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Back Country Horsemen of America
2012 National Board Meeting, Eugene Oregon
April 25-28, 2012

**MSP – Motion made, seconded and passed*

***MSF – Motion made, seconded and failed*

Chairman Mike McGlenn called the BCHA National Board Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. on April 25, 2012 at the Valley River Inn in Eugene Oregon.

- Pledge of allegiance to the flag
- “State of BCHA” by Mike McGlenn – this past year’s activity since the Butte 2011 NBM. Highlights of the year – Executive Director hired, partnering with The Wilderness Society/ Paul Spitzer; Homeland Security bill opposed; California strife – Wilderness Society & BCHA worked to help out; requested another study on trails maintenance backlog from GAO; American Horse Council (we are dues paying member; worked with Ben Pendergrass); improved our communications; Ami McBride will be working on social networking for BCHA; Tom Seay interviewed Allison Schottenhaml and it was on TV; opened dialog with Tom; moved forward on many fronts; the governance change worked. (Closed with a poem by Baxter Black.)
- Host Welcome, Phil Hufstader, National Director – welcome to Oregon. Introduced Oregon BCH, LaneCountyTravel (Linda) and volunteers.
- Introductions/Roll Call - quorum declared with 20 of 27 states represented.
State Organizations: AL–Chad Bowman, Jeff Still; AZ-Gayle & Jim Higgs; CA-Ann Lange, Peter Kriger; CO-Julie Chaney, Larry Zaubers; GA-Jim McGarvey, Carlos Martel; ID-Rod Parks, Robbin Schindele; IN-Robert Graves, Yvette Rollins; KY-Roy Cornett, Edith Conyers; MO-Mary K Church, Sherry Copeland; MT-Chuck Miller, Dave Crawford; NV-Dave Rich, Chuck Shepherd; NM-Nick Martinez, Oscar Simpson; NC-Amanda Buscemi, Tom Thomas; OR-Phil & Casey Hufstader; SD-Doug Bechen, Renee Rademacher; TN-Bobby & Joanne Mitchell; UT-Freddy Dunn, Wayne Ludington; VA-Erin Petrich; WA-Lori Lennox, Bob Gish; WY-Jim Gehlhausen, Don Saner. (IL, WV not represented.)
Affiliates: FL-Forever-Truman Prevatt (AK, AR, MI, WI not represented)
Non National Director Officers & Committee Chairs: Chair Mike McGlenn (WA); Past Chair Terry Morrison (UT); Executive Committee-Ken Ausk (MT), Alan Hill (CA)
Staff: Executive Director Rick McLean, Sr Advisor Wilderness, Recreation Trails Dennis Dailey; Executive Secretary Peg Greiwe; Web Wrangler Bob Badgley; Social Media Ami McBride.
- Memorials to Lost Members, Ken Ausk – Dulane Fulton one of BCHA founders passed away at almost 95 this year. Ben York DVM, Herb London, Al Brenner, and others. Moment of silence was held.
- Meeting Etiquette – Chair Mike reviewed the seven suggestions.
- **MSP* to accept the agenda as printed.**

Consent Agenda (sent to all states prior to National Meeting)

- a. Approve 2011 Butte NBM Minutes
- b. Correspondence 2011 & 2012
- c. Executive Secretary Report
- d. Executive Committee Conf Call Minutes
- e. Audit Report & 2011 Tax Return, NR Smith & Associates
- f. Treasurer’s Report (2011 Actual to Budget & 2012 Actual 4/15/2012)
- g. 2012 Budget

MSP* to accept the Consent Agenda.

National Board Meeting Location Report, Dave Rich (NV) – discussion on implications of location of national board meetings, of moving or staying in one place; travel costs, etc. No consensus because of all the variables that come into play.

Grant Research Report, Mike McGlenn – Donna Doerer & Associates (Lacey WA) researched getting grants for BCHA (report in agenda binder). Grants are improbable. Sponsorships are more likely for BCHA. Rick McLean (ED) spoke on sponsorship opportunities.

MSP* to approve the giving of BCHA membership list with a minimum \$10,000 sponsorship, if requested.

Policy Manual Updates, Yvette Rollins (IN) – Vision Committee decided to provide a flash drive with the policy manual on it instead of the binder. The flash drives were handed out to those present.

BCHA Displays are available to be sent out. Request through Executive Secretary Peg Greiwe.

Thursday – April 25, 2012

NEW BUSINESS – Resolutions received from states are sent to committee for discussion and recommendations.

Wyoming Resolution for Executive Director – withdrawn

Washington Resolution on Communications – send to Media/Marketing Committee (Julie Chaney will be new Media/Marketing Committee Chair)

Idaho Resolution, Annual Reports given to Media/Marketing

Idaho Resolution packing program – Public Lands

Idaho Resolution Frank Church – Public Lands (Wayne Ludington will sit in today and tomorrow as leader)

Arizona Resolution, membership fee – Vision Committee – Yvette Rollins

Friday – April 27, 2012

BCH Education Foundation – Don Saner (WY) gave the annual report; handed out the Foundation brochure.

Library Resource Center – Freddy Dunn (UT)

Received a lot of documents from Ann Lange, Dennis Dailey, Mike McGlenn and others. Scanned many documents. Will put on website. Terry Morrison reviewed the rest of the information (3 boxes of documents). Most of the documents chosen for the library are scientific information. Will give to Bob Badgley to scan and put on website.

Nominations Committee, Freddy Dunn (UT) and Jim McGarvey (GA)

Chair: Mike McGlenn (WA), Dave Crawford (MT)

Vice Chair: Yvette Rollins (IN)

Treasurer: Don Saner (WY)

Executive Committee: 2 positions (must be National Director)

Tom Thomas (NC)

Wayne Ludington (UT)

Larry Zauberis (CO)

Phil Hufstader (OR)

Jeff Sill (AL)

Executive Committee non-board position: Alan Hill (CA)

Ballot counters – Becky Wolf (OR), Jerry Bentz (OR), Cindy Mitchell (GA).

Chairman Election

MSP* to close nominations

Both candidates were given time to speak to the board. Mike McGlenn received the most votes. Ballot Counting committee was instructed to destroy the ballots.

Vice Chair

MSP* to accept Yvette Rollins (IN) as Vice Chair.

Treasurer

MSP* to accept Don Saner as Treasurer.

(BCHA Policy is that the Chair, the Vice Chair, the Treasurer and the Executive Secretary are co-signers on the bank accounts.)

Nominees for the Executive Committee. All candidates were given an opportunity to speak to the directors. Ballots were passed out.

Tom Thomas (NC) and Phil Hufstader (OR) were elected to the two Director Executive Committee positions.

Non-director Executive Committee position

MSP* to elect Alan Hill to the position.

Thank you to Nick Martinez (NM), outgoing treasurer. Two wild rags from BCH OR were presented to Nick as a thank you for his two years as Treasurer.

2015 National Board Meeting Location

MSP* to accept Sacramento CA for the 2015 NBM.

Montana Concerns – it was asked that the letter and Chair’s response be discussed before the board.

MSP* because the Montana concerns were not on the approved agenda the board agreed to hear the concerns.

Chuck Miller (MT) handed out Montana letter from Mark Himmel, Chair of Montana, to all national directors; Freddy Dunn (UT) read the response from BCHA Chair. Discussion was held on Montana’s questions and comments.

MSP* to close discussion.

Saturday April 28, 2012

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Committee Report, Pete Kriger (CA) – (Jerry Bentz OR, Joanne Mitchell TN, Bob Gish WA, Carol Martel GA, Becky Wolf OR, Mary K Church MO)

- Want to bring educational documents from various states together on the website. Members can use the documents but need to leave the creative state’s logo.
- Set up a yahoo education group.
- Want to offer 50% stipend for 4 members to go to Nine Mile for 2013. Would give back two training sessions/year in local area. Nine Mile coming to North Carolina in June – could scholarships be available?
- LNT section of BCHA website was assigned to Jerry Bentz (OR) for review.
- Joanne Mitchell (TN) will review the BCHA Education Manual.
- As budget allows, would offer funding support to BCHA representatives in attending conferences/board meetings of other user groups and trail advocacy organizations (about \$800 for 2013).

Media/Marketing – Rod Parks (ID) – (Oscar Simpson NM, Dave Rich NV, Carol Martel GA, Bob Badgley WA, Bob Graves IN, Lori Lennox WA)

- sold out logo clothing to reduce inventory; virtual store available.
- Newsletter: Advertising & Design/Layout Deborah Schatz doing a good job. Contracts have been let for the newsletter. Post office changes require changing size of newsletter.
- Traveling displays/banners available. BCHA brochures ready to go to printer.
- Ami McBride on staff.
- Design for 40th Anniversary celebration bumper stickers is in process.
- Julie Chaney (CO) new chair – thanks to Rod.
- Resolution from WA regarding Communication – recommend that it be passed. Couple solutions: email alert for action items (very important things) 2nd thing – monthly e-newsletter similar to Constant Contact. This will be another marketing tool. Extension of newsletter; not so much internal information but an extension of the newsletter with a means to donate. Hoping to have it start within next 2 to 3 months. Notice before e-newsletter comes out so National Directors can prepare members.
- Idaho Resolution – state reports on the website; send to Bob Badgley for website. Will be up to state if they wish to do report some way at board meeting. Recommend passing resolution but feel it has already been addressed.

- Website – tighten up. Make home page easier to use as a marketing tool. Doing some work so will see changes.
- Emails – send in email addresses with mail list update to use for alerts and e-newsletter.
- Articles – more aggressive in asking for you to write articles for other magazines – BackPacker, Horse & Rider.
- Video – UTube production, Ami McBride is working on the video
- Policy & Procedure guidelines for PR, requests for interviews.
- Advertising package – Robbin Schindele put together an information presentation.

Public Liaison, Alan Hill – BCHA (Roy Cornett KY, Jim McGarvey GA, Rick McLean Exec Director, Oscar Simpson NM, Larry Zauberbis CO) Charges to Public Liaison Committee is to build, nurture and maintain relationships with our partners and the land management agencies we work with, i.e., USDA Forest Service, BLM, National Park Service and US Fish and Wildlife. All units/chapters need to develop their relationships with their rangers, etc. Hike the Hill – make every effort to carry the flag of BCHA; wrote article for Hike the Hill. Continue to be very aggressive in what we are asking. Partnership with The Wilderness Society has been a very positive move. Very effective in Hike the Hill event. PCT had series of hazard analysis documents that were not workable; no reimbursement policy that was acceptable to stock users; no guidelines for volunteers that were acceptable under the FS guidelines. Last year the volunteer work stopped on the PCT. Worked to get an acceptable policy; finalized in draft form to be tried this year for CA, OR. Still not happy with reimbursement program. Advocacy efforts are local, state and national. Trying to encourage and endorse any efforts on the local level to carry the flag. Summer trip was in *American Trails* magazine.

Affiliations – Alan Hill recommends retaining membership in the following organizations.

American Horse Council \$2500

Coalition for Recreational Trails \$100

American Trails \$250

Partnership for National Trails \$100

National Recreation Trails Training Partnership \$100

Public Lands Service Coalition \$100

Total \$3150

Working with youth corps has enabled us to do more work on trails.

Public Lands, temporary chair Wayne Ludington (UT) – (Carole Hopkins OR, Jim Icenbice OR, Oscar Simpson NM, Dennis Dailey WY, Bobbie Mitchell TN, Chuck Miller MT, John Chepulis MT, Carlos Martel GA, Jeff Still AL, Ann Lange CA)
Resolution – Idaho Frank Church proposal – recommend that this resolution be passed by the Board. Recommend that BCHI take the resolution and then pass on to Congressmen.

Resolution – Clearwater – Lochsea historical pack station – recommend that this resolution be passed by the board.

Vision, Yvette Rollins (IN) – (Jim Gehlhausen WY, Dave Crawford MT, Truman Prevatt FL, Sherry Copeland MO, Gayle Higgs AZ, Brenda Cordonnier OR, Renee Radamacher SD, Chuck Shepherd NV, Cindy McGarvey GA)

Resolution – one membership fee – recommend table until next year.

Recommend to chair to follow up on the chainsaw/cross cut training – priority

Provided flash drive with policy manual for ND instead of 3-ring binder.

Funding/Sponsorship – Executive Director create a level of sponsorship plan to Executive Committee and then go out to the membership. Would allow others to offer suggestions.

Return receipts on emails to national directors for Executive Committee minutes

Executive Committee strive to get minutes out faster from EC calls.

Challenge that we stick with defined goals and fundamentals of BCHA.

Governance Policy – recommend that it be left as is

Pg 5, policy holder removed

Pg 8 Communication – keep explanation in policy

Expansion, Freddy Dunn (UT) – Doug Bechen (SD) and Chad Bowman (AL) volunteered to help; inquiries from TX, NY, NH and another MI; assistance for IL; Doug will explore possibilities of Nebraska and ND; Chad will research Louisiana; Freddy will pursue MH and the northeastern states..

Volunteer Hours Report – Nick Martinez (NM) (Larry Zauberis CO, Jim Higgs AZ, Barbara West NM)

Recommend that we accept a new rate for volunteer hours – Independent Sector \$21.79

Larry Zauberis (CO) made up a good tutorial to fill out the report; tweaked report so some of the columns line up. Want to be credible. Believe that hours are under reported by 30%

2011 - \$10,913,278.29 = 326,347 hours, an increase of number of hours but decrease of \$\$.

20,288 miles of trails cleared reported in 2011

Double Diamond Award – John Burn, Salmon River BCH Idaho

2nd BCHA Legacy Award – Dennis Dailey

Contract Review – Mike McGlenn (Yvette Rollins IN, Don Saner WY, Nick Martinez NM)

Executive Secretary contract renewed and included in budget

Sr. Advisor, Recreation, Trails & Wilderness Dennis Dailey did not have a contract at his request. Retiring tonight.

Executive Director – intent to develop contract – 30 days (end of May)

Trails Classification – need to recharge, go back to basics and start again

MOU – Memorandums of Understanding

BLM – MOU expired.

Will check on all MOU's. Existing MOU with ELCR (Equestrian Land Conservation Resource)

MOU with Outfitters and Guides – America Outdoors national organization – good place to start.

Are we actively pursuing AQHA, ACTHA, (AERC MOU in existence.)

Army Corps of Engineers – could use MOU with them (Doug Bechan SD)

Resolution WA - BCHA Communications

Whereas, the membership of Back Country Horsemen of America desires better communication from the BCHA organization, and

Whereas, the BCHA organization needs better communication with its members in order to carry out the BCHA mission, and

Whereas, email technology has improved to the point where this medium is preferred by many BCHA members,

Be It Therefore Resolved that the Back Country Horsemen of Washington urge the BCHA Board of Directors to adopt a program that would provide direct email communication with its members.

MSP* to approve resolution.

Resolution ID - State Reports and How To Handle State Reports.

WHEREAS: Each BCH State organization pays to have 40 paper copies or cd's produced of their Annual Report to be taken to the National BCHA meeting each year;

WHEREAS: Unless a Power Point is developed, most National Directors merely pass out their State Reports in either hard copy or cd, and no presentation is made.

WHEREAS: The CD and paper copies of the Annual Report from all the states that are distributed to the National Directors at the BCHA meeting are rarely viewed by more than a handful of members upon the Directors return to their home state;

WHEREAS: If the Annual Reports were posted on the BCHA website by the first day of April, there would be no reason to transport copies to the national meeting or for the state organizations to go to the expense of producing copies. Time on the agenda for special presentations by individual states could still be requested.

WHEREAS: The end result of this action is that the State Annual Reports would be available to any and all members nationwide to view at their leisure;

WHEREAS: The possible final result could be that the Annual Reports from each state would be read by more BCH members, agency representatives and legislators than ever before;

BE IT PROPOSED: That National Directors review this proposal for consideration at the upcoming BCHA meeting in Eugene, OR;

BE IT FURTHER PROPOSED: That, if passed, the National Board of Directors instruct each state BCH organization to post their Annual Reports on the BCHA website by April 1st of each year and save the expense of producing copies that are rarely used.

MSP* to approve resolution.

MSP* to approve the Affiliations/Sponsorships recommendation to retain membership in the following organizations: American Horse Council (\$2500); Coalition for Recreational Trails (\$100); American Trails (\$250); Partnership for National Trails (\$100); National Recreation Trails Training Partnership (\$100); Public Lands Service Coalition (\$100); for a total of \$3150.

Resolution ID - Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness

WHEREAS, the Central Idaho Wilderness Act (CIWA) of 1980 created the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness Area (FCRNRWA) under unique, specific and legislative mandates differing from other wilderness legislation, i.e., "The Secretary shall, to the maximum extent practicable, consistent with the management plan required by this section, clear obstructions from all of the national forest trails within or adjacent to the wilderness on at least an annual basis." Congress' intent is further elaborated in House Report 96-838, which "Directs the clearing of obstructions from all national forest trails within and adjacent to the wilderness on at least an annual basis." The Report goes on to state "The Committee recognizes that this is a relatively large task, and observes that the Secretary can contract with outfitters and other third parties to perform such work. Where necessary, the Committee has no objection to the use of chain saws or other mechanized equipment to perform such tasks..." This responsibility is also clearly stated in Conference Report 96-1126, and Senate Report 96-515 referenced in the CIWA.

WHEREAS, the USFS has failed to fulfill this legislative mandate over the last 32 years, and

WHEREAS, this lack of maintenance over the last 32 years has resulted in a continuous deterioration of the trail conditions in the FCRNRWA, and inappropriately limited the agency's ability to accomplish the purposes as described in Section 2(a) of the 1964 Wilderness Act which directs that wilderness areas "shall be administered for the use and enjoyment of the American people in such manner as will leave them unimpaired for future use and enjoyment as wilderness."

WHEREAS, the catastrophic fires from the beginning in the latter part of the 20th Century have compounded and exacerbated the already deteriorating trail conditions, and

WHEREAS, the USFS maintains that the current trail conditions and failure to meet the requirement of annual trail maintenance set forth in the Central Idaho Wilderness Act (CIWA) is the result of appropriations and budgeting failures of Congress, and

WHEREAS, the USFS maintains that these financial factors will not improve, then

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the USFS, Regions 1 and 4, and the lead Forest of Salmon/Challis develop an action plan to reverse this capital investment loss in the trail system of the FCRNRWA, and that it

BE FURTHER RESOLVED that the USFS, in preparing this action plan, will evaluate use of all the tools and management options and administrative flexibilities that are authorized by the CIWA.

MSP* to pass the resolution.

Resolution ID - Clearwater NF Packer Position & Retain Use of Lochsa Historical Ranger Station.

WHEREAS: The Clearwater National Forest in Idaho has announced that they will not fill the packer position or retain the stock at the Lochsa Historical Ranger Station.

WHEREAS: Both the Historical Station and the Packer, along with the pack stock and equipment, represent the shared cultural heritage with Back Country Horsemen.

WHEREAS: Non-roaded and Wilderness area trail accomplishments are directly tied with a robust trails program and accompanying stock program.

WHEREAS: The loss of the packing program for the Lochsa and Powell Ranger Districts will likely forever change the quality and breadth of both trails and the trail program in the Northern Selway Wilderness and the Great Burn Roadless area.

WHEREAS: The loss of the cultural context and resulting loss of exposure to the public along the US Highway 12 corridor will be incalculable.

Be it proposed: That BCHA does protest this management change on the part of the Nez Perce/Clearwater National Forests in Idaho and urge a reconsideration and reversal of this short sighted decision to eliminate the packing program for the Lochsa and Powell Districts.

BE IT FURTHER PROPOSED: That BCHA enlist the assistance of The Wilderness Society to also protest this management change.

MSP* to pass the resolution.

Resolution AZ - One Membership Fee

Whereas, BCHA dues do not cover our increasing expenses, and

Whereas, BCHA is contemplating a much needed dues increase in the near future, and

Whereas, the single and family membership designations have been in effect for many years, and

Whereas, having one uniform membership fee would bring in needed revenue,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the BCHA dues schedule is revised to one fee per membership (single or family).

MSP* to table resolution until next year. Favor 24; opposed 14.

Resolution Tabled until 2013

Dues Increase of \$5 per Membership.

MSF to table this issue. 8 in favor of tabling; 28 opposed.**

MSP* to call for question on suspending debate on motion.

MSP* to approve a dues increase of \$5 per membership. (23 in favor; 13 opposed)

Note: National Directors will bring this motion back to their states for ratification by the 2013 National Board Meeting. The BCHA Chair will write a letter outlining the reasons for this increase. Ratification is done by sending the vote to the BCHA Executive Secretary. If a state does not send in its vote, then it will be presumed in favor of the motion to raise dues. If ratified, the dues will go into effect in 2013 and will be collected by the states for 2014 dues. The new dues rates (Single \$15; Family \$18) will be sent to BCHA in 2015.

Volunteer Hours

MSP* to approve rate increase (\$21.79/hr basic) based on the national recommendation and in the future accept the rates recommended by the Independent Sector.

MSP* to accept the committee reports (Education, Media/Marketing, Public Liaison, Affiliations, Public Lands, Vision, Expansion, Volunteer Hours & Awards, Contract Review, Trails Classification) as presented.

Executive Committee Monitor Report, Mike McGlenn – did best they could as interpreted from governance policy during this past year.

MSP* the board acknowledges that on 4/28/2012 the board received a Monitoring Report from Mike McGlenn, Chairman & Chief Elected Officer of the Executive Committee.

Good of Order – Everyone had opportunity to make comments about the meeting and BCHA.
Thanks to all of you for your input and kind comments.

2013 National Board Meeting – Rapid City, South Dakota, hosted by Black Hills BCH SD
Four airlines fly direct; Ramkota Best Western Hotel w/water park is location.

40th Anniversary Celebration BCHA 2013

Will send bumper sticker with solicitation letter in the fall. Special articles, etc., in newsletter. Each state will be asked to submit one color photo that depicts the spirit of BCHA (from your state) (Al Sammons WY is chairing).

Pitman Robertson Act (sales tax from guns, archery, ammunition to be used for purchase of lands), Yvette Rollins (IN)
Put together survey asking for feedback on fish and wildlife lands that you can use or not use. Monies to be used to purchase lands for fish and wildlife. One man's interpretation that stock use was not right. Growing in east. (Tom Thomas in GA says they own all of Georgia) Would be good to have western states support eastern. Implemented in 1937. In KY any lands bought with PR funding cannot have recreational use. Number of hunting/fishing licenses going down by .5% to 1% per year. Primary purpose was to replenish deer, birds. Money goes to federal government and passes down to the states; been a real boon to

hunters and fishermen. State fish and wildlife have restricted use by stock; habitat protection; OR buy habitat land; federal migratory bird act; Fish & wildlife in NC takes care of all fish and wildlife; ELCR did white paper on this. Showed several states' use and non-use. Need to be proactive. Someone needs to talk with federal Fish & Wildlife. (ELCR purchases land and easements dedicated to equestrian use.)

Michigan Right to Ride legislation has not worked out even remotely how they wished it would have. State lands (DNR) is fairly dictatorship operation. Person in charge answers to governor not legislators. DNR has no intent of changing their minds. Horse Council points finger at BCH; BCH points at Horse Council. Legislators on side of BCH but Governor supports the DNR. Sr Advisor Dennis Dailey, AHC and BCHA said together at beginning of this meeting Right to Ride needs to have another name; causes issues with other user groups; legislators see it as a special interest group legislation and they won't deal with it. We've helped by providing information, sent *American Horse Power*; got them on AHC website.

Adjourned the 2012 BCHA National Board of Directors Annual Meeting at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, April 28, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,
Peg Greiwe
Executive Secretary

Schedule:

April 25, 2012
Break at 9:55.
Back at 10:20
Lunch at noon.
Back to order at 1:00
Break at 2:30.
2:45 back –
Closed for evening at 3:30 p.m.

Thursday – April 25, 2012
Break 9:45 – 10:00
Break for lunch at 11:30
Back in at 1:00
Break for committee meetings from 2:00 until 5:00.

Friday – April 27, 2012 – 8:00
Break 9:45 – 10:00
Break for lunch at 11:30 (early!)
Return at 1:00.

Saturday April 28, 2012
Called to order at 8:00 a.m.
Break
Resume 10:20
Break for lunch.
Resume at 1:00 with door prizes
Adjourned at 3:00

Guest Speakers:

- Guest Speaker – Paul Spitler, The Wilderness Society, Director of Wilderness Planning – Update on Wild Riders Partnership
- Guest speaker – Vicky Hoover, Sierra Club, Chair of CA/NV Wilderness Committee, Co-chair of National Wilderness 50 Planning Team; Wilderness Act (1964) 50th Anniversary Celebration
- Guest Speaker – Ben Pendergrass, American Horse Council, Legislative Director – Legislative Update/Getting in on the Ground Floor
- Guest Speaker – Leslie Weldon, Deputy Chief of the USDA FS
- Guest speaker Leanne Martin, Director of Wilderness and Wild & Scenic Rivers, FS
- Guest Speaker Garry Oye, NPS Chief of Wilderness Stewardship
- Guest Speaker Rob Perrin, BLM Trails & Travel Management Coordinator
- Guest Speaker Bill Geer – Climate Change
- Guest Speaker, Jeff Parker from the Public Lands Service Coalition and Joe Waksmundski

Presentations:

- American Trails presentation – Alan Hill
- Leveraging our Volunteer Efforts, Yvette Rollins (IN)
- Working with Volunteers, Chuck Miller (MT)
- Presentation: Boardsmanship, Freddy Dunn (UT) So you are a national director...
- Social Networking Presentation, Ami McBride – most of the ND have Facebook pages
- CoTrails Initiative – Collaborative Trails Initiative “CoTrails” strategic Plan – Carlos Martel (GA)