

Hebo Stewardship Group Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2012

Driftwood Library

Name	Affiliation	Name	Affiliation
Ron Hudson	USFS	Kirk Shimeall	CPRCD
David Skelton	USFS	Anne Walker	USFWS
Alex Sifford	NNWC	Luke Gmazel	Lincoln City
Catherine Pruett	SDCWC	Jane Barth	Facilitator
Lisa Phillips	TEP		

August minutes were approved by consensus.

Updates

– Forest Service Updates (Ron Hudson)

- Ron shared a list of proposed stewardship projects to be done by the FS with its 60% of retained receipts (see attachment #1). Meeting participants expressed support for the 2 projects within the HSG area after short discussion including the following points:
 - Luke would like confirmation that the road decommissioning for ~1.3mi along Rd 1900 between Buff Cr. & Gordy Cr. due to road failure, slumps, etc. will not obstruct access to Lincoln City owned acreage, in particular the gauging station. Ron will follow-up on this.
 - Proposed meadow restoration on Mt. Hebo will cover ~100-ac of mowing, seeding, hand treatment of vegetation.
 - Katherine P. suggested that in the future the FS share information on the stewardship projects it plans, as early as possible, so that the HSG can think of projects on nearby private land. This would create symbiosis between FS and Wyden stewardship projects and could also create opportunities for match. Ron will help coordinate this.
 - Jane will follow-up with Ron to have the full project proposals circulated.
- Michael Reichenberg is off to his new position with the FS in Montana, and the group wishes him the best at his next position and thanks him for all his work with the HSG since its formation.

– CPRCD Updates (Kirk Shimeall)

- Acknowledged Jackie's excellent participation and says she gives her good wishes to the group. She looks forward to seeing the group at future events.
- Passed out a table summarizing the 11 Wyden Authority stewardship proposals (see attachment #2). Group will hear technical review team report at its October meeting. Short discussion ensued about getting information out to help people recognize invasives on their property. The Institute for Applied Ecology in

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Corvallis and the National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) both have good information.

- **October Meeting (Jane)** – Since Technical Review Team will have to have a representative at both the SSG and HSG meetings on October 4th, the group considered alternate dates. Jane will put out a Doodle poll to see if either the 2nd or 4th of October in Pacific City is best for the most people.

Annual Review of HSG

- What has worked well?
 - o Alternating location making it convenient for everyone
 - o Moving meeting time to afternoon
 - o Field trips
 - o Projects on the ground- SDCWC broke the ice and NNWC waited until 2nd year
 - o FS always has a representative available and receptive to the group's comments; group gets to weigh in on process
 - o Good guidance & facilitation; background info provided
 - o Good group of people, always interesting, always learn something
 - o Group works well together; open to each other's ideas; whole watershed goal; not competitive with each other
- What could we do different/improve?
 - o Increase in public outreach to get more people to the meetings
 - o More consistency on process, e.g. outreach funds - need more info for when they are available, how much, etc.
 - o Fewer meetings? Only if it works with the grant outreach cycle.
 - If we have more grant proposals we would likely need more meetings, but Nov-April we could have fewer meetings.
 - o More refreshments
 - o Meet at less formal locations such as restaurants, which would help local economy, too
 - o Authority to spend on stewardship projects clear and early enough for work schedule; will also help with maintaining landowner commitment
 - o Be strategic about projects to allow for potential whole watershed restoration potential; find locations that build off other projects (FS and private land)
- What are things we should focus on as we move forward?
 - o General outreach about stewardship and the HSG. Start using the funds that were allocated for this last year.
 - o Highlight priority issues that require attention (e.g. – invasive species in stewardship area) and which are of interest to a variety of stakeholders to encourage participation in the HSG by more stakeholders.

- Have presentations on specific topics at meetings to encourage other people to attend. Can access speakers from Regional Lab, Forest Supervisors' Office, etc.
- Better communicate with private landowners to encourage them to participate more in the group. (Environmental vs. Agricultural concerns)
- Need to have 'who we are' figured out in order to get more people here.
 - Who is the HSG? What are the mission, values, priorities of the group"
 - Have a clear statement of what the group does/stands for.
 - Create an "elevator speech."
 - Make it clear that all are invited and encouraged to participate in the HSG and that all have access to the annual stewardship fund. Overcome assumption that all participants are "enviros."
- Get the word out more rather than relying only on email group and word of mouth communication.
 - Create a brochure just for the HSG (using information in the 4-group brochure).
 - Work with CPRCD to populate the stewardship website page dedicated to the HSG [<http://www.cascadepacificstewardship.org/hebo>] Own webpage would be a benefit to the group to let people know what the group is for and projects that are occurring.
 - Open House at project sites, hear from landowners
 - Newspaper articles
 - Radio spots
 - Hold 2-year celebration
 - Have meeting and field trip dates in newspaper. [People are asked to send Jane contact information for the media outlets they use.]
 - Online Lincoln City site that announces conservation events

Announcements

- Future meetings:
 - October 4 at 3:00 in Pacific City (one week earlier than usual in order to discuss technical team report prior to the Fall Roundtable meeting)
 - Roundtable meeting on October 11th at SNF Headquarters in Corvallis from 9:30-12:30. Roundtable reps are Paul Katen and Alex Sifford.
 - Joint meeting in December, date TBD. In October group will discuss speakers or topic for November 8th meeting.

Meeting adjourned around 5pm.

Attachment #1 Round X

FS Retained Receipt Project Proposals

Sept 2012

Project #	Project Name	Applicant	Location (Stewardship Area)	STWD Request	Total Project	% Match	NEPA complete
FS-077	Bluff Creek Road Decommissioning	Joe Acosta	Bluff Creek (Hebo)	\$ 48,000	\$ 58,000	17%	yes
FS-078	Rock Creek Bridge Replacement and Channel Restoration	Joe Acosta	Rock Creek (Marys Peak)	\$150,000	\$500,000	70%	yes
FS-079	Road Storm Mitigation	Joe Acosta	Forest Wide	\$ 70,000	\$100,000	30%	yes
FS-080	Alsea River Boat Ramp Sediment Reduction	Justin Fenton	Alsea River (Alsea)	\$ 25,000	\$ 36,000	31%	no (CE)
FS-081	ORBIC Plover Nest Protection	Marty Bray	Beach nesting areas (Siuslaw)	\$ 30,000	\$ 60,000	50%	yes
FS-082	APHIS Plover Predator Management	Marty Bray	Beach nesting areas (Siuslaw)	\$ 50,000	\$195,000	74%	yes
FS-083	Mt. Hebo Silverspot Habitat Restoration	Michelle Drago	Mt. Hebo (Hebo)	\$ 10,000	\$ 26,500	62%	yes
FS-084	Plover Habitat Improvement	Cindy Burns	Beach nesting areas (Siuslaw)	\$ 50,000	\$ 58,000	14%	yes
FS-085	Fivemile Restoration	Paul Burns	Tahkinitch Lake Basin (Siuslaw)	\$ 82,500	\$262,500	69%	yes
FS-086	Native Plant Propagation	Paul Burns	Siuslaw and Lakes Basins (Siuslaw)	\$ 17,500	\$34,500	49%	yes
FS-087	Rock Creek Silverspot Habitat Restoration	Marty Bray	Rock Creek & Bray Point (Alsea)	\$ 30,000	\$150,000	80%	yes
FS-088	CCRD Meadow Maintenance	Marty Bray	District Wide (Alsea and Siuslaw)	\$ 15,000	\$ 47,500	68%	yes
<i>Est. \$514k avail. for fy12 FS ret.receipts</i> FUNDING TOTALS:				\$ 578,000	\$ 1,330,500		

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Attachment #2 - Round 2012 Wyden Project Proposals Budget (Sorry, I can't seem to figure out getting this on one page! jbb)

Project #	Applicant	Project Name	Requested Amount	Local Match	Total Project	% Match	Location
WY-A13-13	Lincoln Public Works	Lincoln County False Brome Control	\$8,162	\$2,570	\$10,732	24%	Multiple sites west of Lincoln Co. T12S, R9W, Sec. 12, & 15
WY-A13-14	Van Eck Forest Foundation	Big Elk & Sugarbowl Creeks Riparian Restoration	\$36,729	\$12,320	\$49,049	25%	Big Elk Cr. & Sugarbowl Creeks R8W, Sec. 13-15
WY-A13-15	Lincoln Co SWCD.	Flynn Creek LW & Riparian	\$21,728	\$16,452	\$38,180	43%	T12S, R10W, Sec. 12
WY-A13-16	Lincoln Co SWCD.	Lincoln SWCD Invasive Species Control	\$8,585	\$3,804	\$12,389	31%	Multiple sites in Five Rivers Elk and Lower Yachats Creek Watersheds T11W; 14S, 9-19W; 1
WY-A13-17	MidCoast Watersheds Council	Upper Five Rivers Salmon & Elk Habitat Restoration	\$31,187	\$11,900	\$43,087	28%	Five Rivers Subwatershed T15S, R9W Sec. 12
WY-H13-02	Nestucca-Neskowin WC	Butte Creek Fish Passage	\$35,240	\$47,846	\$83,086	58%	Butte Creek a tributary to Neskowin Creek, 5S, 11W, Sec. 12
WY-H13-03	Salmon Drift Creek WC	Lower Schooner Creek Fish Passage	\$23,687	\$10,840	\$34,527	31%	Schooner Creek in Salmon Drift Creek Watershed T11S, R10W, Sec. S30
WY-M13-11	Marys River WC	Greasy Creek Riparian Revegetation	\$51,707	\$14,317	\$66,023	22%	Multiple sites along Marys River, a tributary to Marys River
WY-M13-12	Shiver River LLC	Shiver River False Brome Eradication	\$10,600	\$3,750	\$14,350	26%	Rock Creek Watershed T11S, R6W, Sec. 20

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WY-S13-13	Siuslaw SWCD	Misery Creek Riparian Enhancement	\$27,034	\$15,894	\$42,928	37%	Misery Creek, , ~1.55 the confluence with Fork of Deadwood C R09W, S17, 20,
WY-S13-14	Siuslaw Watershed Council	Siuslaw Riparian Restoration 2013-14	\$35,016	\$66,256	\$101,272	65%	Siuslaw, Mer Siltcoos/Tahkenitch T15—20S, 4-12W, M
Totals			\$289,675	\$205,948	\$495,623	42%	

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