

RECORDING OF PROCEEDINGS

Wyoming Board of Agriculture
Wyoming State Fair
400 W. Center
Douglas, WY
August 17, 2018

Present:

Amanda Hulet, President
Mike Riley
Bryan Brost
Cameron Smith
Jim Rogers
Kendall Roberts
Kevin Schieffer
Jared Boardman
Shaun Sims
Bret Hess
Doug Miyamoto, Director
Stacia Berry, Deputy Director

Staff:

Pam Bell
Derek Grant
Julie Cook
Lucy Pauley
Justin Williams
Justin Caudill
Joe Budd
Ted Craig
Kenna Noble
Terisa Oomens
Ryan Speight
Chris Wichmann

Absent:

Jana Ginter
John Hansen

Guests:

Brett Moline (Farm Bureau), Rhonda Schieffer, Jim Logan (WLSB), Astrid Martinez (NRCS), Amy Hendrickson (WWGA), Lisa Ogden (NCCD), Steve True (WLSB), Thach Winslow (WLSB), Loren Heth (WSFAB), Cindy Weibel, Jeff Ketcham (WSFAB), Barney Cosner (WSFAB), Bobbie Frank (WACD), Lois VanMark (FSA-USDA), Rhonda Brandt (USDA-NASS), Jim Magagna (WSGA), Karen Fenton (WCCD), Carrie Rogaczewski (SHCCD)

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. Roll was taken and a quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes

Shaun Sims made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 9-10, 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Kendall Roberts. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Director's Update

Director Doug Miyamoto provided an update on industrial hemp regulations, getting beef in Taiwan, the ENDOW initiative, and the modernization of the Endangered Species Act.

Intern Reports

Kenna Noble provided information about her internship with the Administration Division. Ryan Speight provided information about his internship with the Specialty Crop Division. Terisa Oomens provided information about her internship with the Mediation Program/Natural Resources and Policy Division.

Livestock Board Update

Steve True provided an update on brand renewals, fees, and recruiting investigators. Jim Logan provided an update on brucellosis, horse diseases and rabies cases.

Public Records New Rules

Stacia Berry provided information about the uniform rules that need to be adopted by all agencies and boards so there are uniform rules for uniform procedures, fees, costs, and charges for inspection, copies, and production of public records. Shaun Sims asked how many record requests the Wyoming Department of Agriculture gets annually. **Shaun Sims made a motion to start the rule making process for Public Record Rules. The motion was seconded by Jim Rogers. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.**

Conservation District Appointments/Resignations

Kendall Roberts made a motion to approve the resignation of Russ Boardman and appointment of Carmen McIntyre to the Shoshone Conservation District. The motion was seconded by Kevin Schieffer. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Jim Rogers made a motion to approve the resignation of J. W. Hendry and appointment of Ray Appelhance to the Lower Wind River Conservation District. The motion was seconded by Cameron Smith. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

RHAP Applications

Justin Caudill provided information about the Lincoln Conservation District Lower Salt & Sams-Allen Creek Rangeland/Watershed Monitoring & Health Assessment Project. **Shaun Sims made a motion to approve funding for the Lincoln Conservation District Lower Salt & Sams-Allen Creek Rangeland/Watershed Monitoring & Health Assessment Project in the amount of \$19,960 with Claimed In-Kind /Match of \$13,335. The motion was seconded by Kendall Roberts. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.**

Justin Caudill provided information about the Lincoln Conservation District Pole Creek; Spruce Creek; South Fontenelle Allotments-Rangeland/Watershed Monitoring & Heath Assessment Project. **Jim Rogers made a motion to approve funding for the Lincoln Conservation District Pole Creek; Spruce Creek; South Fontenelle Allotments-Rangeland/Watershed Monitoring & Heath Assessment Project in the amount of \$19,960 with Claimed In-Kind/Match of \$13,210. The motion was seconded by Kendall Roberts. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.**

Justin Caudill provided information about the Sublette County Conservation District Elk Ridge Complex Monitoring Project. **Jim Rogers made a motion to approve funding for the Sublette County Conservation District Elk Ridge Complex Monitoring Project in the amount of \$14,386 with Claimed In-Kind/Match of \$6,182.40. The motion was seconded by Kendall Roberts. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.**

Justin Caudill provided information about the Sublette County Conservation District Wyo. Range Allotment Complex & Triple Peak Forage Reserve Monitoring Project. **Cameron Smith made a motion to approve the Sublette County Conservation District Wyo. Range Allotment Complex & Triple Peak Forage Reserve Monitoring Project Amendment & Extension Request, with an increase of funding by**

\$4,278.49 for a total of \$20,000 and the Contract Expiration, Final Report, and return of Unused Funds on December 21, 2021. The motion was seconded by Kendall Roberts. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Water Quality Reports & Extension Requests

Justin Caudill provided information about the Campbell County Conservation District Donkey Creek Watershed Implementation Project Phase III Project. Justin Caudill provided information about the Crook County Natural Resource District Belle Fourche River Watershed Improvement Implementation Plan: 2016-2018. Justin Caudill provided information about the Lower Wind River Conservation District Ocean Lake Phase IV Project. Justin Caudill provided information about the Medicine Bow Conservation District Rock Creek Hebler-Murray #1 Project. **Jim Rogers made a motion to approve the Medicine Bow Conservation District Rock Creek Hebler-Murray #1 Extension Request with the Interim Report due June 30, 2019 and Contract Expiration with Final Report and Return of Unused Funds due December 31, 2019. The motion was seconded by Kendall Roberts. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.** Justin Caudill provided information about the Sweetwater County Conservation District Bitter Creek Sampling Support & Reporting Project. Justin Caudill provided information about the Laramie Rivers Conservation District Upper Laramie Microbial Source Tracking Project. Justin Caudill and Lisa Ogden (NCCD) provided information about the Natrona County Conservation District NPR Watershed Selenium Monitoring 2017-2019 Project. Justin Caudill and Cathy Meyer (LWRCD) provided information about the Lower Wind River Ocean Lake Phase V Project. **Kevin Schieffer made a motion to approve the Lower Wind River Conservation District Ocean Lake Phase V Extension Request with the Interim Report due June 30, 2019 and Contract Expiration with Final Report and Return of Unused Funds due December 31, 2019. The motion was seconded by Kendall Roberts. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.** Justin Caudill provided information about the Sublette County Conservation District Surface Water Monitoring –Little Sandy River-Sublette County Project. Justin Caudill provided information about the Sheridan County Conservation District 2017-2018 Sheridan County Water Quality Improvements Project. Justin Caudill provided information about the Little Snake River Conservation District Savery Creek Gauging Station Project. **Mike Riley made a motion to approve the Campbell County Conservation District Donkey Creek Watershed Implementation Project Phase III Interim Report; Crook County Natural Resource District Belle Fourche River Watershed Improvement Implementation Plan 2016-2018 Interim Report; Lower Wind River Conservation District Ocean Lake Phase IV Interim Report; Medicine Bow Conservation District Rock Creek Hebler-Murray #1 Interim Report; Sweetwater County Conservation District Bitter Creek Sampling Support and Reporting Interim Report; Laramie Rivers Conservation District Upper Laramie Microbial Source Tracking Interim Report; Natrona County Conservation District NRP Watershed Selenium Monitoring 2017-2019 Interim Report; Lower Wind River Conservation District Ocean Lake Phase V Interim Report; Sublette County Conservation District Surface Water Monitoring–Little Sandy River-Sublette County Final Report; Sheridan County Conservation District 2017-2018 Sheridan County Water Quality Improvements Final Report; and Little Snake River Conservation District Savery Creek Gauging Station Final Report. The motion was seconded by Jim Rogers. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.**

Water Quality Applications

Justin Caudill and Karen Fenton provided information about the Washakie County Conservation District Nowood Watershed Stock Water Development Program: Phase I Project. **Kevin Schieffer made a motion to approve the Washakie County Conservation District Nowood Watershed Stock Water Development**

Program: Phase I Project in the amount of \$8,959 with Claimed In-kind/Match of \$5,799.88. The motion was seconded by Bryan Brost. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Justin Caudill provided information about the Crook County Natural Resource District Belle Fourche River Watershed Improvement Implementation Plan: 2018-2020. **Jim Rogers made a motion to approve the Crook County Natural Resource District Belle Fourche River Watershed Improvement Implementation Plan 2018-2020 Project in the amount of \$20,000 with Claimed In-Kind/Match of \$15,398. The motion was seconded by Cameron Smith. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.**

Justin Caudill and Cathy Meyer (LWRCD) provided information about the Lower Wind River Conservation District Muddy Creek Watershed III Project. **Kendall Roberts made a motion to approve the Lower Wind River Conservation District Muddy Creek Watershed III Project in the amount of \$20,000 with Claimed In-kind/Match of \$10,592.60. The motion was seconded by Cameron Smith. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.**

Justin Caudill and Carrie Rogaczewski (SHCCD) provided information about the Sheridan County Conservation District 2019-2020 Sheridan County Water Quality Improvements Project. **Bryan Brost made a motion to approve the Sheridan County Conservation District 2019-2020 Sheridan County Water Quality Improvements project in the amount of \$20,000 with Claimed In-kind/Match of \$12,302. The motion was seconded by Mike Riley. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.**

Justin Caudill provided information about the Sublette County Conservation District Little Sandy River-LS1 EX02 Sonde Project. **Shaun Sims made a motion to approve the Sublette County Conservation District Little Sandy River LS1 EX02 Sonde Project in the amount of \$20,000 with Claimed In-kind/Match of \$12,334.50. The motion was seconded by Kendall Roberts. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.**

Justin Caudill provided information about the Sweetwater County Conservation District Bitter Creek Water Quality Data Collection Project. **Jim Rogers made a motion to approve the Sweetwater County Conservation District Bitter Creek Water Quality Data Collection Project in the amount of \$20,000 with Claimed In-kind/Match of \$6,000. The motion was seconded by Kendall Roberts. No discussion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.**

Partner/Industry Updates

Jim Magagna of Wyoming Stock Growers provided an update on the beef export project, processing plants, interstate shipment of meat, Endangered Species Act and livestock haulers hours of service. Lois Van Mark of Farm Service Agency provided an update on disaster area declarations, Market Facilitation Program, and Farm Bill Activity. Rhonda Brandt of USDA/NASS provided an update on the census, specialized tabulations, and annual reports. Bobbie Frank of WACD provided information on future meeting dates for area meetings, the state convention in Evanston this November, and the statewide watershed conference in February in Casper. Amy Hendrickson of Wyoming Wool Growers provided an update on the wool market, summer meeting, chef's short course and American lamb markets that opened in Japan. Astrid Martinez of NRCS provided an update on funding and personnel changes. Bret Hess of UW provided an update on the UW College of Agriculture personnel changes, upcoming Field Day dates, and Ag Appreciation weekend in September.

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Other Business

None.

Public Comment

Lauren Heth of the State Fair Advisory Board spoke about his time on the board, and also thanked the members of the Board of Agriculture.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Hulet, President

Date