

Understanding Collaboration

USDA Forest Service National Collaboration Cadre Training Announcement

Objectives

At the end of this course, you will be able to:

- Define collaboration and identify conditions when it works best
- Understand the agency's philosophy of collaboration
- Identify different types of collaboration and your sphere of influence
- Identify how to measure progress in a collaborative environment.
- Analyze the collaborative potential of local situations
- Identify levels of public participation and engagement
- Understand how collaboration relates to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA)
- Apply workshop concepts and tools to ongoing efforts or potential opportunities for collaboration on the Forest



Course Description

This one-day course provides participants with a foundation of how collaboration works, particularly focused on increasing participants' knowledge, ability, and confidence to effectively collaborate both internally and externally.

This course provides participants an opportunity to develop a shared understanding of collaboration, to take a closer look at the different kinds of collaboration that federal land managers regularly engage in and what motivates people outside the agencies to want to collaborate. Participants explore levels of public participation and engagement. It also provides a common "language" for discussing collaborative processes.

Learn how to recognize when opportunities for collaboration are ripe. Increase your understanding of how to measure progress in a collaborative effort. Apply the concepts learned to self-identified collaborative opportunities.

Scheduling a Training

The course is offered on an as needed basis. We'll work with Forest staff to schedule and design a session that fits your needs. An experienced Cadre team will travel to the Forest for the training.

Who Should Attend?

Natural resource managers, Forest Service staff and community stakeholders depending on your local goals.

Length

1 day

What is the National Collaboration Cadre?

The Cadre is a network of people from around the US who provide peer-to-peer training and coaching assistance to National Forests and the communities around them interested in developing collaborative processes. The Cadre consists of Forest Service employees, community members, and researchers who have extensive experience participating in and leading collaborative efforts.

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