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All

Thanks for everyone's efforts in putting together the field tour yesterday. On my return home last night I began to think about the data that might be helpful for deciding how to move forward on potential treatments. If we are going to use livestock to trample seeds into the ground, then it would be good to know the soil surface descriptions. Specifically, the amount of surface rock. Provided Lee's teams would measure line-point intercept and take the soil surface variables too, then we should have everything that we need. Lee, will your team be getting those values?

Thanks again
Dave

On Mon, Aug 26, 2013 at 2:28 PM, Lee Turner <leeturner@ndow.org> wrote:

> All,
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> The first site visit for the Nevada Cheatgrass Action Team (NCAT) is Thursday, August 29th. The Southern Nevada Water Authority's (SNWA) Robison Ranch is the focus for this trip. You have received some maps from Zane Marshall of SNWA with information about Cheatgrass, sage grouse leks and habitat, land ownership, grazing allotments and other. Thanks very much to SNWA and their GIS shop for that. I will have several hard copies of these maps at 18X24". I will also have some additional maps with NRCS soils overlain across the properties and associated public lands and maps with vegetation data collection points on BLM land that my crews have sampled supporting some habitat projects on the bench along the west side of the road.
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> We are meeting in Spring Valley at the Stone House at 7:30AM on the 29th (see map). This is in the north end of Spring Valley about two miles south of Hank Vogler's place for those who know where his house is. Zane will be leaving the NDOW lot in Ely (Ely NDOW Field Office, 1218 N Alpha St, Ely, NV 89301) at 6:45AM on Thursday for the ~45 minute trip to Stone House and will lead vehicles. It takes about 7 minutes or so to get out to the

NDOW office from town. FYI, the Economy Drug store at 696 Aultman is now making a pretty mean espresso for those who need some high-test to get going.

From Ely, the easiest way to north Spring Valley is to go north on Highway 93 about 42 miles to the Schellbourne Pass road. Turn east on Schellbourne Pass road and travel about 10 miles to the point in Spring Valley where the road splits. Take the split that heads south on SSR893. Travel about 2 miles and you will come to the Stone House. This is all marked in the Nevada Gazetteer. The roads we will be on in Spring Valley are improved dirt roads.

Coming up from the south you will want to get on SSR893 just east of Major's Place on Highway 50. The Stone House is about 60 miles north. The road is paved for several miles then is an improved dirt road for the remainder.

A number of us are going to camp in Spring Valley on Wednesday night. We are shooting for the Cleve Creek Campground but with hunting season on that may not be an option. If we can't camp there, we will travel north in Spring Valley until we find a suitable spot on BLM or USFS land to camp. I can't be any more specific than that since I don't know if the campground is full.

Given the distance to get to these properties and SNWA's willingness, I would like to ask that we all prepare for a long day out. We need to take full advantage of these opportunities. Bring cameras, GPS etc and take lots of notes.

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