**Multiparty Monitoring Group (MMG)**

**Field Trip to Mixed Conifer Units**

**June 22, 2019, 8:45 AM – 1:00 PM**

**Agenda**

**What to Bring**: Plan for a half day so bring a lunch/snacks and enough water for the day; sturdy shoes for walking on uneven terrain, sunscreen, and appropriate attire for changing weather conditions. Between stops we will be returning to the Forsythe Canyon Trailhead where a restroom will be available.

 **8:45 AM** **Meet at Forsythe Canyon Trailhead**

 **9:00 AM** **Leave for Forsythe Canyon Dispersed Campsites**

 **9:15 AM Walk to Stop 1**: The stand is located in a dispersed camping area on a south aspect. The area was manually treated in 2013 with a thinning from below prescription where the emphasis was to remove ladder fuels. Ponderosa pine was favored to retain on the site; fuel loadings are light due to the proximity of campsites.

 **9:45 AM** **Walk to Stop 2:** The stand is located on a north aspect and the result after the treatment, some insect activity and blowdown, resulted in a patchcut with some residual lodgepole pine and Douglas-fir in the overstory. The area was manually treated in 2013 and conifers greater than 9” DBH were favored to retain; fuel loadings are light to moderate.

 **10:05 AM** **Walk to Stop 3:** The stand is located on a north aspect and is dominated by lodgepole pine with a mixture of Douglas-fir and ponderosa pine. The area was manually treated in 2014 with a thinning from below prescription where the emphasis was to remove ladder fuels. Fuel loadings are moderate.

**10:30 AM Return to vehicles and drive back to Forsythe Trailhead for a bathroom stop.**

**10:45 AM Drive to Lazy Z Units**

**11:15 AM** **Gather and Walk to Stop 1:** Wildlife and slash loading discussion. The area is part of a ponderosa pine unit slated for 50% BA reduction.

**11:55 AM Walk to Stop 2:** Mature treevery dense, uniform ponderosa pine treatment discussion (possibly two locations depending on time) The area is part of a ponderosa pine unit slated for 50% BA reduction.

**12:45 PM Return to vehicles and summarize day**

 **1:00 PM ADJOURN**