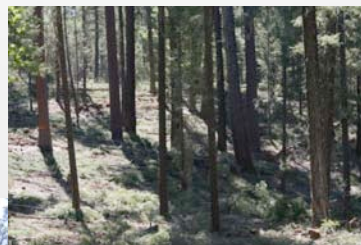


Post Mountain: Case Study in the Challenges and Potential of Stewardship



Overview

- ▶ Post Mountain Stewardship – vital statistics
- ▶ Strong leadership and shared goals make for fertile ground
- ▶ Collaboration takes too much TIME...But collaboration breeds success!
- ▶ The value of diverse partnerships
- ▶ The importance of understanding, and building, capacity
- ▶ Realizing the “Best Value”
- ▶ Healthy forest, healthy community





Strong leadership and shared goals make for fertile ground

✓ Strong Leaders

- Community
- Non-profit
- Agency



✓ Shared Goals

- Community Wildfire Protection
- Forest and Habitat Restoration
- Local Community Benefits
- Building Trust



Collaboration takes too much TIME...

- ▶ We spent more than 10 months working together prior to NEPA scoping
- ▶ Public meetings
- ▶ Facilitated collaborative meetings
- ▶ Field tours
- ▶ Work groups



...But collaboration breeds success!

- ▶ Leads to comprehensive approaches
- ▶ Balances objectives
- ▶ Leads to shared vision
- ▶ Avoids appeals and litigation
- ▶ Spawns new partnerships and opportunities



The Value of Diverse Partnerships

- ▶ Improve coordination and synergies
- ▶ Leverage resources
- ▶ Work across ownerships
- ▶ Spawn new initiatives and projects
- ▶ Strengthen relationships
- ▶ Foster trust



Working with Landowners, Contractors, CalFire, NRCS, RCD, and the County



The importance of understanding, and building, capacity

- ▶ Agency
- ▶ Contractors
- ▶ Workforce
- ▶ Community
- ▶ Partners
- ▶ Wood processing infrastructure



Realizing the “Best Value”

- ▶ To whom?
- ▶ Balancing objectives



- ▶ End-results
- ▶ Ecological Outcomes
- ▶ Community benefits



Stewardship's Potential: Healthy Ecosystems, Safe and Healthy Communities



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