

Cyrus Canyon Partnership
Minutes of February 7, 2008 Meeting
2:00 PM
Kernville Forest Service Building

Present:

Brenda Ehmann, USFS	Georgia Lupercio
Cindy Thill, USFS	Neal Preston
Bob Frenes, USFS	Loreen Rinker
Cheryl Borthick, Kernville Chamber of Commerce	Steve Rinker
On conference call:	
Mary Cole, USFS	Nate Sciacqua

Review agenda items and January meeting notes:

On review of the minutes of the January meeting it was agreed by all present to address the meeting group as the Cyrus Canyon Partnership.

There was also a change made to item #1 of the Action Plan. It should read that the MOU will be ready for signatures by February 22, 2008.

Volunteer Day at Cyrus Canyon:

Georgia Lupercio reported on the volunteer day at Cyrus Canyon. A group of volunteers and Forest Service personnel had gathered at Cyrus Canyon earlier that day to replace the barbed wire fencing and install barriers in front of the drop off area. She shared that she was happy with the progress and extremely pleased to see things being done.

Public Agency Coordinating Group:

Brenda Ehmann reported that she had attended a recent Public Agency Coordinating Group meeting and there was a discussion on the road leading to Cyrus Canyon. She advised the group that someone from the Road Department would be contacting her with information about possible grants and improvement options.

MOU Update:

Brenda Ehmann reported the MOU was ready for signatures and would be mailed out to the signors soon.

Grant Sources for Possible NEPA Funding:

There was a discussion regarding NEPA funding and whether the NEPA requirements have already been met.

Master Plan Update:

The Master Plan was reviewed noting the safety hazards have been addressed and corrected. The other items were discussed along with ideas and options for achieving the goals outlined.

All agreed on the need to have the track graded and possibilities are being explored. Bob Frenes will check on any Forest Service funds that may be available for that purpose.

Management Options:

Neal Preston advised the group that he is still checking into possible concessionaires but there were no new developments to report at this time.

It was agreed by all present that the Cyrus Canyon Partnership would continue managing the facility for the time being.

Items For Next Agenda:

The next meeting will be held on March 6, 2008 at 2:00 PM at the Kernville Forest Service building.

Items to be addressed at that time will be

1. Master Plan update
2. Action Plan update
3. NEPA Report

