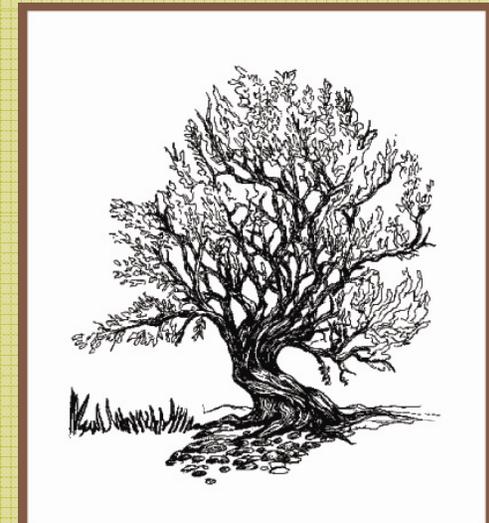


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# Great Basin Landscape Conservation Cooperative

Informational Webinar  
September 29, 2010



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# Welcome

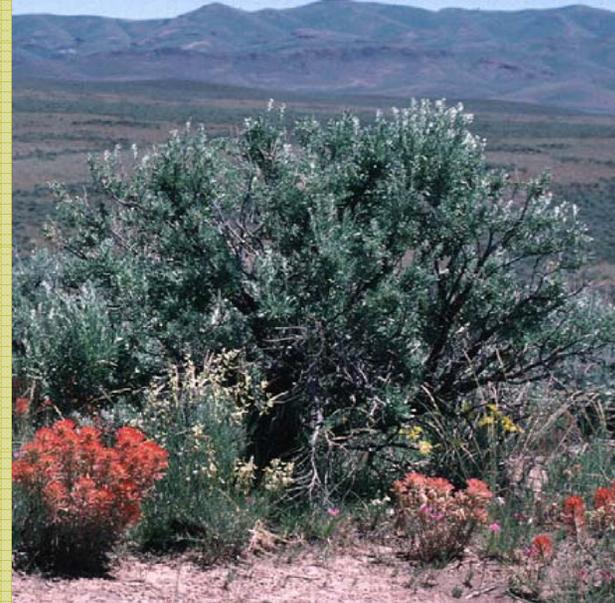
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## Webinar logistics

- Raising your hand
- Asking questions

## Documents available

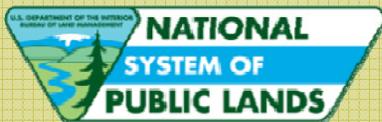
- Fact sheet & questionnaire
- Webinar PowerPoint presentation
- Organizing Committee meeting summary



# Introduction

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- ❑ Bureau of Land Management, with US Fish & Wildlife Service, was tasked with initiating the Great Basin Landscape Conservation Cooperative (LCC)
- ❑ U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution (USIECR) neutrally convening process
- ❑ USIECR contracted EnviroIssues



# Background

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## Landscape Conservation Cooperatives:

- Established 2009 by Interior Secretary Ken Salazar to better integrate science and management to address climate change and other landscape-scale issues
- Self-directed science and management partnerships within geographically defined area
- Better inform coordinated resource management actions within and across landscapes

# What Are LCCs?

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- Public-private science and management partnerships formed to support landscape-scale conservation
- Link science and conservation delivery
- Include groups that agree to work together on common interests and issues

# LCCs Add Value

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- Forum for coordination among partners
- Science-based decision support tools
- Biological and geospatial data sharing
- Shared regional assessments
- Help partners define research needs

# LCCs Are Not

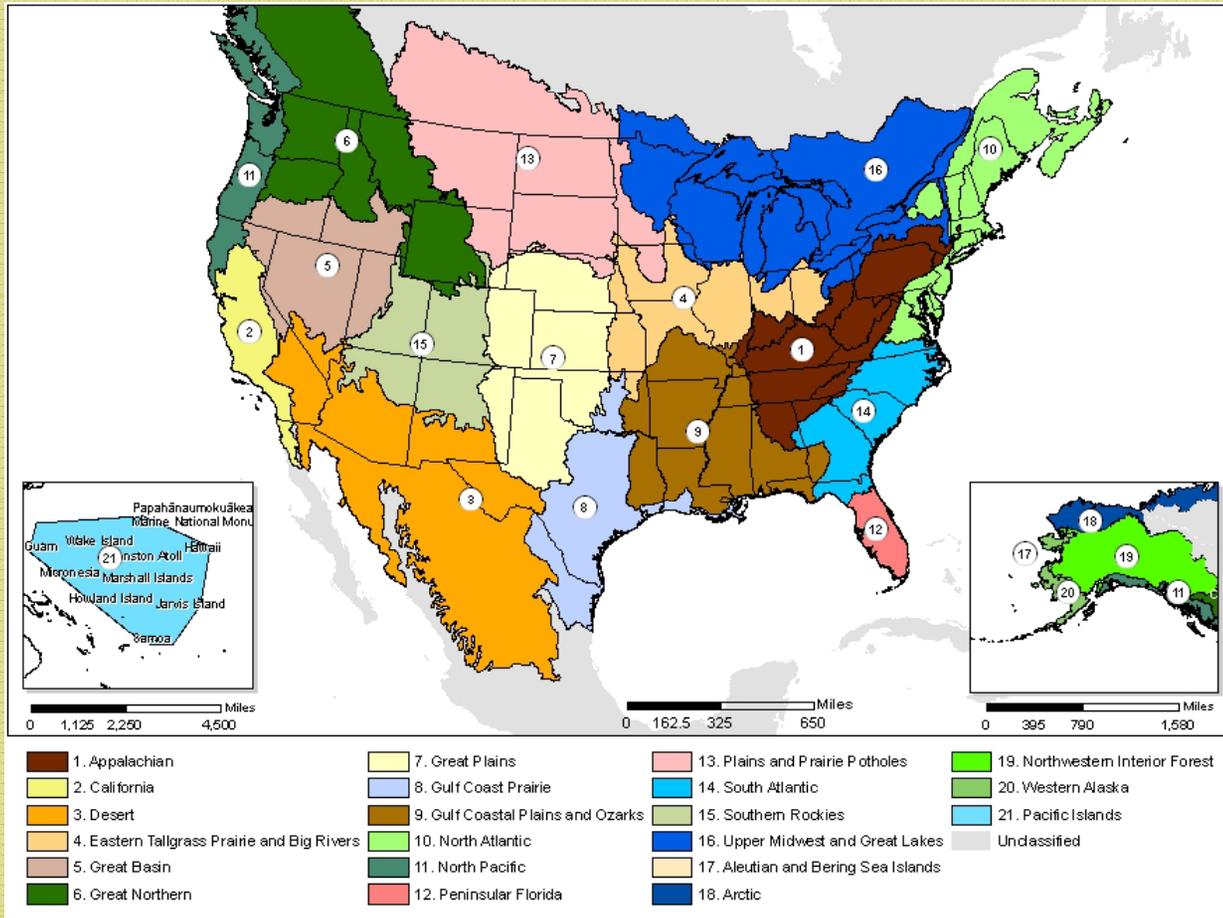
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- Funding sources for conservation delivery
- Replacements for existing partnerships
- Regulatory authorities



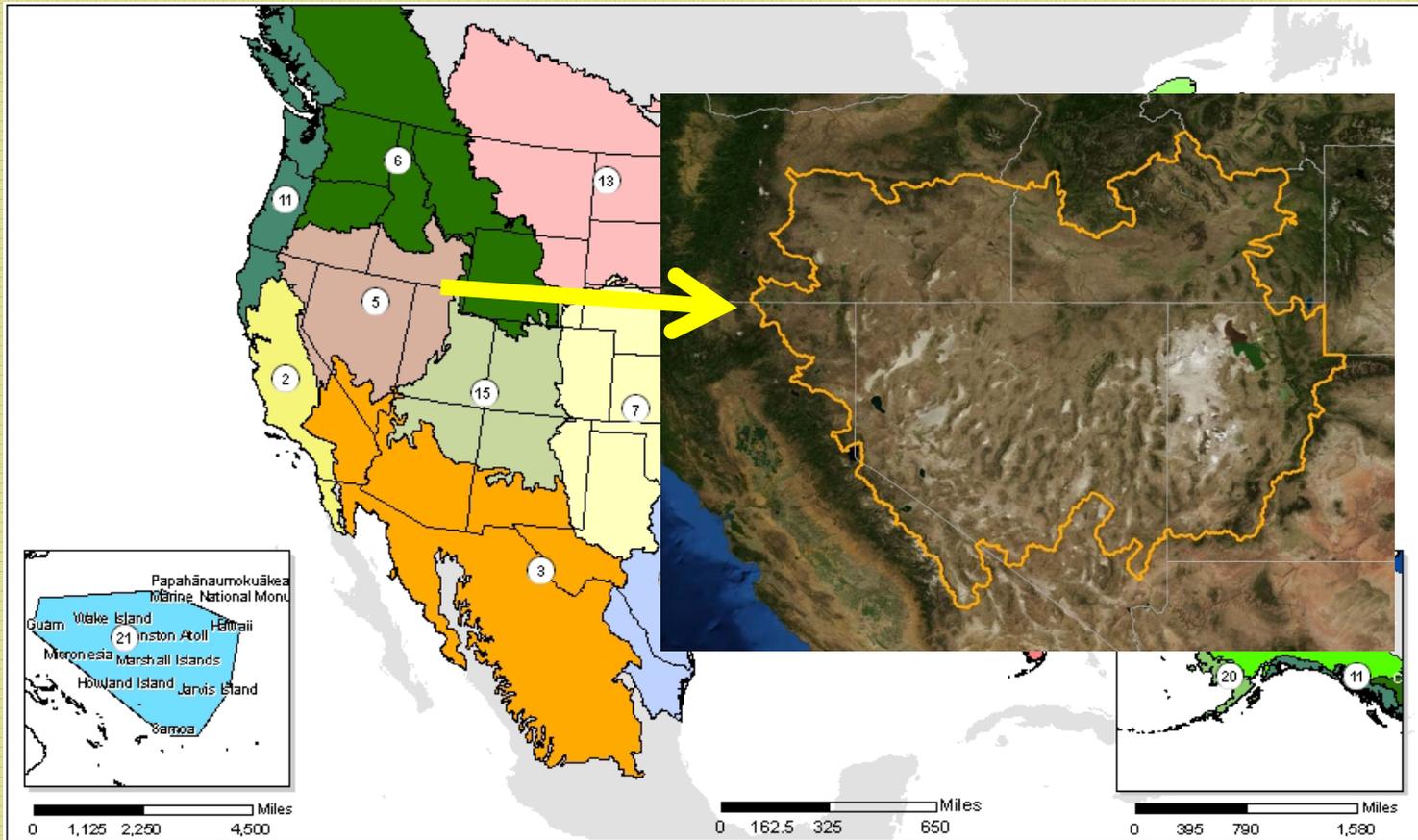
# National Network of 21 LCCs

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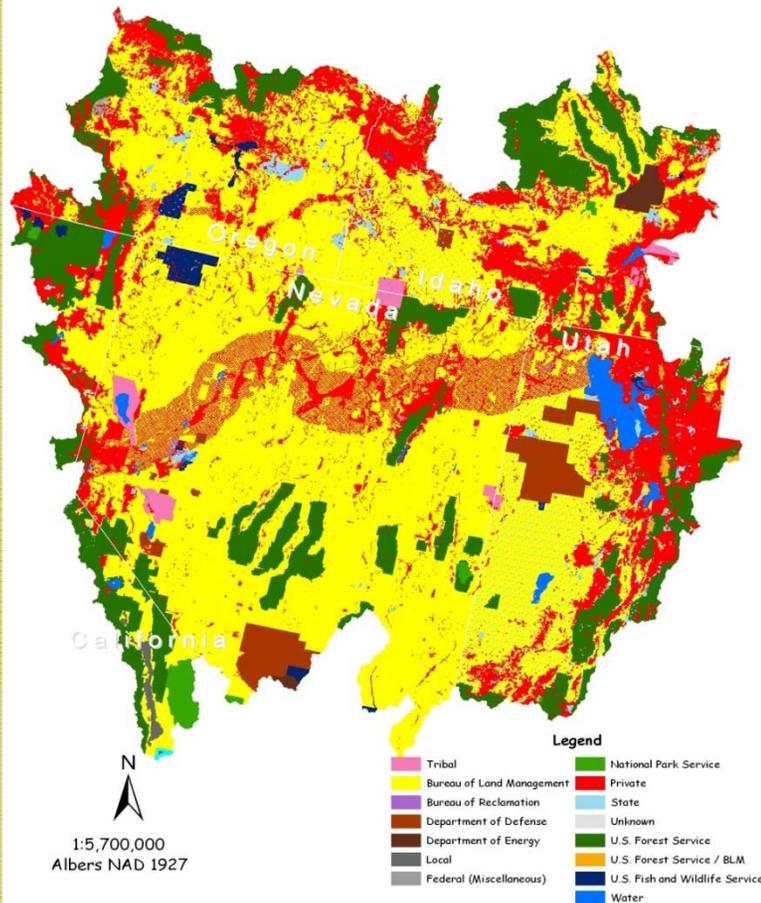
# Great Basin LCC

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# Great Basin Land Ownership

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## 72% federal management

	Acres	Percentage
Tribal	1,382,365	0.95%
<b>Bureau of Land Management</b>	<b>78,499,886</b>	<b>53.93%</b>
Bureau of Reclamation	38,321	0.03%
Department of Defense	3,570,405	2.45%
Department of Energy	670,169	0.46%
Local	358,390	0.25%
Federal (Miscellaneous)	132,831	0.09%
<b>National Park Service</b>	919,144	<b>0.63%</b>
Private	32,385,413	22.25%
State	3,716,394	2.55%
Unknown	7,296	0.01%
<b>U.S. Forest Service</b>	20,343,170	<b>13.98%</b>
U.S. Forest Service / BLM	191,902	0.13%
<b>U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service</b>	1,319,074	<b>0.91%</b>
Water	2,011,978	1.38%
<b>Total</b>	<b>145,546,736</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

# Issues in the Great Basin

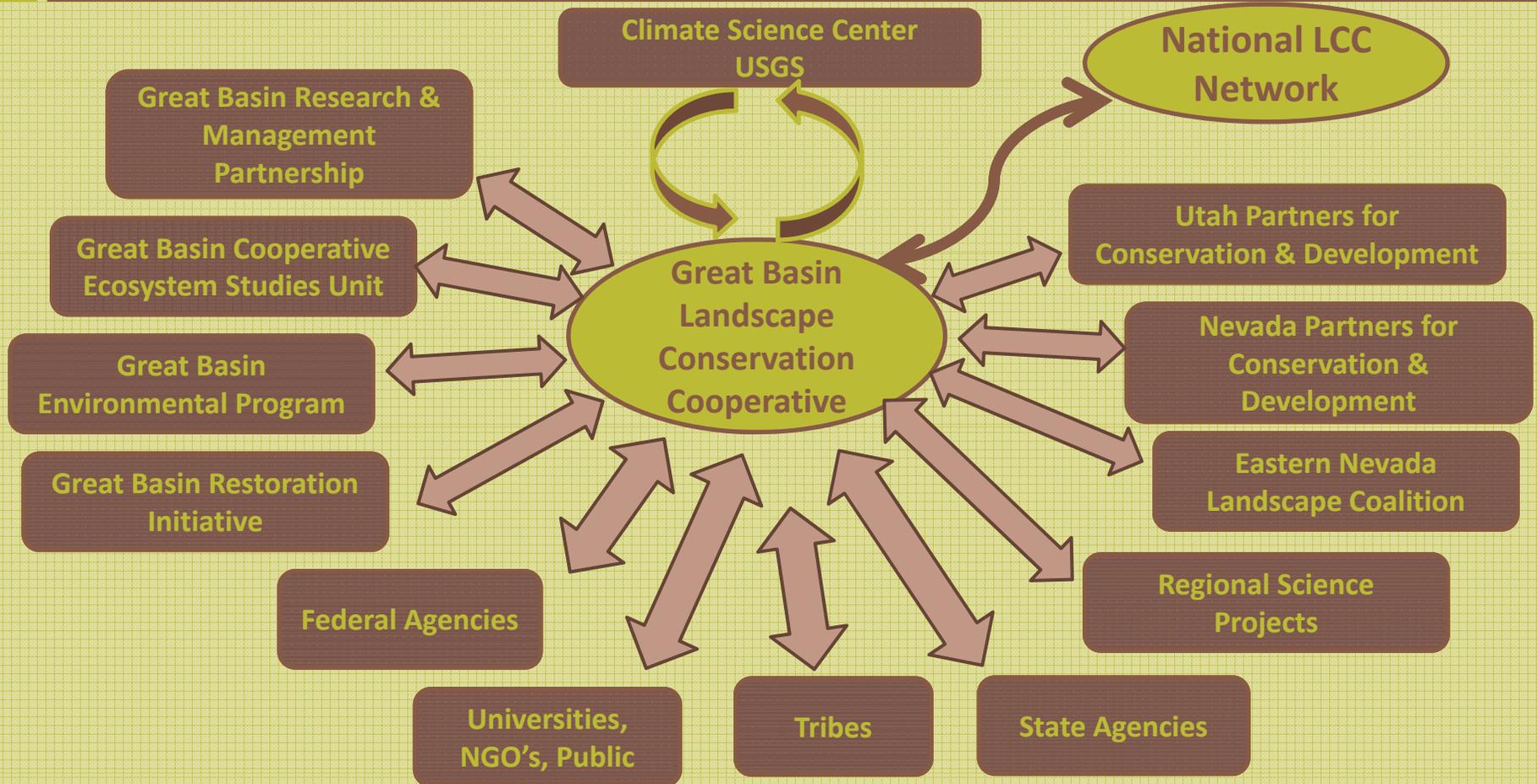
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- Wildfires
- Invasive species
- Loss of habitat
- Water
- Development
- Climate change



# Great Basin LCC Organizational Concept

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# 2010 - 2011 Available Resources

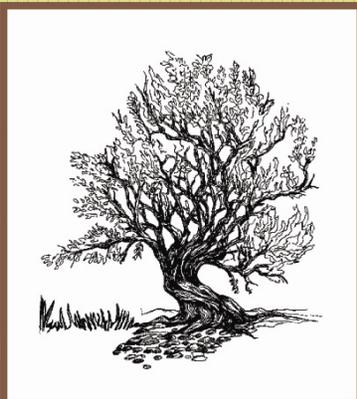
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- BLM LCC Coordinator
- USGS Research Scientist
- USFWS Science Coordinator



# Questions?

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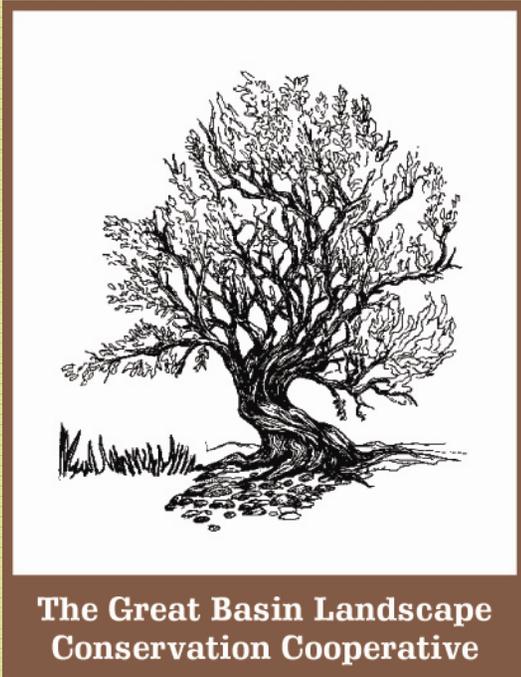
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## Work-to-Date on the Organization's Formation

# Great Basin LCC Informational Meetings

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□ More than 100 participants from seven states

- Boise: May 11, 2010
- Salt Lake City: May 12, 2010
- Reno: May 13, 2010

# May Meeting Recommendations

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- ❑ Conduct outreach for additional members
- ❑ Establish a short-term Organizing Committee
  - Mission
  - Structure
  - Governance

# Organizing Committee Meeting

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- ❑ July 21-23, 2010 in Boise, Idaho
- ❑ Thirteen Organizing Committee members
- ❑ Discussed and/or drafted:
  - Mission statement
  - Governance
  - Structure
  - Decision-making
  - Communication and outreach
  - Next steps

# Organizing Committee Members

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<b>Bob Williams (represented by Selena Werdon)</b>	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
<b>Sara O'Brien</b>	Defenders of Wildlife
<b>Doug Neighbor</b>	National Park Service
<b>Duane Petite</b>	The Nature Conservancy
<b>Joe Tague</b>	Bureau of Land Management
<b>Kim Townsend</b>	Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
<b>Laura Richards</b>	Nevada Department of Wildlife
<b>Mark Biddlecomb</b>	Intermountain West Join Venture – Ducks Unlimited
<b>Mike Pellant</b>	Bureau of Land Management
<b>Nat Frazer</b>	Utah State University, Great Basin Research and Management Partnership
<b>Randy Sharp</b>	U.S. Forest Service
<b>Rang Narayanan</b>	University of Nevada, Reno, Great Basin Environmental Program
<b>Rory Reynolds</b>	Utah Department of Natural Resources

# Draft Mission Statement

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**The Great Basin Landscape Conservation Cooperative serves as a hub to enhance understanding of the effects of climate change and other natural and human disturbances across the region and promotes coordinated science-based actions to enable human and natural communities to respond and/or adapt to those conditions.**

# Draft Mission Statement *(continued)*

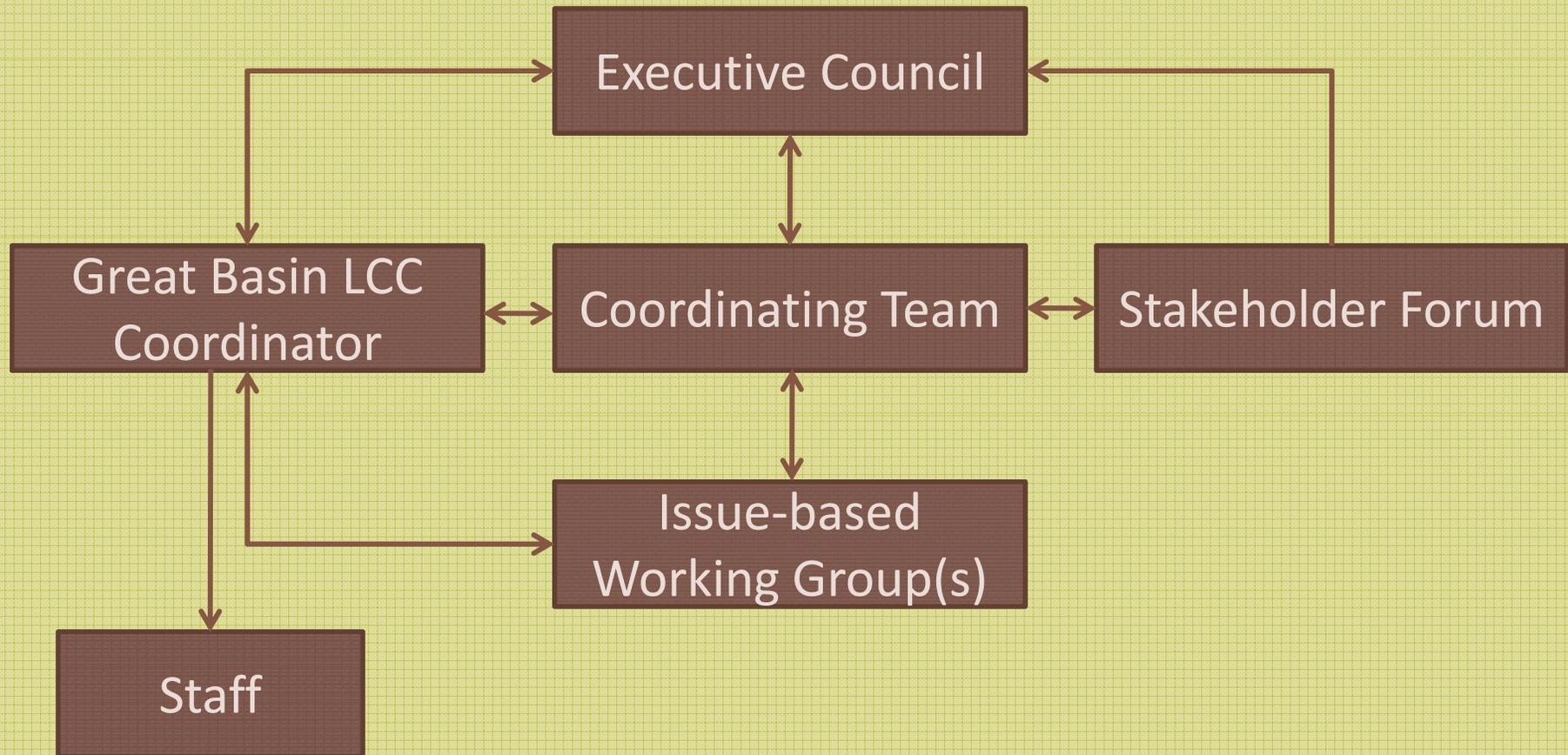
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**The GBLCC accomplishes this mission by providing leadership and a framework linking science and management to address shared priority ecological and socio-economic issues through:**

- Fostering a forum for participation and coordination
- Facilitating communication and outreach
- Supporting and coordinating research and monitoring
- Providing access to data, tools and technical expertise

# Draft Organizational Structure

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# Executive Council

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- Oversight and decision-making
  - Decision-making is done via consensus, and when that is not possible, consensus of 75% will be reached with a minority report
- Funding and agency-support
- Guidance to Coordinating Team
- LCC ambassadors

# Coordinating Team

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- Operational management
- Work plan development
- Establish working groups
- Communication, manage stakeholder forum
- Oversight of working groups
- Convey information, needs and recommendations to Executive Council

# Issue-based Working Groups

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- Data and information management
- Technical reports, proposals and products
- Recommendations for filling data gaps

# Stakeholder Forum

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- Open to all
- Promotes and enables political support
- Report LCC accomplishments and progress and receive feedback
- Identify potential priorities, issues and needs
- Recruitment/self-nomination opportunity for Coordinating Team
- Outreach, education and technology transfer

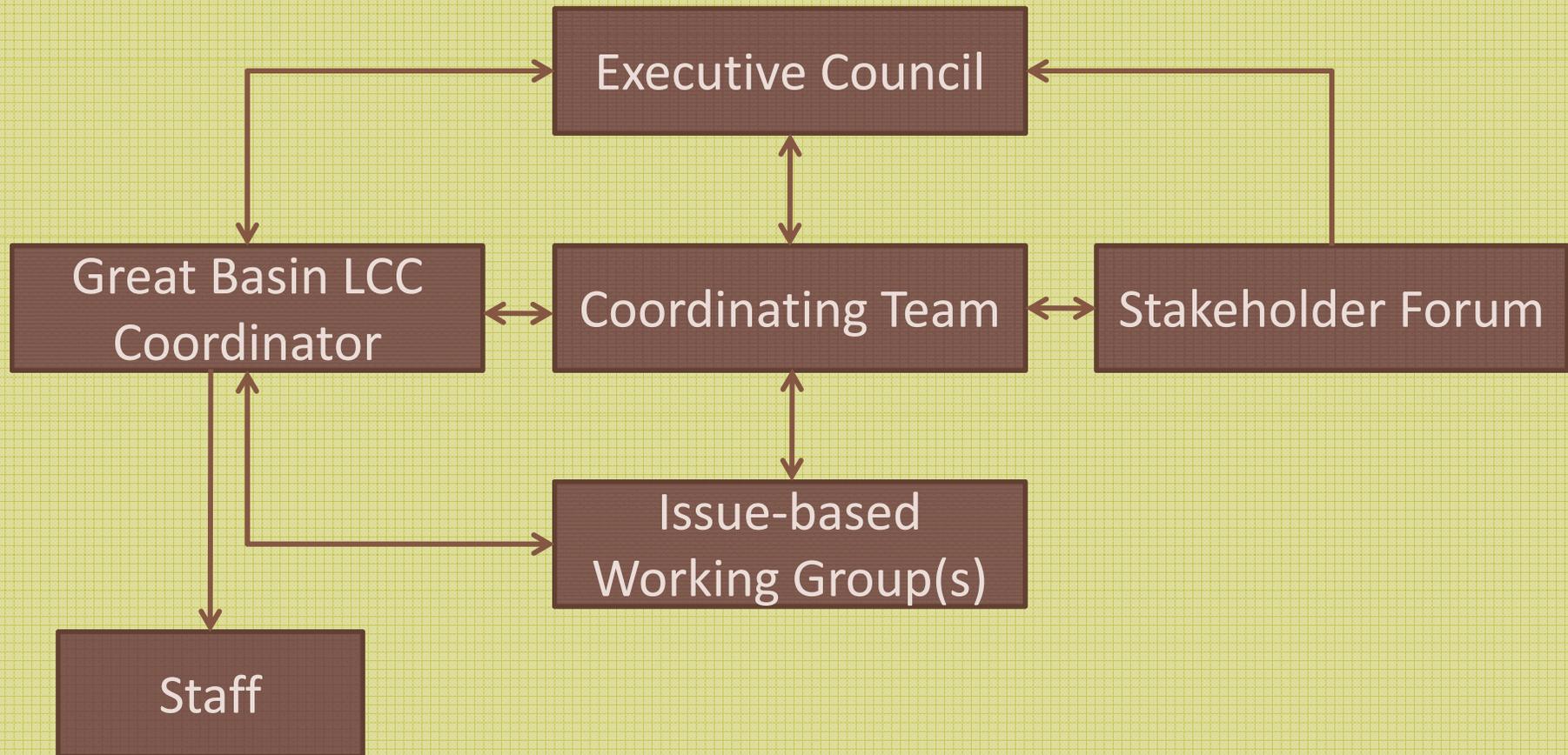
# Great Basin LCC Staff

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- Coordinate with other LCCs
- Support Executive Council and Coordinating Team
- Perform day-to-day operations
- Report to Coordinating Team
- Track funding and budgets
- Report accomplishments

# Draft Organizational Structure

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# Potential Great Basin LCC Cooperators

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Agricultural groups	Irrigation Districts
Cities	Non-governmental organizations
Conservation Districts	Private landowners
Corporate/business interests	State agencies
Counties	Transportation planners
Energy interests	Tribes
Existing regional partnerships	Universities
Federal agencies	Wildlife groups
Industrial groups	Others

# Timeline

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## ☐ 2010

- Finalize Charter
- Form Interim Executive Council

## ☐ 2011

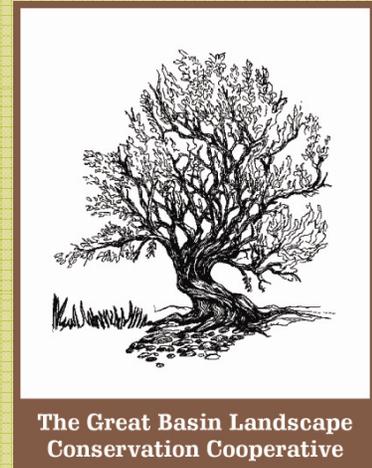
- Hire Great Basin LCC Coordinator and Science Coordinator
- Convene Coordinating Team
- Begin forming Issue-based Working Groups
- Establish Stakeholder Forum
- Start identifying priorities



# Get Involved!

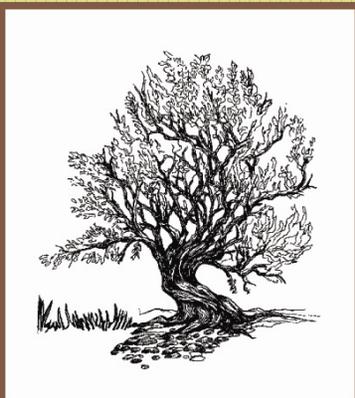
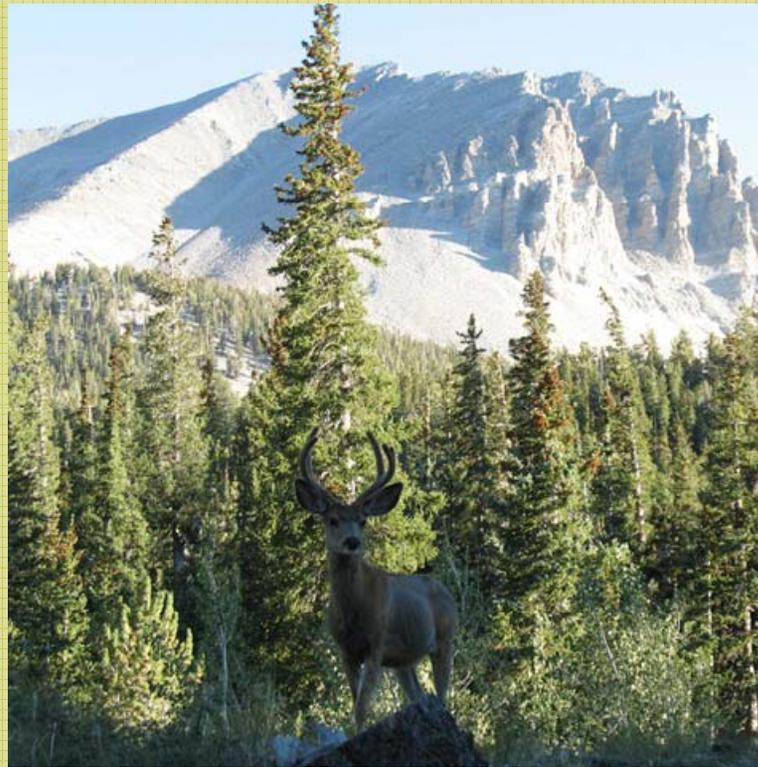
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- Attend upcoming Basin-wide meeting
  - October 29 – Reno, Nevada
- Log on to follow-up Webinar
  - November 3
- Review the draft Charter
- Sign up for E-letters



# Questions?

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# Discussion

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- What would you like to see discussed at the October 29 Basin-wide Meeting?
- What questions do you have that should be answered at the Basin-wide meeting?

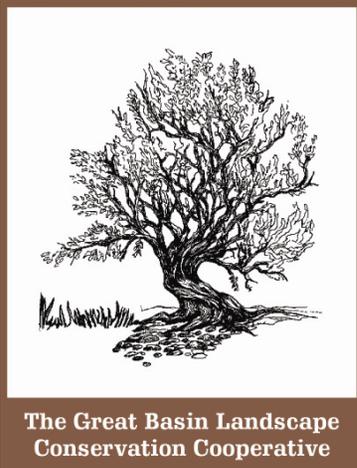
## Basin-Wide Meeting

Friday, October 29, 2010  
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Silver Legacy  
Reno, Nevada

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