Session Leaders, Facilitators and Notetakers

Leader definition: Expert, trained in the topic area, e.g., for the invasives theme, this could be a manager who manages and has experience working with invasives and/or a science or stakeholder expert who delivers knowledge on invasives through publishing, presentations, report-writing, meetings, and teaching. Leaders would assemble session results and deliver them to coordinators.

Note-takers: Enters input of session participants in format that session leaders can work with.

Facilitator definition: Someone who is trained in facilitation, keeps participants on track, resolves conflicts, unbiased, need not not be an expert in the topic. One facilitator per themed session. Assuming a session has participants at more than one table, the facilitator would move around to provide assistance.

Leaders Native Species and Biodiversity. POC: Bill Van Pelt

CONFIRMED. Bill Van Pelt, Grassland Coordinator, Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, Phoenix, AZ

CONFIRMED. Scott Somershoe, Landbird Coordinator, Acting Chief, USFWS, Denver, CO

CONFIRMED. Monica Tomosy, National Wildlife Program Leader, FS WO R&D, Washington, DC


Leaders Invasive Species: POC: Amy Symstad

CONFIRMED. Amy Symstad, Research Scientist, USGS, Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center, Hot Springs, SD

CONFIRMED. Dana Blumenthal, Research Scientist, ARS, Fort Collins, CO

CONFIRMED. Justin Runyon, Research Entomologist, RMRS, Missoula, MT

CONFIRMED. Chad Prosser, Noxious Weed & Range Program Manager, FS Dakota Prairies SO, Bismarck, ND

CONFIRMED. Cami Dixon, FWS Region 6 Biologist/Native Prairie Adaptive Management program manager, Woodworth, ND.

Leaders Working Lands. POCs: Justin Derner and Rachel Murph

CONFIRMED. Justin Derner, Research Program Leader, ARS, Cheyenne, WY/Ft. Collins, CO

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CONFIRMED. Austin Sewell, Rangeland Mgmt. Specialist, Caddo/LBJ National Grassland, Decatur, TX

CONFIRMED. Dave Pellatz, Executive Director and Conservation Coordinator, Thunder Basin Grasslands Prairie Ecosystem Association, Douglas, WY
CONFIRMED. Note-taker. Katelyn Driscoll, Ecologist, FS RMRS, Albuquerque, NM

Leaders Weather, Water and Climate. POC: Dave Brown

CONFIRMED. Dave Brown, Director, ARS, Southern Plains Climate Hub, El Reno, OK
CONFIRMED. Robin O’Malley, Director, USGS, North Central Plains Climate Science Center, Fort Collins, CO
CONFIRMED. Danelle Peck, Director, ARS, Northern Plains Climate Hub, Fort Collins, CO
CONFIRMED. Note-taker, Paulette Ford, Research Ecologist, FS RMRS, Albuquerque, NM

Leaders Energy Development. POC: Brice Hanberry

CONFIRMED. Vern Koehler, Mineral and Lands Staff Officer, Pawnee National Grassland, Ault, CO
CONFIRMED. Brice Hanberry, Research Ecologist, FS RMRS Rapid City, SD.
CONFIRMED: Sean Kyle, Industry Service Director, Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

Leaders Wildland and Prescribed Fire. POC: Carol Baldwin

CONFIRMED. Carolyn Baldwin, Great Plains Fire Science Exchange, KSU, Manhattan, KS
CONFIRMED. Ichiro Stewart, Cibola Natl Grasslands Fire Management Officer, Clayton, NM
CONFIRMED. Sara McCaffrey, Social Scientist, RMRS, Ft. Collins, CO

Facilitators:

NRCS: Petra Popiel, trained facilitator, Denver (April 10-11)
RMRS: Nehalem Clark, Jen Hayes, Anne Black – they may have training as facilitators or have other ideas