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General Membership Meeting
May 4, 2021

Featured speaker:

Crystal Powell, District Ranger, Sandia Ranger District
“Looking Back and Moving Forward: A pandemic, drought and continuing our work”

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Agenda

- President's Remarks – Mike Madden
- Projects Report – Sam Beard
- Treasurer's Report – Tim Brown
- Introduction of Program Speaker – Cliff Giles
- Program – Crystal Powell, "Looking Back and Moving Forward: A pandemic, drought and continuing our work"
- Q&As
- Future Programs – Cliff Giles
- Adjourn

President's Remarks, Mike Madden

- Strategic Planning Committee met April 16
 - Developed a draft template of actions
 - Template will be on the May 18 Board meeting agenda
- REI Grant Application submitted April 18 by Bob Galloway
- Jim Levesque recognition event will be led by Jerry Pekarek
- ONE ABQ GO-TV filming at Doc Long on April 30, Arbor Day
- NM Department of Game and Fish \$14,000 grant awarded on May 3.

Project Report, Sam Beard, Projects Chair

- Cedro Meadow Restoration Project
 - Thinned 12 acres of pinon/juniper forest
 - Completes second-year commitment
- Installation of Three Metal Roofs on Restrooms in Oak Flat Picnic Area
 - Almost completed two roofs
 - Will start third roof on Friday, May 7.
- Felling Hazard Trees
 - Fell marked hazard trees in picnic areas before May 15 opening
 - Cienega PA completed on April 29

Treasurer's Report, Tim Brown

- Membership - 97 including 29 Life Sponsors
- FY2021 YTD revenues - \$2,539
 - Memberships - \$1,930
 - Donations - \$609
- FY2021 YTD expenditures - \$7,099
 - \$3,998 for the Palomas Peak Signage Project (REI grant secured by Bob Galloway)
 - \$1,116 for Honda Generator
 - \$1,645 other project expenditures
- April transactions
 - Revenue - \$355
 - Expenditures - \$967 (Projects, Fundraising/Publicity)
- Current assets
 - Checking account - \$20,563
 - CDs - \$41,552
 - Includes \$18,000 of unexpended funds raised by Joelle Hertel for Juan Tabo Basin CCC Project

Program Speaker Introduction, Cliff Giles, Vice-President

- “Looking Back and Moving Forward: A pandemic, drought and continuing our work”
- Speaker: Crystal Powell, District Ranger, Sandia Ranger District
 - Originally from Pittsburgh, PA area
 - Graduate of Slippery Rock University
 - 21 years with Forest Service
 - District Ranger since 2016
 - Worked in 4 of the 9 Forest Service Regions, on 6 National Forests, in 5 states from the east to the west at the District and Forest Supervisor’s Office levels as well as on a National Recreation Area
 - Served on Type 1 National Incident Management Team
- Use Chat for questions during presentation. Will take oral questions at transition points in presentation.

Future Speakers, Cliff Giles, Vice-President

- June 1 – Mike Madden, Sandia Collaborative
- July 6 – Pauline Ho and Rick Buss, Australian adventures
- August 3 – Sam Beard, Airplane crash sites in Sandias