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Group #3

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Q. #1: Does the policy take the right approach?

* - Problem with duplication = many different activities ongoing (BPA, FS, Biological Opinion activities, etc.)
* - Can't get job done on watershed just on public lands - must include private + State lands.
  - Models Watersheds are good examples of what can be done
  - Problems with ESA directing agencies without good link to ongoing watershed activities.
  - Each agency needs a strategy on how to implement the policy.
  - Funding is issue for some agencies - can't implement with no $ (new funding)
  - Policy is "license to participate" by agencies
  - How do you bring "NON-Federal" partners to the table
  - Need incentives to help get partners in loop.
  - Need broad-based public support.
  - Good "grass root" efforts are ongoing - are very good examples.
  - How is accountability to be tracked?

Q 2: How can restoration & protection activities on Federal Lands be best coordinated?

- Can't accomplish goals with Public Land Planning alone.
- NW Forest Plan - ~~the~~ includes only FS + BLM Need to bring in Park Service + other partners.
- Funding sometimes not directed to highest priority watershed. Need flexibility (Wyden Amdmt.)
- Issue of how to package + sell the policy to the public. Implementation is key.
- Two models in Northwest are good examples of how it can work. (NW Plan + ICBMP)
- Need "digestible pieces" to help sell the policy
- How do we get municipalities involved? - very important.
- The "Oregon Plan" is ongoing effort which needs emphasis.

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Q3:

(A) What does collaboration mean?

- Shared decision making
- Opportunities to influence decisions
- Discuss priorities ~~without~~ openly
- Have ~~common~~ common objectives + understanding
- Respect others positions + viewpoints
- A forum to collaborate

(B) Examples of collaborative efforts + what worked well + why you believe these were successful.

→ Worked with lower basin users – had common goals.

→ Shared decision making is important

→ Working with small Watershed councils in Oregon – Works Well

→ ~~[illegible]~~ Collaboration takes time

(C) What do you want your role to be.

→ Help introduce "Champion" the policy

→ Provide technical assistance to states + tribes

→ Need to help but need funding + FTEs to implement

→ Depends on authority Agency has.