

Creating Nimble and Effective Collaborations for Sustainable Results

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Fire, Landscapes, Wildlife & People: Building Alliances for Restoring Ecosystem Resilience

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Collaboration

Align interests

Mobilize resources

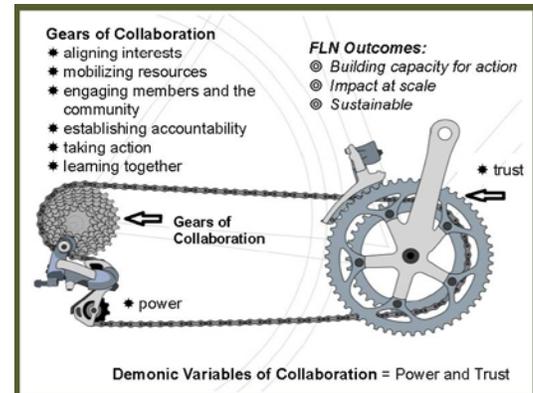
Engage members and the community

Establish accountability

Take action

Learn together

Solve trust and power imbalances



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Collaboration Lessons Learned

Fire Learning Network Quick List of 10

1. Send the **right people** to the collaboration.
2. **Commit** to the process.
3. Start with a **shared mission and vision** that the collaboration can agree on (even if it is simple to start with).
4. Ensure that the process is **open, inclusive, transparent, accessible**, and tailored to local needs.
5. **Everyone** has something to share and something to learn. Co-learning changes relationships.
6. **Playing nice** with others and sharing your toys matters.
7. Keep the commitments that you make. Ultimately success is about **relationships**.
8. Incorporate **food, fun, and field** co-learning opportunities.
9. **Implement** the projects; nothing undermines a collaboration more than not getting to implementation.
10. It's a team effort. You succeed, fail, and evolve as a team. **Share** leadership and credit.



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