

HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES

Northwest Colorado HPP Committee Meeting December 21, 2023 at 6:00 pm Zoom

Committee Members Present:

□ Evan Jones - CPW

☐ Sean Durham - Livestock Grower

□ Gary Nichols - Sportsperson

☑ Jill Carlson - BLM☑ Curtis Keetch - USFS

Administrative Assistant Present:

Marian Cole

<u>Introductions</u>

Committee members and attendees were introduced.

Budget Report

The budget was fully encumbered with preapprovals made in FY23. All additional budget encumbrances through June 30, 2024 (FY24), will be funded with approval from Michael Blanck, HPP Manager.

Old Business

Minutes- The minutes from the October 20th meeting were approved as written.

New Business

<u>Flanders Ranch Water Development</u>- Mary Beth Stephans presented a water development project to implement a water line from the Yampa River to water tanks in dryland pastures. The NRCS was in support of the project and there was a potential for funding from other partners. The committee was in support of the project but was concerned about expending a large portion of its FY25 budget at the time of the meeting. The committee recommended approaching additional partners for funding and requested that the applicant come back to the committee at a subsequent meeting to obtain funding. The project was tabled.

Adiourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:40 pm.

Attendees Present:

Michael Blanck- CPW Kale Watson- CPW Mary Beth Stephans- Applicant