



DEMONSTRATION
STATE FORESTS 

Jackson Demonstration State Forest

Forest Management Plan Update
Co-Management

Public Meetings

Fort Bragg and Ukiah



Land Acknowledgement

We would like to recognize that JDSF is the unceded traditional territory of the local Indigenous people past and present. Honoring of the land itself by stewardship has and continues to occur throughout the generations. This land acknowledgement compels us all to continue to learn how to be better stewards of the land.

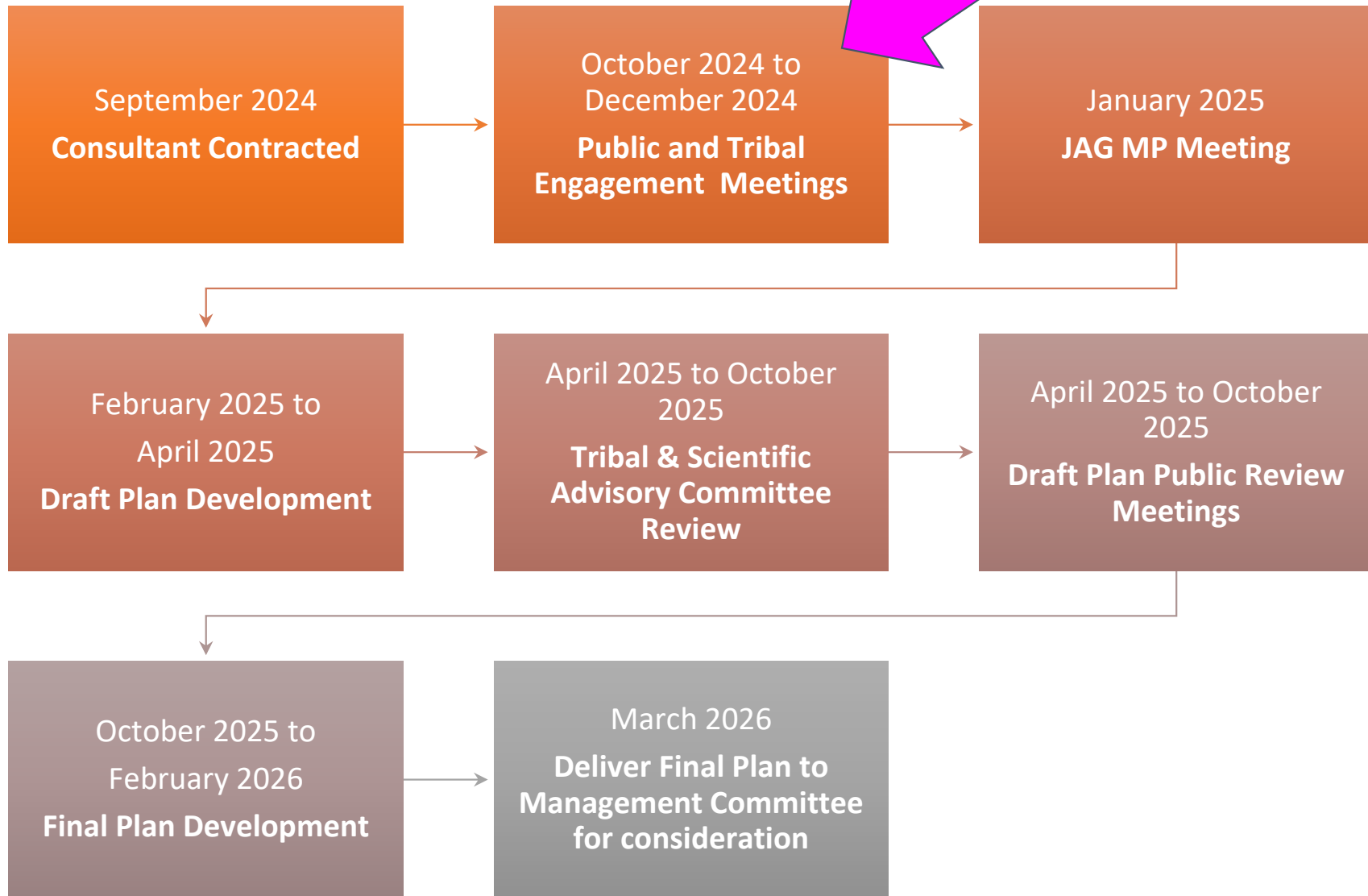
Community Agreements

- **Everyone has something to share.** Be brief and give others the opportunity to speak.
- **Be respectful.** Practice listening. Respect our differences. Speak from your own experience.

Stakeholder Interviews & Focus Groups

Talk to Miles or Jen if you want to schedule one.

Management Plan Review Projected Timeline



Comment
Anytime

JDSF@fire.ca.gov

Registration Packet Materials

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Scroll down to “Jackson State Forest Management Plan” and click

- The Agenda
- JAG [Tribal Relations Subgroup](#) Management Plan Review and Recommendations (4/29/2022)
- A statement on the regulatory requirements to consult formally with tribes
- Newsletter articles re the acorn grove and the rock
- PDF statement with the policy
- Management Plan Update Flow Chart

Meeting Materials

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Scroll down to “Jackson State Forest Management Plan” and click

After each public meeting, materials and other documents will be posted.

Objectives

- Understand current statewide executive orders and legislative requirements that help frame co-management goals of JDSF
- Understand CAL FIRE work to date with the Tribal Advisory Council and their role in the JDSF Management Plan Update
- Share examples of collaborative projects
- Understand the principles of co-management
- Clarify the process of Tribal outreach during the Management Plan Update
- Understand the community's role in co-management and the Plan Update

Meeting Our Objectives

Agenda

- JDSF MP Update Process and Ways to Engage
- State and JDSF Goals for Co-management
- Understanding the Role of the Tribal Advisory Council
- Examples of Completed Collaborative Projects
- Clarify the Process of Tribal Outreach during the Management Plan Update
- Understanding the Community's Role in Co-management and the Plan Update

Short Break

- Clarifying Questions
- Public Input on Co-Management at JDSF
- Understanding the Principles of Co-management
- Closing and Next Steps

Bike Rack

- Items not on Today's Agenda
- Items on agenda that you want to comment on, but didn't have time

Notecards

- Will be used to ask clarifying questions about today's presentations of co-management materials
- Write questions during presentations
- Will collect during break and have responses after break

State and JDSF Goals for Co-management

**Kevin Conway,
State Forest Program Manager,
CAL FIRE**

**Kyle Farmer,
JDSF Historian and Fire Advisor**





- **Executive Order N-15-19**
- Recognizes California laws and policies discriminating against Native Americans
- Commends and honors California Native Americans resilience
- Apologizes on behalf of the State
- Establishes the Truth and Healing Council

Recognizing and Apologizing for Historic Wrongs

Statement of Administrative Policy Native American Ancestral Lands

- Reaffirms principles of government-to-government engagement
- Encourages every State agency, to seek opportunities to support California tribes' co-management of and access to natural lands.
- And to work cooperatively with California tribes that are interested in acquiring natural lands in excess of State needs.



Ex. Order B-10-11

Effective Consultation

- Recognized Tribes sovereign authority
- Established the Governor's Tribal Advisor
- Made it State Policy to:
 - Communicate and Consult with Tribal Governments
 - Allow for meaningful input into the development of legislation, regulations, rules and policies.
- Strengthened and made law for CEQA projects in 2014 by Assembly Bill 52 (Gatto).





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Jackson Advisory Group Tribal Relations Subgroup

Management Plan Review and Recommendations

April 29, 2022

Subgroup Work Performed by Charlie Schneider and Amy Wynn

Jackson Advisory Group (JAG) Tribal Relations Subgroup

*"It is our opinion that this direction asks agencies to make proactive efforts and expend resources to cooperatively include Tribes in management decisions if tribes choose to participate. We interpret this direction as promoting **additional interaction between the State and tribes than was considered during the drafting of the current Management Plan** or the CAL FIRE Native American Tribal Communities Relations Policy. As a result, we are recommending updates to the Management Plan to accommodate this direction."*

Recommendation 3

- In consultation with Native American Tribes, the JDSF Management Plan should be **updated to include reference to the protection of Native American cultural values in addition to other values currently listed in the Management Plan** and statute (recreation, watershed, wildlife, etc.) Critically, **protection of cultural values** may be more expansive than existing protections for cultural resources and may include tribal traditions, practices, and lifeways, activities that may include management of resources on the forest.

Recommendation 5

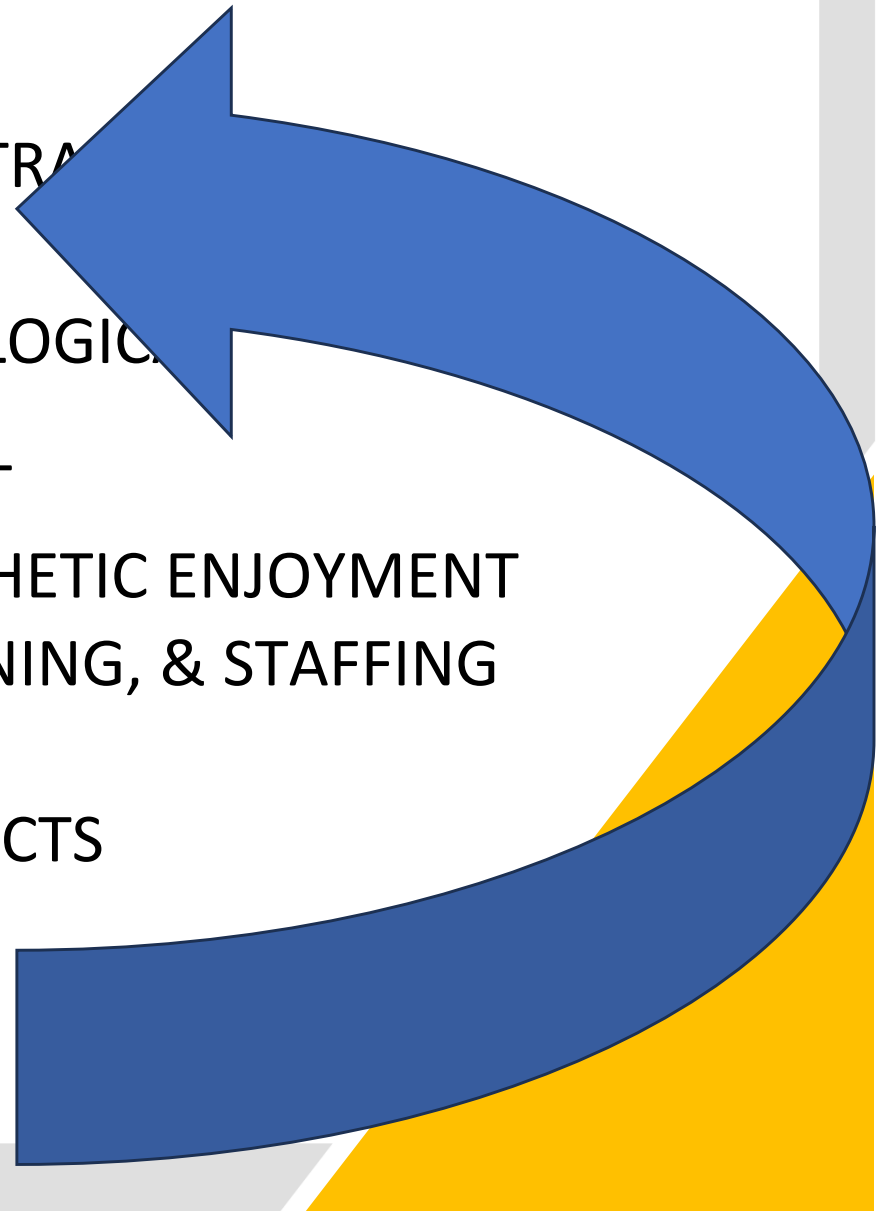
- The existing JDSF Management Plan features nine goals and objectives that should be revisited and updated in partnership with interested tribes. **Tribes may wish to include their goals and objectives in existing goals or create additional goals and objectives.** These changes may or may not need to be bound by a co-management or other type of agreement.

Existing FMP Goals

- Goal #1 -RESEARCH & DEMONSTRATION
- Goal #2 -FOREST RESTORATION
- Goal #3 -WATERSHED AND ECOLOGICAL PROCESSES
- Goal #4 -TIMBER MANAGEMENT
- Goal #5 -RECREATION and AESTHETIC ENJOYMENT
- Goal #6 – INFORMATION, PLANNING, & STAFFING
- Goal #7 –PROTECTION
- Goal #8 -MINOR FOREST PRODUCTS
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Recommendation 6

- Chapter three of the Management Plan discusses the **desired forest conditions** for JDSF that evolve out of the nine goals and objectives noted above and provide direction to staff. It is impossible for the Tribal Relations Subgroup's to predict what priorities tribes may have for future forest conditions, or what potential co-management or other agreements may include. As a result, we can only recommend that revisions to this section may be necessary pending consultation, government-to-government negotiations, and agreements.

Recommendation 7

- The section entitled “Public Concerns Regarding the Management of JDSF” (p. 26) should include a sub-section that **conveys Native American perspectives on forest management.**

Recommendation 8

- If preferred by local Native Americans, and in consultation with them, the **“Setting” section in chapter 2 should be redrafted** to include more information on traditional use, and management of the land JDSF now occupies.

Recommendation 9

- The Heritage Resources sections (p.52 and 89) of the Management Plan should be **reassessed in consultation with tribes** to develop a satisfactory process for **managing heritage resources** of interest to tribes.

Recommendation 10

- As a component of the management of heritage resources, JDSF should maintain an **on-site staff person with experience and/or training in working with Native American communities who will serve as the point of contact** for Native Americans and Native American Tribes.
- This person should work to proactively develop relationships with the Native American community and seek opportunities to facilitate access and co-management of JDSF above and beyond the required consultation and communication policies in the CAL FIRE Native American Tribal Communities Relations Policy. This staff position is recommended in the existing Management Plan but is not currently filled.
- Page 89 Heritage Resources - Management Goals
 - 2. **Assign responsibility for managing heritage resources to an on-site staff person who will maintain the above database and interface with professionals as needed, and serve as the point-of-contact for Native Americans who have heritage ties to the Forest** and other interested parties such as local historical societies (cf. PRC Section 5097.9)

Recommendation 11

- If tribes so choose, a section in **chapter two could be added that addresses the cultural importance of the JDSF property to Native Americans.**

Recommendation 12

- **Special Concern Areas should include cultural resource sites.**

Understanding the Role of the Tribal Advisory Council

**Brandon Gunn,
Mendocino Unit Chief,
CAL FIRE**





Tribal Advisory Council (TAC)

- First proposed in New Vision, developed in Tribal consultation, along with adding a Tribal representative to JAG.
- Participating local Tribal governments chose their TAC representative.
- TAC members set the agendas and chose the projects they wish to pursue, within and outside of JDSF
- The TAC decides what gets shared with the public

Tribal Advisory Council (TAC)

- Platform to advance interests common to multiple Local Tribes
- Does not replace ability of Tribes to work individually with CAL FIRE
- Unit Chief is CAL FIRE's primary contact with TAC.
- This structure allows space to also work outside JDSF and with other CAL FIRE programs and resources.



Examples of Collaborative Projects

Erik Wahl
Roads and Recreation Manager
CAL FIRE

Jason Franklin





“I took part in a prescribed, cultural burn with CAL FIRE this week. First, I would like to say that the people of CAL FIRE and their crew made me feel very welcome. I see this as a great start to a relationship for the future vision and connection to the wilderness, rivers, watersheds. Hopefully we take this opportunity to come together and do some wonderful things for the wellbeing for all of our children,” said Vernon Wilson, Tribal Member of the Cahto Tribe.

Tribal Advisory Council (TAC) Activities to Date

- Provided comprehensive set of JFSF cultural resource records and map.
- Identified and improved an acorn gathering location.
- Conducted first cultural burn on JDSF.



- Several public trails on JDSF do not have “official” names, where names have been created by local users (ex. “TV” “Gas Cap”)
- Effort to properly name trails included sending letters to TRIBES requesting participation in naming. Responses received include representatives from Coyote Valley and Sherwood.
- Objective to assign names to trails through input from community and share names on Recreation Maps, etc.
- Criteria for proper naming includes providing names that link information or education to visitors, basing consideration on historic land use, important landmarks, research or education.



























Understanding Tribal Engagement and Collaboration

Helen Lopez,
Deputy Director
Tribal Affairs Program
CAL FIRE





Collaboration has Many Forms

AB 1284 (Ramos) defined Co-Management as:

- A **collaborative effort** established through an agreement in which **two or more sovereigns** mutually negotiate, define, and **allocate amongst themselves** the sharing of **management functions and responsibilities** for a given territory, are, or set of natural resources.

Other, formal relationship structures

- Co-Governance: collaboration and shared decision making on a government-to-government level.
- Co-Stewardship: may cover a broad variety of activities between agency and Local Tribe, such as cultural burning or propagating native plants.

Tribal Engagement Goals:

a diverse suite of objectives

**Determined
through
relationship
building between
Agency and Tribal
Governments**

- Access to cultural landscapes, natural resources, medicines, and ceremonial sites.
- Protection and restoration of culturally important resources
- Tribal economic development

New Tools

Assembly Bill 1284: Tribal Ancestral Lands and Waters: Co-governance and Co-management agreements

Senate Bill 310: Prescribed Fire: Cultural Burns



Tribal Outreach during the Management Plan Update

Clifton Environmental




Local Tribal Input Into the JDSF MP

Tribal MP Meetings Facilitated by Alta Archaeology

- In-person meetings are being held at tribal offices
- 3 Tribal meetings prior to draft MP
- 3 Tribal meeting post draft MP

Tribal Advisory Council (TAC)

- TAC meetings are ongoing

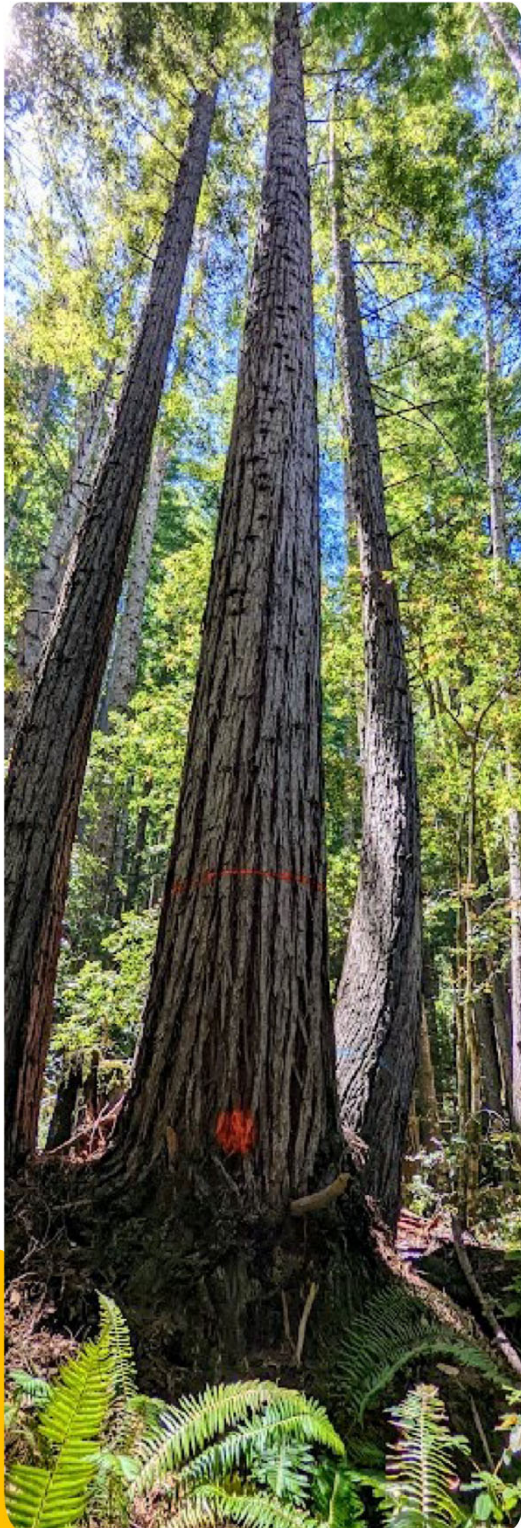


5 MIN BREAK
Collect Questions on
Notecards

Clarifying Questions

What
information
presented
needs
clarification?

- All questions on notecards



Community Input

- Count off
- Remember community agreements
- Briefly Introduce Yourself when you speak: Name and where you live
- 25 minutes in your group

Facilitated Group Questions:

1. What are the **opportunities** for CAL FIRE to advance state directives on co-management at JDSF?
2. What **concerns** do you have about the evolution of state directives on co-management?
3. What are the desired **goals** for CAL FIRE to support co-management on JDSF?

Update Process and Next Steps for Community Input

Topic: Tribal Co-Management

- Tuesday, Oct. 29, 5-7 PM: Fort Bragg - Town Hall
- Wednesday, Oct. 30, 6-8 PM: Ukiah - Senior Center

Topic: Restoration Ecology

- Monday, Nov. 18, 6-8 PM: Ukiah - Saturday Afternoon Clubhouse
- Thursday, Nov. 21, 5-7 PM: Fort Bragg - Town Hall

Topic: Restoration Economy

- Thursday, Dec. 12: 6-8 PM: Ukiah - Senior Center
- Friday, Dec. 13, 5-7 PM: Fort Bragg - Veterans Hall

Pre-register:

<https://jacksonstateforestplan.com/register>

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THANK YOU