



PROGRESS REPORT First Quarter 2009

Accomplishments

Administration and Financial

The 2009 budget and project work plan were revised; the Organizational Clearance Certificate will be received in May; financial data was transferred into QuickBooks as requested and new reports were prepared; financial documents for the first quarter meeting were prepared; the Bank of America signature card was finalized; 2008 tax information for Kimmel & Associates was provided; and several Advisory Group meetings were organized to plan for 2009 activities.

Big Grizzly Creek

A graphic designer is preparing a conceptual plan for interpretive signage for the trail along the creek. Pedro Benuto is preparing an estimate for trail maintenance on the creek trail.

Beckwourth Crossing

Pedro Benuto is preparing an estimate for trail maintenance.

Web Site Completion

Web site files were received from Chase Marketing on DVDs. SV Designs (Sharon Verhasselt) was contracted to complete the web site architecture and navigation. Web content will be prepared and provided to Sharon for inclusion on the web site. Dave Dicklich agreed to provide ongoing web maintenance.

Community Outreach Program

Donna Lindquist contacted 3 teachers in the Plumas County School District to identify options for Conservancy support for environmental education in the community. The existing programs are geared for Grade 3, Grade 6 and Grades 9-12 kids. Several great opportunities for Conservancy involvement were discussed. Teachers all said that the earliest a program could be put in place is next fall. Donna prepared a summary of options for Board review. Rob Wade agreed to attend the next Board meeting to provide options.

Advisory Committee

Various sub-committees met several times during the first quarter to discuss projects. A flyer was designed and sent to lot owners to solicit new members and to highlight how people can support the Conservancy. Formation of a work party to install the Bath Tub Springs trail was discussed. One committee member resigned and another opted not to attend meetings but offered to lead work parties so we are down to 4 members.

Fund Raising

Fund raising this year was debated due to the global economic situation and the status of the Grizzly Ranch sale. Without a Homecoming Party to draw in the crowds, members also felt it may not be worthwhile. Recently, the Olson's announced that they may have a big open house party in July and the Conservancy was welcome to hold a silent auction at their event. This is being considered.

Accomplishments Anticipated Next Quarter

- Web Site Completion
- Finalize the Community Outreach Program
- Complete trail maintenance
- Complete conceptual signage for the creek trail
- Plan the silent auction
- Obtain the Organizational Clearance Certificate
- Prepare financial documents for Quarter 2