

Minutes : Thursday, August 18, 2005
Start 10am
Place: Iron County Extension

Info Presented:

A. Hamlin Valley Project:

Settled on boundary line. Working on current conditions versus desired conditions.
Determine project areas at the end of the August.

If SWARM has comments send them to Nicki or Becky and we'll present it at the next meeting.

Halls and Tom Simpre are discussing getting things going this fall on private lands.

B. Pygmy Rabbits.

Pam Larson is going to do surveys to look at Pygmy Rabbits. BLM and UDWR have an agreement to look at study areas before we implement. Haven't decided on a place yet. Waiting to talk to Tom Simpre about doing this on private lands before they pick the study area.

Nicki talked a little bit about it before the meeting today.

Becky and Pam have talked about priority areas.

What if we find PYRA on land? Peripheral information (burrows, sign)? Would this change what we want (fencing, pipelines)? We'd just have to be concerned with their areas. They are a sensitive species in Utah.

FUTURE WORK

- **Get comments for HVP to nicki or becky by August 29th.**
- **Talk to Tom Simpre and see what the plans are for the fall as regards the EQIP proposal.**
- **See if all of Jeff's data is making it into Keith's database.**
- **Ask Keith to come to next meeting and talk about PYRA.—Jeff**
- **Becky will talk to her recreational guy and see what he knows about the proposed ATV "High Desert Trail" and who we can talk to about it.**

Start looking at grant money to help finance Hamlin Valley focus area projects – FWS, IMWJV, NFWF, sportsmen groups.

NEXT MEETING: October 4, 2005; October 19, 2005. 10am. Iron county extension office.