

Q. #1: Does the policy take the right approach?

* - Problem with ~~many~~^{duplicative =} many different activities ongoing (BPA, FS, Biological Opinion activities, etc.)

* - Can't get job done on watershed just on public lands - must include private + state lands.

- Models^{watersheds} are good examples of what can be done

- Problems with ESA directing agencies without good link to ongoing watershed activities.

- Each agency needs a strategy on how to implement the policy.

- Funding is issue for some agencies - can't implement with no # (new funding)

- Policy is "license to participate" by agencies

- How do you bring "NON-Federal" partners to the table

- Need incentives to help get partners in loop.

- Need broad-based public support.

- Good "grass root" efforts are ongoing - are very good examples.

- How is accountability to be tracked?

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Q 2: How can restoration & protection activities on Federal Lands be best coordinated?

- Can't accomplish goals with Public Land Planning alone.
- NW Forest Plan - ~~includes~~ includes only FS + BLM
Need to bring in Park Service + other partners.
- Funding sometimes not directed to highest priority watershed. Need flexibility (Wyder Amndt.)
- Issue of how to package + sell the policy to the public. Implementation is key.
- Two models in Northwest are good examples of how it can work. (NW Plan + ICBMP)
- Need "digestible pieces" to help sell the policy
- How do we get municipalities involved? very important.
- The "Oregon Plan" is ongoing effort which needs emphasis.

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(A) What does collaboration mean?

- Shared decision making
- Opportunities to influence decisions
- Discuss priorities ~~without~~ openly
- Have ~~some~~ common objectives & understandings
- Respect others positions & viewpoints

(B) - A forum to collaborate

(B) Examples of collaborative efforts & what worked well

& why you believe these were successful.

→ Worked with lower basin users - had common goals.

→ Shared decision making is important

→ Working with ^{small} watershed councils in Oregon - Works Well

→ ~~What's Best~~ Collaboration takes time

(C) What do you want your role to be.

→ Help introduce "Champion" the policy

→ Provide technical assistance to states & tribes

→ Need to help but need funding & FTEs to implement

→ Depends on authority Agency has.