

AGENDA & MEETING NOTES

Date:	May 3, 2024
Project/Committee:	Septic Drainage: Reboot of Committee's Work

INVITEES

TEAM	Name	TITLE/ROLE
BCPUD	Georgia Woods	General Manager
	Kirsten Walker	Board Member/Committee Member
	Kevin McElroy	Board Member/Committee Member

AGENDA:

- First meeting with new Committee make-up: reboot our efforts!
- Meet with Andrew Spalding: Get his perspective on the Septic/Drainage program; find out what the Committee can do to support the program

POST-MEETING NOTES:

The Septic Drainage Committee met in-person to revamp the Committee's work. We met with BCPUD Operator, Andrew Spalding (who is the Staff member who does the bulk of work to improve drainage on the Grided Mesa); Andrew provided a brief overview of the Todd Plan and highlighted: (1) the general challenges of conducting this work, and (2) the most problematic areas on the Drainage Map.

- The Committee was made aware that the Septic Drainage program has money in reserves (~\$163,000). We discussed the possibility that this money could be used to purchase mechanized equipment that could help support drainage work.
- The Committee suggested that Staff come up with a specific list of roadways which will be proactively maintained by BCPUD staff, whereby a given ditch would be on this list because: (1) there is a historic precedent of BCPUD attending to this area, and/or (2) maintaining this ditch is critical for promoting global drainage.
- The Committee discussed the need to review documents that support the management and implementation of the S/D program, including: the Todd Plan; the

S/D map; the rights-of way permit and checklist; Ordinance No. 30 and its amendments; etc.

- The Committee discussed the need to better define the specific responsibilities that BCPUD Staff have in carrying out Drainage work on the Grided Mesa.
- The Committee considered strategies to better inform the public as to what the Drainage program supports, and what it does not support (and how to inform the public as to their responsibilities as property owners).
- The Committee discussed the possibility of establishing policy to more clearly state the role of BCPUD in mediating neighbor disputes in rights-of-way and around local drainage plans.
- The Committee considered the idea that Staff should better document time spent on this septic drainage work, so that BCPUD can more accurately estimate the cost of running the program and evaluate if the program ‘pays for itself.’ [The revenue for this program is \$12, 600/year; 360 @ \$35 per septic/drainage parcel.]

Follow-up Action Item	Assigned To	Details	Start Date	Due Date
Plan for how S/D Reserves should be spent	S/D Committee and BCPUD Staff	How should the \$163K in reserves be used to support this program?	5/3/2024	
Define list of pro-actively maintained drainage ditches	BCPUD Staff	Come up with this list using the criteria: (1) Historic; (2) Critical	5/3/3024	
Revamp document materials that support management and implementation of the S/D program	S/D Committee and BCPUD Staff	Review document materials (Drainage plans; rights-of-way permits; checklist sheets; public outreach flyers)--to determine how S/D policy, management and implementation can be clarified	5/3/2024	
Track S/D work in the district for the next year	BCPUD Staff	Track hours so we can more accurate estimate program expense	5/3/2024	
Schedule next S/D Committee meeting	S/D Committee and BCPUD Staff	Possibly a drive-around to see critical areas. With	5/8/2024	

		Stew, Andrew, and/or Don Murch as needed.		
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