SRBCH Meeting Minutes October 3, 2024

Emery County Administration Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale, Wayne, Ken, Don, Terri, Rod

Guest: Myron Jeffs, US Forest Service

FOREST SERVICE: Myron was present to discuss trail work in 2025. The forest service will be financially tight in 2025 due to new hires and ill planning on the administration level. The forest service will be cleaning, maintenance and posting reservation mode in 2025. There will not be a lot of operating money. The seasonal workers are now permanent seasonal workers, so no new hires next year. Wade applied for a State grant for about \$20,000 for supplies; planks and roof bolts. The forest service will rely on BCHU to help with matching volunteer hours packing in supplies and assisting the Snow College trail crew to work on non-motorized trails. All of our hours we do to log out trails will go to help with this match.

Snow College crew, working on their own grant, will be available. They must focus on Left Fork of Huntington and Fish Creek, but will be available for other non-motorized trails. Both are national recreation trails. Forest Service and BCHU will coordinate with Snow College on trail work. Other trails discussed were: CCC trail, Horse Cyn, Flood Cyn.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Wayne: Wayne, Dana Truman and Sadie – BLM rode horses around Mexican Mtn. This was mostly a public relation building time. They had some very good discussions. Dana is interested in riding North Salt Wash. Sadie will be the equestrian contact at the BLM office.

Rod: Not much on the national front. Most people are hunting. There has been a call for BCHA to contact their members to help provide pack horses to get supplies to the remote areas affected by Hurricane Helene.

Ken: finances - \$23,721.28 in the checking account

FUTURE PROJECTS:

Goblin Valley - to be completed in February 21 - 22, 2025. Other future trail work was previously discussed with Myron.

MONTHLY RIDES: Don is not available in October due to the hunts. No group ride was planned.

Christmas Dinner – December 5, 2024. Terri has reserved the Old Firehouse in Orangeville for the dinner. A menu will be discussed at the next meeting. Please let Terri know if you have any preferences or ideas.

NEXT MEETING NOVEMBER 7, 2024 @ 6:30 @ Emery County Administration Building in Castle Dale.