

Operating Principles for MET

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General Principles

- ▼ Exceptions: MET members will operate by these principles unless a discussion occurs about making an exception and agreement about the exception occurs.
- ▼ Meaningful use of principles: MET members will use these principles to assess team progress and team function.
- ▼ Principles are not permanent: MET members will modify these principles when other measures of progress become apparent or they achieve consensus that a principle is no longer helpful.
- ▼ Work is on target: Charter and Work Plan define the priorities and scope for MET activity.
- ▼ Time is valuable: Members will respect the value of time for members of the core group extended team, advisory team, and all other participants and contributors.

Internal Communications and Function

- Regular attention to Work Plan: MET members will meet every quarter on the Work Plan to update and refine as appropriate
- Meaningful meetings: Every meetings will produce something substantive
- Individual responsibility: Team members are responsible for identifying scheduling conflicts with supervisor and MET chair

External Communications and Interactions

- Members have Dual Role: MET members will pay constant attention to their dual responsibility to (1) contribute to MET work objectives and (2) serve as a communication conduit with their community, program, or unit.
- External communications matter: External communications will aim at building ownership in eventual MET products and improving the content of those products
- Review is important: Broad review of working documents will occur

Products

- Individual responsibility: Team members will produce work within agreed upon timeframes
- Three Drivers: Products will demonstrate attention to each of the following:
 - Feasibility,
 - Scientific Validity,
 - Relevancy to public land management and planning
- Distribution Target: Final products will be available through Technical Information for Planning Support (TIPS) website.