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## **GARFIELD COUNTY TRAILS**

### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2005 6:30 p.m.**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

#### **WELCOME**

10 members present

#### **State ATV Ride from Beaver**

Fred Hayes and Bill Thompson from Utah State Parks and Recreation attended. They had traveled from Beaver on ATV's and were doing a ride that linked many communities in several counties including Garfield. They are trying to develop a multi-county ATV route system and a promotional tourism type map to for that route. Bill Thompson presented a map that identified the proposed route. State Parks would produce a draft and present it to the counties. Then it would be up to the counties and agencies to partner. There was some discussion as to how this partnership would be initiated and the time involved.

Bruce Fullmer suggested picking a few key people to communicate with State Parks and oversee this project. Cydne Quitter indicated the mapping of the route is not the difficult part, it will be coordinating with all the counties & agencies involved and coming to some agreement as to what travel/tourism type information should be included. She thought that should best be coordinated through each of the county's travel/tourism offices. Bruce said he would present this at an upcoming multi county travel meeting and report back at the next meeting.

#### **Trail Signing Issues**

Cydne reported on trail signing issues. The 4-H Club is making progress in the Panguitch area signing. The Antimony route signing is almost complete and a few route problems had surfaced. The Escalante route signing project is nearing completion and Bill Weppner is going to do some additional signing to correct some of the problems associated with sign locations. There has already been some vandalism to a few signs along Pine Creek. A News Release is going to be published reporting that signing is being

done, why, and offering a reward for reporting vandalism.

Cydne also indicated that there has been some concern from the Dixie Region Office that the route signing is not following the State Signing Standard. The order of the decals and the use of route names rather than numbers seems to be the focus. She suggested that those concerned and those more familiar with the signing standard meet and discuss these issues.

### **Great Western Trail Presentation**

Mike Browning from the Great Western Trails Project reported that legislation was being reintroduced in Congress to add the Great Western Trail project to the National Trails System. The idea is to create a trail corridor consisting of several multi use trails through the West, such as scenic, historic, recreation base, and a new type called a discovery trail. He indicated that part of this system would be identifying trails that would connect the existing Great Western Trail that traverses the Paunsaugunt & Aquarius Plateaus and the Boulder Mountain to the various communities. This would require a partnership between all agencies involved. A Great Western Trail Map CD-Rom is currently being created. He asked the Trails Committee to support this project by contributing \$500 a year to the project until the project is completed. A motion was made to contribute \$500 this year and to evaluate the need to contribute each year as funding allows. Bill suggested one of the Garfield County Trails Executive Committee members act as the contact for this project.

### **Grant Updates**

Cydne updated the Committee on the following grants:

UDOT ATV Crossing Signing	Awarded
GSENM ATV Route Signing	Awarded
Escalante ATV Trailhead	Pending

### **ATV Route Map Update & Layout Review**

Will Review next meeting.

### **Rocky Mountain ATV Jamboree Booth Committee**

Jamboree is Sept. 19 - 24<sup>th</sup> Committee will work on putting a booth together.

### **Other Business & Adjourn**