Nevada Collaborative Conservation Network (NVCCN) Workshop for Locally-Led Conservation Groups

March 5-6, 2019 • Nugget (Sparks, NV)

FINAL AGENDA

MARCH 5th

8:00-8:30		Laura Van Riper overview of NVCCN and workshop	
8:30-9:30	Introductions & Expectations for Workshop – Mike Lunn		
9:30-10:30	Discuss the i	Keynote Speakers Discuss the importance and benefits of locally-led collaborative conservation within US and NV	
	9:30-10:00	Shelly Kelly - Nebraska rancher engaged in landowner-led conservation efforts at different scales	
	10:00-10:30	Jon Raby – Nevada BLM State Director	

10:30-11:00 BREAK

11:00-12:00 NVCCN Coordinating Group Update

Discuss NVCCN and their role in supporting locally-led conservation

11:00-11:30 Sheila Anderson & Cheva Gabor – Review NVCCN's purpose, structure, strategic focus area, 2018 accomplishments and 2019 plans

11:30-12:00 Chris Rose – Review NVCCN website & get feedback

12:00-1:00 LUNCH

1:00-2:30 Update from Locally-Led Groups

Representatives from various NV groups provide brief overview of their group, primary focus, accomplishments, 2019 activities, continued barriers, and what they took from the May 2018 workshop.

1:00-1:10	Amy Sturgill – Bi-State LAWG
1:10-1:20	Bobby Jones – North Central LAWG
1:20-1:30	Mike Lunn – Lincoln County LAWG

1:30-1:40	Tiffany Russell/Susan Abele – Buffalo-Skedaddle LAWG
1:40-1:50	Gerry Miller – NE NV Stewardship Group (LAWG)
1:50-2:00	Gary McCuin – Eureka County LWG (1 of 7 engaged in Resource Needs Assessment process)
2:10-2:20	Robin Boies – Stewardship Alliance of Northeast Elko County (SANE)
2:20-2:30	Agee Smith – Shoesole Holistic Management Team
2:30-2:40	Laura Van Riper – Results Oriented Grazing for Ecological Resilience Collaborative (ROGER)

2:40-3:00 BREAK

3:00-5:00 Collaboration and NEPA

Provide overview of BLM and USFS NEPA processes, discuss how/when people can best engage in the process, recognize existing concerns and current BLM/USFS efforts to address them (i.e., streamlining, CX/CE, programmatic NEPA, etc.)

3:00-4:30 **Jim Winfrey & David Pritchett**

4:30-5:00 **Q&A - Discussion**

6:00-8:00 Group Dinner at Oyster Bar in Nugget

MARCH 6th

- 8:00-9:30 Day One Review and Loose Ends Mike Lunn
- 9:30-9:45 Day Two Overview Laura Van Riper
- 9:45-10:15 Developing and Sustaining Locally-Led Conservation Efforts: A Perspective from the Sandhills Task Force Shelly Kelly

10:15-10:45 BREAK

10:45-12:15 Project Prioritization

Provide examples of local-level project prioritization and efforts to explore a state-wide conservation framework in Nevada

- 10:45-11:00 Robin Boies Discuss SANE's project prioritization model
- 11:00-11:15 Amy Sturgill Discuss Bi-State's project prioritization model
- 11:15-11:30 **Gary McCuin** Discuss RNA process and how it informs local-level planning & prioritization
- 11:30-11:45 **Susan Abele** Exploring a state-wide conservation framework
- 11:45-12:15 **Q&A Discussion**

12:15-1:15 LUNCH

1:15-2:45 Funding for Conservation Projects/Capacity

Provide overview of funding opportunities for implementation and administration of community-based conservation projects. Get feedback from participants on their experience securing and administering funding, and ideas on how NVCCN can help.

- 1:15-1:30 **Sheila Anderson** Funding options for locally-led groups in various stages of development
- 1:30-1:45 **Jasmine Kleiber** Review funding (grants) portion of NVCCN website and get feedback
- 1:45-2:45 **Breakout session -** Get feedback from participants on their experience securing and administering funding, and ideas on how NVCCN can help.

2:45-3:15 BREAK

3:15-4:00 Project Reporting

Provide overview of state/national efforts to roll-up and report on Sagebrush conservation project implementation and effectiveness

3:15-3:35 **John Tull** – Review the Conservation Efforts Database (CED), which is meant to capture or roll-up diverse

sagebrush conservation projects on all lands

3:35-4:00 Alan Jenne – Review the WAFWA 2020 plan for reporting

on implementation and effectiveness of GRSG conservation

3:45-5:00 Wrap-Up & Closing – Mike Lunn