Morrow County Local Work Group Meeting Notes 3/2/2022

**Attendance:**
Morrow Co NRCS Employees
Moco SWCD
MoCo FSA
ODF
Brittany Mills (ODA)
Mark McElligott
Duane Nieffer
Steve Cherry (ODFW)
Eric Orem

**Partners Updates:**
ODF (Brandon) – employee introductions,
Wheeler/Morrow Community grant for 1-5 acre properties for $300/600 an acre

SWCD (Kevin)
OWEB small grants
Large grants
BDAs – 40+
ODA – SIA Willow Creek & Hinton Creek, watershed projects
Fence $$ to spend
  - Field visit tours to see a completed DBA? In the works.

FSA (Blair)
CRP signups deadline March 11th
ARC/PLC deadline the 15th
ODFW (Steve)

Fence projects ongoing funding has been mostly allocated - $ for small portions possibly
Contact them for wildlife needs, questions, etc.

Resource Concerns and the Future

Mark – Juniper removal on forest land

Duane – thinning difficulty: flagging needed off county roads, USDA slaughterhouses/butchers not easily accessible

Brandon – private land burning: need an ODF permit, contingency plan, etc.

Kahler & Ellis burning adjacent to Umatilla NF (Penland, Cutsforth, Blake Ranch, etc.)