

July 28, 2014 Meeting Synopsis

At its July 28 meeting, the Dinkey Collaborative welcomed Washington Office (WO) and Regional Office (RO) personnel to observe the achievements and progress of the Dinkey Landscape Restoration Project. The meeting began with the WO and RO staff providing brief biographies of their careers and their experience with the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Programs (CFLRPs) across the nation. These introductions allowed members and public attendees to gain a better sense trust and build personal connections with the WO and RO staff. Following the introductions, various stakeholders gave presentations describing general information on the project accomplishments and goals, landscape assessment, adaptive management, monitoring, socioeconomic assessment, and public engagement. After lunch the WO staff and Collaborative members held an open discussion period regarding topics including landscape assessment tools, how the Collaborative can help to alleviate Forest Service constraints, public education and support, spatial and temporal scales for planning and implementation, and sustaining the Collaborative efforts beyond the ten-year timeframe. Each work group then provided updates on the ongoing and upcoming projects of the Collaborative, and members recommended by consensus that the Monitoring Coordinator position will continue to be funded for another year. The Landscape Planning Work Group provided an update on the progress of the Exchequer objectives by zone and the list of Proposed Action elements, which Collaborative members agreed to recommend to the Forest. The full Collaborative will meet again on September 17, from 10 am to approximately 4 pm, at the Sierra National Forest Supervisor's Office, 1600 Tollhouse Road, Clovis, California.