

Upland Game Bird Enhancement Program Council

Draft Agenda

October 2-3, 2017

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Objectives:

- 1) Obtain Council's input on 2017 field season
- 2) Receive Council's recommendations for 2018 work plans
- 3) Report on program accomplishments for 2017 and upcoming opportunities (all program staff)
- 4) Habitat tour – Denton-area habitat projects
- 5) Opportunity for public comment

Agenda

Monday, October 2, 2017

- 8:15 am Gather at Calvert Hotel parking lot to board vans for tour. Depart at 8:30 am. We will travel to Coffee Creek and meet to go over the topics for this meeting, minutes, and an overview of the work done in the area. A tour will follow with a break at noon for lunch. After lunch, the council will continue the habitat tour in the Wolf Creek area.
- 4:00 pm Return to Calvert Hotel.

Tuesday, October 3, 2015

- 8:15 am Gather at [Lewistown Public Library](#)
- 8:30 am Update from the department – McDonald: Commission updates (UGBEP Strategic Plan revision, dog training rule, PR funding, HB 211 EQC and sage-grouse)
- 9:00 am 2017 UGBEP Accomplishments (Hohler)
- UGBEP fiscal report: a review of the program fiscal accounts, obligations, expenditures, and balances (current and future).
 - Summary of UGBEP Habitat Enhancement Projects initiated in 2017: Contracts, project type, acreages, obligations
 - 2017 Pheasant Release summary
 - Status of grants: VPA-HIP and NFWF

- Program updates: Habitat leases, database, contract renewals

10:00 am	Begin review of Regional strategies and work completed towards those strategies, as well as upcoming opportunities. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regions 1, 3, and 5 – Debbie Hohler (15 min)• Region 2 – Dave Nikonow, (20 mins)• Region 4 – Jake Doggett (30 mins)• Region 6 – Kenny Plourde (30 mins)• Region 7 – Justin Hughes (30 mins)
12:30 pm	Lunch (boxes brought in)
1:00 pm	Public Comment
1:30 pm	Montana County Agents Survey results – Rick Sodja
2:00 pm	Farm Bill Biologists updates to Council: input on 2017 program implementation
2:30 pm	Discussion on 2017 field season and council recommendations
3:30 pm	Discuss potential Council membership changes and identify times for the 2 meetings in 2018.
4:00 pm	Closing remarks – Dale Tribby
4:30 pm	Meeting adjourned.

Safe Travels!