

COORDINATED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

COORDINATED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (CRM) USE IN WYOMING

WHAT IS A CRM?

- CRM is a process used to make decisions in planning improvements or changes in the management of natural resources.
- The CRM process is locally initiated, by local landowners and users.
- The CRM process identifies all concerned or interested parties

WHAT IS A CRM? (cont.)

- There are fourteen steps to forming a successful CRM.
- Voluntary Involved Facilitation
- Ground Rules Common Goals Authority
- Management by Consensus Team
- Needs vs Position Commitment
- Management Objectives/ Action Plan
- Monitoring Plan Flexibility

WORKING CRM'S IN WYOMING

- There are six million acres in Wyoming CRM's
- WEED AND PEST CRM's (14 in Wyoming)
- GOSHEN COUNTY
- County wide Weed CRM
- County wide five year plan to control Prairie Dogs. (100,000+ acres)

WORKING CRM'S (weed)

- CARBON COUNTY
- Medicine Bow CRM
- Rock Creek CRM
- Elk Mountain CRM
- Hanna CRM
- Great Divide Basin CRM

WORKING CRM'S (weed)

- HOT SPRINGS COUNTY
- Kirby Creek CRM (weed management plan)
- Cottonwood/Grass Creek CRM (weed management plan)
- YELLOWTAIL WEED CRM
- Converse County Prairie Dog Management CRM

WORKING CRM'S (weed)

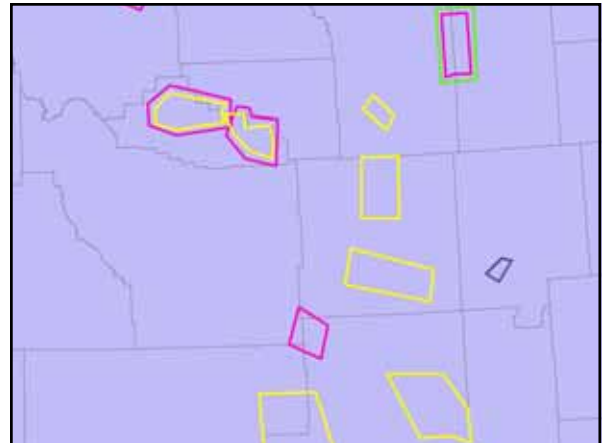
- NATRONA COUNTY
- Rattlesnake Weed CRM
- South Big Horn Weed CRM
- Bates Hole Weed CRM
- Natrona County Range Management CRM

WORKING CRM'S (cont)

- WATERSHED MANAGEMENT
 - Kirby Creek CRM
 - Cottonwood/Grass Creek CRM
- STOCKTRAIL
 - Kaycee Stocktrail CRM
- COALBED METHANE
 - Brug CRM
 - Jones Ranch CRM

WORKING CRM'S (cont)

- STATE OF WYOMING
- Duncan Ranch CRM
- RANCHES
 - Split Rock CRM
 - Heart Mountain Ranch (not a true CRM but management plan uses the CRM process to plan projects.)
 - Red Canyon Ranch (another TNC ranch)
- Over six million acres of private, state, and federal lands are being managed through the CRM planning process.



WHAT ISSUES ARE ADDRESSED ?

- WEED and PEST CRM
- Salt Cedar, Russian Olive, Knapweed, Leafy Spurge, Halogeton, many types of thistles and other invasive non- native plants.
- WATERSHED CRM
- Erosion, silt, head cuts, water storage, spring development, wildlife habitat, livestock management, economic benefits, and Public Land improvements.

ISSUES (cont)

- Stocktrail
 - Water developments, weed control (over two hundred sheep and twenty cows died of weed poisoning over the last two years)
- Coal Bed Methane (CBM)
 - Beneficial use of produced water, air quality, weed control, wildlife issues, and livestock management

ISSUES (cont)

- State of Wyoming
- Duncan Ranch
Agriculture and wildlife management (includes weed and water development), recreation, education, mining and administration and budget
- Ranch CRM's
- Range Management planning, weed control and water development

ISSUES (cont)

- What common issues do all CRM's seem to have?
Weeds and Water!!!
- The development of oil and gas has brought with it the impacts to Wyoming landowners and the land they manage. It is part of economic development and necessary, but it must be planned and controlled or, Wyoming natural resources (wildlife, water quality and quantity, landscapes, and people) will lose.

WHERE ELSE WILL CRM'S WORK?

- Sub-division Development
- Small Acre development (20 to 40 acre development) and residential (less than 20 acres)
- Oil and Gas Development on private land
- Communities (almost any problem facing communities, wildlife feeding, street planning, water and sewer improvements, open space)

FUNDING SOURCES

- The CRM program is a Wyoming Department of Agriculture (WDA) program offered free to the people of Wyoming.
- Some funding sources used by CRM's are:
Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), WDA, Wyoming Game and Fish, Wyoming Weed and Pest Control Districts, Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust Fund, Local Sage Grouse Working Groups, and Sportsman Groups.

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