



**Committee Members present:**

- Vacant, CPW
- Aaron Atwood, Livestock Grower
- Joe Moore, Livestock Grower
- Jeff Williams, BLM Rangeland Management Specialist
- Stephanie Shively, USFS Wildlife Biologist
- Brett McMurry, Livestock Grower
- Ron Goodrich, Sportsman

**Administrative Assistant:**

- Kimberly Berscheid

**Guests:** Michael Blanck (HPP Manager), Katie Richman (HPP Admin), Bob Carochi (CPW-DWM), Angie Martell (Palmer Land Conservancy), Jim Campbell (Landowner)

**Meeting called to order at 10:00 AM**

**Budget Report**

The 2021 budget report was reviewed.

**Old Business**

**Tom Grette Parcel Layouts, Seeding and Supervision**

The committee was updated on Tom Grette's project, he has been doing some layouts, and we are expecting an invoice soon.

**Poncha Loop Aspen Enhancement**

Stephanie Shively updated the committee that the Poncha Loop Aspen Enhance Project has been completed and was a great success, they were able to treat almost 500 acres of forest. She will be taking photos next year to show the progress and sharing with the committee.

**New Business**

**Project Application Proposals and Reviews**

**Dead Horse Gulch Winter Range Project - Stephanie Shively**

Stephanie is asking for \$10,000 for the Department of Corrections SWIFT crew to perform hand thinning on USFS property. This area has important winter range for elk and deer with natural water sources. It is also a production area for both elk and deer. The sea of pinon juniper is reducing the amount of quality habitat. Previous phases of this project have been done throughout the years, once completed a total of 100 acres will be treated. This is a labor intensive project and it is estimated that the SWIFT crew will be able to treat 16.6

acres with the HPP portion. They will cut and scatter the slash. Ponderosa will be left if it's in the proper disbursement. The project will be completed during the fall and winter months to avoid beetle infestation.

**Stephanie Shively abstained from voting on her project.**

**The project was approved for \$10,000 for Fiscal Year 2022.**

#### Jim Campbell Solar Pump Reimbursement

Jim Campbell is requesting \$806.70 to reimburse him for a replacement solar well pump. The pump is in a 120 acre pasture with no water source. This pasture provides habitat use for elk, deer and pronghorn throughout the year. He was able to re-use the previously installed solar panels. Mr. Campbell informally discussed the project with the committee in FY21, however due to the administrative staff turnover there was not an opportunity to officially approve the project. Due to the immediate need, the materials were purchased in April of 2021.

**The committee tentatively approved reimbursement if this is allowable under state fiscal rules.**

**Admin note: the request for reimbursement was accepted and will be paid in FY22.**

#### Remaining committee business/other discussion

Angie Martell with the Palmer Land Conservancy attended the meeting. She inquired about applying for future projects and what would be eligible for funding. The committee agreed to provide a letter of support for her.

Bob Carochi asked for a tire tank for the 39 mile Ranch, Dave Rooks. This would replace his metal tank. The committee agreed.

**The meeting was adjourned at 11:43 AM**

**Next meeting: October 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at the Canyon City Hunter Education Building.**

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