

Local Work Group Meeting Minutes

2/28/25

Start- 3:00 P.M.

- Opening Remarks
- Meeting purpose, Resource concerns slips, introduction by attendees
- Current programs offered by NRCS
 - -SONEC, Lake County Forest Health, SGI, Meadow Resilience, CSP

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- Boundary and practices in each program
- Maps of each program
- Application numbers we obtained for each program for FY2025

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- Funding for FY2025
 - Not sure as of yet, changes to come with IRA, etc.
- CSP- \$16 Million

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- Discussed past resource concerns from previous meetings
 - Forest Fire recovery
 - AIG's
 - SGI Habitat
 - Irrigation efficiency
- Asked attendants to write their resource concerns for their area/county on cards

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- Future for programs in Lake County
- Working relationship/ involvement with other local agencies, EX. LCUWC, SWCD
- Burn plans with watershed council
- Important sign up dates for FY2026

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- Website Tour- "What's Available in my County"
- Interactive boundary map for Lake county

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- Open Discussion to all participants
 - Meadow Resilience VS. SONEC
 - LCRI involvement and partnership with NRCS on cost share
 - - Energy, land monitoring
 - Soil Health and Regenerative AG

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- CSP Question
- Program description
- Practices planned FY2024
 - Grazing and pasture enhancements

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- ODF partnership
 - Agreements, juniper cutting and thinning
 - Programs offered by ODF, cost share, management plans
 - Seed collection event in 2024

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- Juniper control
- Cultural resource surveys
 - Hand VS Machine cutting
 - Legal issues
- Explanation of CR surveys in Basin

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- Virtual fence discussion
 - Cost, compare to regular fencing
 - Wolf discussion and how virtual fence could play a role

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- Nutritional density testing
- Virtual fence, poliot program with BLM

End 4:15 P.M.