



Full Partner Meeting Notes

04.23.2019 | Bandon City Council Chambers

Action Items from the Meeting

- Local GAG Coordinator new hire
 - City of Bandon IGA (Robert)
 - Outreach updates
 - Funding Team Updates
 - See Gorse Kill Gorse (Goldie)
 - Gorse on hillsides; Rainbow Rock on hold
 - Coquille Point updates (Willamette Valley Forestry)
 - Gorse on small woodland owners (Norma)
 - ODOT scheduled spraying for 101
 - Whisky Run Bike Trails new gorse project (Lexi)
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Meeting Agenda: Gorse Action Group (GAG)

April 23rd 2019

9am - 12pm

City Council Chamber, Bandon

Located at 555 US Hwy 101, Bandon OR 97411

- I. Welcome and Introductions around the room
 - New GAG Local Projects Coordinator Rushal Sedlemyer
- II. City of Bandon IGA (Robert)
- III. Gorse Blossom Festival and other outreach updates (Goldie)
 - Group: Community Outreach Brainstorming
 - Group: Communications and Training/Outreach Opportunities
- IV. GAG Finance Team Updates (Goldie)
- V. Gorse Project Updates:
 - Coquille Point (Liza, WVF)
 - Highway 101 Demo Project (Carri, Liza)
 - Bullard's Bridge (Goldie)
 - ----- BREAK for coffee and mingling-----
 - ODOT Hwy 101 Collaborations
 - Curry County Updates (Erin)
 - Website (Goldie)
 - Other
- VI. Other Business / Updates
- VII. Set next GAG meeting date

Meeting Attendees: Carri Piroski (ODA), Scott Kreutzer (Sunny Side Lawn Maint.) Norma Kline (OSU Extension), Brian Watson (ODOT), Dan Anderson (City of Bandon), Goldie Warncke (CoqWA), Ryan Hughes (WVF), Brittany Hughes (WVF), Jeanne Standley (BLM), Kate Iaquinto (USFWS), Ken Smith (Coos Curry Electric), Rushal Sedlemyer (CoqWA), Robert Mawson (City of Bandon), Sally Jurkowski (City of Bandon Planning), and Lexi Snell (CoosWA).

Agenda Item 1: Introduce new GAG local Projects Coordinator

- Rushal Sedlemyer; previous program technician for the Coquille Watershed Association

Agenda Item 2: City of Bandon IGA

- Proposed gorse ordinance amendment, **May 22 meeting @ 4pm**
- Partnering with CWMA, City of Bandon...for outreach efforts
- Pick 1 or 2 targets along with gorse? Such as knotweed, biddy-biddy, Spanish heath, scotch broom (since they have similar conditions)
- Focus on County lists
- Allow 12 in. if under active management
- Compliance and enforcement plans – costs are a concern, how to fine, funding sources, landowner cooperation for continued maintenance after initial removal (continued engagement), how do we implement these plans?
- Create sub-committee for draft review and comments
- Plan tours and events
- Need to come up with prices for grants/ fiscal outcomes
- Talking points and tools to bring to the community
- Use GAG as enforcement support
- Post success stories on website and blog w/ before and after pictures and costs, pollinator habitat, firebreaks

Agenda Item 3: Gorse Blossom Festival and Other Outreach Updates

- Successful Gorse Blossom Festival with lots of volunteers
 - Pub night was great outreach
 - Ideas for demo site tours for next year?
- Successful farm tour and insight on cranberry harvest operations
- Goldie passed out GAG trifold

Agenda Item 4: GAG Finance Team Updates

- Need funding for gorse removal, coordinator, outreach, and capacity
- Applied for 6 grants and some letters of interest
 - Did not get Resiliency Grant from NOAA (most likely due to not being a national issue)
 - WRCA still committed to funding coordinator, gorse efforts, etc.

Agenda Item 5: Project/ Partner Updates

- EDRR Applicator training and presentation (Goldie, Lexi)
- See “Gorse Kill Gorse” agreement (Goldie)
 - Especially needed for outlier patches (e.g. highway 42 gorse outlier near Beaver Creek)
- **ODOT scheduled spraying for 101 north of Bandon**
- Gorse on hillsides
 - Need to hire repellents for road cliffs like Rainbow Road and Butte-Harris Beach
 - \$18,000 quote for Rainbow Rock
 - \$40,000 quote for Butte-Harris Beach
 - Rainbow Rock on hold, still need \$25,000
- Coquille Point (Willamette Valley Forestry)
 - **198 gallons of herbicide used 3 years ago, 98 gallon 2 years ago, and only 17 gallons recently**
 - Competition is thick and the slide is repairing itself
- Gorse Removal on Whiskey Run Mountain Bike Trails (Goldie, Lexi)
 - **WRCA approved the Coos and Coquille Watersheds to move forward on this project**
 - Bike-washing station
 - BMPs
 - \$200 for boot-brush station with kiosk
- Concerns with gorse on small woodland owners (Norma)
 - Add gorse info to newsletter
 - Work with ODF on reforestation and gorse

Agenda Item 6: Next proposed GAG meeting is September 24th from 9am-12pm at the Bandon City Council Chamber

