

## Greys River Forest Collaborative

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### Issues

- \*Find ways to increase understanding and support for state and federal management programs in interactive ways that use multi-media that is clear and understandable
- WSAs – convert to multiple use
- Designated roadless – shrink to treat forests
- Find a way to increase flexibility and capacity for active forest management – increase toolbox
- ESA – would it stop us from doing treatments?
- Abundance of conifer encroachment (e.g., in aspen, riparian and sagebrush areas)
- Noxious weeds and annual invasive grasses
- Wildland-urban interface and different needs for treatments to address (e.g., human safety)
- Identify localities where we want treatment, their purpose(s) and outcomes (vegetation, wildlife, recreation, motorized, non-motorized, economic, access)
- \*More functional sustainable trails that don't encourage erosion (use partnerships to help maintain/repair trails)
- \*Decrease dead, bug-infested trees and increase live trees
- \*Find ways to engage the public in restoring forests
- \*Find ways to retain more water in the system
- \*Find ways to fund the USFS to increase capacity for multiple use projects (explore various ways to secure money to support programs)
- Reduce fish passage issues (e.g., culverts)
- Improved roads
- Improved access for recreation
- \*Can anything be done about insects and disease?
- Comprehensive roads and trails program
- Consider wildlife and wildlife disturbance/contact
- \*Address lack of public education and outreach and awareness (efficient use of existing information outlets)
- Instill a sense of public stewardship
- Improved signage
- \*Support volunteerism
- \*Take advantage of social media for information sharing
- \*Hazard trees
- \*Wildland-urban interface (fuel reduction) – Community Wildfire Protection Plan
- \*Long-term forest resiliency
- Balancing commercial operations, wildlife, and outdoor recreation
- How to balance increased tourism and its associated impacts

- Logging versus forest health
- Interactions with NGOs?
- Decisions being tied up in litigation
- \*Funding
- Adverse potential impacts of roads and logging on wildlife
- Manage for a mixed-species forest
- Access versus impact on wildlife (i.e., seasonal considerations)
- \*Maintenance of riparian areas
- Enforcement of use guidelines
- \*Lack of looped trails and trail connectivity
- \*Trail maintenance (trail degradation, downed timber)
- Increased traffic and people driving too fast
- \*Maintaining water quality and fish passage through forest health and road maintenance (runoff and silt impacts on trout)
- Influx of visitors from Jackson
- Waste management (litter, trash, human waste from dispersed camping)
- Traffic from logging trucks
- Amount of use on Greys River Road