**Multiparty Monitoring Group (MMG)**

**Landscape-Scale Values**

**April 15, 2019**

*Note: MMG members identified the following landscape-scale factors as being of particular importance to them at the group’s November 19, 2018 meeting. US Forest Service (USFS) representatives listened as other members shared their views and committed to sharing their priorities at a future meeting.*

* **Big trees** of all cover types are valued for ecological, fire risk, and spiritual reasons (e.g., forest bathing).
* **Cumulative impacts** from Gross Dam, the Magnolia Trails Project, Forsythe II, Boulder County’s work at Reynolds, housing construction, defensible space work, etc. are important to consider for ecological and social reasons.
* **Diversity** in all cover types (at the stand scale) is valued for ecological, social, and human health reasons.
* **Fire mitigation**: ladder and surface fuels are of particular concern for fire safety, aesthetic, and ecological reasons.
* **Property values** are important to consider and are influenced by all of the other values and are particularly reduced by nearby clear cuts.
* **Interior forest** of all cover types is valued for social and ecological reasons and for its rarity.
* **Shady, wet areas** of all cover types are valued for ecological, fire risk, and social reasons.
* **Viewsheds** from all perspectives (houses, driving into town, vistas, etc.) are valued for aesthetic reasons.
* **Wildlife** (including big animals like moose and bobcats, migratory birds, wildflowers, etc.) is valued for its general diversity and for ecological reasons.
* **Wildness** (including the protection of old and large trees) is valued for spiritual, ecological, social, and aesthetic reasons.