

## BRIEF SUMMARY OF *BROMUS* REENET INTRODUCTORY MEETING

Held in Salt Lake City, 23-24 Feb 2010; Moderated by AJ Martinez  
Approximately 30 participants and support assistants were in attendance

### Day 1:

- Review of funded proposal and objectives for the 2 day meeting, M Germino
- M Bowers described restructuring of AFRI funding and encouraged group to progress towards a proposal for a large, multiyear, interdisciplinary project.
- Participants introduced themselves and their foci related to *Bromus*
- L Scheuck led presentation and discussion of *Bromus* REENet website
- S Atkinson and C Brown led presentation and discussion of *Bromus* database
- Direction of project and priority needs for *Bromus* research and management were discussed in the context of determining topic areas for subgroups to focus on, as a whole group. Connection of *Bromus* REENet to managers is a priority issue.
- Priority topics considered in breakout session into smaller groups
- Small group outcomes summarized and priority topic restructuring proposed by J Chambers, C Brown

### Day 2:

- Restructuring proposal presented by J Chambers, and received. Individuals separated into subgroups. The structure is:
  - 1) Changing distributions under current and future climates  
B Bradley, M Germino, S Novak, K Shrienbeck (C Brown, J Belnap, B Leger?)
  - 2) Resistance, resilience, and transitions  
C D'Antonio, M Brooks, G Schupp, J Stark, J Chambers, C Salo, J Belnap, R Sheley?
  - 3) Adaptive management  
M Pellant, D Pyke
  - 4) Appropriate restoration tools  
Julie Beckstead, Cini Brown, Stuart Hardegree, Jeremy James, Tom Monaco, Brenda Smith, Beth Leger, Mark Brunson, Maria Fernandez-Gimenez, Marshal Frasier
  - 5) Communication and technology transfer  
Linda Schueck, Sheryl Atkinson, Sean Finn

Each group will assess some blend of:

- a) Synthesis, modeling, prediction,
  - b) Interdisciplinary and large-scale experiments combining research, management, and extension,
  - c) Concepts and tools, and
  - d) Communication and tech transfer.
- Subgroups met to deliberate on goals, content, activities, assignments, and other participants for each topic. Social/Econ members not present and need to be integrated.
  - Reconvened as a large group to share and formalize the direction of each subgroup, discussing activities (syntheses, whitepapers, proposals, etc) and assignments to individuals.
  - Reviewed objectives for meeting and summarized how we met them over the 2 days.
  - Schedule for web postings and subsequent meeting discussed: Next meeting will likely be portion of group (subgroup leads) at end of summer 2010. Grant proposal writing workshop planned for Oct 2010 to allow time to get manager feedback prior to AFRI RFP in spring.