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Collaborative Group - Meeting Key Outcomes

Meeting held May 13, 2020
 Prepared by the Consensus Building Institute

Meeting in Brief

Multiple members of the Collaborative presented accomplishments and lessons learned related to the **Caples Ecological Restoration Project** and the prescribed burn in Fall 2019. [View [full video of presentation and discussion](#)]

The Collaborative approved **Crystal Basin as a new focus area**. Many SOFAR partners are working in the area so creating a focus area will allow those partners to demonstrate support and better share information. CBI will develop and distribute a fact sheet and feature this on the SOFAR web site.

SOFAR will coordinate on a **funding application to Calfire's CCI** due in August or September. Supervisor Veercamp (contact: bosthree@edcgov.us) will set up the coordination meeting. Some partners may have submitted projects to **Cosumnes, American, Bear, Yuba (CABY)** Integrated Regional Water Management Planning that were due at the end of May. Others will coordinate with the El Dorado County Water Planning Agency to submit projects in the next round. Contact: [Norma Santiago](#) or the EDCWA's [Ken Payne](#).

The Collaborative will next meet **Sept. 16**. Have a great summer!

New SOFAR resources available:

- [Camino Pollock Pines Fact Sheet](#)
- [SOFAR 2019 Overview Handout](#)

Have an announcement you would like to share via the SOFAR list-serve / website?
 Send information to Stephanie Horii, CBI (shorii@cbi.org)

Action Items

Who	What
Supervisor Veercamp	Convene funding coordination meeting for CCI
CBI	Develop fact sheet for new focus area - Crystal Basin
CBI	Update Camino Pollock Pines and other fact sheets distinguishing completed activities.

Meeting Overview

Presentation | Caples Headwater Prescribed Fire, Fall 2019

Associated Materials and Resources:

- Presentation and Discussion [[Full Video](#)]
- Presentation Slides [[Caples Volunteers](#) | [Fire Effects Analysis](#)]
- Reports [[Facilitated Learning Analysis \(FLA\)](#), [Analysis of Conditions](#) | [Fire Behavior Assessment Team \(FBAT\) Fire Effects](#)]
- [Caples Ecological Restoration Project Summary](#)
- Fire Restoration Group [Photo Gallery](#) and [Oct 8 Rx Burn Video Clip](#)

Presenters shared accomplishments and lessons learned related to the [Caples Ecological Restoration Project](#) and the prescribed burn in Fall 2019.

Craig Thomas, Fire Restoration Group, referred attendees to a [photo gallery of the Caples Project](#) and a [video clip of prescribed burning taken Oct 8 at the tail end of the Rx burn effort](#). Within a couple days, the weather conditions changed drastically, escalating the prescribed burn to a wildfire.

Scot Rogers, USFS Eldorado National Forest, provided a high-level overview of the Caples Project and the [lessons learned report](#) from the fall 2019 fire. Lester Lubetkin, California Native Plant Society, shared [volunteers' substantial contribution](#) helping to raking and treating ~200 trees over nearly 100 acres for the Caples project. Scott Dailey, USFS Enterprise Program, [presented the how the fire and fuels behaved](#) during the Caples fire and key outcomes from the [First Order Fire Effects Report](#).

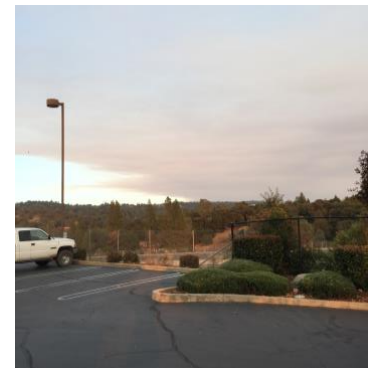


Figure 1. Smoke from Caples Fire, Oct 13 (photo credit: Craig Thomas)

[View full video of the presentations and discussion.](#)

Funding Opportunities

California Climate Investments (CCI) Grant

Supervisor Veerkamp will organize stakeholder meeting to develop a coordinated application for [Cal Fire CCI funding](#). Interested parties should contact the Supervisor ASAP if interested.

Cosumnes, American, Bear, Yuba (CABY) IRWM

[View [website](#)]

- **Projects due May 29:** Folks are welcome to submit project proposals to CABY by May 29 for inclusion in its revised IRWMP, and work is underway to coordinate a SOFAR Collaborative proposal for the next round.
- **Coordinate for Next Round:** El Dorado County Water Agency (EDCWA) is leading a multi-stakeholder effort focused on implementing its recently adopted [Water](#)

[Resources Development and Management Plan](#) that's aligned with CABY's priorities. Those discussions will be part of a longer timeline for implementing the Plan and can include SOFAR projects for potential funding. Folks can contact CBI if they [Norma Santiago](#) or the EDCWA ([Ken Payne](#), General Manager) if interested in participating in these discussions.

Planning and Projects

New Focus Area | Crystal Basin

In [December 2019](#), land managers considered adding a new focus area for the Crystal Basin area due to high wildfire risk and important water source. The SOFAR Collaborative agreed to adding the Crystal Basin as a focus area. CBI will move forward with creating a fact sheet.

Focus Area Fact Sheet | Camino Pollock Pines

[Fact sheet available](#). Over summer, CBI will work with land managers to distinguish which activities have been completed to highlight the substantial progress in the area.

Refer to the SOFAR website [Landscape Vision page](#) for more information related to the focus areas.

Updates and Announcements

- May 30 [Crystal Basin Tour](#) w/ Forest Forum (RSVP by May 18)
- [SOFAR 2019 Overview](#) handout available

Upcoming Meetings

Collaborative	Landscape Vision Committee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • September 16 • Oct 14 • Nov 18 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 28 • June 25
<p>Always check sofarcohesivestrategy.org for meeting location and latest information.</p>	