



HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES

Uncompahgre HPP Committee

Phone Conference

March 4th, 2020

8:00 p.m.

Uncompahgre HPP Members Present: Kelly Crane, CPW; Bobby Gray, Sportsman; Todd Stewart, Livestock Grower; Loren Paulson, USFS

Guests: Mark Richman, Oscar Massey, Andrew Massey

Old Business:

Project Application Proposals and Reviews:

1. Mark Richman presented an update to pond cleaning project for Oscar Massey on USFS and BLM allotments. The committee had previously reviewed the application, which involves renting heavy equipment to clean out, seal, and treat ponds on the allotments as needed to help increase the number of ponds that effectively store water for wildlife and livestock. Since the last meeting, Mark Richman had worked with Bob Black and Robert Mosher (USFS) to develop a list of ponds to be treated based on NEPA status, ease of access for machinery, soil reviews, some site visits, and history/probability of ponds filling. BLM and USFS will provide some bentonite as well as matching funds. A minimum of 20 ponds from the approved list will be completed, and Mr. Massey will continue treating additional ponds on his own until June 30th. The committee approved \$8,612.21 for reimbursement of equipment rental and fuel costs.
2. The committee approved 2 additional rolls of high visibility white wire for the Elk Springs fence project c/o Todd Stewart.

Next Meeting: TBD