



Clear Creek Watershed & Forest Health Partnership

Organizational Board/Stakeholder Meeting

June 1st, 2022, 12:00 - 1:30 PM MT

Meeting Goals:

- Update the group on all that has been going on since the last meeting.

12:00 PM Welcome, introduction of new attendees

Kelly Cline began meeting at 12:05. There were 13 participants.

12:10 PM Member & Partnership updates

- **MOU update (Evie)**

Waiting on Molson Coors and Climax Molybdenum to confirm they will sign on. The Clear Creek Fire Department is also a standalone signature. There are 9 confirmed signatures. Northglenn and Thornton removed themselves from the MOU. Thornton has much going on at this time. They may sign on at a later date. Northglenn had a different vision for the agreement that was more IGA oriented to include contributing financially from entities. Northglenn is party to another IGA that will allow them to participate in CCWFHP activities. Coors is making a review internally. They have governance issues with these types of MOUs, especially with many governments. They are interested in participating. Suggested not to wait for Molson Coors but don't hold the calendar for them. They may sign the COCO agreement. The funding mechanism may work better with them not included on the MOU.

Action: Evelyn will notify the group when the DocuSign for signatures is sent out.

- **Pickle Gulch update (Brian)**

Jennifer Cook did the legwork getting this event put together. Pictures from the event were shared. Partner materials were printed and shared. There were 38 participants. Brian Tracy spoke to the group about the Partnership and the vision of tying into the broader regional network of fire management efforts. There was discussion on

community doing their own mitigation at the property scale. There was not a specific call to action.

Action: Identify call to action opportunities for community outreach.

Action: Create sign-in template for future events.

- **Members update** (meetings/webinars/projects) Tell us what you are learning/hearing?
 - Gilpin (Rebecca Samulski, Fire Adapted Colorado) – Received Missouri Creek roadside approval to thin and CDOT thinning trees along roads for evacuation.
 - CMAT (Rebecca Samulski, Fire Adapted Colorado) The Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forest and Evergreen Fire Rescue will be hosting a Community Mitigation Assistance Team (CMAT) from June 18-30 in Evergreen. Much like an Incident Management Team that may be called in to manage a wildfire, a CMAT is a national interagency resource designed to help communities build sustainable local capacity for community wildfire mitigation. Their assistance can be requested before, during or after a wildfire incident.
 - Clear Creek Emergency Management (Suzanne Boccia, Clear Creek Emergency Management) – A county grant for wildfire mitigation is in place and recently awarded. Distribute up to \$50,000 annually. This program is in its 7th year. Recipients have until October 31st to complete the work and are then reimbursed. Letters of award were sent out on Friday. Five groups have been awarded funding. The grant is for individual homeowners to perform mitigation efforts on their property or planning for mitigation, chipper access, etc. County reimburses 50% of recipient costs if they qualify. These awards may be helpful for match on larger projects.

Action: Suzanne Boccia will send information and award information to Diane Kielty to promote the program.

Action: Possible page on CCWFHP website for grant opportunities or tap into CWA funding news page.

- Please bring information pertinent to the CCWFHP mission from meetings you are already attending to support CCWFHP outreach efforts.
- CSM update on Stream Team (Jennifer Cook, Gilpin) – Presented CSM pictures of Missouri Creek Field Session.

Action: Jennifer Cook will send Facebook link to Diane to share with CO Watershed Assembly social media.

Contact clearcreekpartnership@gmail.com with questions or interests.

12:45 PM Speaker

- We are looking for a speaker for the next meeting
 - Aaron with Henderson Mine contact to present.
 - Consider program feature to provide information on what each of the entities do - who is doing what among the Partner entities.

Action: Send speaker ideas to Kelly or Diane.

12:50 PM Contract Update (Diane)

WSRF grant is not in place. CO Watershed Assembly is waiting for the contract from CWCB. The scope of work/agreements for LRE and Kielty Diversified Projects (KDP) are drafted and ready to execute once CWCB contract is complete.

1:15 PM Next Steps & Action Items

Clear Creek County OEM job posting for Emergency Management Coordinator.

<https://recruiting2.ultipro.com/CLE1013CLRC/JobBoard/28568270-1bc0-405c-897f-a30d7d4fdc31/OpportunityDetail?opportunityId=be899c80-8d2f-4036-8d1d-1dd77e660458>

FB page Missouri Creek Project. The post was on April 29.

<https://www.facebook.com/GilpinCountyExtension>

1:01 PM Adjourn.