

Weed Advisory meeting  
December 12, 12:00pm  
NRCS/USFS office

Minutes

1. Call to Order – present were Dick Downey, Jana Rapetti, Arli Garrison, Roger Squire, Roger Gregg, Jeff Outthier,
2. Approval of minutes – motion to approve minutes of the 8-25-16 minutes was made by Dick and seconded by Jana, motion passes
3. Old business
  - a. Bylaws – sign ‘em again! – There was a minor change to the bylaw by the BoCC. Robin had all the signatures from the commissioners and now has the signatures from the Advisory members (except Bill Donley) to keep on file.
  - b. Chemical collection update. Robin and Jana talked about adding the Chemical Collection project to the 2017 CDA grants.
  - c. Under 2016 grants – eye protection and gloves. Robin reported that there are gloves and goggles to give out to folks for PPE that were procured in the grant. They are at her office.
4. New business
  - a. 2017 management. Robin reported that not many changes would be happening for the 2017 year. With more money from the Commissioners, there would be more county roads to spray. Roger Gregg and Robin will work on mapping this year.
  - b. 2017 budget - \$2000 more plus \$1000 for grasshopper mngt. \$9600 total. The Budget will be discussed at the next quarterly meeting.
  - c. 2017 SPF/NWF grants - The CDA grant cycle just opened and are due January 20<sup>th</sup>. The UACWMA will be meeting after the first of the year to put the grants together.
5. Weed Manager’s report
  - a. Cynthia Huber research plot. Robin reported that she and the SILPT are partnering on a project to do a study on cheatgrass.
6. Roundtable
  - a. Roger Squire – R&B - He went out to see the pto driven, 3pt hitch sprayer that belongs to the county. The hoses need replacing. It’s 100 gallons. Maybe about \$100 to get it fixed. There was discussion on renting it for \$25/half day and \$50 for full day. Could run it through the district. Put a disclaimer on the tank “follow the label”. Robin will look into a rental agreement.
  - b. R&B have a new tractor and mower – 9’ Kubota disc mower. It will take 8” trees. Jana will help with chemical. Willow control is key.

- c. Jeff reported that there is no money for the Hayden or Junkins fire for weed control, but there is BAER money for the Junkins. Weed washes are set up to spray. The USFS budget will cut weeds down. Maryca will be doing weed work in Hayden fire.
- d. Nick Padilla is the new range and weed person in the USFS.
- e. There is milfoil in Lake Isabel. Keep it on the radar.
- f. Aaron Richter is the go to person with the BLM.
- g. Roger Gregg is going to help Robin with Mapping this year. Jana is going to get in touch with ag terra to get a training or updates for the app.
- h. Rick - there is a rust project he is working on in Fremont. NRCS has biosecurity policy - need to wash cars every time they go through an infested area. They are supportive of weed control efforts.
- i. Jana is working with Ricks staff on a Russian olive project. It's put on hold because of hayden pass fire. State grant reports are done, applying for next years cycle. Jana has a weed manager.
- j. Healthy Landscapes initiative - going down from \$75k to \$50k to rais in three years. \$39k has been raised so far. CWMA board is forming with past presidents to decide how that money will be spent.
- k. Beth is wondering about the difference in Mexican whorled milkweed.

**Next Meeting - March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2:30pm NRCS/USFS office.**