**ACCG Planning Group Meeting Draft Notes, 12/11/13**

Highlighted items = action items

**ATTENDEES:** Aaron Rieffanaugh, Rick Hopson, Kendal Young, Katherine Evatt, Teresa McCleung, Marc Young, Patrick McGreevy, Reuben Childress, John Sikora, Cathy Koos Breazeal.

1. **Review agenda, introductions; Future topics.**
2. **Review 2013 Cornerstone annual report, Kendal.** 54% CFLR funds, 46% match. $112,996 ACCG in kind; CHIPS – Master PA, $30,255; Rick: how is this documented – through SPA?

--Katherine – add “cumulative” to 2012-2013 total graph.

--Teresa – Round Valley completed in 2013, but count for next year, $300K.

--Rick – Need more investment for match and need more large projects.

--TREAT model reviewed. Katherine – we need to collect actual data and compare actual to model.

--Monitoring/evaluation - work in progress.

--Accomplishments – PAS database; added project names this year.

--Accomplishments narrative – need to capture better; rec. targets each year.

--Total acres – will continue to grow.

-- fuels – populated

-- John Hofmann – were Amador RAC projects counted?

-- 2015 proposed accomplishments still on target

1. **2014 Program of Work – Rick**. Treat model definition of local is Placer, Amador, Calaveras, Eldorado, Alpine, Tuolumne.
   1. Contracts and agreements included; last year higher than this year
   2. John Hofmann – is SPI considered local since they have an office here?
   3. Timber volume not accounted
   4. Rick – wants to evolve process of presenting specific projects to group. Combine some? Stand along?
   5. Katherine – difficult to sort. Asks for a table to summarize each project.
   6. John Hofmann – discontinue form and do narrative; modify to include field trips; work on socio-economic portion; Marc to put together a brief summary
   7. Cathy –propose develop an organic product that can track ideas, changes, etc per project
   8. Stanislaus will create a form of some type to present in January meeting. Katherine suggested headers of project/goals/action/ACCG Cornerstone fit.
2. **Foster firs – Rick**. Committed to a proposed action for this date, but not ready. Can present map and briefing today. No new road proposals. Time frame for decision is this fiscal year and sell FY15, but dealing with Rim fire impacts. If sold in 2015, should be okay.
   1. Katherine – red fir impacts – can we invite Becky Estes? How does this fit with latest science?
   2. Rick hears an interest in roads, red fir ecology. Katherine can share red fir information with group. John Hofmann suggests developing our own GTR220 for red fir. Rick - He can get assistance from Malcolm North and have research station staff do a red fir GTR, “State of Science of Red Fir.”
   3. Katherine would like to see an educational element in each ACCG monthly meeting.
   4. Teresa – need to keep moving forward, try adaptive management approach and study. Can’t hold up projects while waiting on research.
   5. Pat – wants to see mistletoe and cytospora on map. Marc – has some sampling, but not narrow detail. Suggests selecting 1 acre on each treatment area and count.
   6. Rick – no monitoring funds
   7. Katherine – baseline? Teresa – have baseline but don’t go back to verify/validate.
   8. Pat - Can trees be dropped in such a way to act like a fence and keep cattle off meadows?
3. **Next meeting:** engage program of work for Calaveras and Amador.
4. **Roundtable:** 
   1. Conversation regarding contractor issues: Can projects be made smaller to help local contractors bid more easily?
   2. Pat reminder to Teresa – Regarding crossing of SPI land – need key.
   3. Pat – there is an equine endurance race fundraiser routed roughly from West Point to 7N09 to Cabbage Patch and circle back.
   4. Teresa – logging Ramsey in snow to retain value
   5. John Hofmann – Senator Boxer’s staff is inquiring about the collaborative.

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