

**CCLWG  
GARFIELD  
AND KANE  
COUNTYS**

**Date: \*Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup> 2003**

**Time: \*1:00 PM**

**Place: \*Garfield County Court House/Extension  
building**

**Members Present; Adam Bronson, Kevin Heaton  
Lisa Church, Missy Siders, Nate Harris Todd  
Black**

Briefing meeting

**Information Presented**

- 1-CCLWG geographic boundary
- 2-Identify key players, groups, and individuals who should be included in the group
- 3-Identy issues which could be effecting sage grouse declines

**Discussion Highlights**

Discussed work completed today by BLM and DWR. Several sites have been treated but results are inconclusive and treatments may have failed due to drought. Need monitoring.

Next meeting and dinner set for August 27<sup>th</sup> 2003 at 6:30 PM in Panguitch.

**Actions Taken**

Identified those who need to be part of the group. Including other local governmental agencies, conservation groups, cattle and livestock groups etc. Todd will send out revised list for group to review.

Identified issues of concern

- Livestock grazing—need to look at different grazing regimes and practices.
- Predation—avian and 4 legged
- Range trend changes—old decadent stands of sage brush loss of forbe native grass understory to cheat grass
- Development of agriculture and conversion of native rangelands
- Encroachment of pinyon and juniper from foothills to uplands/range

- Loss of wet meadow areas and riparian corridors
- A high priority need for additional data to be collected on and near Alton Sink Valley lek area. Birds are on their way out in that area. Possible graduate student and research efforts/base line data need here.
- Flight time and more people on the ground to look for leks next spring.

### **Follow-up Needed**

Put together a summary of projects/treatments completed today where, what, how much etc.

2-Make additional contacts and send out meeting minutes and invitations for upcoming meeting.

3-Inform county commissioners and agriculture/livestock holders of the group

4-Find out who is the chair and co-chair of the group. Find out about mission statement..

### **By Whom**

1-Adam Bronson UDWR Lisa Church BLM

2-Todd will create mailing list and contact those key players identified by the group

3-Kevin/Nate will give a heads up to the county commissioners at their next meeting

4-Missy was going to check with Harry.