

**Rocky Mountain Regional Tribal Relations
Lead Forest-Tribal Consultation Protocol**

Lead National Forest	Tribal Nation	Affiliated Tribal Nations
Arapaho & Roosevelt	National and Regional Lead: Northern Arapaho Secondary Lead: Eastern Shoshone Southern Arapaho Southern Cheyenne	Oglala Lakota Rosebud Sioux Comanche Kiowa Northern Cheyenne Northern Ute Pawnee Western Shoshone
Bighorn	Regional Lead: Crow Northern Cheyenne	Cheyenne River Sioux Eastern Shoshone Northern Arapaho Standing Rock Sioux Comanche Kiowa Montana tribes (Blackfeet, Salish-Kootenai, Gros Ventre-Assiniboine, Fort Peck, Chippewa-Cree)
Black Hills	National and Regional Lead: Cheyenne River Sioux Flandreau Santee Sioux Lower Brule Crow Creek Oglala Lakota Rosebud Sioux Santee Sioux Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Standing Rock Sioux Yankton Sioux Regional Lead: Three Affiliated Tribes Spirit Lake Sioux Secondary Lead: Northern Cheyenne Crow	Eastern Shoshone Northern Arapaho Kiowa Pawnee Southern Cheyenne Spirit Lake
Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre & Gunnison	National and Regional Lead: Secondary Lead: Ute Mountain Ute Southern Ute	Hopi Northern Pueblos White Mesa Ute

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	Northern Ute Navajo - 3	
Medicine Bow - Routt	National and Regional Lead: Secondary Lead: Cheyenne River Sioux Lower Brule Sioux Northern Arapaho Rosebud Sioux Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Shoshone-Paiute (Duck Valley Res.) Crow Creek Sioux - 3 Oglala Lakota – 3	Southern Ute (Routt) Comanche Crow (Thunder Basin) Kiowa Northern Ute Shoshone-Bannock Three Affiliated Tribes MB-R (Laramie Peak and TBNG) Southern Arapaho Northern Cheyenne Southern Cheyenne Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
Nebraska	National and Regional Lead: Omaha Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma Winnebago Pawnee Otoe-Missouria Tribe Sac and Fox Secondary Lead: Crow Creek Oglala Lakota Lower Brule Yankton Sioux Kiowa Rosebud Sioux - 3 Kickapoo Flandreau Sioux Santee Sioux Potawatomi	Northern Cheyenne Southern Arapaho Southern Cheyenne Three Affiliated Tribes Potawatomi Kickapoo
Pike & San Isabel	National and Regional Lead: Ponca Tribe of Oklahoma Kickapoo Kaw Nation Southern Arapaho Southern Cheyenne	Northern Cheyenne Southern Pueblos Northern Arapaho Oglala Lakota Southern Ute

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	Regional Lead: Apache Tribe of Oklahoma Comanche Tribe of Oklahoma Potawatomi Wichita Kiowa Secondary Lead: Kickapoo Jicarilla Apache Otoe-Missouria Tribe Pawnee	
Rio Grande	Regional Lead: Jicarilla Apache Northern/Eastern Pueblos Secondary Lead: Hopi Navajo Southern/Western Pueblos	Southern Ute
San Juan	National and Regional Lead: Southern Ute Ute Mountain Ute Southern/Western Pueblos Regional Lead: Hopi Navajo White Mesa Ute Secondary Lead: Ute Mountain Ute Northern/Eastern Pueblos	Jicarilla Apache
Shoshone	National and Regional Lead: Eastern Shoshone Shoshone-Bannock Shoshone-Paiute (Duck Valley Res)	Northern Arapaho Comanche
White River	Regional Lead: Northern Ute	Southern Ute Ute Mountain

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Apache Tribe of Oklahoma	Pike & San Isabel		
Jicarilla Apache	Rio Grande	Pike & San Isabel	San Juan
Northern Arapaho	Arapaho & Roosevelt	Medicine Bow - Routt	Bighorn Black Hills Pike & San Isabel Shoshone
Southern Arapaho	Pike & San Isabel	Arapaho & Roosevelt	Nebraska Medicine Bow - Routt
Northern Cheyenne	Bighorn	Black Hills	Arapaho & Roosevelt Nebraska Pike & San Isabel Med Bow - Routt
Southern Cheyenne	Pike & San Isabel	Arapaho & Roosevelt	Black Hills Nebraska Medicine Bow - Routt
Comanche	Pike & San Isabel		Arapaho-Roosevelt Bighorn Medicine Bow-Routt Shoshone
Crow	Bighorn	Black Hills	Medicine Bow- Routt (Thunder Basin)
Hopi	San Juan	Rio Grande	Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre & Gunnison
Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma	Nebraska		
Kaw Nation	Pike & San Isabel		
Kiowa	Pike & San Isabel	Nebraska	Arapaho & Roosevelt Bighorn Black Hills Medicine Bow - Routt
Kickapoo	Pike & San Isabel	Nebraska	
Montana Tribes – Blackfeet, Salish-Kootenai, Gros Ventre-Assiniboine, Fort Peck, Chippewa-Cree	Bighorn		
Navajo	San Juan	Rio Grande – 2	

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		Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre & Gunnison - 3	
Omaha	Nebraska		
Oglala Lakota	Black Hills	Nebraska - 2 Medicine Bow – Routt - 3	Arapaho & Roosevelt Pike & San Isabel
Otoe-Missouria Tribe	Nebraska	Pike & San Isabel	
Pawnee	Nebraska	Pike & San Isabel	
Ponca Tribe of Oklahoma	Pike & San Isabel		
Potawatomi	Pike & San Isabel	Nebraska	
Northern/Eastern Pueblos	Rio Grande	San Juan	Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre & Gunnison
Southern/Western Pueblos	San Juan	Rio Grande	Pike & San Isabel
Sac and Fox	Nebraska		
Eastern Shoshone	Shoshone	Arapaho & Roosevelt – 2	Bighorn Black Hills
Shoshone-Bannock	Shoshone		Medicine Bow - Routt
Shoshone-Paiute (Duck Valley Res)	Shoshone	Medicine Bow - Routt	
Cheyenne River Sioux	Black Hills	Medicine Bow - Routt	Bighorn
Flandreau Santee Sioux	Black Hills	Nebraska	
Lower Brule Sioux	Black Hills	Nebraska	Medicine Bow – Routt
Crow Creek Sioux	Black Hills	Nebraska - 2 Medicine Bow – Routt - 3	
Rosebud Sioux	Black Hills	Medicine Bow – Routt - 2 Nebraska - 3	Arapaho & Roosevelt
Santee Sioux	Black Hills	Nebraska	
Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux	Black Hills	Medicine Bow - Routt	
Spirit Lake Sioux	Black Hills		
Standing Rock Sioux	Black Hills	Bighorn	Medicine Bow - Routt
Yankton Sioux	Black Hills	Nebraska	
Three Affiliated Tribes	Black Hills		Nebraska Medicine Bow - Routt
Ute Northern Ute	White River	Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre & Gunnison	Arapaho & Roosevelt Medicine Bow - Routt
Southern Ute	San Juan	Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre & Gunnison	Medicine Bow - Routt Pike & San Isabel Rio Grande

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			White River
Ute Mountain Ute	Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre & Gunnison	San Juan	White River
White Mesa Ute	San Juan		Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre & Gunnison
Wichita	Pike & San Isabel		
Winnebago	Nebraska		

DEFINITIONS:

National and Regional Lead Forest Responsibilities – These forests are responsible for conducting meaningful consultation with Tribal nations for **national and regional** activities that include but are not limited to agency notifications, initiatives, policies, regulations and guidance.

Regional Lead Forest Responsibilities - These forests are responsible for conducting meaningful consultation with Tribal nations on **regional** activities that include but are not limited to notifications, initiatives, policies, regulations and guidance.

Secondary Forest Responsibilities – These forests provide back-up and assistance on consultative matters as identified by the lead forest. The terms and understanding of “back-up” and “assistance” will be negotiated between the lead and secondary forests.

Tribal Nations – Tribal nations that own land within the Rocky Mountain regional boundaries.

Affiliated Tribal Nations – Tribal nations that recognize landscapes, trails, sacred sites, historically and culturally significant locations within the Rocky Mountain regional boundaries.

Meaningful Consultation – see Forest Service Manual 1560, FSH 1563.18

The lead forest approach is intended to improve the quality of Forest Service consultation by eliminating redundancy; promoting agency consistency in messaging, meaning, and contact; being sensitive to the consultative constraints and interest levels of tribal governments; and strengthening our relationships in order to fulfill our legal mandate to consult with Tribal nations, traditional practitioners, culturally affiliated and affected tribal nations.