

# MINUTES OF THE HIGH COUNTRY RC&D BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 5, 2010

Those Present: See attached list

Paul Romrell, Secretary/Treasurer called the meeting to order at 10:00 p.m. He welcomed everyone in attendance. Dave Radford, Chairman arrived shortly after the meeting was called to order.

Our new Coordinator, Pam Herdrich was welcomed and took a few minutes to introduce herself and talked about her past knowledge and experience she has with the RC&D program. She is very excited to be working with the High Country RC&D area.

**Minutes of meeting on 7/15/10:** Minutes from 7/15/10 meeting were reviewed. Paul Romrell made a motion to approve the minutes. Brett Barsalou seconded. Motion passed.

**Financial Report:** Paul Romrell gave a current financial report. The RC&D operating budget as of 8/5/10 is \$16,095.89, with \$20,817.84 of outstanding project expenses that will be reimbursed. Brett Barsalou made a motion to accept the financial report as given. Debbie Karren seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**Review and comments on the RC&D “Holding the Line” tour held 7/15/10:** Paul Romrell stated that the tour was a great success, with several regional and national Forest Service Representatives in attendance. Leafy Spurge is trying to be maintained with the collection and harvesting of bio control bugs.

## Project Updates:

- **Cloud Seeding Program for 2009-2010:** The report received from North American Weather Consultants states that it was not the best year for cloud seeding due to the storm patterns. A five year period is best to look at. Idaho Power is planning to put out seven more remote generators for next winter.
- **CWMA's:** Both the Upper Snake River and Henrys Fork CWMA's are in full swing with spraying of herbicide, bio control, and mapping.
- **Holding the Line:** Pam Herdrich reported there are several partners to this project. A grant to Idaho Department of Lands has been submitted for \$200,000 to be used for the next three years. Partners are putting together a draft 5-year Strategic Plan.
- **Henrys Lake ANS:** There are nine employees working for this project doing boat washes, inspections, and taking surveys. The survey results are being sent on a regular basis to Idaho Department of Ag in Boise.
- **Wildland Urban Interface:** Our contractor, Northwest Management has been doing information and education at county fairs on Firewise. They are also working on the Grove Creek Subdivision for a demonstration project. Brett Barsalou made a motion to request our contractor to re-apply for the Potpourri Subdivision. Wayne Butts seconded. Motion passed.
- **Other projects that Pam Herdrich, RC&D Coordinator has been providing assistance to:** City of Ammon Senior Citizen Park, Fremont County Rodeo Grounds, Sugar City Welcome Sign, Mud Lake Rodeo Grounds, and Driggs Arena.

**RC&D Area Plan:** The area plan has been revised and reviewed. Brett Barsalou made a motion to approve this plan for 2010-2014. Debbie Karren seconded. Motion passed. This plan will now be presented to our NRCS State Conservationist for review and signature.

**Next Meeting:** Will be held on October 28, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. in Rexburg at the Madison County Commissioners meeting room.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

**Attendance for the High Country RC&D Board of Directors Meeting**

**August 5, 2010**

**COUNTY**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**AGENCIES & OTHERS**

Bonneville

Dave Radford

Tammy Egbert, RC&D Administrative Asst.

Butte

Absent

Pam Herdrich, NRCS-RC&D, Rexburg

Clark

Absent

Custer

Wayne Butts

Fremont

Paul Romrell

Jefferson

Debbie Karren

Lemhi

Brett Barslou

Madison

Absent

Teton

Absent

Teton, WY

Absent