

**Winema and Fremont Resource Advisory Committee  
Minutes for July 3, 2003  
Lakeview Interagency Office**

<b>Present:</b> Hank Mroczkowski	Susan Baker-Schloth
Sherm Radtke	Don Gentry
Gary Johnson	Chuck Wells
Anita Ward	Craig Ditman
Alan Withers	Fred Rasmussen
Pete Talbott	Clair Thomas
Jane O'Keeffe	Bill Duke
Mary Baker	Bill Aney, DFO

**Absent:** Steve West  
Rick Brown

**Guests:** Bob Elder, Summer Lake  
Jim Walls, Lake County Resources Initiative (LCRI)  
Don Collier, Lake County  
Carolyn Wisdom, Silver Lake District Ranger  
John Merwin, Bagley Ditch Corp, Paisley  
Dan Axmith, HDR, Boise, ID  
Ethan Nelson, Northwest Youth Corps  
Corrie Cyr, HDR, Boise  
Gene Fiebich, Lakeview Soil & Water Cons. District  
Terry Sodorff, Lakeview District Ranger  
Craig Bienz, The Nature Conservancy

**Subgroup Caucusing to review '04 proposals**

**Evaluation of '04 Lake County Proposals:**

Bill Aney, Paisley District Ranger, discussed Paisley's proposals. It was noted that the Winter/Toolbox Salvage Logging Woodpecker Monitoring proposal is a follow up from a suggestion made after the Winter field trip last year.

Carolyn Wisdom discussed Silver Lake's only proposal, North Thinning.

Terry Sodorff answered questions regarding Lakeview Ranger District's proposals.

*RAC members would like to reemphasize their desire for maps and photo documentation on all projects.*

- ❖ John Merwin and Dan Axmith answered questions and explained the need to revise the original Paisley Town Weir proposal. The town weir was reconstructed in 1965, and each year starting in 1980, it has eroded considerably. The new proposal places the weir at a site above Mill Street.

Items the RAC would like to see in the proposal: in-kind work from the ranches involved, and other dollars spent, plus OWEB grant money.

- ❖ Craig Bienz discussed the Sycan Watershed Restoration Monitoring Project proposal.
- ❖ Ethan Nelson, Northwest Youth Corps, showed a power point presentation of projects and people involved with the crews.
- ❖ Don Collier, Lake County Community Services Projects, discussed different projects and services he had planned for earning money for restitution payments. These projects included firewood, split rails and posts.
- ❖ Jim Walls, LCRI, spoke on long term forest plans and local student hiring with their proposal.

**Group Prioritization:**

Unsupported projects identified by groups, with reasoning in italics.

Group I:

- Middle Jack Nesting – *unit costs*
- Hardwood Monitoring—*answers already known*
- Spotted Frog Monitoring—*not a watershed improvement*

Group II:

- Spotted Frog Monitoring—*it is a research project*

Group III:

- Spotted Frog Monitoring--*expense*

A motion was made and unanimously approved to approve a modification of the FY03 Paisley Town Weir project, intended to cover engineering design costs in FY03.

Prioritization of projects was done, with Lake County projects voted upon first, and Klamath County second. RAC members would like to see separable projects identified, so they can be separated if needed. The larger projects are harder to swallow. Items that were tied in votes were resorted in order of expense, with least expensive items ahead of the more expensive projects. Spreadsheets of project prioritization was completed and handed out. (*see attached*)

A field trip for members to see completed projects will be in September. Chuck and Mary will help with the field trip.

**Public comments:** Bob Elder thanked the RAC for serious consideration of the Paisley Town Weir project. He agreed with John Merwin that the project was complicated and all have learned a great deal. He invited everyone to come and see the weir and see that it is money well spent.

RAC members agreed that the proposals went much better this year, but would still like to have all the project sponsors come and answer questions about their projects. Meeting adjourned.