

Local Weed Advisory Board Meeting

July 6th, 2022

9:30-10:30am

BoCC Conference Room 398 Lewis Street Pagosa Springs CO 81147

Roll Call

- Call to order (Robin Young)
 - **Present: Ronnie Maez, Larry Lynch, Lisa Vail, Lisa Jensen, Robin Young, and Ethan Proud**

Minutes 1/2/22 _____ (Old Business)

- Vote to accept or amend minutes
 - **Lisa Jensen motion to accept, Lisa Vail seconded, all in favor**
- Approve amended IPM plan
 - **Lisa Vail motion to accept, Lisa Jensen seconded, all in favor**

New business

- **Applied for and will be teaching a day on invasive species at the FACE Summer Camp**
- **Presenting at Small Acreage Workshop on 8/20**
- **Hoping to roll out Weed Warrior program in 2023**
- **Hoping to roll out an Archuleta County Naturalist Program in 2023 as well**

Department Operations

- Processed 112+ herbicide transactions
- Completed 105+ applications
- Completed 79+ private properties
- Completed Navajo State Park Bareground and Noxious Weed control
- Completed Arboles roads and private properties
- Completed Leafy Spurge treatment
- Completed Chromo roads both private and county-owned
- Wrapping up Chromo area private properties
- Biocontrol released: Russian knapweed gall wasps 6,000, Russian knapweed stem galls 2,660, yellow toadflax stem mining weevils 400, leafy spurge flea beetles 8,000, musk thistle crown weevils 200

Comments from Board Members

- Observations and concerns for this season
 - **Larry Lynch noted that the weeds were down this year from past years. May be a combination of years of control coupled with a dry, windy spring**

- Lisa Vail mentioned the lack of weeds at Coyote Loop on Piedra, some discussion followed on certain trails and weedy or non weedy areas
- Some discussion covered the possibility of grant funding through the America the Beautiful Challenge Grant, grantee organization would be The San Juan Mountain Cooperative Weed Management Area
 - Projects would focus on vectors of spread, phreatophyte species, mapping, and bootbrush stations

Schedule next meeting and adjourn

- Tentatively set for Oct 5th at 930