

Environmental Analysis & Decision-Making Region 6 Roundtable

February 22-23, 2018 – Portland, OR



Abbreviated Agenda:

10:00 a.m. Welcome and Meeting Overview

10:20 a.m. National Overview and Introduction of

EADM Effort – Chris French

11:05 a.m. Regional Overview and Perspectives on

EADM Effort

12:15 p.m. Lunch on your own

1:30 p.m. Small group reflections and sharing

2:30 p.m. Break

2:45 p.m. Break-out Session #1

4:15 p.m. Summarize and Closeout for the Day

4:45 pm. Adjourn



Region 6 EADM Cadre Members:

- Julia Riber Regional Office, Director
- Julie Knutson Regional Office, Environmental Coordinator
- Christy Merritt Regional Office, Environmental Coordinator
- James Capurso Regional Office, Fisheries Biologist
- Jane Beaulieu Umpqua NF, Environmental Coordinator
- Joe Rausch Malheur NF, Forest Botanist
- Kris Stein Wallowa-Whitman NF, District Ranger
- Kristen McBride Deschutes NF, Staff Officer
- Mike Williams Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, Forest Supervisor
- Steve Beverlin Malheur NF, Forest Supervisor
- Steve Gibson Ochoco NF, Range Program
- Yewah Lau Olympic NF, District Ranger
- Ben Goodin Fremont-Winema NF, Range Program
- Clint Emerson Rogue River-Siskiyou NF, Botanist



Talk to your Neighbors

 What do you see as barriers to efficient and effective environmental analysis and decisionmaking by the Forest Service?

 What innovations or solutions could help improve the efficiency or effectiveness of the Forest Service's environmental analysis and decision-making?



Small Group Discussion Topics - Day 1

- 1. **Training**: How can we prepare or equip Forest Service staff to conduct environmental analysis and decision-making in ways that enable us to care for the land and serve people more effectively?
- 2. Policy: How can the Forest Service reform our policies to improve implementation of the National Environmental Policy Act and other environmental laws?
- **3. Technology**: How can the Forest Service use technology to modernize, simplify, or standardize public engagement opportunities or other aspects of environmental analysis and decision-making?
- **4. Performance:** What performance measures can the Forest Service use to strengthen accountability and assess the efficacy of environmental analysis and decision-making?
- **5. Consultation**: How can the Forest Service improve our consultation processes under the Endangered Species Act, National Historic Preservation Act, or other laws to improve interagency communication and enhance transparency?

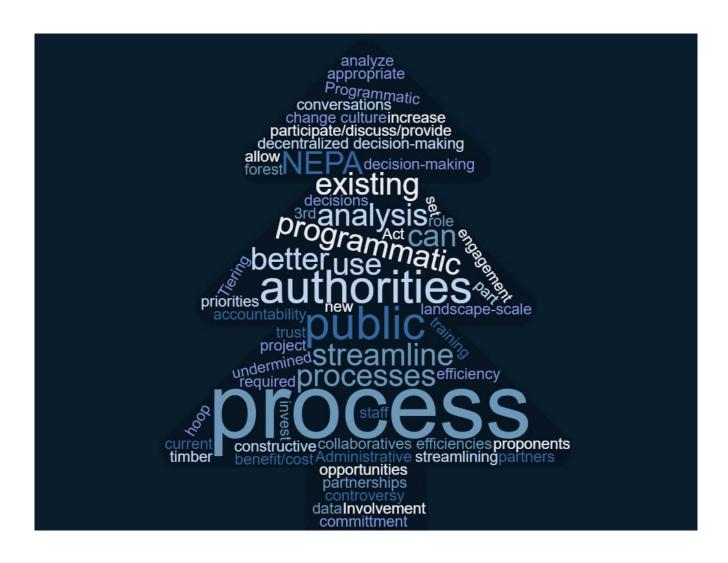


Barriers & Challenges, in your own words:

muchUSFS data planning takes content mechanisms outdated personnel designation efficiency contracts superfluous discussion weak trade-offs prioritizing skills manager



Opportunities & Solutions, in your own words:





Small Group Discussion Topics - Day 2

"World Café" style – Be ready to rotate to different tables!

- 1. Rulemaking Process: What points in the process are important for focused engagement (e.g., are participants focused on formal comment process? Information sharing? Etc.)
- 2. In-person engagements: Are there upcoming events (meetings, workshops, conferences, etc.) that you know about that might be a good opportunity to share and discuss EADM efforts?
- **3. Targeted outreach:** Who else should be engaged who is not in the room?
- **4. Leveraging partner networks:** What can each participant commit to do within our own networks to support further engagement? (For example, serve as a point of contact for a meeting).

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