Upper Arkansas River Cooperative Weed Management Area

Fremont County Building, Room 207 615 Macon Street, Canon City 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. July 12, 2018

Quarterly meeting minutes

Attendance: Nick Bankston-Fremont Co, Kayla Malone-Chaffee/Lake Counties, Marisa Neuzil-Teller-Park CD, Debbie Mitchell-Fremont, Charles Bryant-Huerfano County, Patty Knupp-NRCS, Linda Poole-SILPT, Olivia Baxter-SILPT, Kate Spinelli-SILPT, Tom Flower-Custer County Commissioner, Shelly Simmons-Purgatoire Watershed Weed, Carol Kuisle-Franta-NRCS-Custer County CD, Kara Harders- CSU/NRCS, Steve Ryder

Welcome & Introductions: See attendance

Kayla: Call to order 9:30 AM

Approval of Minutes: Debbie Mitchell made a motion to approve the February meeting minutes, Nick Bankston seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial: UACWMA bank account is \$9,157.85.

Noxious Weed Fund Grant: Kayla re-visited the letter that was sent to the CDA regarding this year's grant process. We discussed, as a group, whether the problem was personnel or procedure related.

The group chose November 8,2018 as the first choice for annual meeting date. November 15th is the backup date. (Note: Abbey was available November 15.)

Steve Ryder, CDA Weed Coordinator, came down to Canon City to address groups concerns and questions regarding the 2018 Noxious Weed Fund Grant. All entities were able to voice concerns. This portion of the meeting lasted well over an hour. The group thanks Steve for taking the time to come down to the UACWMA quarterly meeting.

EDDMaps was discussed in relation to the redundancy in data collection amongst the weed managers. Tom, from Custer County, asked if there was a mechanism in place to facilitate the introduction of new qualified weed managers. The group discussed the ways in which we can help produce qualified help. Internships, seasonal positions, and workshops are three ways in which we, as a cooperative, help in the process.

Annual Meeting:
Topics for CEC Credits:
Mapping EDDMaps
Russian Olive Removal
Post Fire Regeneration
Invasive Plant Response to Ecological Variability
Dealing with Public Perceptions

Herbicides for Riparian/Aquatic Areas Herbicide Recommendations Rangeland IPM Strategies Surfactants

Kayla made a motion to buy Colorado Thistle books as well as Weed I.D. books. Debbie seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Round Table: Due to lengthy agenda items, round table was postponed until October meeting.

Meeting Adjourned 12:45

Next Quarterly **Meeting October 11, 2018**. Garden Park Building Conference Room, 201 N. 6th Street, Canon City.