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GARFIELD COUNTY TRAILS
March 16th 2005
MEETING MINUTES
Escalante Community Center at 6:30pm

Welcome & New Members

12 members present

Update Proposed Panguitch Trailhead

Cydne reported that Utah Div P&R will contribute approximately \$40,000. Construction will begin when the garbage bins are removed. Cydne asked the committee to decide on what kind of ground/breaking Ceremony to have.

Trail Signing Proposal Update

The names of the contractors who were awarded the Trail Signing Project were announced along with an explanation as to how they were selected. For the Panguitch & Hatch Area the contract was awarded to the Utah State Extension 4-H Program for \$2,280. The Escalante Area was awarded to the Escalante High School Baseball Program for \$1,000. The Antimony & Other Areas were awarded to Kevin Heaton for \$5,318.75. Those contractors have been given a copy of the Garfield County Signing Protocol. If the contractor could not complete the project it would be awarded to the next contractor in line willing to do the work. The Project deadline of July 31st was determined to be flexible at this time due to the current and forecasted condition of the routes to be signed. The Varney Griffin Trail was discussed since it is one of few identified BLM non motorized trails on our Garfield County Trail System. How to sign it was discussed and a field trip with Tom Christensen from the Kanab BLM office present was needed. Crockett Dumas volunteered to help find the route and gave some history of Varney Griffin and the trail.

Grant Updates

May 1st is the deadline for the Utah State Grant proposals.

Cydne stated that Fred Hayes indicated the OHV Safety & Resource Education Incentive Grant the Trails Committee submitted last year may not have to be resubmitted. He would have to do some research. He also volunteered to give our Committee helmets for underage riders to keep who are taking the safety class. The State OHV Division received a grant from Primary Children's Hospital last year to purchase helmets just for this purpose. Bill will follow up with Fred Hayes before the next meeting on the OHV Safety & Resource Education Incentive Grant.

Bill suggested that a grant be submitted to sign ATV routes on the Monument. Representatives from the Monument, Edd Franz and Brian Bellew, thought it was a good idea. Cydne indicated she would print a map of the routes on the Monument in Garfield County that are consistent with the Monument Transportation Plan and get with Edd Franz and Bill Weppner to put this grant together. She also suggested that we invite Kane County to participate as a partner in this grant and the Committee agreed. Bill & Cydne indicated they would make those contacts.

Interagency Visitor Center Grand Opening

Brian Bellew suggested the Trails Committee have a booth at the Grand Opening on June 11th. Bill said he would be interested in putting that together with County Travel & Tread Lightly information.

Projects to consider Participating in for next meeting

List of upcoming events:

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| Earth Day 2005 | April 23, 2005 |
| Escalante Heritage Festival | May 27, 28, 2005 |
| National Trails Day | June 4, 2005 |
| National ATV Jamboree Filmore, Utah | June 21 - 25, 2005 |
| Desperado Dual Endurance Bike Rally | August 26, 27, 2005 |
| Arapeen ATV Jamboree Ferron, Utah | September 5 - 9, 2005 |
| Rocky Mountain ATV Jamboree Richfield ,Utah | September 19 - 24, 2005 |
| San Juan Safari Monticelo, Utah | September 22 - 24, 2005 |
| National Public Lands Day | September 24, 2005 |
| Escalante Canyons Everett Ruess Festival | October 4 - 9, 2005 |

Other Business & Adjourn

Brian Bellew Farewell Party

Next meeting date is April 20th, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in Panguitch at the Courthouse.