

March 28th Workshop: Sustainability of Ecosystems and Fire Forest Plan Revision

Purpose of Workshop

Dialogue on key questions of assessment supporting forest plan revisions:

- 1) What are “sustainable ecological integrity” and ecosystem services and fire?
- 2) What is working in relation to fire and why?
- 3) What is not working and why not?
- 4) What would work?

Who: Public and interagency stakeholders, forest service planners and assessment team

When: March 28th, 2013. 9:30-3:00 at McClelland Interagency Fire Center, Inaja Room, McClelland CA

Agenda (DRAFT)

Introduction- Overview of Planning Rule, area and assessment, plan revision

Integration of Social, Economic and Ecological Components: Joe Stringer, Planning Director and/or Deputy Regional Forester for Fire or Resources.

First Panel - Fire Behavior/Ecology/Effects

Fire Ecology/Resilience -Jo Ann Fites-Kaufman or Neil Sugihara; USFS Fire Ecologists

Fire Severity Monitoring - Jay Miller; USFS Fire Remote Sensing Monitoring

Fire Behavior – Phil Bowden; USFS Regional Fuels Analyst

Wildland Urban Interface – George Jentry; Executive Officer, CA Board of Forestry and Fire Protection

Fuel Conditions – Sue Blakenship; BLM State Fuels Specialist

Fire Behavior Research –Jo Ann Fites-Kaufman; US Forest Service

Small Group Discussion – Input on issues, linkages between social, economic and ecological aspects for Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Revision, Bioregional Assessment, New Planning Rule

Lunch Break

Second Panel - Fire Policy/Fuel Treatments

FRAP – Dave Sapsis; CALFire State Fire Analyst

Fire Safe Councils – Pat Kidder; Chair of CA State Fire Safe Council Board

Dan Tomascheski – Sierra Pacific Industries, Vice President Resources

USFS - Brent Skaggs ; Fire Management Officer, Sequoia National Forest

Sierra Forest Legacy – Sue Britting or Craig Thomas; Executive Director

NPS Fire Management – Sid Beckman; National Park Service Western Region Fire Director

Integrating Social, Economic and Ecological – Jo Ann Fites-Kaufman; USFS Regional Planning Ecologist

Small Group Discussion - What would work better than current management and why?

Closing – Jo Ann Fites-Kaufman