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Minutes  
August 8, 2023

Present : Jamie, Steve, Dave Chamberlain, Gordy, Aubrey, Al and John. Absent: Tim, David, Peter, Chuck and Kris Guest: Nick and Matt Commissioner Janicki

1. Minutes: June - Moved by Aubrey and seconded by Gordy approved unanimous July- Moved by Gordy seconded by Aubrey, passed unanimous
2. Update: Finny Creek pier drilling complete!
3. BNR workshop- Discussion about 2-day workshop for the BNR up in our region. It will be about recreational planning. Many FAB members said they would be going for at least 1 of the 2 days.
4. Forest Practice Board- The FPB rescinded the November vote and voted again on the Type N proposal put forth by DOE. The vote was 7-6. The minority wanted to have two proposals brought forward for study and rule-making. FAB noted an OSU study showing road upgrades did very little for fish returns compared to the costs. Al noted that Elaine O'Neill with the Small Landowners has done a lot of research on this. It was noted again that the AFF moving forward did not have a study and did not follow the AMP process.
5. Cascade River Tier III- FAB discussed and decided to have a small group work on this and bring a draft back for the September meeting to vote on. The small group included John, Steve, Jamie and Kendra. This group will also contact Tom Uniack, with Washington Wild, one of the project proponents to try to get more information.
6. Education: It appears the workshop was a big success as the PEI is doing another one in Skykomish school district. They are looking for sponsorships. Commission Janicki said the County has been okayed to feature the DNR lightening talks.
7. Adjourn: 9:15