

Valles Caldera Trust
Minutes of the Working Meeting – January 31, 2008
Conference Call

Board members present

Bill Keleher, chair
Ed Tinsley, vice chair
Steve Henry, secretary
Jim Gosz
Tracy Hephner
Dan Jiron
Ray Loretto
Jim Range
Brad Traver

Staff present

Jeffrey Cross, executive director

1. Strategic Business Plan

Jeff Cross reported that he had received 11 proposals in response to the RFP to create a business plan for the Trust. They came from across the US and included individuals, consulting companies and teams of consulting companies. Staff reviewed the proposals and developed a short list of the top proposals for Board review.

2. Elk Hunting Program

Steve Henry reported on a meeting with Bruce Thompson, Director, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (NMDGF), and Bob Jenks, Deputy Director, that he attended with Jeff Cross. Henry said that NMDGF was willing to work with the Trust to develop creative ideas to increase revenues from hunting. Henry and Dennis Trujillo, preserve manager, will work on proposals to present to NMDGF.

3. Trust Personnel

The Board and the executive director discussed a personnel issue.

4. Sulphur Springs

Cross updated the Board on the status of the in-holding at Sulphur Springs on the west side of the Preserve.