Board Meeting Minutes

Report May 17, 2005

The May Board meeting was held on Tuesday May 17 at the Depot in Loveland. We welcomed two new members to the Board, and our Board mailing list now consists of 20 willing volunteers. We have a very healthy treasury, and discussed the purchase of nine fly rods for next year's meeting raffles. We will again be purchasing rods from Rocky Bloskas of Stone Creek, Ltd.

National Trout Unlimited has a promotion that returns \$15 to the Chapter for each new member. These calculations and checks are reported at the end of October and the end of April. Our Chapter treasury should be receiving the rebate check from NTU by early June.

At this meeting we did the final planning for our annual Narrows State Wildlife area cleanup. We had 20 members sign up initially and it looks like about 15 will actually be available on the 21st.

The sale of the properties along the Big Thompson River is now being evaluated by the County Commissioners. Through the efforts of Glen Colton, our Conservation guru on the Board, we are in the process of setting up a meeting with Commissioner Karen Wagner to discuss this sale of property. Shar Wamsley, representing Big Thompson Canyon Parks, Inc., the local property owners group, will also attend the meeting. Other Board Members may also attend. Needles to say, RMFC opposes any changes that would degrade the resource or inhibit public fishing access to the river.

We are anticipating changes to the Chapter web site that will improve access. Watch for these improvements as the summer progresses.

Next month's Board meeting is June 14 at the Depot. Items on the agenda for this meeting will include the September Newsletter and any other publications that the Chapter decides are needed, plus the problems associated with New Zealand Mud Snails. In other words, how big is the problem and what can we do?