

2025 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WORKPLAN

Advancing 2-3-2 Partnership goals through shared action.

OVERVIEW

Across nearly five million acres in northern New Mexico and southern Colorado, our partnership is accelerating wildfire resilience efforts to protect communities, and the key watersheds and ecosystems they depend on. In 2025, we will implement strategic treatments, enhance cross-boundary collaboration, and invest in workforce capacity to meet shared landscape goals. Our work is guided by science, informed by local knowledge, and strengthened by diverse partners, including federal, tribal, nonprofit, and private sector stakeholders.

The strategic priorities and projects outlined in this workplan were outlined by the 2-3-2 Partnership's Executive Committee to elevate initiatives that support 2-3-2 Partnership goals and could benefit from additional coordinated support and funding.

COLLABORATIVE MISSION

By regularly convening diverse partners, promoting coordinated and collaborative planning, and supporting and elevating local efforts, the 2-3-2 Partnership aims to facilitate cooperation and information-sharing between organizations working toward watershed and landscape resilience in southern Colorado and northern New Mexico. Partners of the 2-3-2 are committed to integrating science and Indigenous knowledge to inform management strategies that support and enhance wildlife, aquatic health, and human communities alongside resilient forests and healthy watersheds.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A group of 12 active members who support the basic functions and advancement of the 2-3-2 Partnership. The Committee serves as the decision-making body to decide on strategic topics and actions in alignment with the mission (above) and goals of the 2-3-2 Partnership.

The Executive Committee currently includes leaders from (in alphabetical order): Carson National Forest, Chama Peak Land Alliance, Colorado State Forest Service, Forest Stewards Guild, National Forest Foundation, New Mexico State Forestry, Rio Grande National Forest, Rio Chama Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Project, San Juan National Forest, Santa Clara Pueblo, and The Nature Conservancy NM.



2025 Strategic Priorities

WILDFIRE RISK REDUCTION: Implement prescribed fire, thinning, and watershed treatments in high-priority areas.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: Expand outreach efforts through public events, media, and partnerships with academic institutions.

TRIBAL & PRIVATE LANDOWNER
COLLABORATION: Support innovative
management solutions like virtual fencing
and Mayordomo models.

SCIENCE & RESEARCH INTEGRATION:

Strengthen partnerships with researchers to inform and evaluate restoration efforts.

RESILIENT WATERSHEDS: Advance projects that protect fish, wildlife, and water resources before and after fire events.

POLICY & FUNDING ADVOCACY: Secure and deploy resources to sustain long-term restoration efforts.

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More than ever before, the 2-3-2 Partnership needs long-term, reliable funding to ensure durable outcomes that benefit both the land and the people who depend on it. Please contact Lily Bruce, the 2-3-2 Partnership Executive Committee Coordinator, to learn how your organization can support our work to protect key watersheds and downstream water users.



2025 FUNDING NEEDS

WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION

Build upon existing work and treat thousands of prioritized acres to protect rural communities, downstream water users, and local values.

CROSS-BOUNDARY COMMUNITY & TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT

Support meeting planning and travel stipends to strengthen partnerships for proactive, locally-led land and water management.

RESILIENT LANDSCAPES

Pay for coordinated forestry and in-stream restoration projects that maintain rural livelihoods, increase workforce opportunities, and promote healthy forests, clean and abundant water, and vibrant wildlife.

FINANCIAL & POLICY SUSTAINABILITY

Back staff time to develop proposals for diverse funding and to formalize partner agreements for long-term project success.

MEDIA & STORYTELLING

Finance community outreach and events to increase awareness of forestry and its impact on downstream water supply.

2025 STRATEGIC PROJECTS

Upper Largo Canyon Prescribed Fire: Treat 1,000 acres of fire-adapted forest on Santa Clara Pueblo, including some of the last remaining stands of ponderosa pine and Douglas fir.

Watershed Restoration Action Plans: Develop four strategic frameworks that assess watershed conditions, identify priority issues, and outline restoration actions to enhance water quality and ecosystem resilience.

Virtual Fencing Pilot on Carson NF: Work with Carson National Forest grazing permittees to pilot a virtual fencing project or establish a demonstration site.

Public Outreach Events: Host in-community open house events, combining education, art, food, and more.

Media & Storytelling to Improve Public Perception of Fire: Focus on local newspapers and radio stations. Communicate success stories about forest management benefiting fish and wildlife.

Build Research Partnerships: Develop relationships with researchers to produce science to inform our monitoring and planning processes.

Support the Rio Chama Congreso: Host in-person panels and discussions for multiple agencies and community groups focused on river and watershed restoration.

Support the expansion of the Mayordomo model (community managed forestry): Facilitate an agreement between Soil and Water Conservation Districts and Rio Arriba County.

Pre-Fire, Response, and Post-Fire Planning in San Juan-Chama Source Watersheds: Complete strategic projects in forested watersheds that provide primary drinking, irrigation, and municipal water to millions of downstream people.

Secure funding for Carson & Santa Fe Collaborative Wildfire Risk Reduction Program proposals: Advance forest and watershed health through coordinated actions in priority areas.

Engage with Jicarilla Apache Water Rights Leasing Project: Returning water previously leased by a now-closed coal-fired power plant to the San Juan River at strategic times.

Exercise Tribal Forest Protection Act (TFPA) on Santa Clara and with other tribes: Fund tribes in completing work on federally managed lands.

Expand Stream and Watershed Restoration: Implement shovel-ready projects and complete NEPA for upcoming projects.

Explore connection between Landowner Pathways program and emerging markets for ecosystem services: Enroll private industry in paying for forest restoration treatments on private lands.

Complete forest stewardship projects using Good Neighbor Authority: Expand local-federal partnerships through formal agreements.

Track treatments across all lands to improve forest health and reduce wildfire risk: Track treatment details and locations across jurisdictions and align mapping efforts across Southwest Colorado and Rio Chama CFLRPs for coordinated planning.