

Washington Forest Collaborative Summit

Objectives for Summit

- Networking and Education
- Enhance the ability of collaborative partners and agencies to work together
- Share forest collaborative innovations and lessons learned
- Articulate role of collaboratives in Shared Stewardship Investment Strategy

Day 1: Wednesday, November 6th, 2019

| 9:30am | Welcome Coffee and light snacks will be provided |
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| 10am | What is (and isn't) the Shared Stewardship Investment Strategy? In May, the USDA Forest Service, Washington Department of Nature Resources, and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife signed an MOU about a Shared Stewardship Investment Strategy. How will the Strategy impact how collaborative projects are planned, funded, and implemented? |
| 11-12pm | Policy Panel The panel will share recent developments in state and Federal policy. |
| 12-1pm | Lunch Lunch will be provided. |
| 1-2:30pm | Forest Collaboratives and Shared Stewardship This working breakout will build on the conversations from the previous afternoon. How should collaboratives engage with the Shared Stewardship Investment Strategy? How should statewide priorities be defined and used? The first half |

of this session will be breakouts where we will examine these questions through the lens of specific issues. The second half will bring everyone together to identify key recommendations and next steps.

2:30-2:45 **Break**

2:45-4:15pm *Breakout Sessions*

Appraisal, Contracting, and Implementation

Once a collaborative project is through NEPA, how does it get implemented? What are important factors for perspective contractors? In this breakout session we will discuss how forest collaboratives can plan for this stage of before, during, and after a project goes out to bid to ensure work gets done in a way that meets everyone's expectations.

Fire, Early Seral Habitat, and Refugia

Speakers will present research on the role of refugia in early seral habitat. The breakout session will then discuss two examples of collaboratives engaging the topic of early seral and post-fire management: SGPC's early seral project and 2) NEWFC & NWCHFC's Post-Fire Restoration Principles.

4:15-5pm **Networking**

6pm No host reception and dinner

Location TBD

Day 2: Thursday, November 7th

8:30am Welcome

Coffee & light snacks provided

9-10am **Keynote**

Glenn Casamassa, Regional Forester (Invited)

10-10:15 **Break**

10:15am-11:45pm

Bringing Monitoring to Scale

Monitoring is important: 1) for adaptive management, learning from each project so you can achieve what you set out to do; 2) for building social license and trust within the collaborative process; 3) on a larger scale for understanding how state and regional policies are coalescing into high level outcomes. Despite this importance, monitoring is challenging, expensive, and often takes years to come to fruition. What is the right amount of monitoring for a project? How should stand-level and state-level monitoring protocols connect?

11:15-12pm

Closing Remarks

12pm

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