

Minutes – February 24, 2014 – Tap Rock - Evergreen Rm – Final Copy

Attendance: Jim & Rene Ford, Joe & Leta Neiderheiser, Bob Black, Mike Walker, Kelly Rarey.

NPS Project – Leta

1. The NPS is not confident they will have enough money for all the Challenge Cost Share Program applications for this year. The NPS sometimes has year-end money available for well-developed projects. We could be considered. We should go ahead and prepare a proposal with the idea of getting year end money and not cost share money.

If our project is funded by year-end funds, we will not have to worry about matching funds –just the end product. The work would still have to be done under a cooperative agreement with NPS.

The NPS needs to have a ‘substantial involvement’ in our project. This would mean helping us to design and edit the information for our signs and the production of those signs. The cost per sign is \$500.

2. Ordinarily groups accepted for cost-share have 501 C 3 status. However Dick Silva was an individual from OCTA whose project was accepted for the Challenge Cost Share Program without the 501 C 3 status. We will seek partnership with OCTA through the NWOCTA chapter for our signage project.

(See Leta’s e-mails for all the details. Dated February 10 & 11, 2014.)

Rene will e-mail Oregon Travel Experience about getting permission for signage at the rest area. This includes ODOT permission. The permission may take up to one year for ODOT to decide.

Field trip to Manzanita Rest Area – March 17, 2014 and 10:00 am. East rest area.

Bob will plan a field trip to Emigrant Lake with lunch at Green Springs restaurant reservations.

3. We should plan on 3 – 4 sites (NPS suggestion).

Current list of possible location for signage:

Manzanita Rest Area East side with possible trail to Harris cabin and on to JCSP.

Immigrant Lake way side

Tom Pearce County Park

Seven Feathers Rest Area

Sunny Valley Interpretive Center

Jacksonville route in Jacksonville at the library or museum

Fort Vannoy Farms – private property

Granit Hill route

Hugo News Letter – Mike

We all like Mike's informational e-mail and recommend Karen Rose use any article ideas from his suggestions. We also would like to include information about our NPS signage project. Mike will give this information to Karen.

Karen will be selecting articles and will publish the News Letter. Thank you Karen.

Signage at Josephine County Sportsmans Park – Mike

Mike has given an invitation to the JCSA Board Meeting to accept signage on their property. They are interested in the project.

Mike is hoping the E. Clampus Vidus group would help with signage mounting and possibly with finances. The JCSA members may help with finances. Mike believes the cost would be \$2,000 to \$7,000.

Mike will continue working on this project as separate from the NPS project.

Roger Robert's information – Kelly

1. Roger Robert – (Oregon Professional Land Surveyor) Roger's extensive information seems to be all inclusive supporting no Oxbow. (See e-mails to Kelly dated February 14, 2014 and Maps January 10, 2014.)

2. Two motions were made to vote on the Oxbow question:
Bob Black's motion with Kelly Rarey as second.

"There is a surveying error in the field notes describing the topography along the section line. The topography is reversed from Penny Ridge to Maple Creek."
Seven votes "Yes" – Unanimous.

Bob Black's motion with Joe Neiderheiser as second.

"The Jacksonville Road is misrepresented as being on the Penny Ridge. The Jacksonville Road is on Maple Creek, resulting in no Oxbow."

Six votes "Yes"; One vote "No".

Article for the Daily Courier Sunday History Page – Mike

It was suggested Malcolm Drake write an outline for this article. His great sense of humor would be great in this article.

Other Future Field Trips

Jim Ford - The upper portion of the 3 historic road. The object is to take GPS reading of all roads visible. Also to investigate the 310' section. And are there any other roads above this. We would like to park at Jeff White's place walk up to the pass and down getting GPS readings.

Rene Ford - Could we also place a Carsonite marker at JA 14 in the fence line? This field trip would probably be Sunday at 2 pm.

Hugo Road and the lower end of the 3 historic roads. Get together with the 2 property owners:

Aaron Wheeler	Mike McCown
7158 Hugo Road	% 7226 Hugo Road
541-474-3758	541-476-1295

The goal is to take GPS reading of the 3 historic roads from Hugo Road through Aaron and Mike's property. This field trip would probably be on a Sunday at 2 pm.

Rene Ford

Emigrants Trail Marking & Mapping Project

Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society

Northwest Chapter, Oregon/California Trails Association