

## **Stakeholder (SH) Meeting, January 31, 2024**

Stephanie Weber facilitated the meeting. 33 participants at the beginning of the meeting, half way and until the end 35 participants.

Purpose of the meeting is to update stakeholders on progress made since the last meeting in March, 2023.

SCCORR exists to help ensure wildlife thrive, we have access to clean water, and we continue to make this area wonderful.

What is the geography of SCCORR? It currently is broad, consisting of the four counties of Archuleta, La Plata, San Juan, and southern Hinsdale. Question going forward for SH and with input from Listening Sessions, do we want to stay that broad? We need a good map to visually depict a clear picture of the scope and breadth of what we are undertaking.

One important role for the SH is to help make heads or tails of all the initiatives and collaborations happening in our area. The SH group will be a resource to understand what's happening in the region.

Our main goal in the next 2 months is:

- Gather input from residents in the region, be that from people who have lived their whole lives here to those who visit for the summer.
- To that end we are embarking on several ways to keep an open line of communication: we plan on 10 community Listening Sessions, the SCCORR website (which has just gone live), and an online Citizen Survey. We hope to launch the survey next week. The survey addresses what matters in terms of conservation and outdoor recreation to people who live here and those who visit.

The SH group is made up of professionals representing their constituents. We are coming together because we all care about this area. We plan on the next SH meeting taking place at the end of April.

We want residents in the area to understand how decisions are being made for conservation and outdoor recreation.

Luke Kline asked if there is still time to have input on the survey draft. SW made a note to forward to him.

Questions from the participants included:

-How is SCCORR different? SW: We are a landing spot to understand the other collaborations and efforts going on in the area. We will coalesce everything happening that is related to conservation and outdoor recreation.

- What is the desired outcome/deliverable? SW: We want to see a conservation and outdoor recreation plan emerge. How far we get in the next 1 ½ years is TBD.
- How will SCCORR avoid duplication? We are talking with other groups, being open, and very transparent.
- What is the agenda for the Listening Session? Elli Morris answered: The agenda is quite simple. Begins with a brief overview of SCCORR followed by 70 minutes for small group discussions. There will be 3 rounds of discussions, based on five user groups for focused input. The Listening Sessions end with a brief wrap sharing method to keep the conversation going and open lines of communication.
- Will the SCCORR map have access to those developed by Colorado Parks and Wildlife? The SAM (species activity map)? A CPW representative described the SAM maps.
- How will SCCORR get balanced information that represents the people with such a large boundary area?
- Can the SCCORR website have a section for employment opportunities? SW answered saying it was a good question and the SH can discuss that at more depth.