

Harney County CWMA

Big Bear Lodge

June 18, 2015 @6:00pm

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was brought to order at 6:04 pm. Those in attendance were:

Jim Campbell - Harney County

Marty Suter- SWCD

Laura La Forest - NRCS

Steph Bonson - CWMA Coordinator

Lesley Richman- BLM

April 16, 2015 minutes were approved without any needed revisions. Motion to approve minutes made by Jim and seconded by Marty. Additionally, May 19, 2015 minutes were approved without any needed revisions. Motion to approve minutes made by Lesley and seconded by Jim.

Old Business:

1. None

New Business:

1. Marty gave an overview of Eastern Oregon Counties Focus Investment Partner or FIP. Will limit OWEB grants, but still could apply for OWEB money in area. There were an initial 50 Landowners. Marty talked about Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) which promotes coordination between NRCS and its partners to help landowners with conservation assistance. It is a separate program from regular EQIP. RCPP money is only available to "in core Habitat". CCAA says that if infestations are present landowner has to treat within a 5 year window, though there is some flexibility. This meeting was just to give a brief overview of SWCD programs.

With no further items to discuss, Meeting was adjourned at 6:46pm. The next CWMA meeting will be held on September 24th, at 1:00 pm at the Court House conference room.