

San Juan Headwaters Forest Health Partnership
Agenda August 26, 2016, 9:30 to 11:30
Archuleta County Emergency Management Building
700 Piedra Rd, Pagosa Springs, CO

Attending: JR Ford, Jimbo Buickerood, Amanda Kuenzi, Jerry Archuleta, Fred Ellis, Bill Trimarco, Steve Hartvigsen, Ben Bailey, Bev Warburton, Michael Whiting, Sam Foster, Kent Grant

Who	What	When
Aaron	Reach out to CDOT	By Oct.
Aaron	Catch up with Cindy Dosier	Byt Oct
Aaron	Talk to Bentley at Archuleta County	By Sept.
Kevin/ Matt	Talk with Becca about contact at Excel	Oct.
Aaron and Jimbo	Arrange meeting in front of COG	
Aaron and Bill	Presentation to land trust	
Matt T., Matt F., Steve, Bev, JR,	Folk Festival – Aaron will circulate schedule	
Aaron	Circulate information on meeting in October	September
Aaron/ Matt	Organize another funding committee meeting	September/ October

I. Welcome and Introductions (5 min)

Celebration time: Ben Bailey present and conversation, Amanda’s Birthday, Success with the Tour of the Washington office

II. Updates (30 min)

a. USFS

- i. Turkey Springs mastication is done
- ii. Kenney Flats mastication to be awarded next week
- iii. Prescribed burn of 420 acres in Turkey Springs has been done
 1. 1 smoke complaint
 2. There were some calls asking for more fire
 3. Try to get paper out to talk post-burn
- iv. Next on the list – May be more funding from Joint Chiefs – Fawn Gulch
 1. 800 acres on Brockover/ Turkey
- v. Kara Chadwick will be detailing to Region 8 – 120 days

- vi. Timber sale for bid on Wolf Creek Pass – 130 acres, bids due in September
- vii. Wood utilization discussion over Alamosa
 - 1. Branding and marketing for wood products
 - 2. Local and quality
 - 3. Firewood bundling
 - 4. 3 or 4 mills nearby – house log or dead Engelmann – a lot of interest
- b. NRCS
 - i. May need some letters of support for additional work in Elk Springs
- c. FireWise
 - i. Low-income mitigation will continue
 - ii. 5 properties will be done in Aspen Springs – hand work
 - iii. Will there be funding for FEMA
 - iv. PLPOA has a proposal in to DNR for a tub grinder
 - v. Loma Linda is putting together a CWPP – 3rd one
 - vi. Aaron and Bill attended a Brew Tour in Fort Collins
 - vii. Mitigation program – offered 20K to homeowners
 - viii. Research around non-resident motivation to support fire work
- d. CSFS
 - i. SAF will be offering tour of GTR 310 work
- e. County Emergency Management
 - i. Mike Larou is the new manager
- f. Cohesive Strategy
 - i. What kind of support are we getting from the state? The state needs to step up on a legislative front and the Governor’s office. More fires may support finances.
 - 1. Will having a new director at the DNR help?
 - 2. Will it help to have some funding not tied to severance taxes
 - 3. There should be more funding for
- g. Recent Presentations given include
 - i. PAWSD
 - ii. Colorado Wildfire Protection Group
 - iii. San Miguel County
 - iv. Washington Office visit
- h. Audubon Group has been offering education at Hershey Ranch
- III. Video Premier (10 min)
- IV. Budget (25 min)
 - a. Budget discussion
 - i. Recent expenditures were presented to the group
 - ii. Expenditures were approved
 - b. Recent Grants
 - i. We have secured money through the Cohesive Strategy
 - c. Next sources - Planning

- i. Local contributions
 - ii. Aaron talk to Bentley
 - iii. NRCS – Conservation Innovation Grants
 - iv. Bring together Matt group and conversation
 - v. Kevin or Matt T. - Talk with Becca about contact EXCEL
 - vi. CDOT – Aaron reach out to have the conversation
 - 1. Jackson Mountain
 - 2. Talk with Cindy Dozier
 - vii. Sit in front of the COG – Jimbo help arrange, Aaron
 - viii. Aggregators of land – Talk with the Land trust
 - 1. Fire damage on easements
 - 2. Presentation – Aaron and Bill talk to
- V. Upcoming Events (30 min)
 - a. Folk Festival – September 2-4
 - i. Steve and Matt will set up on Thursday.
 - ii. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Steve will take down Monday
 - iii. Matt Tuten and Bev Warburton on Sunday
 - b. Bridging the Divide – Sept 9-10
 - i. Fire, forest management, water
 - ii. Objectives
 - 1. Management outside of fire
 - 2. Drawing the connection between forests and water
 - 3. Managing for a changing forest cover
 - 4. NO bathroom treasure falls
 - a. West Fork campground
 - b. Fit stop into another area
 - c. Ponderosa Pine Symposium – Oct. 5 to 6
 - d. Colorado Watershed Assembly – October 11 to 13
- VI. Future Planning (20 min)
 - a. Priorities and next steps
 - b. Citizen Science
 - i. Work with JD Kurz and his students in September on Reservoir Hill
 - ii. Work with Matt Tuten and USFS for marking in October
- VII. Next Steps (5 min)

To Do:

Future events

- Tour of Wolf Creek
- Tour of FourMile
- Information Exchange