

RICH CO CRM

Planning/scoping
meeting

Date: 11/24/2008

Time: 10:00 AM

Place: Randolph UT Senior Center

Members Present: Darren Dubois, Randy Wood, Scott Walker, Mike Welch, Alvin Shaw, Todd Cornia, Craig Kennedy, Rick Danvir, Kevin Labrum, Brian Maxfield, Taylor Payne, Troy Forrest, Curtis Warrick, Steve Madsen, Dave Cottle, Stu Wamsley, Michael Gates, Tracy Allen, Karl Fleming, Bill Hopkin, Kirk Dahle, Scott Chamberlain, Thomas Hoskins, Todd Black

Information Presented/Discussion Highlights

Todd Black USU/EXT gave general information on state wide sage-grouse plan. A new state wide plan will be out shortly which will give support to LWG and address some state wide issues. He also gave an update on the Judge Windmill decision set for the 4th of December.

The bulk of the meeting was spent going over various accomplishments of specific actions on the sage-grouse plan. The group made it through Strategy 7. Everyone was asked to review the remaining strategies and actions and provide input and get back to Todd by years end.

Darren Dubois presented population information on sage-grouse and lek counts for 2008. Numbers were down slightly but this could be because of the could wet spring and not being able to get to many of the leks until too late or because of low production and recruitment in 2007.

Actions Taken

Several actions were taken which involved more steps on black-footed ferret. The group decided 2 things, if BFF were to be released on DLL and the BLM the following would need to take place.

1—A formal presentation from the USFWS mainly Scott (last name needed) who is the lead on the BFF recovery in South Dakota would come and discuss with the group the in's and out's of protection with regards to private lands and landowners within the County.

2—A letter would be sent by Rick Danvir (representing DLL) and Mike Welch and asking the various environmental partners to come up with a million dollar bond which would be given to the county in an interest bearing account to cover the cost of any litigation from any group protecting the landowners and the county from any unforeseen problems relating to the release of the experimental population of BFF and or prairie dogs if they were to be listed. If no litigation occurred during this time period monies would be returned to the various environmental groups

with interest.

Follow-up Needed

Brian Maxfield and Kevin to contact Scott requesting a formal presentation on 10a-1a and the possible release of BFF in the county on DLL and BLM.

Rick and Mike draft and send letter to various environmental partners in the group asking them to participate in a million dollar bond to pay for any litigation cost.

Everyone in the group will review

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for February 6th 2009 at 10:00 AM at the Randolph Senior Center. Subsequent meetings will be held every other month on the first Friday at 10 at the Senior Center unless otherwise noted.