

COOS COUNTY VECTOR ASSESSMENT & CONTROL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
Bandon Conference and Community Center (aka Bandon Barn)  
1200 W 11<sup>th</sup> St. SW Bandon OR

August 14, 2014

Roll Call & Review/Approve previous meeting's minutes

Roger calls roll. Carl, Roland Dan and Ken are absent. Roger calls to approve minutes for previous except for section about Jordan Cove obstructing needs to be removed. Minutes are approved.

Staff Report

Just finished treatment. Ditching is progressing. There has been a reduction in mosquito habitat therefore no plane was needed.

Estimate on the end of the season?

Hopefully the last major high tide in mid-September will be the last major larval production.

Roger talked to USFWS. Currently, they have no interim refuge manager. Previous interim manager is no longer holding the position because the term has expired. Calls will now be referred to Roy in Newport. Current update is that the scope has been expanded and an estimated 30,000 feet of moving material has occurred. With the expanded scope, might go into September. Representative Defazio stopped by and checked on the marsh on Tuesday.

No definitive trap data for this week yet. But, numbers have been declining. Numbers around Rocky point are up.

There are no new vector control problems.

Bat House Program

Next week building should begin. Everything is set and the money has arrived. \$200 was given to SEA for financial handling and about \$100 for advertising. The rest will go to supplies and building. It should be about a week and a half to two weeks to start producing.

Mapping Project Approval

No Dan. Agreed we want to work on a project and get the go ahead from the County Commissioners. Need to finalize the project and propose it for funding from taxpayer money and grants. Don't have that information today. Going to defer it and talk to Dan.

## Event Planning

Skip for now until bat houses are done.

## Role in Future Projects

ODFW- Winter lake traps have been set and there will be numbers by the next meeting. Stuart Love is the Wildlife Biologist and is communicating with the county. They will continue to trap weekly through the rest of the season.

As soon as anyone becomes aware of any projects relating to vectors we can be proactive.

## Public Comment

Paul- Uptake of mosquitos last week. Concerned with the excavation process and where the spoils are being placed on the marsh.

John Sweet- USFWS plans on continuing monitoring into next year depending on funding. Retaining Dan? If funding is there and abatement is needed.

Will trenching alleviate the puddles? What if divots don't drain?

John Sweet- Connecting the divots to main channels. Graders are there to manage elevation

Dan- Flagging areas that aren't draining properly

Stacking sediment next to channels, building dams.

Chris- contract states that every so many feet they must cut through the spoils and create a water access point for fish. A few that have had multiple tides are self cleaning with the proper grades. Some channels are going to be getting additional excavating to accelerate new channels properly forming.

John- Maybe USFWS could come to a meeting and explain

Roger- No Manager right now to come to a meeting.

## Committee Member Comment

Mark- Report in Register Guard about a Southern Oregon company, herbicide that was sprayed and everyone got sick. It's something the county and committee should really look at.

Chris- Happy that the marsh is getting worked on and that the drainage is happening. Next meeting proposed for the September 4th, a Thursday 3 weeks away.

Adjourn