

# Hebo Stewardship Group Meeting

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SDCWC Office, Lincoln City

Name	Affiliation	Name	Affiliation
Alex Sifford	NNSLWC	Lisa Phipps	TEP
Catherine Pruet	SDCWC	Paul Katen	SDCWC
Jackie Nichols	Cascade Pacific	Guy Sievert	Ecosystem Services
Mike Kennedy	Siletz Tribe		
Michael Reichenberg	Hebo Ranger District	Jane Barth	Facilitator

## Welcome and Agenda

Jane called the meeting to order. The July notes were reviewed and approved by the group.

## FS Updates

Michael shared with the group his findings on the question on if logs donated by the Forest Service could be used as matching funds in a Wyden project. Michael spoke with both the Regional Stewardship Coordinator and the Supervisory Grants Manager; their answer was that it is not appropriate. Michael distributed a handout with some draft guidelines on using logs.

The Forest Service is busy finishing up FY 11 projects and working on the NEPA for the North Nestucca project.

Ron Hudson and Dave Skelton helped out Catherine with technical assistance and landowner recruitment for the Bear Creek project that SDCWC submitted in the current Coast Range Stewardship Fund cycle.

A proposal to use retained receipts to maintain meadows on Mt. Hebo for butterfly habitat was submitted for funding from the portion of retained receipts used on FS land.

## 10-year Celebration

Jackie summarized the celebration's festivities for the group. An account of the day can be viewed at: <http://www.oregonwild.org/about/blog/siuslaw-celebration-success>. Jackie handed out awards to Alex Sifford and Lisa Phipps who could not attend the celebration.

## Outreach Update

Jackie shared with the group that additional outreach money has been procured for all four stewardship groups. The amount for Hebo is \$2,400. Jackie will follow up with the group on different ways to use this money. Some uses identified at tonight's meeting include:

- Events such as field trips or cookouts
- Contacting landowners
- Producing pamphlets

The group will discuss potential outreach strategies at next month's meeting. Guy suggested using outreach money to target potential partners, such as OWEB or other land management agencies.

### **Coast Range Stewardship Fund**

Catherine submitted the application for the Bear Creek project. She extends her thanks to Ron Hudson and Dave Skelton for their help with technical aspects of the proposal and for their assistance with landowner recruitment.

Copies of the application were shared with the group for review. Any comments need to be back to Catherine by 9/19. Jackie is working with her and all applicants to address any issues she sees. Revised applications can be submitted prior to the Technical Review Team meeting.

The technical review team will finish its review by 9/26 and a representative will share the team's report on all six applications from the four groups during the October meeting.

The group had a spirited discussion on the merits and disadvantages of mentioning beaver habitat or relocation in the Bear Creek project. It was decided that mentioning beavers is too politically charged at this time.

### **Fall Roundtable Meeting**

The meeting will be held October 13 in Philomath. Jane called for volunteers to represent the Hebo group. Alex Sifford and Paul Katen have the honor of being the first representatives of the Hebo Stewardship Group. Congratulations!

Jackie shared with the group that outreach money can be used for travel expenses associated with the Roundtable meeting. The group approved paying for travel expenses to attend Roundtable meetings out of outreach funds. Jackie will follow up on how to contract for and request reimbursement.

### **Field Trip!**

The fall field trip will be held the afternoon of Friday, November 4 from 1-4pm. Alex and Jason Wilcox will discuss riparian treatments in Stillwell Creek. Michael Reichenberg and Michelle Dragoo will discuss terrestrial treatments in the area. News media will be invited along. The Forest Service will provide SUVs for transportation from Dolph Junction. An itinerary is to come. Michael and Alex agreed to take the lead on the itinerary. Jane will follow up with them to get out a Save the Date communication. The target audience for this first field trip is people who have attended any HSG meetings to date and others that participants reach out to by word of mouth.

### **Next Meetings**

The next meeting will be held on October 6 in Pacific City from 6-8pm. Main agenda items will be Technical Review Team report, Roundtable preparation and field trip planning.

The fall field trip will be the November meeting.

The Joint Stewardship Meeting will be in November or December. The regular December meeting scheduled for the 8<sup>th</sup> will be kept as a placeholder. The group will decide to meet or not depending upon the date selected for the joint meeting.