



Agenda

Thunder Basin Cooperative Working Group Meeting 2

April 13, 2017: Charter, the USFS, the Black-Tailed Prairie Dog Strategy and Exploration of Options for Prairie Dog Management.

Weston County Senior Center, Newcastle, WY

Objectives

1. Legal foundation for this process – FACA safe?
2. USFS focus: how does it work, staffing, budgets, all projects incl. prairie dog related projects
3. Discuss Black-tailed Prairie Dog Strategy and the Thunder Basin National Grassland Plan.
4. Options – explore what prairie dog treatment locations and treatment methods are possible.
5. Charter

- 9:00 am Introductions
- 9:15 Results from Meeting 1 – Jessica Western
- 9:30 Presentation regarding the Thunder Basin Collaborative Learning Workshops
Discussions around Prairie Dog Colony Management and Other Issues and
yesterday's meeting – Jessica Western.
- 9:45 Legal Foundation for the Thunder Basin Cooperative Working Group: Joe Budd,
Shane Walker, Jessica Western.
- 10:00 USFS and Douglas Ranger District: How does it work: staff, budgets, projects. –
Shane Walker
- 11:00 Presentation regarding the Thunder Basin National Grassland Plan - Shane Walker
- 12:00 Lunch
- 12:30 Introduction to Black-tailed Prairie Dog Strategy:
- Plans regarding prairie dogs this summer
 - Prairie dogs: how managed by USFS





- 1:00 Mapping Exercise:
- 1: Where are additional prairie dog colonies on the Grassland?
 2. Make circles on the map: what locations should be treated to manage prairie dogs and how?
- 2:00 Continue Review of Charter and Sideboards
- 2:45 Next Steps and Next Meeting: Prairie Dogs and other Agencies.
- 3:00 Adjourn





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