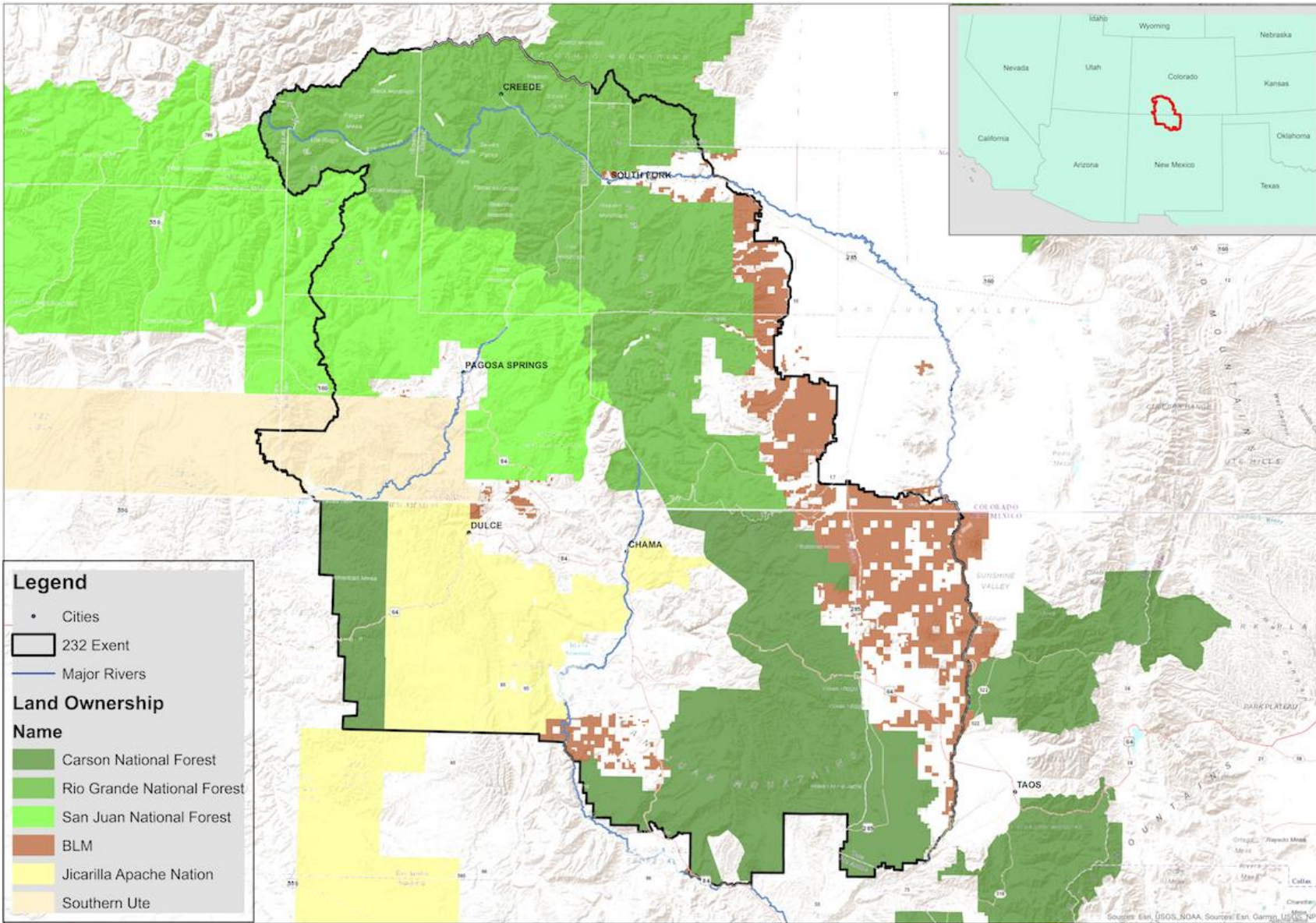


The 2-3-2 Committee Reports

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Committee Report Outs



2-3-2 Cohesive Strategy Partnership - Area Extent



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The 2-3-2

Goals:

We will collaborate across boundaries to:

- ▶ Develop smoother operations and responses to ecosystem changes
- ▶ Promote forest health across public/private boundaries
- ▶ Secure resilient water resources
- ▶ Support regional needs (planning)
- ▶ Promote public education & support
- ▶ Plan for group resiliency
- ▶ Work to restore fish and wildlife habitat connectivity
- ▶ Incorporate the best available science into land management practices

The 2-3-2

Committee Structure:

Primary Committees

- ▶ Steering Committee
- ▶ Executive Committee - Aaron Kimple

Sub-Committees

- ▶ Fire Management - Emily Hohman
- ▶ Biomass and Markets - Bill Trimarco
- ▶ Funding and Support (Now part of Executive Committee)
- ▶ Wildlife Connectivity (Currently with TRAM)
- ▶ Education & Outreach - Page Buono
- ▶ TRAM (technology, research, assessment, monitoring) - Anthony Culpepper

Executive Committee

GOALS

- ▶ Provide quick, nimble response to opportunities
- ▶ Lead grant coordination and money mapping among partners, draft letters of support, find matching funds, identify and work with the outreach committee to pursue PR opportunities,
- ▶ Optimize leverage efforts of the 2-3-2 partners
- ▶ Lead 2-3-2 events, presence (at outside events), planning
- ▶ Respond to legislative initiatives (draft letters for partners of the 2-3-2 to sign)
- ▶ Provide regular and ongoing support to program coordinator
- ▶ Review and support development of agendas

Executive Committee

2019 OUTCOMES

- ▶ Develop support structure for interaction between committees and increase committee efficiency
- ▶ Track and monitor 2-3-2 effectiveness
- ▶ Shared vision for landscape scale management
- ▶ Support landscape scale planning and implementation. Increased Pace, Scale, Effectiveness
- ▶ Develop long-term identity for the 2-3-2
- ▶ Articulate the importance of the 2-3-2 landscape to a broader audience
- ▶ Secure Long-Term funding for coordination of 2-3-2
- ▶ Support Partner efforts
- ▶ Answer the Call . . .

Executive Committee

2019 Action-Next Steps

- ▶ Develop a long-term goal and identity for the 2-3-2
 - ▶ **Strategic Planning session**
 - ▶ Including public/ private partners
 - ▶ Incorporate partner input - Questionnaire
 - ▶ Track and monitor 2-3-2 effectiveness
 - ▶ Develop long-term identity for the 2-3-2
 - ▶ Articulate the importance of the 2-3-2 landscape to a broader audience
 - ▶ Secure Long-Term funding for coordination of 2-3-2
- ▶ Support goals identified during Cross-boundary meeting
 - ▶ Shared vision for landscape scale management
 - ▶ **WORK TOGETHER**
- ▶ Support landscape scale planning and implementation. Increased Pace, Scale, Effectiveness
 - ▶ **District Ranger Meeting**
 - ▶ **PODS**
- ▶ Support Committee Efforts
 - ▶ Offer appropriate tools

Outreach & Education Committee

GOALS

- ▶ Facilitate communication between members of the 2-3-2 and to community members in the 2-3-2 region
- ▶ Support individuals and partnerships within the 2-3-2 Cohesive Strategy Partnership by promoting their work

Education and Outreach

2019 OUTCOMES

- ▶ Develop a template to expand outreach efforts to priority constituents
- ▶ Expand awareness of landscape and needs
- ▶ Invite new partners to participate from each community around meeting locations
- ▶ Work together to develop a communications strategy
- ▶ Conduct a listening tour to elevate stories of work conducted by members of the 2-3-2
- ▶ Identify opportunities to better tell the story of the 2-3-2 (audiences, venues, formats)
- ▶ Workshop (Matt T?)
- ▶ Website updates (regular blog posts?)

Education and Outreach

2019 Action-Next Steps

TOOLS for the E & O committee to develop to inform the forthcoming 2-3-2 Communications Strategy:

- ▶ Communications Plan
 - ▶ Define audiences
- ▶ A PowerPoint with a general/current description of the 2-3-2.
- ▶ A comprehensive list of media contacts within the 2-3-2 geography
 - ▶ to include a list of major HOA organizations/newsletters of interest within the geography
- ▶ FB page (developed and kept active with content from partners; envisioned as a way to elevate existing efforts)
- ▶ Event checklist/template to include
 - ▶ Press release template
- ▶ Workshop tools
 - ▶ resources for organizing, hosting, and following up after a workshop
- ▶ Keeping the website current & relevant
- ▶ Monthly newsletter
- ▶ Podcast
 - ▶ start with a few key episodes aimed at addressing/illustrating some of the priority messages of the other committees
- ▶ FAQ's on the website that distills complicated documents from other resources

Biomass Committee

GOALS

- ▶ Bring together current disparate biomass efforts
- ▶ Outreach to and collaborate with all contractors, builders, realtors or anyone related to biomass production or consumption
- ▶ Provide resources to community members to understand, produce and use biomass
- ▶ Address legislative obstacles

Biomass Committee

2019 OUTCOMES

- ▶ Expand source verified Good Wood program already operating in New Mexico
- ▶ Monitor success of supported grant efforts
- ▶ Outreach and incorporate already existing efforts - Santa Fe Community College Biomass/Legislative group
- ▶ Identify and incorporate regional builder associations, businesses, and mills
- ▶ Biomass Ready available for new facility building design and construction to incorporate biomass heating into their buildings
- ▶ R.Wood New Mexico Good Wood Branding Program

Biomass

2019 Action-Next Steps

- ▶ Branding;
 - ▶ Promote both the Colorado Forest Products and Good Wood programs.
 - ▶ Visit producers
 - ▶ Raise awareness of the programs with 2-3-2 members
- ▶ Outreach Efforts
 - ▶ Act as a clearing house for information and contacts with new and existing biomass industries.
 - ▶ Establish a spreadsheet with industry contacts
 - ▶ Committee documents will be posted online
 - ▶ Host a ½ to 1 day workshop to acquaint producers with utilizing Forest Inventory & Analysis data
 - ▶ Produce short videos to educate and promote biomass utilization. The general public is the target audience.
- ▶ Legislative obstacles:
 - ▶ NM renewable energy bill; biomass initiatives were removed.
 - ▶ Colorado energy bill suffered the same fate a few years ago.
 - ▶ Address assumptions that biomass processing is always a carbon emission source.
- ▶ Grant support:
 - ▶ Relay biomass grant info to committee members
 - ▶ Write letters of support
 - ▶ The Committee will continue to do this in conjunction with the Executive Committee

Technology, Research, Assessment, and Monitoring GOALS

- ▶ Incorporating wildlife and habitat into efforts to ensure work across region considers habitat quality and improvement
- ▶ Support and unify evaluation and monitoring efforts

Technology, Research, Assessment, and Monitoring 2019 OUTCOMES

- ▶ Support POD's
- ▶ Bring together various mapping efforts
- ▶ Develop shared definitions
- ▶ Identify potential project areas
- ▶ Coordinated mapping

TRAM

2019 Action-Next Steps

- ▶ Shared Definitions
- ▶ Shared monitoring techniques
- ▶ Define Metrics of success

Habitat/ Planning Committee

2019 OUTCOMES

- ▶ Work with education/ outreach to talk with landowners
- ▶ Work with permittees - education on techniques
- ▶ Review/ support monitoring plans: develop a liaison process for project
- ▶ Develop process for identifying goals and objectives upfront
- ▶ Map proposed projects and identify habitat: evaluate/ assess holistic impact
- ▶ Develop a monitoring program: evaluate holistic monitoring effort

Habitat Committee

2019 Action-Next Steps

- ▶ The wildlife connectivity conversation is continuing to be active in the region. (Garrett can give more of an update on the meeting he's working on pulling together for 2-3-2 partners on the subject).
- ▶ Coordinate with other efforts
- ▶ Promote 2-3-2 in conversations around the region

Fire Management Committee

GOALS

- ▶ Expand use of prescribed fire on the landscape
- ▶ Support and unify evaluation and monitoring efforts
- ▶ Develop methodology for sharing resources

Fire Management

2019 OUTCOMES

- ▶ Develop a list of Rx project within the 2-3-2 area with tentative burn dates and resource needs to share with the group.
- ▶ Continue to share resource across Forest boundaries. Develop a list of Rx personnel within the area along with their qualifications to be able to draw from if resources are needed.
- ▶ Continue pursuing agreements to burn on both sides of the fence.
- ▶ Continue to explore opportunities to host TREX workshops/trainings in the area. Develop a list of burns where TREX participants might be able to come burn.

Fire Management

2019 Action-Next Steps

- ▶ Identify policies on cross boundary work, identify restrictions on natural starts
 - ▶ Support PODS
 - ▶ Discussed the draft fire management charter
- ▶ Plan fire efforts, Share Personnel, Explore Required Agreements, TREX
 - ▶ San Juan TREX in September - Tentative dates are: Sept 9 - 24.
 - ▶ CPLA is gearing up for another field season implementing thinning and rx planning/implementation in the Navajo and Blanco basins in partnership with the RGWF.
 - ▶ Forest Stewards Guild hosted a really excellent hands-on burn workshop for landowners the other weekend in partnership with a bunch of other orgs and funded by AFF and FLN. There were 8-10 private landowners and managers and we burned 80 acres with them. Excellent opportunity for landowners
- ▶ Consider legislative approaches, Understand liabilities and barriers to working together, identify collaboration options
 - ▶ Discussed and shared the NM Memorial on rx fire and what was then know regarding the Working Group process
- ▶ Learn more about initiatives of insurance companies, Explore Federal and Forest Service legislative language around re-cooping costs, Explore New Mexico 24-hour suppression Policy

PODS

San Juan National Forest

- ▶ Pagosa District had digitized their PODs
- ▶ Delores and Bayfield are still working on theirs. Unsure when they will be completed.
- ▶ POD boundaries on all districts will need to be reviewed against fire response units, and possibly further subdivided.
- ▶ The risk assessment is underway and the Forest will need to integrate the efforts at some point. Possibly this Summer or Fall
- ▶ The regional outlook suggests this is shaping up to be a mellow fire season. It would be nice to have the PODs (and associated products) in place but it seems to be already changing conversations and the way the Forest will respond to and manage fires. This suggests the POD process is as important as POD products.

PODS

Rio Grande National Forest

- ▶ Have yet to finish digitizing PODS.
- ▶ Forest Leadership is still discussing how they want to use PODs.
- ▶ They are waiting on Risk assessment and will hopefully integrate the two products.
- ▶ The Forest may want to delineate additional PODS (subPODs).
- ▶ Forest Leadership POD discussions are revolving around how to use PODs to convey leaders intent and land management objectives to fire staff, engine captains, etc... Forest Leadership have asked them to consider PODs and control lines while patrolling this summer.

PODS

Carson/ Santa Fe National Forests

- ▶ RMRS is working with CFRI and Pyrologics to pilot the automation of a POD Atlas, i.e. Creating a summary of hazards and values at risk within each POD. The idea being this tool can be run and rerun (maybe yearly) to create quick snapshot of values and hazards in each POD. This could serve as a communication tool and help support line officers tasked with making incident management decisions. In terms of a timeline, the tool will be developed this summer, and implemented on the Carson Santa Fe this fall. It could be available for other Forests next year.

SHARED STEWARDSHIP

▶ Colorado

- ▶ Waiting on feedback from the Governor Pollis's office.
 - ▶ Sounds like it will be fairly expansive but currently nothing solid
 - ▶ protecting communities in the WUI, protecting water supply, attention to habitat and recreation. But those are expectations that we hope will be realities, but not the actual document.

▶ New Mexico

- ▶ The Shared Stewardship document between NM State and USFS is in draft form and going through consultation with Tribes and the Land Grant Council has provided some input.

UPDATES

▶ Biomass

- ▶ CSFS is circulating a new biomass tool (We will send out announcement).
- ▶ CSFS Preparing Biomass Extension Grant - In partnership with CSU Extension, the Colorado State Forest Service in applying for a National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Renewable Resources Extension grant to synthesize and increase the recognition and application of recent biomass facility research and market opportunities. We'll be summarizing and integrating the most viable options to support the biomass utilization initiatives of our southwestern Colorado Forest Collaboratives.

▶ Fire

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