Magdalena Collaborative - Kickoff Partners Workshop Synthesis of Post-Workshop Feedback Forms

April 6th, 2018 | 10 AM – 2:30PM

Forms were filled out by 35 participants. For specific participant's responses, please refer to the associated excel sheet "Magdalena Collaborative Evaluation."

Interest in involvement in the collaborative

31 participants are interested in the collaborative

3 participants are likely interested (Joelle Marier, Joe Don Autrey, Sharon Harris)

1 participant is not interested (James McGrath)

Level of desired involvement in the collaborative

18 participants want to receive information from a mailing list.

22 participants want to help with on-the-ground work.

22 participants want to help with the CNF Forest Plan Revision process.

18 participants want to participate in the Convening group.

Priority topics to work on

Participants listed the priority topics/groups their agency would participate in. The following topics are listed below, with the number of participants who chose each topic in parentheses:

- Watershed restoration/health (10)
- Wildlife and habitat restoration (8)
- Restoration (6)
- Fire restoration and wildfire (5)
- Roads/trails/OHV/Access (4)
- Wilderness (4)
- Youth (4)
- Grazing and range (3)
- Agriculture (2)
- Connectivity (2)
- Jobs and economic development (2)
- Natural Resource multi-use (2)
- Dark skies (1)
- Education (1)
- Forest products (1)
- Riparian work (1)

Facilities and comments

All participants thought the facilities were appropriate. The main comments from this section were "thanks for organizing the meeting" and "thanks for lunch".

Overall thoughts on the day, clustered by theme, were:

Productive meeting

- Very productive initial meeting. Looking forward to supporting future work. (6)
- There is a lot of potential for developing a common interest in a path to move forward.
- Thanks to Kim Obele for all she does!
- This format for meetings worked well
- Lot of good work, looking forward to continuing this group.
- Great idea, and I think can really see a feeling of community and positive change.
- Collaboration, sharing of information, priorities, resources, knowledge base, ideas and enthusiasm is key to effectiveness moving forward. My first time in such a collaborative.
 Well organized and well run. Thank you!
- Good start and see great possibilities to continue working together.
- I think that progress was made towards action on Socorro County problems, not just Magdalena!
- What a big job this is! This meeting is certainly one of the most diverse and interesting gatherings I've attended in quite some time.
- This is the right time for this effort. Thank you for taking this on! (2)

Collaborative and diverse partners

- I'm glad I came. It was good to collaborate with opposite partners
- Good turnout; the right players were here (2)
- Impressed by cooperativeness of participants, willingness to listen.

Educational

- I learned more about problems in terms of paperwork and regulations.
- Make the next meeting a field trip.

Wary

- We have a long way to go/a lot of work to do (4)
- Important that all voices are heard and that mostly happened. Keep in mind the capacity limits of the Magdalenas for solitude and renewal; balance is important.
- Not yet formed. Tentatively optimistic.

Clear direction and manageable projects

- Very helpful in selecting a direction (2)
- Lots of generalities, not much direction. Connections made are the main achievement.
- Concerned that what was covered was so vast as to be overwhelming. Need to narrow down focus and use sub groups. (2)
- What can we do to provide jobs for young adults in Magdalena area?

Forest Service and specific partnerships

- This is great we should try to get solutions and present them to the proper people. FS should look into their own policies and reduce regulations that will ease their workload and help us expedite the process.
- Strengthen USFS-NRCS local partnership. Archeological issues will be addressed.