

FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
October 2, 2007

ATTENDEES: Keith Simmons Bill Hicks Dennis Riley
 Val Philpott Fred Balmos Skip Zopf
 Ken Siefken John Hvizdos Mike Backsen
 Wayne Eisenbrandt Steve Vittum

BEETLE INSPECTION MAPS

The filing maps were given to the attendees, plus a log sheet to record the hours spent. We will start our inspection in November.

BARBED WIRE DISPOSAL

As of October 3, we have heard from 3 lot owners who would like their wire removed. Skip has been notified. Hoffman Recycling in BV will accept the wire.

OUTDOOR WORKSHOP REPORT

Val, Fred and John attended the Colorado State Forest Service outdoor workshop given by Kathryn Hardgrave and reported to the attendees what was learned. For those of you who were not in attendance- a young tree infested with mistletoe will last up to 15 years, a mature tree will live out its life. Trees that are pointed at the top are still growing, when the tree flattens out at the top its growth has ceased. (This does not apply to pinions; they are conical when young and naturally round when mature. Once rounded they continue to grow) Kathryn does not think this valley will have the breakout of beetle that is being suffered in Grand and Summit Counties. Using her language- the trees in those counties are prima donnas and in comparison our trees are the trash trees and not as attractive to the beetle.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Keith and Steve are concerned about the shelf life of the stored fire foam. They will call the manufacturer and report back at the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING AT SANGRE 9a.m.-11a.m.
Thursday, November 1, 2007

