San Juan Headwaters Forest Health Partnership
Agenda May 22, 2015
9:30 to 11:30 at the Pagosa Ranger District

Attending: Aaron Kimple, Bev Warburton, Tim Leishman, Bob Frye, Steve Hartvigsen, Thurman Wilson, Jimbo Buickerood, Ben Bailey, Nicole DiMarco, Jerry Archuleta, Hannah Weaver, Matt Buchanan, Tony Cheng, Kristen Pelz, Kent Grant, Darlene Marcus, Kevin Khung, JR Ford

I. Welcome and Introductions (5 min)

II. Updates (15 min)
   a. LPEA Meeting
      i. There has been no immediate decision on the pricing for incorporation of Forest Health Company’s electricity
   b. Farm Bill Work
      i. USFS
         1. Field work is done
         2. Contracts need to put together
         3. Largely mastication
      ii. NRCS
         1. Accepting applications since first of may
         2. 23 homes that are interested
         3. Homes are in Hidden Valley and Alpine lakes
         4. Homeowners can Sign up until June 17
   c. Meeting with Senators
      i. Collaborative efforts were highlighted
      ii. Both senators want to exhibit leadership
      iii. Educational opportunity for the senators
      iv. What did we need to get done?
         1. Resolving wildfire funding
         2. How do we expand CFLR?
         3. Performance metrics beyond acres treated
            a. Right acres
         4. How does this effect relationship with NM?
         5. Our senators often represent smaller populations
            a. Expand the number of senators and representative
   d. Governor signs DNR grant
      i. Governor was in Durango to sign the legislation
      ii. Funded for a million dollars
   e. Pub Talk
      i. 70 people attended
      ii. Presented by SER, CFRI, Firewise, MSI, SJHFHP
      iii. Looking for SER representativea
         1. Contact Brett
f. West Fork Tour
   i. The tour and talk is coming together
   ii. Speakers are lined up
   iii. Firewise, Wolf Creek Ski Area, and Southern Rockies Fire Science Network will help support food

g. Partner Meeting
   i. Groups that partner with the USFS got a chance to talk with a committee reviewing the San Juan National Forest
   ii. San Juan Headwaters discussed the work it does and the help it receives from the Pagosa Ranger District

III. Finances (20 min)
a. Budget review
   i. We do have some negative numbers
      1. The negative numbers in the Fourmile will be zeroed by re-allocating dollars
      2. The negative numbers in Reservoir Hill have been absorbed by MSI with an adjustment in admin charge for the grant
   ii. Recent Grants
      1. CSFS has partnered with San Juan Headwater to assist with the education and outreach component of Reservoir Hill
   iii. Hershey Grant
      1. The grant is in and will be reviewed June 5
   iv. NFF,
      1. A grant will be submitted to NFF
   v. USFS
      1. Kevin is working to help the San Juan Headwaters tell its story with money recently received.
   vi. Need more private money
      1. Reach out with GECKO
      2. Pagosa Brewing
      3. Riff Raff
         a. Beer at Riff Raff
            i. Working to protect water
            ii. Tim Leishman will talk to the owners
            iii. San Juan Headwaters Ale?
   vii. Center for collaborative - talk to Emily Olson about them
   viii. Date is wrong on the budget – should be first week of May
   ix. Budget has come a long way

b. What is in the budget for 2016
   i. Aaron build a report

c. Video
   i. Talk to local schools
   ii. Stair step from iphone video
   iii. We should include a camera on the west fork tour
d. Approve expenditures
   i. Expenditures were approved

IV. Development (30 min)
   a. One-pager
      i. Clean water and outdoor adventure starts with a health forest
      ii. Trees across trails
   b. End of year report
   c. Need information more directed to trails and active folks
   d. Specialized one-pagers for target audiences
   e. Template cater to different groups
   f. Riff Raff – can we include information at the restaurant
   g. Address active lifestyles

V. CFRI (30 min) – Brett Wolk
   a. Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant
      i. Non-federal lands in CO
   b. Monitoring
      i. Brett discussed monitoring tactics and findings
      ii. Crown fire potential generally reduced
      iii. Surface fuels up in older PJ
      iv. Down in younger PJ
      v. Browns transects for surface fuels
      vi. Relative numbers
      vii. Immediate pre and post monitoring
         1. A couple of long-term plots
     viii. Pondo
         1. Crown down
         2. Surface same or up a little
     ix. Lodgepole Pine
         1. Begin to identify regeneration
         2. All materials removed
         3. Presents the potential to combining industry with forest health
   x. Closer to zero wildfire risk the more you impact other values
      1. Most discussions are focused on fire
      2. Are we willing to have more fire risk in way to support other values.
      3. We can reduce risk but never take away fire
   xi. What do we do about invasives
      1. What are we leaving behind
   xii. What is adding to the intensity and smoke layer
   xiii. Can improve treatments with surface fuel management
   xiv. What risk is accessible
   xv. Monitoring helps
      1. Funding
      2. Improve projects
3. What treatments are most effective in what forest types?

VI. Action Items (5 min)
   a. Riff Raff – Tim will check in
   b. Outdoor Movie
   c. Send along Tony
   d. Aaron make one-pager more fun!
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