

All-terrain Vehicle Allocation Advisory Committee meeting minutes

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The meeting was called to order by chairwomen, Pat Harris. Present were Pat Harris, Larry Runk, Scott Ryland, Tim Custer, Randall Parmelee, Tyrrell Hart, Julie Barrell, Ian Caldwell, Mike Law, and Wayne Rawlins, and many members of the public.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April ATVAAC meeting was made by Tyrrell Hart and seconded by Julie Barrell. The motion passed unanimously.

Ian Caldwell gave a report to the committee regarding safety education. He has been working to obtain more class sites and instructors. He reported that he is helping with the NOHVCC Conference to be held in Portland in March, 2004.

There was some discussion regarding approved sites for ATV safety training.

The committee decided to set the dates for the 2004 ATV public meetings. The dates selected are the following:

January 16, 2004 - Operation and Maintenance

April 16, 2004 - First Aid and Law Enforcement

September 17, 2004 - Safety Education

There will be a committee workshop on January 15, 2004, that will be open to the public, however, there will be no public input and no decisions made at the workshop. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. on January 15 and the location to be announced.

Dan Ermovick of the Wallowa Whitman National Forest, presented results of the tri-forest planning project. The plan looked at issues involving fish, plants, archeological, old growth, etc. They reviewed over 5 million acres and looked at the potential for OHV trails. OHV riding will be on established trails as there will be less cross-country travel. The plan will be adopted at the Tri-Forest level and wrapped into the forest plans in a couple of years.

Tyrrell commented that he would like to see the OHV trail systems in NE Oregon connected.

Project review:

Coos County Search and Rescue - Application did not include three bids for the purchase of a trailer and was tabled until January.

Wallowa Valley Ranger District - The grant application was for a grant of \$60,000.00. A motion was made to fund \$10,000.00 for a feasibility study as a phase 1 of the project, by Randall Parmelee. The grant sponsor was encouraged to return to the January 2004 meeting and apply for the remaining \$50,000 in grand funds. The motion was seconded by Tyrrell Hart. Motion passed.

Morrow County Public Works - The grant application is for \$34,400.00 for planning and development at the new ATV park. A motion was made by Julie Barrell to fund the project. A second was made by Larry Runk. The motion passed with one abstention.

Morrow County Health Department - Application for First Aid Supplies. Need three bids for ATV and a 6X6. Tabled until the January meeting.

Motorcycle Riders Association - An application was received for emergency road repair at Lily Prairie for \$48,670.00. A motion was made by Larry Runk and seconded by Julie Barrell to recommend the project for funding. The motion passed.

Bids from Union County were received for the Union County project tabled in April. The low bid is approved for funding.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Glennys Lindsay, ATV Grant and Education Coordinator