



Management Update Summary Minutes

Monday, May 23, 2016, 9:00 a.m.

Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Salem
5th Floor, Suite 5232, Silverton Conference Room

ATTENDANCE

Commissioner Kevin Cameron, Commissioner Sam Brentano, John Lattimer, Jan Fritz, Gloria Roy, Jolene Kelley, Barb Young, Grady McMahan, Holly Jewkes, Sheriff Myers, Alan Haley, Cindy Schmitt, Amy Rose Fish and Kenna West as recorder

INFORMATIONAL

Prioritization of Hood-Willamette Resource Advisory Committee Title II 2016 Applications for Funding

Summary of Presentation:

- Presented Holly Jewkes, new Deputy Forest Supervisor for the Willamette National Forest out of Springfield.
- Title II Projects – Meeting in July to look at many different counties for prioritization:
 - Marion County Priorities:
 - Cascade Pacific RC&D – weed control programs to protect federal land;
 - Salmon Falls and North Fork Parks Parking Improvements; and
 - Northwest Youth Corp – proposed by the Mt. Hood National Forest. This group hires high school age youth to work in the National Forest.
- Still don't have a Marion County representative on the Resource Advisory Council:
 - Can take nominations for this Advisory Council; and
 - Grady to check on process and advise how to get on Council.
- This is a second round of project applications and some have been prioritized higher this go around:
 - Young stand density management;
 - Hazardous fuels reduction; and
 - Invasive weed control.
- Some near the bottom received significant funding last year so if not funded as much this year they will still be able to proceed.
- Confirmed that Salmon Falls is the highest priority.
- Grady to send Hitesh the information for the appropriate contact so the Commissioners can contact directly with their priorities and Grady will also relay Commissioners priorities.

Presentation of “life first fire concept” – a National Approach to Fire Fighting

Summary of Presentation:

- Shared some national conversations regarding fire suppression in the forest service.
- Last year was an unprecedented fire season in the Pacific Northwest.
- This year Forest Service is placing more emphasis on conversations with partners to “stop, think, and talk” before “acting” in any circumstances that feels like it may represent unnecessary exposure.
- Not acceptable to have the “just let it burn” attitude proliferate.
- Training is being completed with partners.

Updates on Raccoon Rock Products Quarry, North Fork Road Public Safety Plan and Boones Ferry Road

Summary of Presentation:

- Raccoon Rock Products Quarry:
 - Public Works sent a letter to Raccoon Rock Products Quarry requesting that road paving be completed by October 25, 2016:
 - This is the date in the Agreement which supercedes the August 11, 2016 date in the land use decision;
 - Met with the quarry operator who had lost the letter when his briefcase was stolen in Portland;
 - Have not spoken with the owners as the operator is acting as the contact on this matter; and
 - Legal has been reviewing the land use case to determine what can be done including the option to shut them down.
 - Have had road complaints, but otherwise have met all other conditions of the Agreement;
 - To put the plan in place must give County a new engineered plan for the treatment they would put on the five segments of road;
 - Have put a hold on buying rock from them for daily need, but are still working with them on another contract previously issued for 10,000 tons of rock for chip seal program;
 - Concerned because the original land use contract says that under no extent would the road improvement be extended beyond August 11, 2016 of this year. Scott to review as to appropriate process;
 - There are two letters of credit, one for \$350,000 for improvements and one for \$50,000 for emergency repairs;
 - There are two processes, an injunction through the Circuit Court and/or the suspension or revocation of their permit through an administrative process
 - Board directed staff to proceed in both venues and proceed against the letters of credit immediately.
- North Fork Public Safety Plan:
 - Public Works and the Sheriff's Office have been working together on a couple of projects. North Fork Public Safety Plan is one of those projects:
 - Previously directed to have a designated person to work the North Fork Canyon area;
 - First of June will have a designated deputy (Mark Ferron) to work that area with a focus on education, engineering and enforcement;
 - Sgt. Burnham and the traffic team will be in North Fork again so if there are traffic and/or parking issues then the traffic team can address them as they did last summer; and
 - Law enforcement collaboration includes the bottle ban and the paid parking issues across the different parks and lands.
 - Emergency response – the deputy will be able to assist in search & rescue;
 - Will work with Marion County Emergency Services to keep them updated and making certain roadways are clear and kept clear;
 - Watch for conduct that leads to dangerous situations – drug/alcohol use, disorderly conduct, etc. and diffuse as necessary;
 - Ability to patrol some closed areas via ATV to make certain people are not camping in the closed areas;
 - Large off-season up there and deputy will coordinate the pre and post season meetings for the area, patrol the communities in the off-season, attend the City Council meetings in Idanha and Gates to meet the needs of those communities as well;

- Public Works Portion:
 - Safety signage project completed;
 - Putting final touches on the parking plan for the North Fork; and
 - Salmon Falls has some of the same issues with the migratory bird act.
- Public works directed to review the parking system at Broadway Commons to see if could be utilized at the park.
- Boones Ferry Road:
 - Sheriff's Office – Woodburn Chief indicated there are some concerns about signage at Crosby because it is an entry to Boones Ferry;
 - Public Works – Talked with the weighmaster team regarding what they had seen in the area:
 - The weighmaster will sit at the intersection of Crosby and Boones Ferry to monitor the turning movement of trucks;
 - Determine what types of trucks are turning from Crosby to Boones Ferry;
 - Also heard that the same type of activity was occurring on Grim Road so will focus some observation effort there as well;
 - Mineral Springs was mentioned as a possible issue; and
 - Sheriff's Office has been in contact with the Farm Bureau to explain that focusing on Interstate trucks and not farm trucks/equipment.

Discuss Department of Labor (DOL) Exemption Law – Salary Test Changes

Summary of Presentation:

- Department of Labor plans to change the salary test for the exemption law for overtime.
- When we determine a position is exempt from overtime there are two tests that are applied:
 - Salaries test;
 - Duties test; and
 - Must pass both tests for the position to be deemed exempt.
- Historically the salaries test was very low at \$23,000 but now at \$47,476
- Effective December 1, 2016.
- Low impact to the County with only 13 classifications that came close to the threshold.
- The Department of Labor plans to reassess the duties test next and they are implementing a plan to reassess the salaries test every two years.
- There are a couple of positions that meet the supervisory test but do not meet the salary test.
- There are also a couple that are professional exemptions but not supervisor exemptions.
- Will return with recommendations after the positions in question have been reviewed.

COMMUNICATION UPDATE

- Jolene Kelley, Public Information Coordinator, provided current updates.
- WRPPIO MOU – Create a new signature sheet and have signed as appropriate.
- SWMAC Communications discussed.
- Cat rescue inspection discussion.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS and UPDATE

Commissioner Kevin Cameron

- Called Senator Winters and Senator Girod regarding the Task Force and will be meeting with other legislators.
- United Way Board Retreat.
- Road Trip to North Fork.
- Sheriff's Academy.
- EDAB Board Meeting.
- YMCA Fundraising Lunch.

- Met with City of Hubbard representatives.
- Salem City Club – State Forester.

Commissioner Sam Brentano

- OTC Meeting – Presentation by local MWACT that went well.
- Legislators looking at Donald Interchange on Friday.

Adjourned at 10:27 am

COMPLETED BY: **Kenna West**

Reviewed by: Sarra Sparks