

Beaverhead Collaborative meeting 10/5/2021

Notes

Meeting purpose

Direct the goals of the facilitator. Finalize the code of conduct. Review and refine the charter document.

Attendees

Colin Cooney, Jeff Johnson, Sen. Jeff Welborn, Jay Bodner, Rep. Ken Walsh, Chris Edgington, Zach Owen, Alec Underwood, Rep. Tom Welch, Emily Cleveland, Byron Martinell, Scott Larid, Barb Cestero, Mike Bryant, Tim Love, Jack Burkley.

Decisions

Jeff motion to adopt the code of conduct. Colin second. All in Favor – unanimous. Date the document and send out.

Meeting Notes

1. Code of Conduct
 - a. Guides how our collaborative conducts business and how we will conduct public forums and meetings.
 - b. With national organizations a thumbs up may be tentative until it is shared with the rest of the organization.
 - c. We will be supportive of one another and have each other's backs when we arrive at decisions.
 - d. Approved.
2. Beaverhead CD is set up to hold funds for the Collaborative (currently about \$7,000 in hand / pledged).
3. www.montanaforestcollaboration.org Resources and membership to the MT Forest Collaboration Network.
4. Charter document discussion and friendly amendments.
 - a. See revised document – review and respond with changes or edits within a week of receiving. Additional edits will be made before the next meeting if necessary so we can adopt with a short review.
 - b. Create a steering committee of 4 diverse interests to serve as leadership, work to set agendas and meeting logistics and spokespeople when needed.

5. Outreach and other conversations
 - a. It will be important to host listening sessions in Dell / Lima
 - b. The Red Rock Review is a good media outlet
 - c. For recreation interests we should focus on locally-based groups
 - d. We have representation through existing members to coordinate with High Divide Collaborative and Beaverhead Working Group.
 - e. Invite JS Turner as a resource when discussing timber

6. Scope of work
 - a. We will start with the Big Sheep Creek watershed and the federal designations it includes. This would be the Garfield Mountain and Italian Peaks Recommended Wilderness Areas and the Hidden Pastures and the Bell/Limekiln Canyon Wilderness Study Areas. This will develop a template for other areas.

7. Assignments and next steps
 - a. Be prepared to nominate or volunteer for steering committee.
 - b. Be prepared to adopt the charter document.
 - c. OUTREACH
 - i. Colin follow up with tribal contacts / liaison
 - ii. Chris reach out to Shawn Steinbeck (wood products)
 - iii. Senator Welborn and Jeff contact local Beaverhead recreation group for representation
 1. Park Scott , Mark Longberd (sp?)