# **Greys River Forest Collaborative**

# February 16, 2017

### Welcome and introductions

Attendees: Dean Burnham, Tedd Jenkins, Judy Riede, Dave Fogle, Kent Connelly, Don Goetz, Byron Baker, Gary Fralick, Brook Lee, Mel Shumway, Chuck Butterfield, Chad Hayward, Adriene Holcomb, Kay Lynn Nield, Lloyd Baker, Jeremy Larsen, Marc Clark

• Presentation on the collaborative process. Available on website. (Jessica Western)

## Background

- History of forest collaboratives (Rich Stem)
  - This collaborative emerged from a recommendation made to the Governor's Task Force on Forests
  - o What does "healthy forests" mean?
    - Gary's definition: Vibrancy and resilience wildlife; multiple species and age classes of trees; resistance to pests, disease, fire
- Commitment of the USFS (Derek Ibarguen)
  - o Will do their best to incorporate GRFC's recommendations
  - Here to provide support and information needs of the GRFC
- National political climate (Rich Stem)
  - o Administration's emphases:
    - Infrastructure
    - Restoration
    - Changes to fire funding

## Discovery and review of interests

• Discussion around: "Why is forest health important to you in the Greys River?"

### Discovery and review of issues

• Discussion around: "What are the issues surrounding forest health in Greys River?"

### Review of draft process and timeline

• Aim for 6 meetings (reduced from 10) 9-3pm, meet monthly (changed from every other month), aim to finish in ~late September

### **Public comment**

• None