



HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES

North Fork HPP Committee

Zoom Videoconference

February 2nd, 2021

7:00 p.m.

North Fork HPP Members Present: Kyler McCarrel, USFS; Cody Purcell, CPW; Ken Holsinger, BLM; Steve Kossler, Livestock Grower; Adam Gall, Sportsperson; Jess Campbell, Livestock Grower

Guests: Stuart Sinclair, CPW; Valerie Horncastle, USFS; Brandon Diamond, CPW; Pat Tucker, CPW; David Inouye; Cliff Carney

Introduction: Committee members and guests were introduced. The remaining budget at the start of the meeting was \$19,750.00.

New Business:

1. David Inouye and Cliff Carney introduced themselves to solicit State Council nominations from the committee for the sportsperson representative position. Committee members asked questions of both candidates, and approved both nominations.
2. The committee reviewed and approved the annual fertilizer recipients. The budget will remain the same for the existing list with these exceptions: Buck Creek Ranch, Fuller Ranch, Garvin Mesa Ranch, Kyle Keel, and Milton Kramer were removed; Dan Sullivan was increased to \$2,000 to include Brandon Sullivan's property; Jess Campbell was increased to \$3,500; Fritz Raish, Adam Gall, and Zach Prock were added for \$1,500 each.
3. The committee reviewed current voucher allocations and did not increase existing budgets.
4. Andrew Taylor informed the committee that Area 16 is embarking on a project to remove defunct high fencing within the North Fork Valley. Some high fencing exists from previous orchard or vineyard Game Damage prevention efforts, however those properties no longer support that type of agricultural production. The high fencing inhibits natural migration movements and wildlife sometimes becomes trapped within high-fenced parcels. Currently fences are being identified and prioritized for removal, and there may be future HPP requests to help fund removal costs, or replacing the old fences with new wildlife-friendly.

Next Meeting: TBD