



Forestry Workgroup Meeting

July 1st, 2026
9:00 - 11:00 am

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Purpose: Review data and get input to inform development of the new Healthy Forests and Trees management strategy including:

- Baseline data for the new Forest Conservation target
- Signatory programs and authorities
- High-level challenges for meeting the outcome and Management Approaches for addressing the challenges

Agenda

I. Welcome and Introductions (9:00-9:05)

Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Anne Hairston-Strang, MD DNR
Materials: N/A

II. Announcements (9:05-9:10)

- Update on E3 Scenario development
- Upcoming [CRC roundtable](#) webinar on Healthy Forests workshop- July 15, 12-1
- August 5th meeting will be cancelled
- Call for three at-large member nominations (or re-nominations!)

Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Katie Brownson, USFS
Materials: N/A

III. Round Robin (9:10– 9:25)

Please come with 2-3 updates to share from your jurisdiction or organization!

Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Anne Hairston-Strang, MD DNR
Materials: N/A

IV. Forest Conservation Baseline data (9:25-9:45)

Cotton and Katie will share data from the USFS Forest Stewardship Program and NRCS that could be used as baseline data for forest stewardship and management in the new Management Strategy. Input will be requested on the data to include in the Management Strategy.

Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Cotton Randall (USFS) and Katie Brownson (USFS)
Materials: To be posted on meeting webpage

V. Signatory programs and authorities for Healthy Forests and Trees (9:45-10:15)

Each signatory will have ~3-4 minutes to share the key programs in their jurisdiction that support implementation of each of the targets and major statutory authorities that support engagement in the Healthy Forests and Trees outcome. The signatory programs and authorities will be added to the Healthy Forests and Trees Management Strategy.

Requested Action: Non-decisional
Materials: To be posted on meeting webpage

VI. Healthy Forests and Trees: Challenges and Management Approaches (10:15-10:55)

To guide Management Strategy development, Katie will share a draft set of high-level Challenges and Management Approaches for workgroup review and input. Please come ready to share your thoughts on the biggest challenges we will face in meeting our outcome targets and high-level management approaches for addressing these challenges.

Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Katie Brownson, USFS
Materials: To be posted on meeting webpage

VII. Wrap-Up and Next Steps (10:55 – 11:00)
Lead: Anne Hairston-Strang, DNR

VIII. Adjourn (11:00)

Next Meeting: September 2nd, 2026, 9:00 am - 11:00 am
August meeting is cancelled!