



# Sustainable Rangelands Roundtable

## Draft Agenda – General Sessions

*Embassy Suites Portland Downtown*

*Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, September 22 to 24, 2009*

### Objectives:

1. Overview SRR leadership's vision for SRR's next 10 years, and introduce SRR's new leadership, subsequent to the 2010 transition plans promulgated at the Indicator Implementation workshop, held in Ardmore, OK during May 2005.
2. Update and continued work on ongoing SRR projects including climate change and energy development; rangeland ecosystem goods and services; rangeland landscape patterns; and local level rangeland monitoring with an adapted set of SRR indicators.
3. Explore information integration, climate change and energy development issues in the context of SRR's conceptual model; see Aug. 2009 Journal of Society and Natural Resources for SRR model paper.
4. Status report from agencies on Oregon Multi-Agency Pilot Project (MAPP) and plans for subsequent field seasons and/or expansion to other areas, including presentation of rangeland landscape pattern analyses, discussions of additional data collected with FIA and NRI protocols and identification of next indicators to be added for regional/national expansion by 2011.

### Tuesday, September 22, 2009

- 8:00am** Welcome and self-introductions – *led by Facilitator*
- 8:10am** SRR Administrative Transition – *Robin Reid, CSU*
- 8:20am** Vision for SRR 2010-2020 – *John Tanaka, University of Wyoming*
- 8:45am** SRR Steering Committee Project Updates – *led by Facilitator*
- Rangeland Ecosystem Goods, Services & Core Processes – *Lori Hiding*
  - Conceptual Model Article Publication – *Bill Fox*
  - SRR Local/Ranch Assessment Effort – *Stan Hamilton*
  - SRR Monograph Status – *John Mitchell*
  - Outreach efforts (4NCGL, SRM, NCBA, ESA) – *Kristie Maczko*
  - Update on W1192 committee and opportunities for SRR – *John Tanaka*
  - SRR Pilot Project Review – *Cliff Duke*
  - SRR Landscape Pattern Report – *John Mitchell*
  - SRR Indicator Review Process – *James Bernard*
  - Other SRR Efforts in 2008/2009
  - Partner Resource Roundtables (SWRR & RSF) – *Cliff Duke and David Morman*
- 9:30am** Oregon's Approach to Sustainable Forests: Policy, State-level Indicators, and evolution of a state-level roundtable – *David Morman, Director, Oregon Forest Resources Planning Program*
- 10:00am** *Break*

- 10:20am** Update on Multi-Agency Oregon Pilot Project: Progress to date and future plans, including pilot report review and overview of adapted FIA/NRI protocols – *Leonard Jolley and Jeff Goebel (NRCS), Ted McArthur (FS) and Rob Roudabush (BLM)*
- 10:50am** Rangeland Landscape Pattern Analyses: Data, Methods, Results, Next Steps & Discussion – *Jim Alegria, USDA Forest Service and USDI BLM, and Paul Patterson, USDA Forest Service*
- 12:00pm** **Lunch**
- 1:30pm** Refresher presentation on SRR Core Indicator selection criteria, SRR indicator data status (existing metrics, existing data, etc.), and other potential indicator sources to inform identification of next indicators to add to MAPP suite – *John Mitchell, Doug Powell and John Tanaka with participating criterion group leaders*
- 2:15pm** Whole group discussion on MAPP to agree upon process for identification of other indicator data collected (beyond 5 MAPP indicators) with NRI and FIA protocols in MAPP counties and additional indicators to be added to the MAPP suite. – led by Facilitator with *Leonard Jolley and Jeff Goebel (NRCS), Ted McArthur (FS) and Rob Roudabush (BLM)*
- 2:45pm** *Break*
- 3:15pm** Using agreed-upon process, small groups identify next indicators.
- 4:45pm** Small groups report out – led by Facilitator with group leaders
- 5:15pm** Adjourn Day 1

### **Wednesday, September 23, 2009**

- 8:00am** Overview of Day 1 progress and plans for Day 2 – *Facilitator*
- 8:10am** Summary of Climate Change Report released in June 2009, other current developments with climate change policy, and implications for SRR initiatives – *Jack Morgan, ARS*
- 8:45am** Overview of USDI climate change strategy and renewable energy development issues for rangelands, including solar, wind and biofuels – *Kit Muller, BLM*
- 9:15am** BLM AIM Strategy, relevance to climate change, and opportunities for SRR with regard to climate change assessment, regional indicator applications, and multi-scale inventory and monitoring – *Craig MacKinnon, BLM AIMS Group Leader*
- 9:45am** Climate change and renewable energy: 25x25's recent efforts to determine Agriculture and Forestry's role in a reduced carbon economy – *Read Smith, 25x25 National Co-chair*
- 10:15am** *Break*

- 10:45am** Presentation and discussion on current version of SRR Integrated Concept for Social, Economic, and Ecologic Sustainability (ISEEC) in the context of climate change and energy development with a focus on social, ecological, and economic information integration in general and more specifically in relation to MAPP – *Bill Fox and Urs Kreuter, Texas A&M University, and John Tanaka University of Wyoming*
- 11:15am** Social, Economic, and Ecological Data Integration Needs; Challenges, Opportunities, & Preliminary Discussion to Outline a Strategic Approach (actual work will occur in a smaller group, likely outside the SRR general sessions at a later date) – *led by Facilitator with John Tanaka and Bill Fox*
- 12:00pm** **Lunch**
- 1:15pm** Whole group discussion to develop a process to evaluate utility of the ISEEC for assessment of monitoring needs and policy applications in the context of climate change – *led by Facilitator with John Tanaka and Jack Morgan*
- 1:45pm** Reconvene to identify small group participants; small groups begin work on evaluation of climate change issues using ISEEC and indicators (small group discussion leaders tentatively Bill Fox, John Tanaka, Dan McCollum, and Cliff Duke) *includes afternoon break*
- 4:45pm** Small group status reports – *led by Facilitator and small group discussion leaders*
- 5:15pm** Adjourn Day 2

**Thursday, September 24, 2009**

- 8:00am** Overview of Day 1 progress and plans for Day 3 – *Facilitator*
- 8:10am** Small groups continue work on evaluation of climate change issues using ISEEC and indicators; at least one group each for evaluation beginning on ecological side of model and socio-economic side of model (small group discussion leaders tentatively Bill Fox, John Tanaka, Dan McCollum, and Cliff Duke), potentially by sector (agriculture, non-renewable energy, renewable energy – wind, solar, biofuels)
- 10:10am** *Break*
- 10:30am** Small group reports - *led by Facilitator and small group discussion leaders*
- 11:00am** Whole group discussion on gaps and overlaps; commonalities across sectors, as well as between ecological and socio-economic approaches; and recommendations for improvements to the ISEEC and indicators – *led by Facilitator with John Tanaka, Bill Fox, and Jack Morgan*
- 12:00pm** Meeting accomplishments, next steps, and future needs – *led by Facilitator with SRR Steering Committee and Directors*
- 12:30pm** Adjourn SRR General Sessions - **Thanks to all for your time and effort.**  
*Safe Travels!*