



## HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES

### Montelores HPP Committee

Zoom Video Conference  
April 20th, 2021  
6:30 p.m.

**HPP Members Present:** Andy Brown, CPW; John Sheek, Sportsman; Nate West, BLM; Eldon Simmons, Livestock Grower; Tanner Young, Livestock Grower; Ivan Messinger, USFS

**Guests:** Pat Tucker, CPW; Oma Fleming, Kenny Smith

#### **Introductions & Budget Report:**

The remaining budget at the start of the meeting was \$84,200.00.

#### **New Business:**

1. Oma Fleming presented the annual herbicide cost-share program for Dove Creek Weed Control District. The county funds herbicide cost-share on properties west of the Dolores River, however there is no funding for the east side. Oma noted that the program has been especially successful with absentee landowners. Last year HPP funding went towards over 16 cost-shares on large parcels with good wildlife habitat and use. Primary weed species that will be targeted include Russian thistle, Canada thistle, and musk thistle. The proposal is to continue funding the program in FY22. The project was approved for \$5,000.
2. Fertilizer applications were approved as follows: Dan Selzer, \$1,125.00 (80 acres).

#### **Other Business:**

1. The committee briefly discussed implementing pond vouchers. The discussion was tabled until it could be properly noticed on an upcoming agenda.
2. Pat gave the committee updates from the State Council.
3. Andy informed the committee that the Coalbed SWA guzzler project was complete and was already receiving wildlife use.

**Next Meeting: June 15<sup>th</sup> (if needed) @ 6:30pm**