

## **East Box Elder County Adaptive Resources Management (EBARM) Sage-Grouse Local Working Group**

The East Box Elder LWG was formed in November 2015. The LWG group consists of private landowners, state and federal agency personnel, and conservation district members. The group elected C. J. Roberts and Brett Selman as their co-chairs for the group. The first objectives of the group are to learn more about the sage-grouse population in their area, which consists of nearly all private land. This included lek searches, recording wintering grouse, and communicating with landowners for their knowledge.

The group met again in early January 2016 and decided to have an education meeting for the group and community to learn more about sage-grouse and invite landowners and other community leaders. This meeting will be held on February 18, 2016. This is a fledging group and the future will tell if members can continue to work together, though a very strong start has occurred. Four individuals in the group have donated money to buy a GPS-radio for a sage-grouse. The group plans to start their own research project after some initial data gathering and identifying a funding source.

### **East Box Elder LWG meetings.**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Face to Face	November 12, 2015	USU Branch Campus, Tremonton, UT	28	Kick-off Meeting, Organization, Co-Chair Persons, Need, Objectives discussed
Face to Face	January 7, 2016	USDA Offices, Tremonton, UT		Discussed the direction of the group, lek searches for the spring, recording wintering grouse locations, set educational meeting Feb. 18