

MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
Arapaho National Wildlife Refuge  
January 2011

I. Highlights

An elk count mid month found approximately 1,129 elk in five groups.

II. Weather

The month was colder than normal with a mean temperature of 13.8° F. compared to the average mean of 16.4° F. The high for the month was 39° F. and the low was -27° F. Precipitation was low with .32 inches from 6.7 inches of snow, compared to the average of .53 inches. Snowpack in the mountains for the basin is 140% of normal with Willow Creek at 148%.

III. Activities and Accomplishments

Timberman submitted a grant request to the Intermountain West Joint Venture for assistance with funding a term GS-885-9 Satellite Manger position for Wyoming.

The annual grazing permittee meeting was held, with topics including: salt placement and removal, compensation amounts for irrigation, fencing, etc., and staying with grazing plan or letting staff know of changes right away.

The 99 Dodge was taken to Steamboat Springs to have a problem with the airbags fixed.

Boyd spent time servicing trucks, ATV's and the backhoe. He also spend many hours plowing snow, trying to keep up with the wind.

Klavetter submitted Quarters information for annual data call. He also completed PUPS reporting.

Timberman spent time gathering initial data for development of a SE Wyoming Landscape Planning effort. Work also began on the Preliminary Project Proposal, final landscape maps and decisions are pending.

Klavetter worked on the PPP America's Great Outdoors Initiative, centered around the Laramie Plains.

Paperwork was submitted to purchase a F250 Pickup and sell old Chevy plow truck.

Klavetter and Rooke, learned collection procedures and Rooke is now the collection officer.

Cade, USGS traveled to the Refuge to discuss the analysis and paper for the vegetative transect data.

Timberman continued participating on the 'Green Team' for the upcoming conference in Madison, WI in July.

Johnson and Klavetter completed Aviation training online.

Timberman attended a Laramie Audubon meeting, she presented the new Hutton Lake brochure, which the members appreciated.

Timberman attended the annual LE Inservice in Arizona.

#### IV. Problems

The new office boiler had some problems during the month, Boyd and Klavetter were able to get it up and running before the building got to cold.

#### V. Public Relations

OMP – Timberman (1)

JCOOutdoorEdNetwork – Klavetter (1)

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