



Kane County
Public Lands Department

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Resource Development Committee Meeting

MINUTES

September 20, 2022
9:00 AM

Attending: Clayton Cutler, Kelly Stowell, Tony Wright, Taylor Glover
Lance Jackson, Mike Noel, Shea Owens, Hayden Ballard, Andy Gant.
Absent: Jeff Stott, Bart Battista, Byard Kershaw.

Call to order: Lance Jackson
Invocation: Mike Noel
Pledge of Allegiance: Lance Jackson

Approval of the 07-20-2022 Resource Committee meeting minutes.

Mike made a motion, Tony seconded. Minutes were approved.

Shea Owens from PLPCO gave an update on the Rangeland Wells and Pipeline Project final decision issued by the BLM. He gave a short history and how some areas were identified to do water projects on the Monument. The BLM approved those projects to improve the rangelands within areas of the monument. After the decision, the Western Watersheds Project filed an appeal to the decision and requested a stay. So the State (PLPCO) is intervening on that appeal. It is in an administrative appeals process right now. If the stay is denied then it is assumed that the Western Watersheds Project would file an additional appeal. Mike Noel gave a short update on how the PLPCO was formed and the reasons behind the need for this Office. Clayton asked Shea if the County could join the intervention with the State with a recommendation from the Resource Development Committee. Shea said that it was possible.

Mike made a motion to recommend a joint intervention with the state on the appeal.
Tony seconded. The motion approved.

The next step is to get the approval from the commission. And then we can send that letter in support of our intervention.

Hayden Ballard talked about the scoping letter to the BLM monument planning process that the state is submitting. Hayden said that he will send it to the Public Lands Department for review. There are 12 management concerns that the State really wanted to address. The main concerns were grazing and recreation.

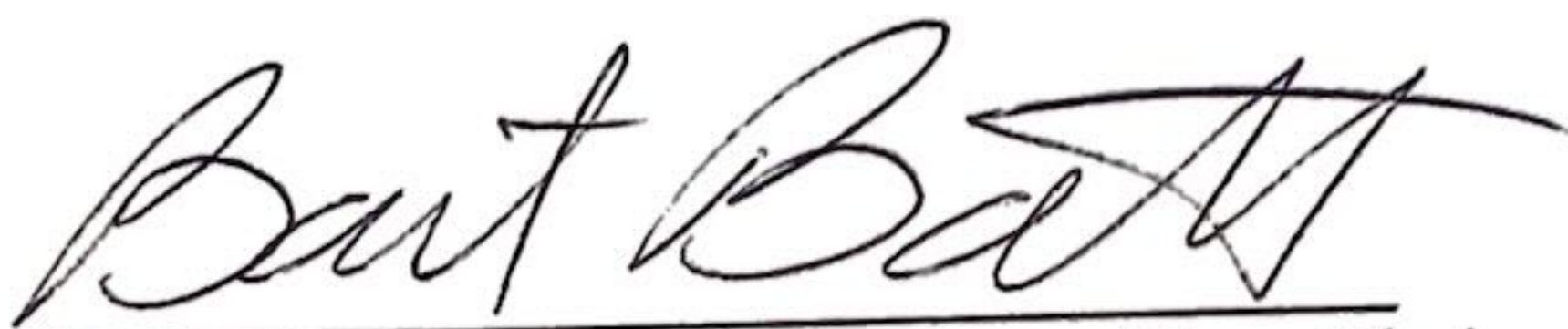
Clayton said that the County would be submitting a scoping letter within the next few days.

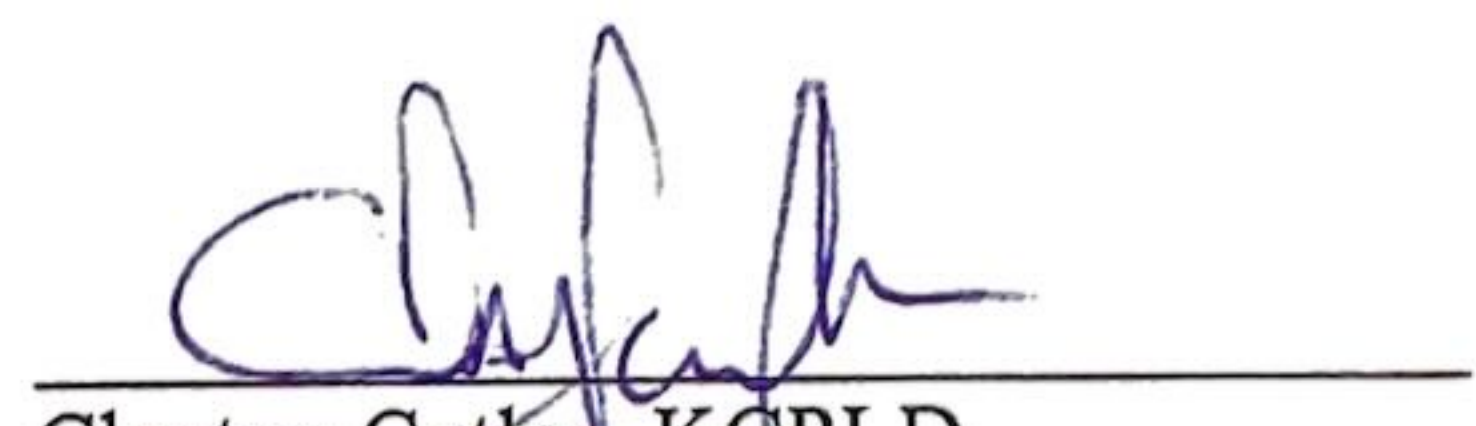
The discussion went on about the changes that the new Presidential Proclamation declared on the Monument. The changes that could happen on the monument with the restrictions that are currently being talked about in the interim management guidelines. Tony brought up that there were other meetings that the BLM was going to have about SRP's, and it is a good idea to let recreational guides and users know about those meetings as well.

Hayden said that this scoping letter is really important because of the expedited manner in which the BLM is handling the planning process. After some of the scoping comments have been addressed then the BLM will likely narrow down the concerns and we can address them further.

The Public Lands Department would also be reaching out the local ranchers and try to get some input on the planning process.

Meeting adjourned at 10:14 am.


Bart Battista- Resource Committee -Chair


Clayton Cutler- KCPLD