

Habitat Stamp Program Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting

Department of Game and Fish

August 15, 2024 – 9 a.m.

New Mexico Game and Fish Headquarters – FMD Conference Room

1 Wildlife Way, Santa Fe, NM 87507

Video Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HESlubhG5jA&list=PLA63311FA230A4ED4&index=1>

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Meeting Called to Order

09:05:20 a.m. (00:10:35/00:10:45 on video)

Called to order by Daniel Lusk

- Verification of Quorum / Roll Call of CAC Members
09:05:30 a.m. (00:10:46/00:11:15)

Present in person: Lief Ahlm, Jeffrey Arterburn, Mark Cadwallader, James Cain, Manuel L'esperance, Ron Loehman, Mark Mattaini, John Pearce

Present virtually: Art Vollmer

- Introduction of Participants
09:06:14 a.m. (00:11:30/00:12:55)
Present in person: Daniel Lusk, Caitlin Ruhl, Mike Ruhl, Bob Nordstrom, Kathy McKim
Present virtually: Danica Cooke, Jennifer D'Annibale, Juan Gamon, Ryan McBee

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: 2025 Project Prioritization

09:07:39 a.m. (00:12:55/ 00:13:35)

- CAC Member Independent Review Results with Public Comment
09:08:22 a.m. (00:13:38/ 02:01:21)

The committee took a break at 10:56:18 a.m. and returned at 11:18: 50 a.m.

- Public Comment

Public Comment was solicited throughout the previous agenda item and can be heard throughout the CAC Member Independent Review Results with associated timestamps.

- CAC Discussion
11:18:59 a.m. (02:24:25/ 02:45:15)
- CAC Vote to establish ranking (Action Item)
11:39:59 a.m. (02:45:16/02:45:45)

The CAC ranked the FY25 Habitat Stamp Projects as follows:

1. Whitewater Creek Restoration
2. Black Mesa Restoration
3. Wildlife Habitat Connectivity
4. Rio de las Vacas Restoration
5. Prescribed Burns
6. El Rito Barrier Assessment
7. Middle Ponil Barrier
8. Snow Lake Dredge Evaluation
9. Solarbee Purchase
10. Soda Springs Enclosure Fence
11. Cebolla Canyon Enclosure Fence

Motion: To approve the final project prioritization ranking

Motion by: Ron Loehman

Approved: Unanimous – Lief Ahlm, Jeffrey Arterburn, Mark Cadwallader, James Cain, Manuel L'esperance, Ron Loehman, Mark Mattaini, John Pearce, Art Vollmer

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 (ADDED): Subcommittee Formation (Action Item)

11:41:17 a.m. (02:46:33/03:34:20)

A Citizen's Advisory Committee member presented the idea of forming a subcommittee within the CAC to explore the topic of range as a component to habitat restoration projects.

Motion: To make a subcommittee including Jimmy Cain, John Pearce, Manuel L'esperance, and Lief Ahlm with the task of creating guidance for future habitat stamp project proposals regarding information gathering on range management in the context of current habitat conditions and future restoration potential.

Motion by: John Pearce

Seconded by: Lief Ahlm

Approved by: Unanimous – Lief Ahlm, Jeffrey Arterburn, Mark Cadwallader, James Cain, Manuel L'esperance, Ron Loehman, Mark Mattaini, John Pearce, Art Vollmer

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 : Meeting Adjourn

12:29:36 p.m. (3:34:52/3:35:05)

Motion by: John Pearce

Seconded by: James Cain

Approved by: Unanimous – Lief Ahlm, Jeffrey Arterburn, Mark Cadwallader, James Cain, Manuel L'esperance, Ron Loehman, Mark Mattaini, John Pearce, Art Vollmer

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