potential houses could ever be built. DWM Travis Bybee met with the landowners and approved the selected sites for preserving the wildlife values of the property – specifically, the new envelopes were not near creeks or critical wildlife areas, and were along existing roads. Other interests in the property (mineral, energy, etc) were negligible. The committee approved up to \$10,000 as reimbursement for transaction costs.

Next Meeting: TBD