

FRONT RANGE ROUNDTABLE BUSS TEAM

Roundtable contact: Gali Beh, c/o Beh Management Consulting, Inc., 1107 12th St., Boulder CO 80302, 303-499-1576, gali@behconsulting.com

Conference Call: Thursday, August 25, 2011, 4 – 5pm

Attendees:

1. Gali Beh, Front Range Roundtable
2. Pam Motley, West Range Reclamation
3. Rich Edwards, CSFS
4. Craig Jones, CSFS

Agenda Items:

1. Rich:
 - Forest Roads Publication: CSFS has come out with a field handbook last Friday; handed out at marketing conference on Friday; will bring them to future meetings
 1. Grant from Dept of Pub Health & Environment, Water Quality section (Section 319 Grant, water quality). CSFS monitors BMPs (other western states have forest practice rules, CO has voluntary BMPs that industry follows). One contributor to water quality degradation can be forest roads if not put in property. Handbook adapted from Oregon, for field use. Heavy duty, spiral binding. Audience is people who put in roads out in the woods. Each crew foreman should have one—that would be a good idea. We can give you 10 or 20, whatever you need. The whole idea is to get it out in use.
 2. Next steps: Randy Harrison from WRR requested one at prior meeting. Pam can tell Randy he will get one in mail. Craig will grab on in Ft. Collins from Rich's office.
 - NPS contact: biomass will be generated from a right of way project at RMNP, looking for utilization; Craig has that email already; would Renewable Fiber be interested in the dry material?
 1. Craig will see what is available and who might be interested in receiving it; he'll be at RMNP next week and will respond
 - 2.
2. Craig:
 - Larimer Slash SOlutions LLC used to be the peak to peak wood slash collection site. Privately owned land owned by the owner of Tiny Town. Larimer county leased it the last two years and have received wood. Two years ago not that much wood. This year, nightmare for 3-4 weeks because wood was coming in but the site was closing for pine beetle flight. We had to make all that wood disappear. Lodgepole covered the cost of hauling and maybe made \$50. Some sawlogs went to Forks Lumber nearby (profitably). Some went to La Porte; may break even or lose a bit. Nightmare is the chunk wood, there was so much of it that we had to make disappear. Joe Duda of CSFS authorized spending \$7-8k moving wood. Slash Solutions wants to burn the wood, not utilize it. It's

an ideal site for this work. Pine beetle is crazy up there. A lot of wood will come out of there in next few years.

1. Talked to Shirley at Slash Solutions—could they sort for us? That would have made a huge difference in losing less money.
 2. Renewable Fiber’s trucking—that is a big part of their business. Larimer County would be excited to work with Slash Solutions as a source of wood.
 3. JCK has bundled firewood everywhere, hasn’t been willing to take PIPO, only LP until now. Getting into grinding and animal bedding. Same location as Rocks and Pines (post and poles)—also getting into animal bedding (one shaves, one bags/markets).
 4. Forks Lumber taking saw logs; paying decent price there to cover haul distance; not losing money.
 5. Firewood dealer took 4-5 loads—Tony Mann; out of Ft. Collins; defensible space contractor; rented space next to Forks Lumber; he’s going to pay \$25-30/cord to peak to peak (CSFS account to keep program moving).
- Boulder County will have a ballot initiative this November to request from voters to form a forest improvement district; in 2012, voters will see two other funding proposals, one for mountain residents tax; one for sales tax.

3. Gali (no minutes – talking, sorry!)

- Larimer: starting Sept. 5?
 1. Craig: passed ash contacts to Slash Solutions; doubt they’ll be able to sell it; there won’t be a huge amount produced; county mixes it with road base; might find composting company; once you drive it somewhere, you get more costs involved; can it be used as a soil amendment by homeowners? Or just get rid of it.
- Roundtable
 1. Fourmile
 2. DC trip
 3. WBCHFI
 4. Science & Monitoring

4. Next call is Thurs. Sept. 22, 4pm. call 866-852-1588, participant passcode: 516343

Table . State of Biomass Utilization by Front Range County

County	Slash Sites ¹	Sort Yards	Biomass Processing Facilities	Biomass Consumption Facilities	In development
Boulder	1	1	13	1 current (County Open Space building) 2 planned (County Jail, Cemex)	
Clear Creek	1		3 New: Silver Plume pellet plant (EEP)		

County	Slash Sites ¹	Sort Yards	Biomass Processing Facilities	Biomass Consumption Facilities	In development
Douglas	2		1		
El Paso	1		5	2 planned <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colorado Springs Utilities co-firing) • USAFA (studying bioheating) 	
Gilpin	1		5	1 current (County Road & Bridges building)	
Grand	1		11		
Jefferson	6		16	1 in development (NREL)	Jefferson Conservation District: Biochar
Larimer	7		16	2 current: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Colorado State University (what building?) 2. Colorado State Forest Service Fire Building 	Red Feather Lakes HOA: biochar unit
Park	1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wood Village, Hartsel (private) 2. Planned: Fairplay 	8	2 current <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. South Park K-12 campus: wood chips 2. Fairplay Rec center: wood pellets (Confluence) 1 Planned: County Offices and Jail: feasibility study underway	
Teller	1		1		
Total Front Range	23	1	80 (out of ~158 in Colorado, 21 of which don't have known addresses)	6 current, 3 planned?	