

# San Juan Headwaters Forest Health Partnership Agenda May 16, 2014

Attending: JD Kurz, Heather Dutton, Bill Trimarco, Margaret Kleiner, Ch'aska Huyauka, Tom Sperling, JR Ford, Kent Grant, Pam Wilson, Thurman Wilson, Bev Warburton, Tom Spezze, Matt Ford, JD Class (Jake Kunning, Kaitlin

To Do:

Who	What	When
Aaron	Talk with Steve about June 20	
Aaron	write PSA for Pagosa Sun	
Aaron	Talk with Lisa about DNR application	

Decisions Made:

1) Proposed expenditures were approved

- I. Welcome and Introductions (5 min)
- II. Presentation from JD's Class (30 min)
  - a. The class measured 4 plots - 1 in each in treatment
  - b. They measured the differences between the different treatment areas
  - c. The class offered valuable input into the ease, functionality, and effectiveness of the monitoring protocols
  - d. Thoughts of methodology
    - i. Do more
  - e. Follow up – upcoming citizen science opportunities
- III. Rio Grande Watershed Emergency Action Team (RWEACT) – (30 min - Heather Dutton, Tom Spezze, Kristine Borchers)
  - a. Heather - ED Headwaters of the Rio Grande Restoration Project and restoration coordinator for RWEACT
  - b. El Pomar \$ - made an initial donation
    - i. Contribute to small business
  - c. Community driven values at risk
  - d. Established 10 quarter acre test sites/ plots to support science based restoration
    - i. trying various Seeding and mulching techniques
    - ii. test plot data available
  - e. Stream and rain gages established in the burn areas
    - i. Store water quality every 15 minutes

- ii. information is available on the web site
  - f. Writing water plan for the Rio Grande Basin
    - i. This is a post wildfire report
    - ii. The burn area is likely to impact to hydrograph
  - g. Money from Executive Order \$2.7 mill/ El Pomar \$15K/ DOLA \$100K
  - h. Trying to encourage proactive actions
    - i. Looking at biomass
    - ii. Developing forest health collaborative
    - iii. RWEACT managing stewardship health agreements
- IV. Upcoming Events (20 min)
  - a. West Fork Fire Tour
    - i. June 20 - group tour
    - ii. Work together with RWEACT on a fall tour
    - iii. Include the needs/ advancements for rehabilitation
- V. Budget Discussion and Expenditure Approval (20 min)
  - a. Aaron explained the current expenditure
  - b. The expenditures were approved
- VI. Updates (10 min)
  - a. DNR grant
    - i. The DNR grant proposal for work on Four Mile was not funded
    - ii. There was some discussion as to why - perhaps it was the fiscal rate
    - iii. Aaron will talk to Lisa at DNR to get an understanding
  - b. Mulch sales
    - i. JR has sold several bags of mulch
    - ii. Aaron write a PSA and send it to the Pagosa Daily Post and the Sun
- VII. Action Items (5 min)
  - a. Aaron talk with Steve, formalize the West Fork Tour - send to group