

Save Our Bosque Task Force
Tuesday, March 3, 2015 Minutes

Attendees: Doug Boykin, Gina Dello Russo, Fred Hollis, Kathy Granillo, Bear Albrecht, and Yasmeen Najmi and John Romero (by phone).

9:10 AM Save Our Bosque Task Force Meeting

1. Approve Agenda. *By acclamation, no quorum at the time.*
2. Approve Minutes from February 2015. *By acclamation, no quorum at the time.*
3. Treasurer's report (*Quorum reached*)
 - a. There is funding in the account for fencing and plant materials at the Saavedra property. Donation of \$400 was made. Total SOBTF fund: \$5996.75. Total in account = \$6,442.34. Again thanks to donors.
 - b. Bills for PRC Corp Report filing fee and Saavedra project expenses paid. A bill to Raks for reflective vests is pending, approved payment.
4. Project Updates
 - a. Rhodes Project: Contractor burned slash piles this month. Contractor planted willows and cottonwoods and will plant shrubs this coming month. Doris toured the FWS Ecological Services staff around her property. Tour planned for SunZia and BLM staff.
 - b. Wildland Urban Interface Mitigation Project: No word from FEMA yet. County will be sending in a letter of intent soon for another phase of this work. Reminder: Fred suggested we start meeting in spring to discuss where to do potential work and the County will be sending in this year's letter of intent to submit a proposal by May. County did get funding for another proposal submitted through FEMA, congratulations.
 - c. Partners for Fish & Wildlife Program: Still waiting to hear on Gonzales and Perry property projects from landowner and NRCS partners respectively.
 - d. Riverine Parks/SNA: The Inmate Work Crew is completing high stumping in Unit 2 (Otero Street to the North Diversion) and working in Unit 3 (Hope Farm to Brown Arroyo) with an additional funding from NMSF and MRGCD. Doug reminded us that a new work plan with signatures is needed for the River Parks.
 - e. Healthy Kids Socorro: nothing to report.
 - f. Other Projects: 1) Fire danger update: probable restrictions around July 4th. We are out of any restrictions right now. 2) Sevilleta NWR did receive funding to work on Unit A' and Unit B to benefit endangered species and overall riparian ecosystem health. Bureau of Reclamation assisting with Unit A. 3) Gina is working with San Marcial landowner to consider options for property.
5. Website update – please send pictures of projects to Bear and the website.
6. Calendar: Next meeting is April 7, 2015. The Drought Response workshop follow up meeting is April 1. The Trash Pickup Day and San Acacia Levee Project tour is April 17, lunch provided.
7. Other agenda items: none
8. Individual Reports: Kathy – prescribed fire on the Los Pinos Mountains planned for this month. FWS fire crews are now based out of Bosque del Apache NWR except during severity. John – he is working with the new CEO of MRGCD to determine priorities for their fire program including ability to assist the county around 4th of July. Bear – San Antonio volunteer fire department now has high capacity tanker “ARF” truck.
9. Adjourn: *At 10:55 AM, Doug made a motion to adjourn, second by Gina, approved.*