**Resource Conservation Advisory Council**

**MAY 20, 2020 10:00 A.M.to 3:00 P.M.**

**CONFERENCE CALL 1-866-516-3949**

**PASSWORD: 3656839**

**Online Introductions**

**Approval of February 12, 2020 Minutes**

**Weather Stations Overview: Julie Goss, Richland County Conservation District**

**223 Presentations, Review, & Ranking**

**Remaining 223 Balance: $59,338**

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| **App. #** | **CD** | **Project** | **Requested Amount** | **Approved Amount** |
| 1524 | Custer | District Development Project Develop & Implementation | $10,000.00 |  |
| 1525 | Gallatin | Camp & Godfrey Creek Rehab | $16,600.00 |  |
| 1526 | Gallatin | River Rendezvous | $2,200.00 | Withdrew application |
| 1527 | Lewis & Clark | Sun River Watershed CMZ Mapping Phase 2 | $17,730.00 |  |
| 1528 | Lincoln | S. Lincoln County Cost-Share Weed Program | $5,525.00 |  |
| 1529 | N Powell | Market Demand for Friendly-Conservation Meat Study | $4,950.00 |  |
| 1530 | Petroleum | Musselshell River Coop Weed Mapping | $5,253.00 |  |
| 1531 | Powder River | Weather Stations | $5,398.00 |  |
| 1532 | Ruby | District Development Watershed Stewardship Program | $10,000.00 |  |
| 1533 | Sheridan | District Development Connecting CDs to watershed resources | $10,000.00 | Withdrew application |
| 1534 | Treasure | No-Till drill | $20,000.00 |  |
|  |  | **Total** | **$103,589.50** |  |

**2021 Fiscal 223 Deadlines Proposed Deadlines: Linda Brander**

* **July 15, 2020**
* **October 14, 2020**
* **January 13, 2021**
* **April 7, 2021**

**Shelter in Place Update for State Employees: Laurie Zeller**

**Funding Overview Update: Laurie Zeller**

**Administrative Grants: Karl Christians**

**223 & Mini-Education Applications that Request Funds for Weeds**

How to handle mini-ed grants that request $500 for a weed project

How to handle 223 applications--Clarification on following—*demonstrate that funding was sought through Noxious Weed Trust Fund*

**Guideline 11:** Applications for weed projects must first demonstrate that funding was sought through the Noxious Weed Trust Fund at the Department of Agriculture. All weed projects must be coordinated with the local weed districts—especially for the purchase and application of chemicals. Applications for aquatic invasive species projects must first demonstrate that funding was sought through the DNRC Aquatic Invasive Species Program.

**Pollinator Grants: Mary Hendrix**

Five grants have been funded 5 grants. The remaining balance for fiscal year 2020 is a little over $8,000.

**310 Program Overview: Jason Garber**

**Old Business**

Reorganizing Resources to Meet Conservation District Needs: Laurie Zeller

**Public Comment**

**Other**

**Next Meeting Date & Location**

At the February 12, 2020, the Council voted to hold the August 2020 meeting in Deer Lodge, MT so they could conduct an onsite visit to the

223-- beaver project. This meeting will be dependent on the status of the Shelter in Place directives.