



HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES

Middle Park HPP Committee Zoom Video Conference December 15, 2021 1:00 pm

Middle Park HPP Members Present: Jeromy Huntington- CPW, Chuck Alexander- Livestock Grower, Doug Bruchez- Livestock Grower, Dave Hammer- Livestock Grower, Conway Farrell- Sportsperson, Tiffany Rubalcaba- BLM, Seth Jennings- USFS, Chris Clatterbuck- NPS

Guests: Michael Blanck- CPW, Gene Abram- CPW, Katlin Miller- MPCD

Introductions: Committee members and guests were introduced.

Budget Report: The budget at the start of the meeting was \$77,250.00.

Old Business: The minutes from the September 8th meeting were approved as written.

New Business:

1. Clover/Alfalfa Seeding- Katlin Miller from the Middle Park Conservation District presented the annual project that provides seed to local landowners. The committee discussed internal inventory processes and the best storage and distribution options. The committee was in favor of the purchase of clover/alfalfa seed and a small amount of dryland seed. The project was approved for \$8,500.
2. High Country Rural Living and Land Management Guide- Katlin Miller presented an educational brochure put together by the Middle Park Conservation District. The brochure provides an abundance of information for landowners in Grand and Summit counties and includes HPP information and wildlife friendly fence diagrams and links. The project was tabled for further review and discussion.

Remaining Committee Business/Other Discussion:

1. FY22 Fence Voucher Program- The committee continued the discussion of the fence voucher program that began at the September meeting. The committee discussed the need to increase voucher amounts due to the rising cost of materials. The committee approved up to \$625 per voucher with a total budget allocation of up to \$25,000.
2. Meeting Schedule- The committee tentatively approved the following meeting dates and associated locations:
 - March 16, 2022 - RMNP
 - May 18, 2022 - CPW
 - July 13, 2022 - BLM

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:00 pm.