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## Fire Risk/Hazard Assessment and Mitigation Plan for Harney County Kickoff Meeting

**Date:** September 1, 2005

**Prepared by:** Jerry Barker and Noreen Roster

### Participants:

Participant	Organization
Richard Jennings	Harney County
Steve Grasty	Harney County
Jerry Barker	Walsh Environmental
Noreen Roster	Ecology and Environment, Inc.
Gordon Foster	ODF
Dan Ridenour	BLM
Jeff Rose	Burns Interagency Fire Zone

### Items Discussed:

Item	Description
Handout of project goals, schedule, and deliverables	Jerry/Noreen reviewed project goals, schedule, and deliverables
Community risk assessment	Jerry described use of NFPA 1144 procedure; community/structures can be grouped if have similar risks
One-half mile assessment area around community	Gordon expressed concern that some areas require a bigger area because the rate fire may travel in 24 hours. Jerry responded that appropriate assessment will occur and the 0.5-mile zone is a minimum.
Rangeland Fire Protection Associations	The significance was explained by Gordon

Senate Bill 360	Gordon explained that SB 360 only applies to areas within the Forest Protection Districts
Wildland-Urban Interface	Gordon explained that Harney County does not fall under any definition of WUI so do not use the term.
Five-year BLM fuel plan	Jeff said to make sure that it was part of the CWPP
GIS data	Work with Bryce Mertz and BLM/FS (Jeff Wolf) to get needed layers. Harney County has resource-sharing requirement in BLM grant so they would like to do GIS mapping as much as possible.
County commissioners	Their participation and interview is critical

**Action Items:**

- Jerry will send Richard a draft press release
- Next meeting with Local Coordinating Group is Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 in Steve's office.
- Contact Jim Wolf to get state level fir risk assessment
- Richard is POC for project.
- Get copy of Grant County CWPP