

EL DORADO COUNTY RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PL-110-393)

Meeting Notes

February 8th, 2016

1. **Welcome and roll call.** Present: Rick Ferdon, Joe Davis, Rich Wade, Curt Backhaus, Rich Platt, Jerry Ledbetter, Ellen Osborn, Chuck Mitchell, Rusty Vardy, Tom Mahach, Dale van Dam, Duane Nelson, Jennifer Chapman, and Kristi Schroeder. Not Present: Robert Johnson, Rich Englefield, and Susie Kocher. Public: Pat Trimble, Kathy Smith, Karen Kuentz, Lucy Badenhoop, Randy Hackbarth, Jeff Blewett, Lester Lubetkin.

Rich Englefield is resigning from the RAC due to health issues.

End-of-Term dates: Those that were alternates do not term out (Rusty, Rich Platt, and Curtis) otherwise all current RAC members term out in September 2016.

2. **Public Comment** (General; non-project specific). None.
3. **Review and approval of December 14, 2015 Meeting Minutes.** Change: Jerry Ledbetter was at the December meeting. Approved as amended.
4. **Mid-cycle reporting and trigger dates for funding reallocation if necessary** - Duane discussed and presented some recommendations. A clarification: Funds awarded this cycle would need to be obligated or spent by September 2017. Duane will request status update on September 30, 2016 requiring a spending plan. January 30, 2017 will be another status check. Require grantees to declare if funds to be used or not so they can be reallocated. February 2017 Forest Supervisor will reallocate. Moving funding from one project to another will not require additional work by RAC as they will have created a list of authorized and prioritized projects.
5. **Overview of tonight's meeting purpose and objectives; preview of upcoming RAC Meetings (in March 2016).** Discussion on preferred selection procedure.
6. **Group Discussions:** Adjourned to defined groups (A, B, and C) to discuss and vote on/prioritize project proposals. Groups were instructed also to sort proposals into categories of 1, 2 or 3 with 1 being the highest priority.
7. **Public compilation of individual and group votes.** All projects that had three 1's were approved for RAC recommendation; the total value of these projects was \$114,000. Projects that had two 1's and a 2 (#1613 and #1623) were reviewed and discussed. After discussion, these projects ended up with three 1's and were approved for recommendation by the RAC bringing the total recommendation for funding to \$158,835. The proposals approved by the RAC to be recommended to the Forest Supervisor for funding are:

- #1602 Forest Trash Cleanup
- #1608 Volunteer Chainsaw Certification
- #1611 Georgetown Non-Motorized Trail Maintenance
- #1613 King Fire Invasive Plant Control
- #1618 Bayview Trail Maintenance
- #1622 Leoni Meadows Camp

- #1623 Fontanillis Lake Backcountry Trail Maintenance
 - #1626 Van Vleck Meadow Restoration Phase 1
8. The committee members will submit any questions they have regarding the remaining projects to Duane who will follow up with project coordinators. The committee chose to not require presentations. Duane will send out current spreadsheet of status to date.
- Monday, March 7th, 6- 9 pm. Duane and Jennifer will send out responses to questions committee requested before this meeting. Finish voting and proposal selection.
 - Monday, March 21st, 6 – 9 pm. (tentative).
9. Adjournment