

2/21/03

EDUCO MEETING

MB Notes

attendees

- David Miller BOARD EDUCO
- Dick Gayton USFS
- Ken Nichols Int. Pgm Dir/ Educo
- Jacob Frost - NR400 -
- Dick Edwards USFS
- Mike Hughes CETS
- Heather Knight JNC
- Mike Bork CETS

Agenda: Accomplished to date
To do's / who?

Open House - ^{Educo} 3/25, 4/18 County

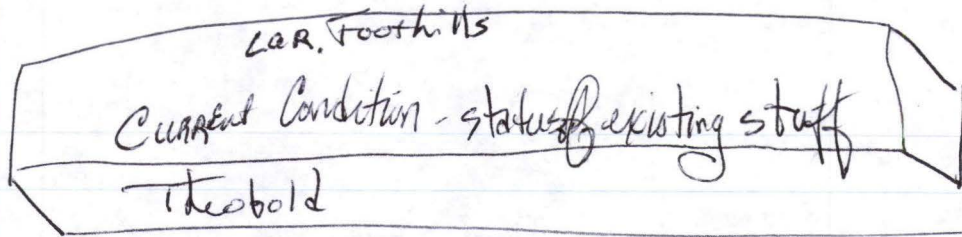
Current Status

Dave Sitzman owner for 1 year, appraisal coming
\$ still needed, board will purchase after
conservation easement is in place
2-3 months

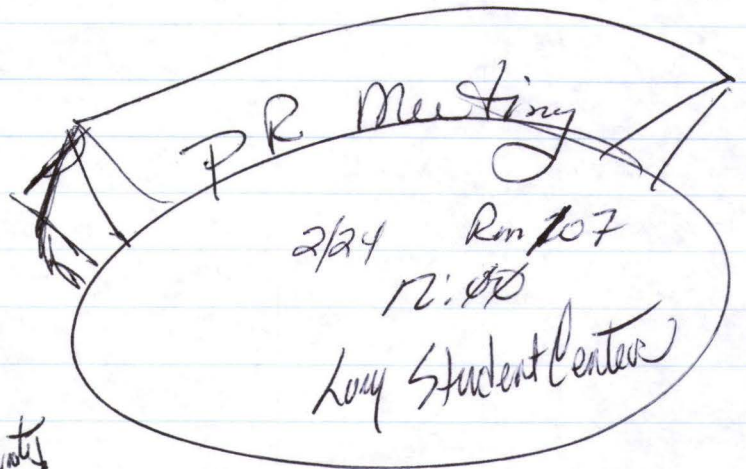
Development will be a while, funding issue
CD avail on bldg et al

Access

NORTH Rim HOA - Larry Mitchell
Be sensitive - call ahead
494-0785 Kenosha
461-4920 Cleveland



- tie into
county fire plan?



OSU classes.

Timber Assessment - Smith

Bld Design

Brun Dunbar

Next to Do.

A. Thinning - North Rim / Larry Mitchell

USFS assessing + plan in 2004 - USFS lands. fuels reduction

Private Lands Assessment. (VFPD) -

Product need = minimal avail via cuts
= need design information

Scale?

sketch - since in addition to fire

Get w/ Dick - est planning area

Firewise

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EDUCO

December 4, 2002

Called by Kerry Edwards. ^{SP} 223-9659. She invited me to a tour of their property 12/11. Referenced she was working with Heather Knight TNC, Gailmarie Kimmell and some graduate students thru Interior West Center@ CSU working on uses of small diameter wood.

Called Kurt Mackes. He knows about the project but not much. He will ask a few questions of people he works with about the EDUCO project. He is doing a student course at Ben Delatour that may be replication of EDUCO. His class will be on weekends for SAF or others, they will mark a stand to prescription, harvest and process into timbers, and produce a report of some sort. Class will be in Feb/March timeframe. Rob Avera is assisting. They hope to have about 10 students. His concern is that his course and EDUCO may be trying to do the same thing and maybe everyone should talk.

Called Gailmarie Kimmell 1-3260. Left a message requesting her call me.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'MB', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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David Miller non-profit organiz-

Advo
Odrco

Blue Moon Mtn
Ranch

Gail Marie Kimmel 1-3260

Interior West Center
for the Use of
Small Diameter Wood

Manufacturing
Tech and
Construction
Mgt.

Thinning Project in Red Feather

- Skip Smith
- Tony Cheng
- Bill Romme



Michael Hughes

From: "Mike Babler" <mbabler@lamar.colostate.edu>
To: "Tom Wardle" <twardle@lamar.colostate.edu>
Cc: "Kathy Porter" <kporter@lamar.colostate.edu>; "Mike Hughes" <mhughes@lamar.colostate.edu>; "Dave Farmer" <dfarmer@lamar.colostate.edu>
Sent: Friday, October 25, 2002 9:34 AM
Subject: FW: Smallwood: CSU & Educo

Do you know who is our contact with this Educo project, I would like to talk with them.

-----Original Message-----

From: Heather Knight [mailto:hknight@tnc.org]

Sent: Thursday, October 24, 2002 1:03 PM

To: Kimmel, Gailmarie

Cc: GREG GAMBLE; HEIDI A. SHERK; NANCY A. SMITH; Anne Black; Ayn Shlisky; Bill Romme; Bob Dettmann; CHRISTOPHER A. PAGUE; Dick Edwards; Doug Zollner; Ellen Hodges; Larry Rogstad; Mike Babler; Paige Lewis; Paul Gleason; RYAN M BOGGS; STEPHAN M. KETTLER; Tony Simons

Subject: RE: Smallwood: CSU & Educo

Gailmarie,

Sorry it has taken me some time to respond. I wanted to digest our phone conversation and your email and also include in my thoughts on some current progress in the Fire Learning Network. I see this as a great opportunity that many of us can benefit from. Here are my thoughts so far and a little background information.

Background.

The Fire Learning Network is funded by National Fire Plan monies and matched with other dollars from partners. TNC proposed this project to the federal agencies, the purpose of which is to form partnerships between private and public interests to implement ecological based fire. 25 priority sites have been selected and the Laramie Foothills is one of them. This is our first year of the project. This year's focus is to develop an ecological model for the most threatened plant community. From the model we will identify historic condition, current condition and desired future conditions. Then we will identify priority places for implementing treatments based on prescriptions developed from the model. We are also developing a monitoring plan. The ecological system we are working on is Ponderosa pine. The model will be applicable across an area from approximately the Wyoming line to the Palmer Divide. Our focus area is the Laramie Foothills. Currently we have a draft model, are working on the current condition map, have a draft monitoring plan and have started to identify places to implement this work.

Partners so far include: USFS, CSFS, CDOW, CNHP, CSU, Larimer County.

We hope that the next phase, next year, will allow us to start implementation of this work. The model should form the basis for prescriptions and the monitoring plan should allow us to assess our success.

At the same time we have started working toward an MoU or Cooperative agreement with the CSFS to implement fire on TNC and adjacent private lands.

Anne Black is also working on a tool which will allow managers to calculate the ecological benefits of prescribed fire and thus support its implementation.

We are also interested in other treatments other than fire and are particularly interested in determining how closely they come to approximating the same ecological effect as a fire would. Perhaps this model can also prescribe thinning methods as well as prescriptions for fire? It may also along with the new congressional bill to fund thinning treatments, support the revitalization of local community timber industry? or a new one-small diameter? We are therefore interested in the economics and market potential of small diameter timber.

Opportunities

1. We need places that we can use to test our model and monitor treatments on both public and private lands in the Laramie Foothills. EDUCO could be one of those sites.

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Gary has been in contact with me to respond. I wanted to get out of the way and you email and you are in my thoughts on some current progress in the RPL Learning Network. I see this as a real opportunity that many of us can benefit from. There are many other people who are in contact with the EDCU project. I would like to talk with them.

Back ground

The RPL Learning Network is being run by National The RPL Network and is focused on providing training and professional development to improve the quality of the labor force. The network will focus on providing training and professional development to improve the quality of the labor force. The network will focus on providing training and professional development to improve the quality of the labor force.

Partnership includes EDCU, OCHRP, CSU, and other County

We hope that the next few years will allow us to start implementation of this work. This model should form the basis for negotiations and the working plan and allow us to assess our success.

At the same time we have started working toward an MOU or Cooperative agreement with the EDCU to implement the on TNC and adjacent private lands.

Anne Blain is also working on a job which will allow management to evaluate the ecological benefits of protected and this support to motor vehicles.

We are also interested in other projects and a number of other people interested in determining how closely they come to approximating the same ecological effect as a fire would. However, the model can also create a number of other methods as well as questions for fire. It may also allow for the use of a number of other methods to support the evaluation of the ecological benefits of protected and this support to motor vehicles.

Open issues

We need places that are open to our model and provide both public and private lands in the EDCU.

2. Students at CSU could be trained by CNHP and TNC in the monitoring protocol and could collect monitoring data at these sites. Perhaps the National Fire Plan could fund this as a series of coop positions for next summer with the USFS and/or CSFS?
- 3: Ford Foundation is offering community Forestry research scholarships for planning and conducting field work that engages local community members. Perhaps we could apply for a graduate project to implement this monitoring program of treatments? or perhaps a class like Rick Knight's Ecosystem Management might adopt this project and collect the field data in the summer via some senior projects and then the class might analyze it ?
4. I also just noted that the Joint Fire Science Program has posted Announcements for Proposals-one of which is directed toward land managers and would fund demonstration sites and local projects....perhaps this would fit our project?

Suffice is to say I cannot think of a reason not to partner with IWC and EDUCO. I have CC;d the fire learning network folks and some TNC staff to get their feedback too. I would suspect we could all benefit and perhaps we should chose a time to meet and discuss this further?

Heather

-----Original Message-----

From: Kimmel,Gailmarie [mailto:gmkimmel@CAHS.Colostate.edu]
Sent: Thursday, October 03, 2002 3:41 PM
To: Heather Knight
Subject: Smallwood: CSU & Educo

Heather,
 Finally a free moment to put this memo together.

Funded by National Fire Plan monies, IWC (Interior West Center for the Innovative Use of Small Diameter Wood) is based in the Department of Manufacturing Technology and Construction Management (MTCM) at CSU. We work closely with CSU Department of Forest, Rangeland and Watershed Stewardship, Colorado State Forest Service (CSFS), and USDA Forest Service - Rural Development.

We are partnering with Educo <http://www.educointernational.org/>, a local nonprofit involved in outdoor education for youth. They are purchasing 144 acres up in Red Feather area in the "red zone", 2/3 of which is forested. Primarily interested in building an eco-friendly lodge for their program participants, Educo is working with IWC to use the property as a demonstration site linking sustainable land management with a "green" building. We are planning to conduct appropriate thinning prescriptions and then use the removed wood to actually build and heat the lodge. Given the nature of small diameter material, it's almost certain that we will be working with adjacent public land managers - and perhaps private landowners/CSFS as well - on further thinning projects in order to have enough wood to meet building needs.

We are already working with Dr. Skip Smith and his forestry students on timber assessment and management plans. Brian Dunbar from Construction Management has his students focused this semester on green building strategies for the lodge. A recent workshop with timber framers also addressed design ideas. Next spring, Drs. Tony Cheng and Bill Romme from Forestry will use both sets of results to further examine the "cycle of custody" and make recommendations for full utilization of forest thinnings. IWC looks forward to also partnering with Richard Fox, forester and director of Trees, Water & People, another Fort Collins-based organization, for assistance with project implementation, watershed education, and public outreach.

We are interested in connecting with The Nature Conservancy about this project and want to learn more about your Fire Learning Network. We see this project as an opportunity to connect academe, federal/state agencies,

conservation groups and wildland-urban interface stakeholders in a shared goal: healthy forests and healthy buildings.

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Looking forward to more conversation,
Gailmarie

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Gailmarie Kimmel  
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Innovative Use of Small Diameter Wood (IWC)***  
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Erik immediately showed a greater willingness / openness to share - he talked about his fears and his success during the experience overcoming them. He also brought back a different attitude toward interacting with his sibling. - Jeff and Marilyn Ackermann (Erik Ackermann on Adventurers 2)

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