

USFS National Advisory Committee – Forest Planning Rule Implementation
February 20-22, 2013
ASC Academy – USDA Forest Service
4000 Masthead NE – Albuquerque, NM 87109 – Rooms 131 – 133

DRAFT AGENDA

Meeting Objectives:

- ❖ Hear from early adopter forests about their experience implementing the new planning rule
- ❖ Share information from working groups
- ❖ Review planning rule directives
- ❖ Begin deliberation – potential recommendations/advise to the Forest Service
- ❖ Develop plan for work between February and May meetings and objectives for May deliberation

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February 19, 2013

Committee arrives; committee and FS reception

February 20, 2013

8:30 Welcome from Leadership – Gilbert Zepeda, Acting Regional Forester
Opening Ceremony

The meeting will begin with a traditional meeting opening

9:00 Agenda and Groundrules Review

The facilitators will preview the agenda and the meeting operating protocols

9:15 DFO and Co-chair Opening Remarks

Tony Tooke, DFO and Pam Motley and Ray Vaughn, co-chairs, will offer their observations about the work that lies ahead

9:40 Introductions and Updates from Committee Members

Committee members will provide information about what they have been hearing about the rule from colleagues, constituencies, and others since the September meeting

10:00 Public Comment – Observations as the Committee begins its work

Observers will have an opportunity to speak to the committee; the comments will be limited to three minutes for each speaker

10:30 Presentation and Discussion on The Early Adopter Forest #1- Cibola National Forest – Update, Key Challenges, Innovations – presentation followed by Q&A, discussion

One of the early adopter forests will present their efforts to implement the new rule highlighting areas that warrant committee deliberation and recommendation

11:30 EA # 1 discussion

The committee will begin its deliberation, focusing on potential Forest Service system-wide recommendations

12:15 Lunch

1:45 EA Forest #2 – El Yunque National Forest – Update, Key Challenges, Innovations – presentation followed by Q&A, discussion

One of the early adopter forests will present their efforts to implement the new rule highlighting areas that warrant committee deliberation and recommendation

2:45 Break

3:15 Integration Discussion

This is an opportunity for the committee to reflect on what they have heard from the first two early adopter forests, to identify any key themes/potential implications for working groups and to focus on potential Forest Service system-wide recommendations

4:30 Administrative Update

The Forest Service staff will address logistics and administrative requirements with the committee

5:00 Public Comment

Observers will have a three-minute opportunity to offer their observations to the committee

5:20 Wrap Up/Agenda Preview

The facilitators will highlight the second day's agenda

5:30 Adjourn

6:00 Social/Mixer

The committee and the Forest Service staff will meet local stakeholders who have expressed an interest in the planning rule and in the work of New Mexico's early adopter forest

6:45 Dinner – Committee, FS staff and facilitators

February 21, 2012

9:00 Welcome/Agenda Preview

The facilitators will preview the day's work

9:10 Public Comment

Observers will have an opportunity to speak to the committee

9:40 EA Forest #3 – Pacific Southwest Region – Update, Key Challenges, Innovations – presentation followed by Q&A, discussion

One of the early adopter forests will present their efforts to implement the new rule highlighting areas that warrant committee deliberation and recommendation

10:45 Break

11:00 Integration Discussion

This is an opportunity for the committee to reflect on what they have heard from three early adopter forests, to identify any key themes/potential implications for working groups and to focus on potential Forest Service system-wide recommendations

12:00 Lunch

1:30 EA Forest #4 – Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests – Update, Key Challenges, Innovations – presentation followed by Q&A, discussion

One of the early adopter forests will present their efforts to implement the new rule highlighting areas that warrant committee deliberation and recommendation

2:30 Break

2:45 Integration Discussion

This is an opportunity for the committee to reflect on what they have heard from three early adopter forests, to identify any key themes/potential implications for working groups and to focus on potential Forest Service system-wide recommendations

3:15 Break

3:30 Directives Overview – Big Picture – FS Regional and Washington Perspectives

The Forest Service will present an overview of the directive; the presentation will supplement the September presentation and illuminate the essential elements of the directives

4:15 Directives Overview – Initial Q&A and Discussion

The committee will discuss their reading of the directives and the Forest Service presentation; the focus will be on areas that most warrant committee deliberation and recommendation

4:45 Public Comment

Observers will have an opportunity to speak to the committee; the comments will be limited to three minutes for each speaker

5:15 Wrap Up/Agenda Preview

5:30 Adjourn

February 22, 2012

9:00 Welcome/Agenda Preview

The facilitators will preview the day's work

9:10 Working Group Presentation #1 – Communication

Each of the four working groups will present the results of their effort thus far and, if appropriate, propose draft recommendations for full committee deliberation and approval

9:40 Working Group Presentation #2 – Collaboration

Each of the four working groups will present the results of their effort thus far and, if appropriate, propose draft recommendations for full committee deliberation and approval

10:10 Working Group Presentation #3 – Adaptive Framework and Assessments

Each of the four working groups will present the results of their effort thus far and, if appropriate, propose draft recommendations for full committee deliberation and approval

10:40 Working Group Presentation #4 – Social and Economic Analysis

Each of the four working groups will present the results of their effort thus far and, if appropriate, propose draft recommendations for full committee deliberation and approval

11:10 Break

11:25 Setting Committee Direction

The committee will consider the directives, the presentations from the early adopters, the work group efforts and their own deliberation in this meeting to set a series of next steps for their deliberation; they may continue or alter working groups; they will create a work program for the time between this meeting and the next meeting in May; they will outline the May meeting agenda

12:00 Public Comment

Observers will have an opportunity to speak to the committee's work plan; the comments will be limited to three minutes for each speaker

12:15 Working Lunch and Wrap Up

1:30 Adjourn