

SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF 2000
RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RAC)
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT – SALEM DISTRICT
LOBBY LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM
June 17, 2010

- RAC member registration

Attending: Mickey Bellam, Wayne Giesy, Bill Kluting, Dave Schmidt, Walter Cate, Jim Clawson, Dr. Leland Gilson, Ronald Adams, Dave Schamp, Annabelle Jaramillo, Charles Hurliman, John Lindsey, Belle Smith, Allan Gaerlan, Rick Kneeland, Rich Hatfield, Diane Morris, Dan Hollenkamp, and Gail Hodgson.

Call to Order - 08:40

- Welcome by Dan Hollenkamp, Salem BLM Associate District Manager.
- Identify the Designated Federal Official (DFO) = Richard Hatfield
 - Agenda review
 - Agenda is approved but allow for flexibility
- RAC member introductions
 - Achieved quorum
 - Nomination and election of chair and vice chair – lead by current chair, Annabelle Jaramillo.
 - § New Chair = Annabelle Jaramillo; consensus.
 - § New Vice Chair = Dave Schmidt; consensus.
- Information sharing – DFO
 - Applications are currently being accepted for RAC members. Please get applications and letters of recommendation to Rich Hatfield as soon as possible.
- Updates & slide presentation on previously approved projects – DFO
 - Last year, the RAC recommended funding for FY 2009 and FY 2010 projects. Focus for the discussion is on FY 2009 funded projects.
 - 1.57 million dollars allocated for FY 2009. Approximately \$1.1 million is obligated and \$678,000 is spent.
 - Discussion on how to measure economic impacts of RAC projects. RAC indicated interest in tracking the number of work days each project creates.
- Overview of FY 2011 projects – DFO
 - \$1.3 million available for FY 2011 Title II projects.
 - Over \$4.0 million in project proposals.
- **Project presentation – Non-BLM Sponsors**
 - **Rob Perkins; Linn County Work Crew:**
 - § This project is designed to continue the successful partnership between the Salem BLM and the Linn County Juvenile Department’s Work Service Program. The Juvenile Department’s Work Service Program is an opportunity for Linn County youth to complete their community service requirement, which is a condition of their probation or informal diversionary agreement.
 - **Xan Augerot, Mary’s Peak Watershed Council, Duffy Creek Cutthroat Habitat Project**

- § The purpose of this project is to improve cutthroat trout habitat and watershed function in Duffy Creek, to benefit cutthroat trout populations in the Beaver Creek subwatershed of the Marys River. The project goal is to enhance summer and winter habitat for all cutthroat life history stages.
 - § Preliminary project design includes: 22 log structures to be placed along the lower two miles of Duffy Creek and replanting of three historic beaver flats to willow, alder, maple, and cedar.
- **Marci Krass, Mt. Hood Community College, Project YESS**
 - § This project will involve collecting herbaceous seeds from the wild to amplify the seed and grow plugs for restoration re-plantings on priority sites in the Sandy River Basin.
 - § Project YESS Conservation Crew members will play a key role in the implementing this project. They will participate in site scouting on restoration and reference sites to target herbaceous plant species for seed collection.
- **Tyler Joki, Columbia SWCD, Invasives/Non-native Program**
 - § This proposal is to fund two to three years in an effort to control noxious and invasive weed species throughout Columbia County. The primary focus of this program has been the knotweed complex of weeds (Japanese, giant and Himalayan). Effective control of knotweed requires a minimum of three consecutive years of treatment at a given site.
- **Vern Holm; NW Weed Management Partnership**
 - § Cooperative of all weed management programs and watershed councils.
 - § Goal of weed eradication and habitat restoration.
 - § This is a multi-county request.
 - § Benefits
 - Shared technologies on weed control.
 - Provide best methods of eradication.
 - Education and awareness.
- **Janet Oatney, Washington County, Gumm Creek Barrier Removal**
 - § Project purpose and objectives include the restoration of access to aquatic habitat in the East Fork Dairy Creek sub-watershed and the restoration of native migratory fish access to approximately 1.8 miles of high quality aquatic habitat in Gumm Creek by replacing the current barrier with a structure that meets ODFW fish passage requirements. Project should also result in an increase in the presence and abundance of migratory fish on federal lands.
- **David Lockman; Clean Forest Project, Non-profit**
 - § Garbage removal.
 - § Land restoration.
 - § Monitoring.
 - § Benefits
 - Public education programs.
 - Garbage cleanup.
 - Community clean-up events.
 - Support from community businesses.
- **Dan Green; Clackamas County Dump Stoppers Program**
 - § Dump-Stoppers, garbage removal and prosecution.
 - § Shooting Zones accumulate a lot of garbage.
 - § Program has existed since 2003; predominantly funded by Title II funds as well as other partnerships.
 - § Benefits

- Collection of garbage, tires, tires, abandoned vehicles, etc.
 - Citations and prosecutions of offenders
- **Jason Dumont; Nature Conservancy**
 - § Sandy Basin Habitat Restoration Project.
 - § Benefits
 - Restore vegetation in developing recreation areas (approx. 5,000 acres).
 - Works with fish habitat enhancement projects.
 - Provide and initial treatment over all acreage.
 - Establish a long-term maintenance plan with the intent to utilize other funding sources.
- **Joe Waksmundski, Northwest Youth Corps**
 - § Project Purpose, Goals and Objectives includes
 - § Offer area youth a safe and supportive first work experience that incorporates education and mastery of basic employment skills including communication, conflict resolution and leadership, while promoting development of an individual work ethic and an understanding of resource management issues.
 - § Complete resource maintenance projects for Salem BLM to accomplish land management goals.
 - § To enhance and improve recreation resources.
 - § Perform 6 weeks of work on the Salem BLM projects by Northwest Youth Corps crews, supporting up to 72 youth and staff.
 - § Introduce youth to the public lands and wild areas of Northwestern Oregon.
- **Liz Dent, Oregon Department of Forestry and Chester Novak, BLM**
 - § Project is the Alsea/Trask Paired Watershed Studies.
 - § Goals and Objectives of the project includes training students to become professional natural resource managers and scientists; determining the immediate and cumulative effects of contemporary forest practices on fish, amphibians, aquatic insects, hydrology, and water quality for small fish-bearing and non-fish-bearing streams in the Oregon Coast Range; and providing a place to carry out demonstrations and technology transfer activities for students and other associated resource professionals. Outreach activities will include policy makers, resource professionals, forest landowners and managers, the public, and public school children.
- **Chuck Knoll; Linn County**
 - § Watershed Improvement Project; cooperative partnership.
 - § Encompasses Santiam and Calapooia Watersheds.
 - § Improved habitat.
 - § Fish passage inventory.
 - § Reduce flooding issues/evaluate flood plain.
 - § Document surface and ground water quality.
 - § Document riparian and aquatic habitat.
 - § Data to determine future projects.
 - § Benefits
 - Future projects.
 - Employment.
 - Collect & synthesize data and clearing house for information.

- **Brent Brownscombe, Freshwater Trust, Salmon River Restoration**
 - § The project seeks to restore habitat to benefit federally-listed spring Chinook, coho, and winter steelhead on the Salmon River, an ecologically significant tributary of the Sandy River. The Salmon River Aquatic Habitat Restoration Project will increase pool habitat, side channel habitat, and channel complexity on 1,500 feet of the Salmon River.
- **Public Forum: floor opened for public comment but there was no one in attendance.**
- **Project Presentations – BLM Representative**
 - Discussion and voting on projects – RAC Members.
 - **Rick Kneeland; BLM Tillamook RA:**
 - § **Columbia County Projects; see spreadsheet**
 - Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.
 - Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.
 - Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**
 - § **Tillamook County Projects: see spreadsheet**
 - § Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.
 - § Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.
 - § Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**
 - § **Washington County Projects:**
 - § Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.
 - § Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.
 - § Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**
 - § **Yamhill County Projects:**
 - § Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.
 - § Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.
 - § Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**
 - § **Multnomah County Projects:**
 - § Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.
 - § Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.
 - § Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**
 - **Belle Smith; BLM Cascades RA:**
 - § **Clackamas County Projects: see spreadsheet**
 - § Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.
 - § Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.
 - § Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**
 - § **Linn County Projects: see spreadsheet**
 - § Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.
 - § Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.
 - § Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**
 - § **Marion County Projects: see spreadsheets**
 - § Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.
 - § Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.
 - § Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**
 - **Diane Morris; BLM Mary's Peak RA**
 - § **Benton County Projects: see spreadsheet**
 - § Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.
 - § Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.
 - § Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**

§ **Lincoln County Projects: see spreadsheet**

§ Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.

§ Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.

§ Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**

§ **Polk County Projects: see spreadsheet**

§ Motion: prioritize projects as presented. Second.

§ Motion: approve funding in priority order. Second.

§ Voting and prioritization captured; **vote passed.**

Meeting Closeout: Interest was expressed in a field trip. Rich Hatfield said he would coordinate this trip in late September/early October. A reminder was made that we are in need of some RAC application/letters of reference.

Adjourn: 4:05

Recorder: Allan Gaerlan