

 <p>Front Range Roundtable Public Treatment Partnership</p>	<p>Monthly Meeting</p>	<p>Wildlife Working Team</p>
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Meeting Name	Monthly Meeting #16
Meeting Date	Tuesday, January 21, 2014
Meeting Time	10:00 AM - 11:30 AM MDT
Venue	GoTo Meeting
Attendees	Terra Lenihan (Beh Consulting), Rick Truex (US Forest Service), Casey Cooley (Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife), Lynne Deibel (US Forest Service, ARP), Felix Quesada (US Forest Service, PSICC), Jenny Briggs (US Geological Survey), Steve Germaine (US Geological Survey)

Meeting Notes

1) Welcome and Ice Breaker

2) Update from the 2/12/14 LR team Wildlife Working Team Presentation:

- a. Lynne and Rick provided an update from last week’s Wildlife team progress presentation to the LR team. Lynne mentioned that we have good support from the LR team. Casey added that the LR team in general thought it was a really good product. Questions were easily answered. Question topics included more details about the ecological importance rating, even/uneven age structures, and what happens with the monitoring data. Also what will happen this summer?
- b. Budget is expected to be finalized mid-March to early April. Until then we are working on getting things in place, such as the RMBO contract, so that when the budget is finalized monitoring can begin. Rick said we are one piece of the “pie,” along with CSE, CFRI, etc.
- c. Rick showed the presentation that he gave to the LR team. He walked the LR team through the logic behind our framework, and discussed the CFLR+ scale that we are using, and that seems to work well with the LR team’s current framework.
- d. Rick said that the core Wildlife team will disband around June.
- e. Jenny suggested taking a summarized version of this presentation to different (academic) departments on the Front Range to show them the overview; let them know we’re actively interested in facilitating (not funding) some of this work. Develop outreach strategy. Rick suggested we need to be sure we have a unified discreet strategy for these opportunities. It’s already in the Tier 2 long-term planning. Jenny also suggested we think about 3rd party/data stewarding to work on the long-term analysis/trend that the FS is interested in. (i.e. RMBO, University of Montana).
- f. Rick thought it would be nice to have a graphic artist create a “demo” of our Tier 1 species to visually display in the report. Jenny can talk to her colleague that is a PhotoShop expert.
- g. Jenny asked if LR folks wanted to see more representation from ground species. No, we didn’t get that specific feedback.

- h. For Tier 2 species Steve and Jenny will talk about a possible role with the USGS. Look at programmatic themes like Healthy Landscapes and Climate that USGS could follow through on. They would be a good candidate.
- 3) Implementation:** The group talked about how to get implementation going. What do we do internally?
- a. Need funding by April 1.
 - b. Need to keep final report progressing.
 - c. Think more about squirrels (mechanics).
 - d. Work on agreements
 - e. Lynne – call for availability for getting these mechanics going in the next 2 weeks.
 - Janelle getting some information and she'll be ready to go.
 - Steve interested at some level.
 - Rick to work with Lynne and Janelle on process.
 - Rick to work with Steve on talking about ideas.
 - f. Lynne discussed grants and agreements process. She will continue to work on this and report back as needed.
 - g. Paula Fornwalt would be able to help facilitate working with Brian Linkhart; his work with flammulated owls in the Manitou Forest.
- 4) Next Steps:**
- a. **Lynne** continue to work on RMBO agreement.
 - ~~b. Rick to send his presentation to the team/Terra to post to website.~~
 - c. **Jenny** and **Steve** brainstorm about what they could suggest to their seniors. Think about analysis, publication, etc.
 - For Tier 2 species, talk about a possible role with the USGS.
 - d. **Janelle, Lynne and Rick**– talk about GIS sampling protocol in next 2 weeks.
 - Set up time/date to look at GIS data before March meeting. Work together – **Rick** get grid from Jake Ivan.
 - **Felix** can work with **Janelle** on the GIS work.
 - **Janelle** check on the date of her AR data.
 - **Rick** and **Steve** to discuss.
 - e. **Entire team** look at the suggestions and provide feedback in March (?).
 - f. **Lynne** and **Casey** finish implementation table – work with Casey on finishing that up.
 - Work with **Jenny** and **Felix** on filling out more details in the table in (i.e. tree squirrels)
 - g. **Writing team** – next couple of weeks to next few months (on hold until late April)