

Colorado Cave Survey Meeting Agenda
2:00 pm, January 26th, 2008
Cave of the Winds Visitor Center
Manitou Springs, Colorado

I CCS COMMITTEES & PROJECTS

- 1. Colorado Cave Survey Data Files Committee (C. Bern, M. Morey)**
 - a. Colorado Cave Surveyor Database (S. Marlatt)
Data collected on 69 caves. DB includes records on almost 500 surveyors.
 - b. Colorado Cave Ownership Database (R. Rhinehart)
Had initial contact with the managers of the Rifle Falls State Park in early October.
- 2. Elephant Mountain Caves Committee (C. Bern, R. Rhinehart)**
 - a. Report from current committee.
 - b. Need to appoint new committee.
- 3. Steamboat Sulfur Cave Project (R. Rhinehart; F. Luizer, M. Frazier)**
- 4. Dinosaur National Monument Caves Project (R. Rhinehart, D. Davis)**
 - a. Rick received final approval of submitted report from the park superintendent (1/25).

II CCS MANAGED-ACCESS CAVES

- 1. Groaning Cave**
 - * No issues with visitation during 2007.
 - * Tonya is actively planning the route-flagging project for this summer.
- 2. LaSunder Cave**
 - * No issues with visitation during 2007. (Nothing new since October meeting)
 - * Should we consider re-allocating trips?
Currently: 10/year = 2/grotto (FRG, NCG, CG, SCMG, TG)
Propose: 10/year = 1/grotto (FRG, NCG, CG, SCMG, TG, CWSG, RCG) + 3 open
Note – we didn't get anywhere near 10 trips in 2007.
- 3. Fly & Marble Caves (R. Rhinehart)**
 - * There are 245 signed waivers on file (and two unsigned waivers).
 - * Most common cities listed for the contact --
Colorado Springs Metro – 101, Denver Metro – 4, Pueblo Metro - 14
 - * There are a significant number of out of state emergency contacts include in the list, but this probably is misleading, in that parents are often noted as the contact.
 - * Statistically few cavers from north of Colorado Springs or from western Colorado are currently included in the waiver list.
 - * Interestingly, numerous minors are included in the waivers, suggesting these caves are appealing to parents with children. This may be a result of the Cave of the Winds greatly restricting access to minor cavers in recent years.
 - * The installation of registers in the entrance chambers of both caves will be helpful in better tracking trips. My records of scheduled trips since January 1, 2007 indicate 22. Other cave

access reps undoubtedly have scheduled trips, too, of which I do not have a record. Registers will allow for better tracking of trips, as well as provide additional statistical information, such as the length of trips underground and the total number of persons participating. The Survey should act on building and installing such registers prior to the beginning of the new year.

III OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Memorandum of Understanding with White River National Forest**
Status of MOU the CCS and WRNF (Talk to Rich Doak).
- 2. Deep Creek Canyon**
Current status of lower Deep Creek Wild-and-Scenic River designation.
- 3. Wilson Cave**
Status of Red Canyon Grotto management.
- 4. Clear Creek Canyon Cave (Andrea Croskrey)**
Status, upcoming trip with Jeffco officials.

IV NEW BUSINESS

- 1. New Guided Caving Service**
“Colorado Guided Underground Adventures,” of Glenwood Springs.
(<http://www.coloradocavingtrips.com/home>)
Website mentions “Caves with names such as Groaning Cave , Fixin' to Die, Hubbards Cave, Spring Cave and Cave of the Clouds,” but their tour descript looks like they are just going to Fulford.
Carl has contacted Rich Doak asking about whether they have a permit.
- 2. CCS Website – do we need a new hosting?**
- 3. Election of New CCS Chair/Vice-Chair**
Nominations

2008 Representatives to CCS

Grotto	Representatives	Email
Colorado Grotto	Chair: Rick Speaect	Rick-at-perryandterry-dot-com.
	Survey Rep: Stuart Marlatt	Stuart_Marlatt-at-comcast-dot-net
Front Range Grotto	Chair: Carl Bern	cbern5-at-juno-dot-com
	Survey Rep: Dan Bryce	dbryce-at-HPD-dash-online-dot-com
Northern Colorado Grotto	Chair: Frank Leskinen	
	Survey Rep: Jim Lawton	quinoa-at-verinet-dot-com
Southern Colorado Mountain Grotto	Chair: Jonny Slumpff	Jonny-at-answergurus-dot-com
	Survey Rep: LP Lawrence	gdc4lp-at-comcast-dot-net
Timberline Grotto	Chair: Ken Newton	knewton-at-rfsd-dot-k12-dot-co-dot-us]
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Updates???? Please let me know!