

National Wildfire Crisis Strategy Roundtable Agenda

Day 1 Opening Meeting: Thursday, February 3, 2022, 2:00 – 4:00 pm EST

Day 2 Partner Roundtable: Friday, February 4, 2022, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm EST

Day 3 Employee Roundtable: Wednesday, February 9, 2022, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm EST

Meeting Goals

Wildfires in the U.S. have been growing in size, duration, and destruction over the past 20 years, reaching crisis proportions in the West. This national emergency calls for decisive actions to protect people and communities and improve forest health and resilience. In response, the USDA Forest Service is developing a comprehensive 10-Year Strategic Implementation Plan with employees and partners to support the management and restoration of millions of acres of land toward improved forest health and watershed function and the protection of human infrastructure.

To facilitate the development of this plan, the Forest Service, in coordination with the National Forest Foundation, is hosting roundtable discussions in each of the nine Forest Service regions as well as nationally to engage employees and partners in the process. The goals of the Roundtable are to:

- Share information, goals, and timelines for the 10-Year Strategic Implementation Plan;
- Collect partner and employee input to inform the Plan;
- Provide an opportunity for dialogue among Forest Service leaders and partners to identify key needs and opportunities of the Plan; and
- Gauge on-going levels of interest and determine ways to leverage that interest and energy.

Meeting Materials

- 10-year strategy: [Confronting the Wildfire Crisis: A New Strategy for Protecting Communities and Improving Resilience in America's Forests](#)
- [Implementation plan](#)
- [Confronting the Wildfire Crisis](#) (USDA Forest Service website)

Day 1: Opening Kickoff for All Invited Partners and Employees

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER
2:00 pm	Welcome & Introductions (5 min.) Housekeeping & Agenda Review	NFF Facilitator
2:05	Welcome and Opening Remarks (20 min.) Forest Service (15 min) and U.S. Department of Agriculture (5min)	Randy Moore , Forest Service Chief Meryl Harrel , Deputy Undersecretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA
2:25	10-year Strategic Implementation Plan Overview <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goals, process, and timeline for the Plan • Focus, phased approach to implementation, future engagement opportunities • Intent of congress, accountability to BID • Why this meeting is important to us, how we will use information in development of Implementation Plan 	Jaelith Hall-Rivera , Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry Brian Ferebee , Chief Executive of Intergovernmental Relations
2:50	Question and Answers with Leadership (20 min.) Chief Moore Angela Coleman Brian Ferebee Deputy Chiefs: Chris French, NFS Jaelith Hall-Rivera, SPF Alex Friend, R&D Tony Dixon, Bus Ops Leslie Weldon, WEPO	NFF Facilitator Forest Service Leadership
3:10	Recognizing what we've heard and overview of Roundtables (15 min. presentation, 10 min on roundtable set up, 10 min questions)	Wildfire Risk Reduction Implementation Team National Forest Foundation
3:45	Closing Remarks (10 min.)	Angela Coleman , Forest Service Associate Chief
3:55	Next Steps (5 min)	NFF Facilitator
4:00 pm	ADJOURN	

Partner and Employee Roundtables (Days 2 and 3)

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER(S)
10:00 am	Welcome & Introductions (10 min.) Housekeeping & Agenda Review	NFF Facilitator
10:10	Welcome and Opening Remarks (5 min.)	Brian Ferebee , Chief Executive of Intergovernmental Relations
10:15	Breakout Sessions Round 1 (45 min.) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Science Behind Wildfire Risk Reduction 2. Cross-Boundary Partnerships 3. Workforce and Market Capacities 4. Outcome-Based Prioritization and Metrics of Success 5. Amplifying Efforts in Support of Equity and Inclusion 	
11:00	BREAK (15 min.)	
11:15	Breakout Sessions Round 2 (45 min.) (Repeat the process above)	
12:00 pm	LUNCH (60 min.)	
1:00	Move Into Breakout Groups (5 min.)	
1:05	Breakout Sessions Round 3 (45 min.) (Repeat the process above)	
1:50	BREAK (10 min.)	
2:00	Report outs by Breakout Group Facilitators (30 min.)	
2:30	Closing Comments (15 min.)	Brian Ferebee , Chief Executive of Intergovernmental Relations Meryl Harrell , Deputy Undersecretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA
3:00 pm	ADJOURN	