



HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES

White River HPP Committee Meeting
May 26, 2023 at 5:30 pm
CPW Office- Meeker, CO

Committee Members Present:

- Bailey Franklin - CPW
- Lenny Klingsmith - Livestock Grower
- Angelo Theos - Livestock Grower
- Jim Brennan - Livestock Grower
- Rich Parr - Sportsman
- Mary Taylor - BLM
- Curtis Keetch - USFS

Attendees Present:

Cory Bullen- CPW

Administrative Assistant Present:

Marian Cole

Introductions

Committee members and attendees were introduced.

Budget Report

The budget was fully encumbered at the July 25th meeting. All additional budget encumbrances for through June 30, 2023 (FY23), will be funded with approval from Michael Blanck, HPP Manager.

Old Business

Minutes- The minutes from the December 8th meeting were approved as written.

New Business

Ranch Advisory Partners Monitoring Contract- The committee discussed the continuation of the fourth year of the five year contract for habitat monitoring. The project was preapproved for \$50,000.00 in FY24.

CPW Oak Ridge/Jensen/Square S/Colorow SWA Weed Control- Cory Bullen presented a weed control project for treatment on the Oak Ridge, Jensen, Square S, and Colorow State Wildlife Areas (SWA). The project aims to double the work accomplished annually by CPW staff by hiring a contractor to conduct horseback treatments. Bailey abstained from the approval decision. The project was preapproved for up to \$27,600.00 from the State Council SWA Fund in FY24.

Remaining Committee Business

State Council Stackyard Fund- The committee discussed the FY24 Stackyard Fund approved by State Council for stackyards that would need to be repaired, replaced, or implemented due to the severity of last winter within the White River and Northwest Colorado committee areas. The committee reviewed the Colorado Revised Statutes as it pertained to stackyards and HPP.

Roundtable

Upcoming Meeting- The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for June 9th for the annual Ranch Advisory Partners Monitoring presentation

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:00 pm.