

**A&H Board Meeting
Klamath Falls, OR
April 29, 2014**

Attendees

Board:

Chair Barry DelCurto; Alan Christensen; Jim Morrell; Ron Borisch; Dave Stiefvater; Doug Baily; Craig Ely

ODFW Headquarters Staff:

Matt Keenan, A&H Program Coordinator; Christina Schmidt, Administrative Assistant; Tom Thornton, Game Program Manager

Regional Coordinators:

Jon Paustian; Tom Segal; Meg Eden; Nancy Breuner; David Stroppel; Vince Oredson

Other:

Tom Collum, District Biologist; Ken Hand, Mule Deer Foundation (MDF); Mike Romtvedt, Unlimited Pheasants; Don Bertram, Oregon State Police (OSP).

Chair DelCurto called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

Review of January 2014 Meeting Minutes

Jim moved to approve the minutes with the correction that Ray Fiori, South Willamette Regional Advisory Council, was appointed to his first term as Landowner Representative (not second term as previously written); Alan seconded the motion. Motion passed 6:0.

Board Member Reports

Craig Ely:

Craig gave a brief introduction of himself. This was his first board meeting since being appointed as Landowner Representative to the board. He was the Northeast Regional Advisory Council Chair and is a retired ODFW employee [Northeast Regional Manager].

Doug Baily:

Doug attended the MDF and Oregon Bow Hunters (OBH) banquets. He went to the OBH banquet in Bend a day early and watched the youth archery contest finals.

Dave Stiefvater:

Dave attended the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) banquet in Bend with Jim; he felt the auction went smoothly. He hunted turkeys on the Carman Access Area (A&H by-permission access area) and saw many big game animals.

Alan Christensen:

Alan attended the Oregon Hunters Association (OHA) Clatsop County, Ducks Unlimited (DU), and Safari Club International (SCI) banquets. He felt they were all run well. He noticed a lot of

kids in attendance at the OHA banquet and the DU banquet. DU had the same cell phone issues as last year at the [Forest Grove] Armory. There's no cell service within the armory so the group on the phone with bidders has to stand outside the doors. They came up with a good way of letting those who were outside know what the upcoming bid was by writing it on a large pad of paper and holding it for them to see (using a new piece of paper for each new bid). There was also a similar issue with the phones at the OHA Clatsop County banquet. The auctioneers did well at all of the banquets.

Jim Morrell:

Jim commented on how the issues with cell phone service have made him more aware of that problem so the first thing he does when he attends a banquet is check on cell phone coverage. He attended the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) Three Rivers Chapter, OBH, NWTF Central Oregon Chapter, and SCI SW Washington Chapter banquets. He felt the SCI banquet was a good banquet and in a great venue. He talked with the chapter president who said they recognize that most of their memberships come from Portland, so they're thinking of renaming the chapter.

Ron Borisch:

Ron attended the Ducks Unlimited banquet; he felt it went well. He thought the phone issue was handled well.

Barry DelCurto:

Barry attended the MDF banquet in Klamath Falls and felt it was well run. He'll be attending the OHA State banquet in May. He's been sitting in on ODFW External Budget Advisory Committee (EBAC) meetings via teleconference.

Discussion

- Jim spoke with someone at the end of the SCI banquet who suggested A&H look into some kind of online bidding system.
- Barry commented that there is online bidding at some of the livestock auctions that he attends, called "Click to Bid".
- Alan said he had the same conversation that Jim did with Jim McWhorter of SCI and asked Matt if they could discuss online bidding at a future board meeting.
- Matt replied that the event where the Bighorn sheep tag was sold had online bidding. He said that it's really up to the group sponsoring the tag. He will do some research and contact Jim McWhorter for some information as well.

Coordinator Report (Matt Keenan)

Meetings:

- Commission Meeting – March
 - Approved New River Aleutian Goose Project
 - Re-appointed Alan Christensen as Hunter Representative
 - Appointed Craig Ely as Landowner Representative
- Attended several Regional Advisory Council Meetings via telephone
- Visited Seven Feathers to coordinate for raffle event

Field Visit:

- C2 Ranch

Auction Events Attended:

- DU, Sunset Chapter – Forest Grove
- RMEF, Three Rivers Chapter – Grants Pass
- OHA, Clatsop County – Astoria
 - Cell phone reception issues
- Will attend OHA State Banquet

Discussion

- Alan said the spotters at the SCI banquet had a special type of signal device for bidding.
- Jim said he was looking into such signaling devices.
- Matt asked Jim to forward him any info he finds so the Board can discuss purchasing the devices to take to auctions.
- Doug suggested providing a standard form to the people on the phone with the bidders and have them fill out who their bidder is (name spelled out) and the bidder's phone number so that they don't have to run around trying to get that information after the auction.
- Matt commented that a bidder list is sent to him days prior to the event so maybe he could get more info on those bidders and at the event get a list of who's on the phone, their phone number and who their phone operator is.
- Jim suggested assigning a number to each phone bidder (bidder number).
- Matt will come up with a proposal for the board on how they can clean that process up and have that information.

Pittman-Robertson (looked into how the funds could help A&H)

- Plan to use PR funds to help cover A&H administrative costs
- Oregon Hunting Access Map Enhancements
 - Showing the controlled hunt boundaries

Other projects:

- Open fields: will be administered through NRCS
 - \$40 million available over 5 years
 - Matt is already working with NRCS
 - No rules available yet
- A&H Budget: Resolved cash flow issues
- Addition of Grand Ronde Tribe to NCTMA – contract in process
- A&H Nametags
 - A&H Logo or ODFW Logo (up to the board to decide)

Discussion

- Alan likes the example with the A&H logo and two lines.
- Jim suggested removing the “Landowners & Hunters Together for Wildlife” under the A&H logo.
- Dave suggested adding “volunteer” under title or “volunteer board member”.
- Matt replied that he could add “volunteer” but the A&H Board is a volunteer board.

- The board members and Chair DelCurto decided to go with the A&H logo without the text underneath and to add “volunteer” to one of the three lines. They prefer a magnetic nametag. Matt will contact each of them to see how they’d like their name printed.

Access Area Permits

To increase compliance, we are having a gun raffle:

- Permits collected August 1 – May 31
- Permits due to A&H Coordinator June 30
- Drawing held mid-July
 - Alternates drawn
 - Hunters can enter more than once
- Advertise: website, A&H Hunting Opportunities Packet, permit box stickers

Discussion

- Dave commented that when they posted info on the gun raffle at Ontario Access, the return of permits went from 30-40% to 80%. He would like a line added asking what type of species was harvested and maybe hunter hours (how long they spent in the field).
- Alan noticed that on the back of the permit there is just the logo and suggested adding “Submit for a chance to win a gun”.
- Jim suggested adding language somewhere about how they must pass a background check in order to win the gun.
- Matt agreed with Jim and said he needs to add that disclaimer.
- Matt let the board know that there can be different info for access areas but permits must be same size and same type of paper.
- Matt said if Dave has a specific need for Ontario they can follow up on that later.
- Matt said under “What did you harvest” number and species could be added.

Auction Raffle Tag Advertising Summary

Raffle Brochure

- 50,000 copies to POS Agents
- A&H cost: \$1,250

Raffle Poster

- 600 copies
- A&H cost: \$300

Auction Brochure

- 1000 copies
- A&H cost: \$750

OHA Magazine

- 2 pages 2 issues circulation: 15k
- A&H Cost: \$800

Western Shooting Journal, Northwest Sportsman, California Sportsman

- A&H Cost: \$1,700

Gary Lewis Adventure Journal

- \$1400 total cost: February 1 – May 15
- Markets throughout NW: 4-6 times/week
- Radio, newspaper, magazine plugs

RMEF “Elk Country Legacy – Oregon” Calendar

- Open to A&H advertising in the calendar
- A&H can have an entire month, February is still open for 2015
- There is room to advertise on the entire top page as well as some room at the bottom
- Total cost: \$1,000
- RMEF would also list all of the auction events/reminders within the calendar
- The calendar goes to all RMEF members in Oregon

Motion

Dave moved to approve the advertising budget plus advertise in RMEF calendar; Doug seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 6:0.

Auction/Raffle Tag Allocation

Auction

- (1) Governor’s Combination Statewide Deer/Elk
- (4) Statewide Elk
- (4) Deer
- Season: September 1 – November 30
- Bag Limit: one deer/elk
- Weapon: Any weapon legal for that species

Raffle

- Governor’s Statewide Deer & Elk Combination
- Statewide Deer
- Southeast OR Deer
- Central OR Deer
- Northeast OR Deer
- Statewide Elk
- Northeast OR Elk
- Central/Southeast Elk
- Western OR Elk
- Season: September 1 – November 30
- Bag Limit: one deer/elk
- Weapon: Any weapon legal for that species

Motion

Alan moved to approve the same tags as allocated in 2014 for 2015; Jim seconded them motion. The motion passed unanimously 6:0.

South Willamette Regional Council Appointment

The South Willamette Regional Advisory Council has a Hunter Representative position vacancy. The regional council recommended appointment of Thomas Zandoli as Hunter Representative.

Discussion

- Alan mentioned that the last board meeting he asked if the regional council had discussed the differences between Thomas Zandoli and Natalie Bender and David said yes they had and the council voted unanimously for Thomas. Alan is a bit reluctant to go against what

the council recommends. Alan asked if the regional council's recommendation was still the same.

- David replied that it was, the council is still in support of Thomas Zandoli.
- Craig agreed with Alan but thinks it's very important that they encourage women to participate in this process.
- Dave added that she'll bring to the table a younger aspect of what's going on.
- Jim suggested she get involved with a sports group or other volunteer opportunities.

Motion

Dave moved to appoint Natalie Bender as Hunter Representative; Doug seconded the motion.

Discussion

- Doug commented that at the last meeting Chris Willard gave a lengthy presentation on hunter recruitment and retention. In that presentation Chris talked about holding a professionally moderated brainstorming session with 16 people to come up with ideas for recruitment and retention. They came up with 500 ideas to increase recruitment of hunters. He's sure that report was necessary and applauds the fact that it was done. He also feels that preparing a report of that nature is expensive; having someone in a paid salary position of working on hunter recruitment is expensive. The board has an opportunity to demonstrate very clearly they're ongoing support of recruitment of young hunters and support of young hunters in a way that doesn't cost the program, the state, or the department a penny and that method in his view is to vote in favor of the appointment of Natalie Bender to this position on the regional council. He thinks that a young hunter serving on a regional board would be a substantial boost to demonstrate to everyone the importance that they attach to recruitment of youthful hunters. He believes from the materials that she submitted that she has some very substantial qualifications.
- Barry agreed with Alan that it important to support the regional council's recommendations.

Vote

Motion did not pass 2:4.

Motion

Alan moved to appoint Thomas Zandoli to the Hunter Representative position as recommended by the regional council; Ron seconded the motion. Vote passed unanimously 6:0.

Public Comment

No public comment at 9:56 a.m.

Budget

Matt Keenan, A&H Coordinator, provided an update of the current A&H Program budget (refer to A&H Board packet).

Discussion

- Craig suggested if the board is considering reductions to landowners they let them know as soon as possible out of consideration to them because they build budgets annually.

- Matt sent out a letter to current landowners enrolled in the program letting them know there are budget reductions going on and it's likely that funding for their project could be reduced or possibly eliminated going forward.
- Barry asked if the coordinators are talking to landowners about possible reductions when re-doing applications and if so, are they getting any feedback about it.
- Jon said that he did not discuss reduced amounts. He did talk about the letter Matt sent out and went over scores according to evaluation criteria with them.
- Dave asked if the board could request a reduction for current projects at this time or are they bonded by contracts.
- Matt said they are bonded by contract for the most part. They may be able to opt out but have had discussions with Wildlife Division and they do not support that option.

Alan Christensen had to leave the meeting before project presentations were done and voting occurred.

Project Review. *Note: The board voted on projects after all presentations were complete. Motions are listed with the respective project in these minutes for convenience. Motions that included more than one project are listed multiple times in this document – once with each respective project.*

2014-02 Fur Mountain Access Area

A&H Regional Coordinator Jon Paustian presented this project (refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project).

This project proposes to continue to pay Gary Bloomer \$2.00/acre per year for “Welcome to Hunt” public hunting access on 2,724 acres of private land in the Sumpter Wildlife Management Unit from August 1 to January 31 for 3 consecutive years beginning in 2014.

Discussion

- Jim asked if this landowner gets LOP tags.
- Jon replied yes but wasn't sure how many, he thought maybe 3.
- Jim was wondering if we offered additional LOP tags if the landowner would extend access for a longer period of time or take less funding.
- Jon said he would have to go back to the landowner with that proposal.

Motion

Ron moved to approve this project as proposed; Craig seconded the motion. Vote passed 4:1 (Doug opposed because he didn't support the project as proposed).

2014-03 Fox Valley Access Area

A&H Regional Coordinator Jon Paustian presented this project (refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project).

This is a renewal project that proposes to continue to pay \$1.80/acre for “Welcome to Hunt” access on 1,355 acres of private land in the Northside Wildlife Management Unit for a period of

three years to hunt mule deer, elk, bear, cougar, coyote, and upland game birds (i.e. blue and ruffed grouse, Hungarian partridge, turkey, and California quail).

Discussion

- Jon added that this project is extending hunt dates through March to include some late elk hunts. He got back good hunter use data from this project.

Motion

Doug moved to not fund Fox Valley Access Area; Craig seconded the motion. Vote passed 4:2 (Dave felt we should fund it for at least 80% and Ron liked the hunter satisfaction rate).

2014-04 MR King Ranches Access Area

A&H Regional Coordinator Jon Paustian presented this project (refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project).

This is a renewal project that proposes to pay MR King Ranches Inc. \$2.00/acre per year for “Welcome to Hunt” access on 3,835 acres of private land in the Lookout Mountain and Sumpter Wildlife Management Units (WMUs) for three years to hunt mule deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, California bighorn sheep, bear, cougar, coyote, and upland game birds (i.e. blue and ruffed grouse, Hungarian partridge, chukar and California quail.) This project will also improve access to surrounding public lands and other Access and Habitat properties (I.e. Troy Ranches Access Area).

Discussion

- Craig suggested the board vote on this project and the Troy Ranches Access Area project together because they’re in the same area. See below for vote record.

2014-05 Troy Ranches Access Area

A&H Regional Coordinator Jon Paustian presented this project (refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project).

This project proposes to continue to pay Troy Ranches \$1.80/acre per year for “Welcome to Hunt” access on 5,696 acres of private land in the Lookout Mountain and Sumpter Wildlife Management Units for a period of three years to hunt mule deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, bear, cougar, coyote, and upland game birds (i.e. blue and ruffed grouse, Hungarian partridge, chukar, turkey, and California Quail).

Discussion

- Craig asked if Mrs. Troy would entertain A&H paying for an easement through the property.
- Jon said possibly, it was brought up a while ago, but it also brings up the question of what hunting rights would be provided to the property.
- Craig asked if Jon received any feedback from Mrs. Troy regarding a 50% reduction in funding - he asked if she would take such an offer.
- Jon replied that he did not talk to Mrs. Troy regarding a reduction in payment.

Motion

Craig moved to approve MR King and Troy Ranches as proposed; Ron seconded the motion. Vote passed 4:1 (Dave supported funding the project at the reduced rate of 50% as outlined in budget materials as “suggested rate”).

2014-06 Murderers Creek Winter Range

A&H Regional Coordinator Jon Paustian presented this project (refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project).

This is a renewal project that will continue to enhance critical mule deer habitat in the Murderers Creek Wildlife Management Unit (WMU) by removing encroaching western juniper from the landscape. Access & Habitat funds will be used to conduct habitat improvements (i.e. juniper removal) on private lands and will be partnered with \$647,000 of other funds that will be available to private landowners within the Murderers Creek WMU over the next three years.

Discussion

- Craig asked if there was an increase in fawn survival since the project started.
- Jon replied that he talked with Ryan Torland, ODFW District Biologist, and he said they’re not seeing a response yet but typically with habitat projects it takes a long time to see population level results.

Motion

Jim moved to approve the Murderers Creek Winter Range project; Dave seconded the motion. Vote passed unanimously 5:0.

2014-07 Heffernan Additional LOP Tags

A&H Regional Coordinator Jon Paustian presented this project (refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project).

The landowners request 4 additional antlerless elk tags (two tags for 252C and two tags for 253A). By statute, the landowner may request from the A&H Board 2 additional LOP tags for providing significant public access and 2 additional LOP tags for conducting habitat programs that benefit wildlife. Local ODFW staff confirmed the landowners meet these criteria and that issuance of these tags would not reduce public hunting opportunities.

Motion

Craig moved to approve this project as proposed; Ron seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 5:0.

2014-08 Alvord Ranch Access Area

A&H Regional Coordinator Tom Segal and District Biologist Rod Klus presented this project. Refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project.

This project will provide “Welcome to Hunt” public hunting access on 3,532 acres of private property and significantly improve access to 16,509 acres of BLM land along the east base of Steens Mountain for 3 additional years. Total annual landowner payment is \$11,653 (\$1.71/acre for private land and \$0.34/acre for access through private land to BLM). The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife’s Bird Stamp Program is proposing to pay approximately \$3,532 per year, leaving an annual A&H cost of \$8,121. Project provides access to chukar, quail, sage grouse, mule deer, sheep, pronghorn, and predators.

See discussion and project votes below under “2014-09 Kueny Access Project”.

2014-09 Kueny Access Project

A&H Regional Coordinator Tom Segal along with District Biologist Rod Klus presented this project. Refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project.

This project will provide “Welcome to Hunt” public access on 6,170 acres of private property and significantly improve access to 4,282 acres of BLM land along the east base of the Steens Mountains for 3 additional years. Total annual landowner payment is \$12,007 (\$1.71/acre for private land and \$0.34/acre for access through private land to BLM). The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife’s Bird Stamp Program is proposing to pay \$6,170 per year, leaving an annual A&H cost of \$5,837. Project provides access to chukar, quail, sage grouse, mule deer, sheep, pronghorn, and predators.

Discussion

- Tom Segal went over the history of the Alvord and Kueny Access Projects. They started as one project with one contract. The owner gave the land to his two sons a few years after it was enrolled in the A&H Program. Paul Davis was given a smaller portion of the land but his land allows access to a larger portion of public land than Mike Davis’.
- Jim commented that he doesn’t like paying for public land access.
- Craig agreed with Jim. He feels that we should just pay for access across the property to get to the public land.
- Matt reminded the board they’re not paying for public land; they’re paying for access across the private land to the public land. The value of that access - across the private land - is determined by considering the amount of public land that is “opened up” by the agreement with the landowner.
- Craig suggested paying for an easement through the private land to the public land.
- Jim said he doesn’t mind paying more to get across the private land but doesn’t like paying for the public land.
- Tom Thornton said it can be proposed as paying a certain amount of dollars for access through the property to get to public land.
- Tom Segal said he could rewrite the proposal and bring it back.
- Matt recommended the board vote on something today so that they’re able to include the projects in publications and have maps made.
- Dave asked if we can buy a one-time easement.

- Tom Thornton said it's complicated and landowners are reluctant. Tom reminded the board that the landowners other option is to lease their land out to private hunting groups/clubs and only have to deal with those hunters.
- Craig suggested paying Alvord \$9,359 and Kueny at \$12,174 annually for 3 years. A&H funding would be \$5,827 for Alvord and \$6,004 for Kueny, bird stamp dollars would pick up the difference, \$1/per private acre. This is the "suggested" amount indicated on budget documents provided in the board packet.
- Tom Thornton asked if this could be written under one agreement for both landowners.
- Matt said it could be done. It would be a 3-party agreement between ODFW and the two landowners.
- Matt asked the board if they want to go with the proposed amount or suggested amount that they had just discussed.
- Barry asked if they wanted to vote on as one project or two.
- The board agreed to have them be separate projects.

Motion

Craig moved to approve the projects at the suggested amount (not proposed) of \$17,481 for Alvord Ranch Access Area and \$18,012 for Kueny Ranch Access Area for 3 years of access; Jim seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 5:0.

2014-10 JWTR

Regional Coordinators Nancy Breuner and Meg Eden, along with District Biologist Tom Collum, Mule Deer Foundation Regional Director Ken Hand, and Oregon State Police (OSP) Officer Don Bertram presented this project (refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project).

This is a renewal project that would retain seasonal employment of a retired OSP officer to address litter, vandalism, poaching, and other issues related to open public access to these private properties as well as to ensure continued public access to 608,000 acres in areas of Klamath, Jackson, and Lake Counties.

Discussion

- Ken Hand said that MDF will contribute \$2,500 toward this project (not included in the proposal).
- Jim said he feels that maybe they should be funded for a year so it gives them time to find some partner funding.
- Dave agreed with Jim.

Motion

Jim moved to fund the project for one year during which they submit applications for partner funding to various groups (he suggested OWEB) and bring the project back to the board next year.

Discussion

- Craig's issue with funding the project for just one year is that he feels they need to provide the company with some assurances that they're going to support his project beyond one year.

Motion was not seconded.

Motion

Craig moved to approve the project as written with the caveat that they apply in writing for partner funding; Dave seconded the motion.

Discussion

- Ken commented that it wouldn't make sense to apply for partner funding for this project but maybe for other projects within the area or surrounding area as they most likely won't approve funding for a project that has already been funded.
- Nancy asked if the board wanted cash or in-kind partner contributions.
- Jim answered cash or something like buying cameras would be good as well.
- Craig feels like they're more likely to pay for one time things rather than long term commitments. The groups tend not to commit themselves beyond that.
- Meg reminded the board that JWTR is contributing a huge amount towards the project as well.

Vote passed unanimously 5:0.

2014-11 Jackson TMA

A&H Regional Coordinator Vince Oredson presented this project with Dave Erickson, Regional Manager for Lone Rock. (refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project).

This is a renewal project that proposes to allow continued sportsmen use of Hancock Forest Management, Plum Creek, LLC, Indian Hill, LLC, and Lone Rock Timber lands. The project area also includes public lands managed by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, BLM, and State of Oregon. Road closures and law enforcement presence will increase habitat effectiveness for wildlife, reduce disturbance to deer and elk on important winter range, and reduce soil erosion, road maintenance, vandalism, forest fires, timber theft, and illegal dumping. Selected roads within the project area will be closed to motor vehicle access in winter and OSP troopers will be contracted to patrol the area. This extension is for four years, 2014 through 2018.

Motion

Jim moved to approve the Jackson TMA as proposed; Dave seconded the motion. Vote passed unanimously 5:0.

2014-12 C2 Ranch

A&H Regional Coordinator Vince Oredson presented this project (refer to A&H Board packet for the Regional Council Review and application for detailed information on the project).

This is a renewal project that proposes to improve wildlife habitat and provide public hunting. Habitat improvement will consist of removing invasive Himalayan blackberry, cutting back decadent buckbrush, and fertilizing pasture. Hunting will consist of six adult archery deer hunts (each for 3 days), and guided youth hunts consisting of 16 deer hunts and 10 spring turkey hunts (each for 1 day); all hunts are for two seasons.

Discussion

- Barry asked if the youth hunts would go away if A&H funding went away.
- Vince said he wasn't sure. C2 previously leased the land and made more money doing so but they really enjoy and prefer to work with A&H and do the youth hunts. However, they do have a bottom line and need to have a certain amount of income to run the place.
- Craig pointed out a mistake on the application; it lists May 2014 as the end date of the access agreement.
- Vince said that is a mistake it should be May 2016.

Motion

Jim moved to approve the C2 Ranch project as proposed; Dave seconded the motion. This was part of a single motion to approve Murderer's Creek, Jackson TMA, and C2 Ranch. Vote passed unanimously 5:0.

Regional Coordinator Reports

Jon Paustian:

Jon has been working on the Blue Mountains Forest Management Plan.

Vince Oredson:

Vince has spent some time advertising for the C2 Ranch youth turkey hunts. He received 159 applications back from all over the state. They randomly drew 10 kids for the hunt and sent out the notices. He spent some time working on their new unit for the Jackson TMA. He originally designated some roads closed within the TMA that were on BLM. When he went back and looked at them they were really good roads and he didn't feel that he could justify closing public roads that were in good conditions, so he decided to open those up again for this fall and designate those as green on the map.

Tom Segal:

Tom has been working on project applications.

David Stroppel:

David wrapped up all of the Open Fields stuff and took down all of the signs, should have hunter use data at the July meeting.

Meg Eden:

Meg has been working with the OHA, Prineville Chapter, on getting a gun donated for the next gun raffle. She received approximately \$1,000,000 of PR money for Mule Deer Initiative Maury WMU projects.

Nancy Breuner:

Nancy is still learning the ropes. She will be going out and meeting some of the landowners and visit some Open Fields projects. She would eventually like to go to some of the local sports group meetings and get to know them.

Meeting adjourned at 3:39pm