



USDA Forest Service

Southwestern Region - Partnerships

Southwestern Regional Collaboration Newsletter

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Stewardship Contracting Tools

Are available on-line including a decision tree to determine when it's the appropriate tool for you:

<http://www.partnershipresourcecenter.org/resources/imp-tools/stewardship/index.php>

The link to the national integrated resource contract and agreement site is also included at:

<http://fsweb.wo.fs.fed.us/fm/stewardship/contracts/index.shtml>

2004 Elk Country Awards

Nominations are due December 3rd for outstanding projects, programs and individual achievement in the conservation of elk and elk habitat. Applications are in the October 26, 2004 memo from Anne Zimmerman under file code 2600 or contact achristophersen@fs.fed.us

Fuels Reduction through Partnerships

You won't believe how many ways you can use partnerships to accomplish fuels reduction goals. A decision tree (graphic) describes your options:

<http://www.partnershipresourcecenter.org/resources/imp-tools/hazardous-fuels/index.php>

Draft Southwest Regional Partnership Strategy

The regional leadership team will review the Southwestern Region's Draft Partnership Strategy on November 3, 2004. The Strategy development team included:

Lucia Turner, Deputy Regional Forester
Liz Agpaoa, previously Cibola Forest Supervisor
Ignacio Peralta, Carson NF Partnership Coord.
Amy Unthank, RO Fisheries Program
Ken Anderson, Redrocks District Ranger
Susan McDonnell, RO Grants & Agreements
Elaine Waterbury, RO Cooperative Forestry
Mike Frazier, Santa Fe NF Staff Officer
Denise McCaig, RO Partnership Coord.
and Karen Harger as their dynamic facilitator.

The final document will be available on the upcoming R-3 partnership website.

Q. When are partnerships not just another program added to your full plate?

A. When they solve problems! So next time you have a dilemma, think partnerships!



National Arbor Day Foundation provides money to reforest southwest burned areas

Jennifer Boettcher, Corporate Marketing Assistant at [The National Arbor Day Foundation](http://www.nationalarbordayfoundation.org) will provide funding for seedlings and planting costs to restore the southwestern burned forests. An R-3 collection agreement template for all Forests is available from Denise McCaig (505/842-3406). Contact Jennifer at (402) 474-5655 or <mailto:jboettcher@arborday.org>

Nominate your National Fire Plan Partners

In 2004 seven National Fire Plan (NFP) award categories will recognize outstanding accomplishments related to the NFP:

1. Excellence in Community Assistance
2. Excellence in Collaboration
3. Excellence in Hazardous Fuels Reduction
4. Excellence in Firefighter Preparedness, Training and Safety
5. Excellence in Rehabilitation and Restoration
6. Innovation in biomass utilization
7. Excellence in research

Nominations are due November 19, 2004.

Go to <http://www.fireplan.gov/awards/>



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