

**Organizing for Collaboration in the
El Yunque National Forest**

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The El Yunque National Forest is revising the forest land and resource management plan and is inviting you to participate in a collaborative planning effort as part of the forest plan revision process. The collaboration workshop provides a unique peer-to-peer learning environment where participants explore critical elements for successful collaboration and draft strategies for advancing collaboration

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About El Yunque National Forest

The El Yunque National Forest is the sole tropical rain forest in the U.S. National Forest System. The forest's relatively small 28,000-acre size belies its importance. It differs significantly from all the other U.S. National Forests because of its year-round tropical climate and immense biodiversity. It is "home" to thousands of native plants, and hundreds of small animal species, many of which exist nowhere else on the planet. Each year we welcome about 600,000 visitors from all over the world who come to sample the rain forest's eco-tourism pleasures while developing a greater understanding of its ecological importance.

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The National Collaboration Cadre

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About the National Collaboration Cadre

The Cadre is a network of people from around the US who provide coaching assistance to National Forests and the communities around them who are interested in developing collaborative processes. The Cadre consists of Forest Service employees, community members, and academics who have extensive experience participating in and leading collaborations.