



Minutes for Fremont - Winema RAC June 20, 2006

Meeting opened 8 am

Chairman Talbott opened the meeting beginning with Cindi's housekeeping topic. Cindi shared some of the proponent responses to a few of the questions that couldn't be answered yesterday. Pete and Amy made calls to Winter Rim Fence proponents i.e. Carolyn Wisdom, Anna Kerr and Marcy Schrader (Answer came later in the day during caucusing; 2 permittees and FS would split cost of fence 3 ways).

BLM Bitterbrush - answer was No, the bitterbrush does not come back

Barnes Valley Old Growth: Cost difference between the separate counties. Amy Gibson was not available to answer but Brian Watt supplied an answer... Lake Co contract 68% chain saw and 32% slash buster. Klamath Co 10% chain saw and 90% slash-buster.

Following housekeeping and above discussion Pete opened up the meeting for additional discussion regarding proposed projects being considered by the RAC. Group passed.

Allocation of Title II and Title III dollars - Amy Gowan provided a short run down of previous years allocations of Klamath and Lake Counties Title III dollars. She then shared the amounts allocated for Title II in 2007, i.e. \$2.61 million for Klamath County and \$712,000 for Lake County (note: later a correction had to be made based on Klamath County 30/70 split vs.

previous years 20/80 split so Klamath County budget for FY 2007 ended up as \$2,097,000.00).

8:30 AM – The three groups retired to different locals to caucus

10:58 the RAC regrouped in the Mt McLaughlin room on the fourth floor of the Shilo Inn

The RAC entered into discussion

The Veto process was opened by Chairman Talbott and the following projects fell out of contention via consensus.

Group C

E-K-702 Ish Tish Creek (concern over change in property ownership)

E-K-706 Klamath River Weed Eradication (No NEPA; use of herbicides)

E-K-708 Mile Love/Sprague River (No NEPA)

Group A

E-K-702 Ish Tish Creek

Group B had no vetos to record but shared their consensus.

Additional Project Discussion:

Danger Tree projects proposed for Lake and Klamath Counties:

Group C – We would like this to be done with different dollars

Group A – High priority may support half funding, but believes this problem belongs to the Forest Service

Group B – stewardship contracting as another option for this project.

Projects proposed for funding with reduced budgets:

Group C

Ninemile/Ninemile North \$400,000 – Rangers discretion as to where the dollars would be used.

Lunch

Veto and partial funding cuts were made to spread sheet by Cindi Nolan. This was done to give the RAC a better view as to the funding levels.

Discussion: With Group A and Group C requesting differing amounts on partial funding, they discussed where (at what dollar amount) they could find agreement.

Consensus was formed on the amount of partial funding the Nine-mile projects would receive (3.8% will come off the Nine-mile projects requested dollars)

Klamath County

Rick Brown made a motion to cut off funding at a score of 12

Mary Baker Seconded

(Sherm Radtke would like to still fund the Danger Tree projects) This project fell below the cutoff.

Discussion

Vote taken 13 in favor and 1 opposed. Motion to cut funding off at the score of 12 carries.

Hank Mroczkowski - motion to apply the \$200,000 to WK-12-702 and WK-12-703

Clair Second

Unanimous - motion carries

Lake County

Sherm Radtke makes a motion to end the funding at a score of 13

Clair Seconded

Motion carried unanimously

Gary Johnson made a motion to put \$4,000 back into the UTC project

Sherm seconded the motion

Anita opposed

Majority passes the motion

Funds that will be returned through savings or in complete projects in the 2007 funding cycle...

Lake County

Bill Duke made a motion that these funds will be applied to the UTC project # FL-02-702

Mary Baker Second

All in Favor ~ motion carried

Klamath County

Clair Thomas ~ motion to apply dollars returned to the Klamath County pot to go towards funding the Rock Marsh Plantation project # WK-12-706

Hank was the second and the motion carried.

Clair Thomas made a motion to go forward with the implementation plan for the Hager Mt Project funded in 2006 as presented in an e-mail from Gary Warburton 6/16/2006 (i.e. use funds to build fire line and for mop up instead of RX treatment)

Hank seconded the motion and it carried with a unanimous vote of the members.

The field trips for the summer of 2006 are set for August 10-11, 2006.

RAC members to send suggestions for sites to visit to Amy Gowan and Cindi Nolan

Open for public comment ~ no public was present.

Meeting adjourned 2:10 PM