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DRAFT Minutes
319 TAC Meeting
THURSDAY April 9, 2015
8:00 am

Caldwell Service Center Conference Room

Sign in sheet for the 319 TAC meeting completed.

- A. Opening of meeting (Mike Swartz)
- B. Review minutes from the March 12, 2015 meeting
- C. Old Business
 1. Robin
 - a. informed the group he has been working on the DM contract for the pivot & pipeline.
 - b. The No-Till Drill is in Marsing waiting to be picked up. An invoice needs to be submitted to reimburse Ada SWCD purchase of the no-till drill.
 - c. Robin has not heard back from the BO contract to see if they are willing to accept 30% cost share with the new landowner on permanent drip system.
 - d. Robin and James met with the Fish & Wildlife at Lake Lowell to discuss a possible RCCP. They spoke with Stan Culling F & W Manager explaining the possible RCCP and they are waiting for a call from the Board of Control. Work in progress for a 319 proposal on Lake Lowell in the future and get letters of support from irrigation districts.
 - e. Farmers Co-Op Canal Project (sediment basin) to remove 16 tons of sediment a day from canal. Still waiting to hear back from the Regional Conservation Partnership Program
 2. Dan—not present
 3. Tom—not present
 4. Bob
 - a. informed the group the WAG is in favor of the Fresh Water Trust project. The WAG requested a list of all projects in priority area.

D. Open items for discussion

1. Agency reports

a. James—see report

* Charts made up of how many applications, contracts and funds obligated from FY 2008 to FY 2015

* 2015 EQIP applications. There are 23 total preapproved applications. Ada SWCD has 1 high tunnel @ 7,973.00 on a 5 ac Organic Farm and 1 Range @ 43,000.00 on a 115 ac grazing operation.

Canyon SCD has 20 preapproved applications. There are 9 NWQI @ 630,000—4 Outlet Lower Boise, 2 Dixie Slough and 3 Lower Sand Hollow. There's 1 Organic Transition @ 15,500, 1 Socially Disadvantaged @ 2,000, 1 AFO CAFO @ 13,000, 1 Soil Health @ 30,000, 4 Division III Pasture @ 124,000 and 3 Irrigated Cropland @ 125,000. May 1st is the obligation deadline.

* NRCS in Idaho will set aside up to 150,000 for the 2015 Conservation Innovation Grant (CIG). The maximum amount for any project may not exceed 75,000. FY 2015 funds will specifically target Innovative conservation technologies or agronomic techniques that address water and/or wind erosion on HEL ground or new techniques to improve Greater Sage Grouse habitat.

2. Robin and James will make up EQIP list of tier 1 projects for the 319 TAC/WAG meeting.

3. It was suggested to ask Jason Miller to give his Soil Health presentation at a WAG meeting.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY May 14, 2015 at 8:00 AM
CALDWELL SERVICE CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM.

Adjourned 9:05 am