HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES

Montelores HPP Committee Meeting
June 4, 2024 @ 6:30 pm
Mancos, CO

Committee Members Present:

☒Andy Brown	- CPW
☒Eldon Simmons	- Livestock Grower
☒George West	- Livestock Grower
☐Tanner Young	- Livestock Grower
☒John Sheek	- Sportsperson
☐Nate West	- BLM
☒Ivan Messinger	- USFS

Attendees Present:
Joe Lanier – Applicant

Administrative Assistant Present:
Kale Watson

Introductions
Committee members and guests were introduced.

Budget Report
FY24- The budget balance at the start of the meeting was $25,816.82.
FY25- The budget balance beginning July 1, 2024 is $118,000.00.

Old Business
The February 13th meeting minutes were approved as written.

New Business
FY25 Lanier Virtual Fence- Ben Lanier presented a virtual fencing project to the committee. The project site sits in important winter range and experiences year round use by elk and deer. The scope of the project entails implementing a virtual fencing system on the property. Due to the terrain and wildlife movement on the property, cross fences have not been constructed. By having a virtual fencing system it would allow for better grazing management while not adding a hazard for big game. **The project was approved for $10,000.00.**

FY25 Voucher Programs- The committee reviewed and approved voucher programs for FY25 as follows:

a) Fence Vouchers- **The committee approved $3,000.00 for fence vouchers, distributed in $300.00 increments.**
b) Fertilizer Vouchers- **The committee approved $32,000.00 for fertilizer vouchers, with a $4,000.00 cap.**

Remaining Committee Business

Meeting Schedule- The committee tentatively approved the following meeting dates for FY25:

DATE	TIME
August 20, 2024	6:30 pm
November 5, 2024	5:30 pm
*February 11, 2025	5:30 pm
April 8, 2025	6:30 pm
June 10, 2025	6:30 pm

*Fertilizer Meeting

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.