

Heart River Watershed Restoration Project

June 16, 2016 Minutes

Ag Services Building, Nampa

In Attendance: Adam Norris, Josef MacLeod, Kerri O'Shaughnessy, Monika Benoit (called-in 11:42 - 12:20), Sebastien Dutrisac, Shelleen Gerbig

Meeting called to order at 11:37 am.

1. Administration

- 1.1. Welcome - introductions done for new team member Josef MacLeod
- 1.2. Review minutes
 - Minutes approved by consensus
- 1.3. Review agenda
 - Accepted by consensus

2. Action Item Review

- Action Item Review completed
- Shelleen and Sebastien can act as HWRP representatives at the NSC Canada Day event June 24th

ACTION ITEM: Adam to invite Josef and Shelleen to Smartsheet

ACTION ITEM: Review survey and plan release at next meeting

3. Farmer Day update - provided by Kerri and Sebastien

- Action Item: forward Shelleen an article
- talked to a few people, but reduced number because booths moved inside Baytex centre
- distributed a bit of literature

4. Life and Times update - provided by Kerri

- need people doing things pictures
- aerial photos from Josef
- the angle or approach is still be being decided upon

5. Whole Farm Water Planning update - provided by Monika

- Rob Avis needs some site info
- August 18th

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- Monika reviewed workshop approach for Josef
- Annette and Michael Rosendall are potential landowners
- use other PCBFA sites as photos to demonstrate during workshop
- Hogpin is another option
- Marie Reine Hall
 - Sebastien to book Hall
 - Stacy to work with Sebastien to set up food

6. Placemats

- Shelleen can distribute in Falher, Sebastien will distribute

ACTION ITEM: Adam to add website, Facebook page, Twitter and phone number to placemat

7. Possible restoration site opportunities

7.1. Riparian revegetation

- SARDA and MD Smoky are looking at doing revegetation along Peavine Canal - about an acre a side. Trying to set up a water quality sampling program

ACTION ITEM: Josef to work on baseline water quality parameters

- Hogpins and Black Gold are potential landowners

ACTION ITEM: Shelleen to sift through Gary's files

7.2 Farm Water Management Planning - Rob Avis workshop (see Agenda item 5)

7.3 Culvert Improvement

- Josef to look for fish passage issues/culverts

ACTION ITEM: Sebastien to connect Josef with Mike Konowalyk and Ian Cosh

7.4 Stream-bank fencing/bank stabilization

- Baars are a possibility, Black Gold

ACTION ITEM: Adam to forward LSWC stewardship flyer to HWRP Team

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7.5 Nutrient (livestock) management

- Could Monika could do this with the Baars

ACTION ITEM: Sebastien to contact Baars to gauge interest

- Overwintering on creek by someone was identified

ACTION ITEM: Adam to do budget by 6 restoration activities and send to team

- There is in-kind support, help in getting Environmental Farm Plan and Growing Forward 2
- \$7500 for Heart River special projects in NSC budget
- Do we want to cover 100% of project costs on private property? We should cover materials.
- We should apply to ACA funds

7.6 Cropper setback

- Black Gold is a potential opportunity- Sebastien to talk to them to see if they are interested

8. Next steps

- Discussed how to ensure groups and people such as the Heart River Watershed Advisory Committee know about us
- Next meeting September/October - survey, education materials, funding needed, plans for restoration activities

9. Adjournment 1:27 pm