

Drought Task Force May 8, 2017

DES Coordinator Tom Wagenknecht set up the Drought Task Force Meeting. Chairman Rice opened the meeting at 11:00 A.M. A copy of the sign in sheet can be viewed below:

JURISDICTION USING SOFT MATCH: Beaverhead County		Training/Event/Meeting Roster 								
POINT OF CONTACT OR LEAD INSTRUCTOR: Tom Wagenknecht, Donald Britton NWS										
EVENT/MEETING NAME: Drought Task Force										
LOCATION: Dillon, MT										
DATE AND TIME: May 8, 2017 CONTACT HOURS:		"Please Print"								
Name / Title		E-mail / Phone #:		Federally Funded?		LEAVE BRACKET AREA BLANK				
Cindy Decker				Yes / No		Trip Miles	Total Hours	.50 Cost per	2013 Hourly \$ for Volunteers	Total Soft Match
Commission Secretary		Address:		Yes / No						
Tom Rice				Yes / No						
Commissioner		Address:		Yes / No						
Dennis Miotke				Yes / No						
East Beach		Address:		Yes / No						
Sue Hansen				Yes / No						
Public Health		Address:		Yes / No						
Scott Marsh				Yes / No						
Fire Wardens		Address:		Yes / No						
John H Jackson				Yes / No						
Commissioner		Address:		Yes / No						
Mike Milroy				Yes / No						
Beaverhead Co		Address:		Yes / No						

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Tom Wagenknecht				Yes / No		Trip Miles	Total Hours	.50 Cost per	2013 Hourly \$ for Volunteers	Total Soft Match
Beaverhead County, DES		250 Pacific St #12		Yes / No						
		Address:		Yes / No						

National Weather Service

Chairman Rice called Donald Britton from the National Weather Service via speaker phone and Tom began the presentation using GoToMeeting.

Bureau of Rec/East Bench Irrigation/Clark Canyon Water users – Dennis Miotke

Dennis began his presentation, a copy of which is included below:

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PROGRESS REPORT

CLARK CANYON RESERVOIR:

	<u>ELEVATION</u>	<u>STORAGE</u>	
YEAR: April 30, 2017	5538.93'	138,879 a/f	79% Full, 106% of avg.
YEAR: April 30, 2016	5535.55'	<u>123,500</u> a/f	70% Full, 93% of avg.
	Difference	+15,379 a/f	

Present Elevation: 5538.83 feet; Storage: 138,409 a/f 79% Full, 106% of avg
Inflows (Last five (5) days Average: 180 cfs/day
Present releases: 303 cfs

INFLOWS FOR: April 2017 14,411 a/f 242 cfs/day 98% Avg
INFLOWS FOR: April 2016 11,334 a/f 191 cfs/day 77% Avg.

RELEASES FOR: April 2017 2,532 a/f Storage Gained: 11,879 a/f
RELEASES FOR: April 2016 1,850 a/f Storage Gained: 9,484 a/f

SNOW PACK:

Above Clark Canyon Dam:	5/8/2017	100%
	5/8/2016	61%
Above Lima Dam:	5/8/2017	58%
	5/8/2016	19%

Lima Dam:

May 8, 2017: Elevation: 6581.27'; Storage: 75,123 a/f; 88% Full; 127% of avg.
May 8, 2016: Elevation: 6579.00'; Storage: 63,050 a/f; 73% Full; 106% of avg.
Difference +12,073 a/f

Inflows (Last five (5) days Average: 129 cfs/day
Present releases: 308 cfs

Dennis reported that 3 or 4 years ago they entered into a MOU with the Bureau on spring flushing flow for the upper Beaverhead River. This year they have exercised it. He advised the commissioners what the CFS was the last week and that this silt flushing has seemed to work well.

Mike asked about the Lima dam and that he had heard that it is running over the spillway. Dennis replied that yes, when it is considered full, it runs about 2 feet of water running over the spillway.

NRCS

None

Forest/BLM

None

State Lands

None

Dillon VFD

None

County Fire Warden

None

City of Dillon

None

Extension Service

None

Fish, Wildlife and Parks

None

County Des Report

None

Watershed Report

None

Next Meeting

The next Drought Task Force Meeting will be June 12, 2017 at 11:00 A.M. in the Commissioners' Room of the Beaverhead County Courthouse.

This meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.