



HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM MEETING MINUTES

North Fork HPP Committee Meeting
October 3, 2023 at 6:30 pm
Hotchkiss, CO

Committee Members Present:

- Andrew Taylor - CPW
- Ross Allen - Livestock Grower
- Steve Kossler - Livestock Grower
- Jess Campbell - Livestock Grower
- Cody DeGuelle - Sportsman
- Ken Holsinger - BLM
- Kyler McCarrel - USFS

Attendees Present:

Codi Prior - CPW

Administrative Assistant Present:

Kale Watson

Introductions

Committee members and guests were introduced.

Budget Report

FY24 budget- The budget balance at the start of the meeting was \$26,500.00.

Old Business

The minutes from the August 29th meeting were approved as written.

New Business

Zeldenthuis Forage- The committee reviewed a forage project from Ray Zeldenthuis. The project area experiences year-round use by deer and seasonal use by elk. The property is along a major migration corridor, in important winter range, and can have up to 500 animals on the property at a time. The scope of the project includes leaving approximately 150 tons of alfalfa and grass uncut for big game to feed on. **The project was approved for \$10,000.00.**

Remaining Committee Business

Herd Management Plans- The committee had a brief discussion about the Herd Management plans that were presented at the last meeting. The committee decided to table the discussion and reschedule another meeting to further discuss the plans.

Fertilizer/Seed Vouchers- The committee had a brief discussion about fertilizer and seed vouchers. The committee set an application deadline of April 30, 2024, and will hold a spring meeting to review all applications. A meeting will be scheduled in May and will be announced once a final date is selected.

Meeting Schedule- The next meeting is scheduled for October 23rd at 6:00 pm via Zoom.

Round table

Outreach Efforts- The committee had a discussion about outreach efforts that could be done to educate the public about HPP. The committee wants to try and attend different meetings and have guests come to future meetings.

DWM Leaving Committee area- Codi Prior announced to the committee that she will be leaving her current district and moving to a district in the Crested Butte area.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm.