

ACCG 2023 Priorities

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Project planning, development & implementation

- Continue moving forward with landscape-scale planning, while also identifying and securing funding for shovel-ready projects, through:
 - Continuing to support and partner with USFS/UMRWA's Forest Projects Plan Phase 1-2.
 - Engaging with the USFS on their 2023 program of work.
 - Continuing to support large-landscape analyses to help strategically accelerate implementation.
 - Support and assist the USFS find efficient and effective ways to compete for funds. And as part of that, support the USFS obtaining increased resources and building workforces to support surface and ladder fuels implementation.
- Support biomass utilization infrastructure development projects.
- Focus on projects and activities, including activities that increase forest health, and meadow and wetland restoration, that promote water retention on the landscape to prepare for future droughts.

Proposed responsible party(s) for **Project planning, development & implementation** items: **ACCG Planning Work Group**

Partnerships

- Encourage development and continue to support partners conducting fuels reduction and forest health projects on all lands within the ACCG landscape.
- Build relationships and increase communications with other collaboratives, including SOFAR and YSS, and if the opportunity presents itself, work on something collaboratively (e.g., Caldor Fire-related restoration to the north with SOFAR, Forest Projects Plan to the south with YSS).
- Importance of streamlining agreements and processes, like Master Stewardship Agreements and Good Neighbor Authority, so that when funding becomes available maximum work can be accomplished in a minimum amount of time.

Proposed responsible party(s) for **Partnerships** items: **ACCG Admin Work Group**

ACCG's triple bottom line – Local economies

- Prioritize putting more attention on the ACCG’s third portion of their triple bottom line approach – local economies. Focus on finding ways to be more effective with this “leg of the stool” of the triple bottom line approach, how to increase opportunities for local workforces in the forestry industry, and how to engage more with local contractors.

Proposed responsible party(s):

- ACCG revised MOA signatories, including UMRWA, Cal Am Team, USFS and CHIPS, meet to reflect on the topic and bring that back to the full ACCG.
- Someone from the above group outreach to Fire Safe Councils (FSCs) and Resource Conservation Districts (RCDs) to get those entities to engage with ACCG about this topic.
- ACCG Monitoring Work Group prioritize discussion on assessing socio-economic component of projects.

TEK Shared Vision

- Continue to support implementation of ACCG’s TEK Shared Vision.

Proposed responsible party(s): ACCG Planning Work Group and ACCG TEK Ad Hoc group

Pyrosilviculture Shared Vision

- Continue to support implementation of ACCG’s Pyrosilviculture Shared Vision.

Proposed responsible party(s): ACCG Planning Work Group and ACCG Pyrosilviculture Ad Hoc group

Communication & Engagement

- ACCG representative attend and communicate the CA Wildfire & Forest Resilience Task Force, or other federal and state entities, in order to more effectively engage with federal and state entities.
- Review and begin implementing key components of the ACCG Communication & Engagement Plan
- Continue to have relevant expert presentations.

Proposed responsible party(s): ACCG Admin Work Group

General meeting/Field tour topics

- [Field Tour – Spring/Summer 2023] Caldor Fire Restoration Field Tour
- [GM Presentations] - Large-landscape decision support tools, including ForSys, Land Tender, and Planscape/Regional Resource Toolkit

- [GM Presentation] – Caldor Fire Restoration GTR 270 analysis (Becky Estes)
- [Field Workshop] TEK (e.g., cultural burning)
- [Field Tour] - McKays' Strategic FB Project
- [GM Presentation] Prescribed Burn Associations (UCCE)
- [Field Tour] EBMUD land and fire management approaches
- [GM Panel] UMRWA, Cal Am Team, CHIPS and USFS panel discussion on supporting local economies with forest health contracts, including funding
- [GM Presentation] Wilseyville Biomass Facility
- [Field Tour] FPP Phase 1 implementation
- [Field Tour] CA Big Trees Prescribed Fire Program
- [GM Presentation] UMRWA WCB Aspen Restoration Project
- [GM Presentation] - Fire Regeneration Methods (e.g., mushrooms)
- [GM Presentation] - Effects of large wildfires on experimental forests (e.g., Blodgett)
- [GM Presentation] - Management activities that increase water yield, (e.g., prescribed fire, beavers, cover crops, etc.)
- [GM Presentation] – updates on management of lands in ACCG landscape (e.g., BLM, SPI)
- [GM Presentation] – Sierra Business Council presentation on CERF program and opportunities for ACCG collaboration
- [GM Presentation] - development of forest treatment prescriptions based on residual basal area VS. DBH
- SPI's Spotted Owl Research & Tracking Study (Kevin Roberts)
- Great American Outdoors Act
- USFS Biochar Study