

District Manager Report
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Garage/Entryway Update

- Significant time over the last month spent on ongoing communication and management with the contractor, City, and engineers. As of October 14, the permit passed the City building department and planning department review, but we're still waiting on the final approval from the City engineering department.
 - The engineering department wanted LRCD to put in a retention pond as part of managing runoff on site, and the engineers we hired (Inberg-Miller) to update the site drainage plan have been pushing back on that
- Oct. 6: Attended City Council meeting with contractor; contractor made public comment related to LRCD's garage project, costs of construction in City limits, and City permit timeline. Contractor and I both also emailed City Council about project.
- Oct. 7: Contractor began digging! We'll be able to pour concrete once the City engineering department approves site drainage plan and City inspects rebar/foundation

Programs Updates

- Sept. 28: Lindsay Wheat and I met with Milward Simpson (Plank Stewardship Initiative) regarding their Rangeland Resilience Initiative grant and to discuss the Rock River weed project; we were invited to submit a letter of interest about the project
 - I drafted the letter along with information from Lindsay and submitted it Oct. 1, we'll learn if we're invited to submit a full proposal on Nov. 1
- Oct. 6: Hart Ranch river restoration project pre-bid tour with WGFD to get engineer design bids on the project (three engineering firms attended)
- Oct. 6, Oct. 8: Met with Steve Gale about Jelm WHMA Restoration and Boat Launch project bids; notified bidders of selection
- Oct. 7: Small waters project field visit for Horse Creek Cattle Co.
- Oct. 13: Small waters project field visit for Monaghan Ranch
- Oct. 14: Drafted a letter for FEMA grant application for Pioneer Canal on behalf of LRCD, confirming our contribution as match dollars

Misc. Updates

- Sept. 24: Tosha and I met with Kathy Hamilton re- accounting plans for transitioning to new firm

- Sept. 30: Tosha and I met with Kathy Hamilton and Katie Flippen (For Purpose accounting) about transitioning to For Purpose. We will have Kathy's assistance, along with For Purpose, until the end of December
- Oct. 1: Met with Nate Martin (Better Wyoming and Saving the Greenbelt) about LRCD, property tax cuts, and projects
- Oct. 2: Met with Michael Clyde (RangeLink) about their new virtual fencing company
- Oct. 3: Big Event with UW student volunteers at LaBonte community garden with Martin and Arley
- Oct. 5: Call with Industrial Siting division of WY DEQ about a generating station project developed SE of Cheyenne, discussed statutory definition of "impact" since LRCD was notified that the project could impact City of Laramie and Albany County
- Oct. 6: Met with Arley to discuss remainder of seasonal position and timeline
- Oct. 8: City of Laramie Ranch Advisory Committee work session regarding conservation easement on non-irrigated lands
- Oct. 8: Attended small producer/grazing co-op meeting with Arley to learn more about Evan Snowberger's efforts
- Oct. 14: Met with Tosha and Steve H. (CMIT) to work on compiling IT information as part of audit request
- Reviewed City well network proposals, sat on selection committee at request of Ben Levin (City of Laramie Natural Resource Manager)
- Ongoing preparation for annual legislative function; sent invitations on Oct. 14
- Ongoing compiling materials for audit
- Ongoing WACD State Convention planning/coordination

Upcoming

- Oct. 30 (9am-noon): Annual legislative function
- Oct. 30 (3-6pm): Haunted Gardens – Halloween community event at LaBonte community garden
- WACD State Convention – please review your schedules and let me know if you'd like to attend, if you haven't already!