

**Northwest Colorado Stewardship (NWCOS)
 Planning Committee
 June 7, 2005
 Meeting Summary**

Action Items

<u>Who</u>	<u>What</u>
Jeremy Casterson and BAH	Rewrite alternatives matrix and make available to NWCOS by June 15.
Keystone	Submit plan for Clarke visit to full NWCOS at June 15 meeting.
Keystone	Look into possibility of having Planning Committee/Clarke dinner on June 22 at Holiday Inn.
Jeremy Casterson	Write a brief announcement about the NWCOS meeting with Clarke on June 22 and give it to newspapers and radio stations.
Jeff Comstock, Reed Morris, and Marianna Raftopoulos	Look into providing lemonade, iced tea, and cookies at the full NWCOS meeting with Kathleen Clarke on June 22.

Attendance

Jeremy Casterson, Jeff Comstock, T. Wright Dickinson, Stephen Flaherty, Rick Hammel, Suzanne Jones, Wes McStay, Marianna Raftopoulos, Kristi Parker Celico, and Heather Bergman.

Revising the Alternative Matrix

Prior to the Planning Committee call, Keystone sent out a skeleton proposal for how BLM and Booz Allen Hamilton (BAH) could reorganize the information in the alternative matrix to make it easier for NWCOS to process. The group discussed the advantages and disadvantages of using this approach, and ultimately decided that Jeremy and BAH should go ahead and do a rewrite of the matrix with a primary focus on issue areas and geographic areas being secondary. This draft will be completed and made available to NWCOS by June 15.

Agenda for June 15 Meeting

The committee discussed what issues should be discussed at the June 15 NWCOS meeting. It was decided that NWCOS would: 1) review the overarching goals for the last time, discussing only those issues that were submitted to Keystone in advance; 2) review the revised matrix from BLM and identify key issues to be discussed and set some priorities; 3) discuss BLM's draft goals for livestock grazing and wildlife (which have not yet been discussed in subcommittee meetings); 4) discuss the plan for the visit of BLM Director Kathleen Clarke; and 5) discuss the NWCOS schedule through July and Keystone's proposed changes to it.

NWCOS Schedule

Given that the July 31 deadline is rapidly approaching and NWCOS still has much work to do, the committee discussed how to reorganize the time that is left to make it as efficient and productive as possible. The committee agreed that NWCOS members should not submit individual comments on the current draft of the alternative matrix, although Jeremy will accept any comments that are submitted and bring them to the appropriate subcommittee meeting for

discussion. The committee also agreed to a July 1 deadline for submitting comments on BLM's revised matrix (which will be made available on June 15) to Keystone, and said that all comments must be reviewed by someone from another sector before they are submitted. Subcommittee meetings will be held on July 6 and 7 to discuss the issues that are submitted in advance. BLM will incorporate the subcommittees' work and distribute a revised draft of the matrix by July 13. The subcommittees will meet again on July 19 and 20 in lieu of the July 20 full NWCOS meeting. July 26 will be a full NWCOS meeting to review the revised draft of the alternative matrix.

Clarke Visit

The committee discussed where the June 22 dinner with the Planning Committee and Kathleen Clarke should take place, and Keystone agreed to look into the options for holding it in a meeting room at the Holiday Inn in Craig. The group also agreed that, in accordance with NWCOS's open door policy, the NWCOS meeting with Clarke should be publicized. Jeremy Casterson agreed to write a brief announcement and distribute it to the local newspapers and radio stations. Marianna, Reed, and Jeff agreed to look into providing lemonade, iced tea, and cookies at the NWCOS meeting with Clarke (with the County and perhaps a couple of NWCOS members picking up the tab). It was agreed that the committee will ask Steve Hinkemeyer, Steve Bonowski, Wes McStay, and Ann Oliver to speak about what's working and what could be working better with NWCOS and the RMP revision process. The committee agreed that Keystone will submit this plan to NWCOS at the June 15 meeting for approval.