Strategic Research Plan Subcommittee Report

BCP Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting

February 11, 2016

Summary

No face-to-face meetings occurred since the previous subcommittee meeting in September. That meeting resulted in preliminary literature review assignments for individual members, with the goal of preparing for more detailed studies and work group sessions this Spring and Summer.

Status of Tasks

- 1) Construct a research bibliography for the BCP (Amie Treuer-Kuchn). STATUS: in-progress. Other subcommittee members are working on this as secondary tasks. Amy Belaire's Trello project (linked below) will facilitate this.
- 2) Create a BCP flow-chart or network analysis to depict BCP agencies, roles, and general research topics (Ashley Lovell). STATUS: unknown. I think this is pending interviews and literature reviews.
- 3) Discern the original intent for research on the BCP and identify any discrepancies between this and existing research (Sam Whitehead). STATUS: in-progress. Most of this will be completed this spring upon the completion of Task 4 below.
- 4) Conduct interviews of original BCP staff (none assigned). STATUS: pending the completion of literature reviews.
- 5) Interview BCP Land Managers (Shalene Jha), STATUS: postponed, Is it necessary?
- 6) Conduct data analysis of State-of-the-BCP reports and other annual reports (Amy Belaire). STATUS: in-progress. Wild Basin interns have been reviewing past BCCP annual reports to identify research projects since 2007. They added the research to the Trello page that contains the Land Management Research Priorities (https://trello.com/b/iSl2NOTD/land-management-research-needs). The students attempted to paste details about each research project under the appropriate "research priority" headings that were identified in the Land Management Plans (Sam pulled these out previously into a comprehensive list of research needs). If a research project mentioned in an annual report did not seem to fit under any of the research priority headings, the students added it under a "miscellaneous" heading.

Next Steps and Requests

- 1) Who should we interview? Who would like to be interviewed?
- 2) Should we interview the Land Managers? What information can we get from them?
- 3) What are the important documents we need and how can we get them? What are some important papers?
- 4) Please visit the Trello page and provide feedback. Would you, as a researcher, use this? What other features (in Trello or otherwise) would you like to see? I think Trello is a fantastic platform to encourage collaboration.
- 5) Are we missing anything? Are we duplicating efforts?
- 6) What kind of timeline are we working with?