

Sierra County Resource Advisory Committee  
October 5, 2010  
Notes

Attendees:

RAC Members: A) Sig Ostrom, Allen Wright, Bob Latta, Laura Marshal  
B) Bill Copren, Anne Eldred, Cindy Noble, Linda Frost  
C) Lee Adams, Jesse Marovich, Jim Johnston, Carl Butz, Marie Silver

Public: David Arsenault, Greg Williams

Forest Service: Quentin Youngblood, Genice Froehlich, Travis Thane, Kaari Carpenter, Heather Newell, Ann Westling

Agenda: Bill Copren opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Self introductions were made. For 2010 the Sierra County RAC has \$160,295.

Quentin Youngblood gave a status report on the projects that were approved in May:

- Carvin Creek Timber Stand Improvement and Fuels Reduction – project began in September
- Loganville Campground Timber Stand Improvement and Fuel Reduction – was completed
- Sardine Lookout Road – was started in October
- Haven Lakes Toilet – unable to contact Judy Schaber on the Plumas
- Lavezola Trail Bridge – contract has been let, trail bridge ordered
- Bear Proof Food Lockers for Chapman Creek – Three bids were obtained
- Downieville Trail Restoration – expect to start in October
- Sierra County Weed Management – no contract yet
- Chipping/Biomass Conversion Project – have not finalized participating agreement
- Perazzo Canyon/Cold Stream Watershed Assment – have not completed participating agreement
- North Yuba Trout Habitat Restoration Project – will be ready to start by next spring

Legislative and RAC criteria were reviewed

Quentin explained the 3 projects that were submitted that did not meet the criteria

- Fish Screening – did not have NEPA completed and FS has not met with key agencies. FS and Trout Unlimited to work together to develop proposal for possible future funding.
- Fleish Bridge Repair – Ownership of bridge in question. Carson District Ranger not in support of project.
- Sierra County Firesafe Proposal – Proposal does not meet legislative criteria to benefit National Forest System land

RAC voted to approve the following (A-4, B-4, C-5)

Sierra County Weed Management (minus the \$2,000 for FS admin)	\$18,975
Bear Proof Food Lockers – Fiddle Creek	\$10,000
Downieville Trail Restoration	\$ 9501
Sierra Buttes Trail Restoration	\$20,545

Clarks Station timber Stand Improvement and Fuels Reduction	\$17,000
10% Funding for FS for Contracts, Grants, Admin(A-4,B-3,C-5)	\$ 7,600
Total	\$83,621

(Funding to meet 50% watershed improvement/road requirement - \$47,046)

Requests from the RAC

- An overview as to the progress/completion of past projects
- RAC would like to see all proposed projects and reason why/if they do not meet criteria.
- Improved project proposals on value of matching contributions
- Improved project proposals on project costs and how \$\$ spent
- Review from project proponents as to how funding was spent on previous projects
- Request for a sign on the Sierra Buttes Trail to Young America Lake – beautiful view.
- More notice to residents for project development

Next meeting to recommend additional funding for year 2010 to be in Spring, 2011.

**Potential Funding Available**

2010 Funding Total - \$160,295

Allocated in Oct, 2010 \$ 83,621

Remaining to allocate \$76,674 for 2010

2011 at 11.5% \$128,847 - ESTIMATE