

CFLR Planning Meeting Notes

Tuesday September 9, 2014

USFS Plumas National Forest Conference Room

1:00-3:00pm

1:00-1:30—Welcome, introductions, updates since last meeting

Nils Lunder, Mike DeLasaux, Nancy Francine, Ryan Tompkins, Ryan Bauer, Don Fregulia, and Darrel Jury attended (Darrel was representing the Plumas Audubon Society)

1:30-2:00—

- Potential outreach materials for website-Video interviews, maps, stories from the public regarding how forest conditions impact their lives.
 - The group agreed that the new website should be developed by reviewing existing collaborative websites.**
 - If a video is developed, it should document active forest management, show action, not just talking heads.**
 - All agreed that dynamic maps should be used to engage people and to also provide them with a platform to share their stories and concerns about local forest management.**
 - Darrel mentioned that they have been using a GoPro camera to do time lapse photography of the forest thinning work.**
 - Ryan Bauer has a connection with a film crew that developed Chasing Ice, and that he would be willing to see if they may be a resource for future outreach materials.**
 - Perhaps a local high school student could be recruited to help to develop outreach materials as a part of their senior project.**
- Potential outreach venues: public meetings, field tours with community members, community events

2:00-2:30—

- Potential funding sources for the implementation of fuels reduction projects across the forest;
 - Collaborative burning project such as the effort underway in Genesee Valley should be used to leverage available funding, to engage local communities, to get residents out doing work and developing their sense of their connection to the landscape. The Genesee Valley project is a model of how long term relationships between private landowners (FRLT and Bob Beckwith), the USFS, NRCS and other partners are paying off.**
- Integrating this CFLR effort with current ecosystem management priorities, projects, plans.

-GTR 220, GTR 237, these technical reports should be used to support our CFLR effort and the need for improving forest management techniques.

-Darrel Jury let the group know about a project that is being developed between the FRC, the NRCS and the Greenville Indian Rancheria. This project would provide funds to the GIR to do forest stewardship on FRC lands with funds from the NRCS.

-Ryan Tompkins inquired about the current relationship between NRCS and the PC FSC, we discussed how that relationship may develop over time and how the two groups may be able to engage a variety of local landowners.

-Need to connect with the LNF to gather info about their out year projects in Plumas County

-Potential Funding Sources:

- The SNC has funded these projects in the past, but require CEQA, sometimes there are gaps between CEQA and NEPA
- We need to identify money for planning and coordination
- We should cultivate a relationship with the SNC and let them know about this effort
- Pursue funding form National Forest Foundation, Cap and Trade, SRA, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- Apply for crews from the California Conservation Corps and perhaps the California Department of Corrections
- How do we overcome obstacles to progress?
 - Litigation
 - Sierra Forest Legacy (Craig Thomas) needs to be invited into this process
 - Same goes for the John Muir Project
 - Public engagement
 - Creative outreach materials, maps, getting folks to the table
 - Politics
 - Take advantage of local efforts to prioritize forest management.
 - Take advantage of increased awareness of the drought and corresponding impacts on forest health, wildfire potential and plant stress.

2:30-3:00—

- List of deliverables for next meeting; delegating tasks;

Nils will work to get a webpage up and running for next meeting, will also develop base maps

Ryan Tompkins will reserve the conference room

Nancy Francine will contact Kit Mullen of the LNF Hat Creek RD and try to get her scheduled to participate in a conference call during our next meeting to discuss lessons learned from the Burney Gardens project. She will also invite other line officers.

Next meeting is scheduled for October 14