



Northwest Fire Learning Network

Collaborative Forestry Workshop

November 28-30, 2012 Bend, OR

“Increasing the Pace and Scale of Forest Restoration”

Wednesday, November 28, 2012		
11:45 am	Lunch provided	
12:00 – 12:45 pm	Innovation for Transformation of the Dry Forest Zone Forest System Mike Jones , environmental management consultant, Resilience Alliance Connectors Program	(SLIDES)
12:45 - 1:00 pm	Break	
1:00 pm	Increasing the Pace and Scale of Restoration in Frequent Fire Forests? Opening of the Northwest Fire Learning Network Workshop-Welcoming Remarks Mark Stern , The Nature Conservancy Alan Unger , Deschutes County Commissioner	
1:20 pm Presenter: 20 minutes Q&A: 5 minutes	Defining the Scope and Scale of the “Dry Side Frequent Fire Forests – LANDFIRE Successional Departure Analyses” How big is the problem? What does this mean to individual forests? What is current rate of treatment? Darren Borgias , SW Oregon Program Director, The Nature Conservancy Chris Zanger , Forest Analyst, The Nature Conservancy	(SLIDES)
1:45 – 2:10 20 minutes Q&A: 5minutes	Wildfire and Fuels Management—Trends, Costs and Management Strategies for Dry Side Forests in Region 6 Bill Aney , Regional Fuels Specialist, US Forest Service	(SLIDES)
2:10 pm Presenter: 20 minutes Panelists: 5 minutes each Q&A: 10 minutes	Costs and Benefits of Doubling Acres Treated in Dry Public-Land Forests of Oregon—National Forest Health Restoration Assessment by Federal Forest Advisory Council Presenter: Matt Krumenauer , Oregon Department of Energy Panel: Mark Webb , Judge, Grant County Paul Barnum , Executive Director, Oregon Forests Resource Institute Curt Qual , Partnership Coordinator, Malheur National Forest John Fullerton , Boise-Cascade	
3:00 – 3:15	Break	
3:15-3:40 pm Presenter: 15 minutes Q&A: 10 minutes	Funding & Support for Oregon’s Collaborative Groups Oregon Legislative Policy Option Package Brett Brownscombe , Governor’s Natural Resources Policy Advisor	(SLIDES)





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3:40 - 5:00 pm	<p>Accomplishments & Breakthroughs by Collaborative Groups in Oregon and Washington</p> <p>Presenters: 8 minutes each</p> <p>Key strategies and innovations that have led to increased agreement and implementation of restoration treatments; advances that would likely benefit other groups to learn about.</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <p>Jim Walls, Lakeview Stewardship Group</p> <p>Pete Caligiuri, Deschutes Collaborative Forest Project</p> <p>Emily Jane Davis, Ochoco Forest Collaborative</p> <p>Patrick Shannon, Blue Mountains Forest Partners</p> <p>Mike Billman, Harney County Restoration Collaborative</p> <p>Lindsay Warness/Elaine Eisenbraun, Umatilla Forest Collaborative Group</p> <p>Nils Christoffersen, Wallowa Whitman-Forest Collaborative Group</p> <p>George McKinley, SW Oregon Collaborative Groups: Southern Oregon Forest Restoration Collaborative, Applegate Partnership, Ashland Forest Resiliency and others</p> <p>Reese Lolley, Tapash Sustainable Forest Collaborative</p> <p>Lloyd McGee, Northeast Washington Forestry Coalition</p>	<p>(SLIDES)</p> <p>(SLIDES)</p> <p>(SLIDES)</p> <p>(SLIDES)</p> <p>(SLIDES)</p> <p>(SLIDES)</p> <p>(SLIDES)</p> <p>(SLIDES)</p>
5:00 -5:30 pm	Break	
5:30- 7:00 pm	<p>Reception for Dry Forest Investment Zone Capacity Building Program and the Northwest Fire Learning Network Workshops</p> <p>Hosted and Sponsored by Oregon Forest Resources Institute, Federal Forest Advisory Committee-Implementation Work Group, Oregon Solutions, Sustainable NW and The Nature Conservancy</p> <p>Welcoming remarks:</p> <p>Paul Barnum, Executive Director, Oregon Forest Resources Institute</p> <p>Phil Chang, Program Administrator, Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council</p>	





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7:00 am	Breakfast Buffet	
Session I. Ecological Foundations of Dry Forest Restoration		
8:00 am	Introduction to the Day	
8:10 am	Integration of Ecological Principles and Landscape Ecology into “Dry Forest” Restoration Presenters: Penelope Morgan, Theresa Jain & Camille Stevens-Rumann , University of Idaho: Fire, Vegetation and Resilient, Functioning Forests of the Past and Future Bill Gaines , Washington Conservation Science Institute: Integrating Wildlife into a Landscape-Scale Strategy on East Side Forests Richy Harrod , Okanogan Wenatchee NF: Okanogan-Wenatchee Restoration Strategy–Making it Work Ed Reilly , Medford BLM (retired): Rogue Basin Assessment Strategy–Developing a Cohesive Restoration Strategy	(SLIDES) (SLIDES) (SLIDES) (SLIDES)
10:00 am	Break	
10:15 am	Restoration Principles & Prescriptions for Dry Forests: Field Guide to Treatments & Prescriptions , Black Hills Project, Fremont-Winema NF Jerry Franklin , University of Washington Norm Johnson , Oregon State University Will Hatcher , Director Natural Resources, Klamath Tribes Derek Churchill , University of Washington Keala Hagmann , University of Washington	(NOTES) (SLIDES) (SLIDES)
12:00 pm	Lunch provided	
Session II. Getting Restoration Done on the Ground		
1:00 pm	Getting Projects to Larger Scale: Challenges and Opportunities for Planning and Implementation at the 100,000-acre Scale; or Other Strategies for Completing NEPA Efficiently Panel: Mike Lawrence , Chiloquin/Acting Chemult District Ranger, Fremont-Winema NF: The Bluejay Vegetation Restoration Project Terry Fairbanks , Silviculturist, Medford BLM: Integrated Vegetation Management Programmatic EA Tim Foley , Environmental Coordinator, Crescent Ranger District, Deschutes NF: Big Marsh Ecosystem Services Project Dave Heflick , Conservation Northwest: East Wedge Third Party EA, Colville NF Susan Jane Brown , Western Environmental Law Center: Legal Perspective Janet Plocharsky , Environmental Coordinator, Malheur NF: A Forest Perspective	(MAP) (SLIDES) (SLIDES)





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2:15 pm Presenters: 10 minutes each Q&A 20 minutes	<p>Economic costs, benefits, challenges and opportunities of ecological forestry</p> <p>Tools to make restoration economical and to sustain industry in a restoration economy</p> <p>Topic 1: Needs and Constraints—Supply, volume, piece size, markets, logging and hauling costs and how they affect the economic viability of restoration</p> <p>Panel: Mike Billman, Malheur Lumber Co.: Mill Perspective Paul Harlan, Collins Pine Co.: Mill and Private Timberland Owner Marko Bey, Lomakatsi Restoration Project: Workforce Manager Viewpoint Steve Orange, Sisters Ranger District, Deschutes NF: Timber Sales Administrator</p>	(SLIDES) (SLIDES)
3:15-3:30	Break	
3:30 pm Panelists: 12-15 minutes each Q&A 15- 30 minutes	<p>Topic 2: Opportunities—Is there a need to balance the economics and science of forest restoration? And if so, how do you do it?</p> <p>Panel: Norm Johnson, Oregon State University Tom Partin, American Forest Resources Council Cass Moseley, Ecosystem Workforce Program, University of Oregon Andy Kerr, The Larch Company Randy Gould, District Ranger, Prairie City, Malheur NF</p>	(SLIDES)
5:00 pm	Adjourn - Dinner on your own	

Friday November 30, 2012		
7:00 am	Breakfast Buffet	
Session III.	Challenges and Opportunities	
8:00 am	Introduction to the day	
8:10 am Presenters: 10 minutes each Q&A: 20 minutes	<p>Post-fire management and restoration</p> <p>What is the appropriate role for harvest in post-fire restoration?</p> <p>Panel: Jerry Franklin & Norm Johnson, University of Washington, Oregon State Univ. Rick Brown, Conservation Biologist Tim Lillebo, Oregon Wild Jody Perozzi, Fremont-Winema National Forest Paul Harlan, Collins Pine Co. Susan Jane Brown, Western Environmental Law Center</p>	





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	<p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How do we think about restoration once these dense stands we were about to thin have been killed by fire? b) What does the science call for? c) Is there any common ground? d) What science needs done to resolve these issues? e) Where do we go from here?
<p>9:30 am</p> <p>Panelists: 8-10 minutes each</p> <p>Q&A- 10 minutes</p>	<p>U.S. Forest Service and Oregon’s collaborative groups Working together to accelerate restoration: a two way street</p> <p>Panel:</p> <p>Kristie Miller, Sister’s District Ranger, Deschutes NF (NOTES)</p> <p>Lindsay Warness, Forest Policy Analyst, Boise-Cascade</p> <p>Jim Walls, Executive Director, Lake County Resources Initiative</p> <p>Phil Chang, Program Administrator, Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council</p> <p>Curt Qual, Partnership Coordinator, Malheur NF</p> <p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) What would improve the working relationship/interactions? b) Have we achieved adequate agreement and trust? c) Do we need to collaborate on the dry Ponderosa Pine & dry mixed conifer? d) Does the USFS really listen to collaboratives?
10:30	Break
<p>10:45 am</p> <p>7-8 Breakout Groups</p>	<p>Tying the Pieces Together – What did we hear? The Principles and You - Small group discussions and roll up</p> <p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Are there pieces missing? b) What are you already doing? c) What can you use? d) What contacts do you need to implement components of this strategy e) Is there benefit in annual meeting of Forest Collaboratives?
11:45 am	Wrap Up
12:00 pm	Adjourn Box lunches available

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