***ESCCRP Goals***

**Project-specific Goals**

1. Restoration is efficient, collaborative, and supports a strong economy.
2. Use best available science and a multi-jurisdictional approach to restore landscapes that are resilient to uncharacteristic fire, climate change and other stressors and move toward the natural range of variation as described in the Inyo National Forest Land Management Plan.
3. Use effective actions and traditional ecological knowledge to return fire to the landscape as a long-term management tool.
4. Create and maintain vegetation conditions that meet desired fire behavior objectives and allow for safer and more effective suppression actions from emergency management personnel.
5. Help the Town of Mammoth Lakes become a fire and smoke adapted community, improving its ability to withstand fire without loss to the community and its assets such as powerlines, water supply and developed recreation sites.
6. Provide forests that safeguard the recreation experience and acknowledges the economic and spiritual value of the landscape to locals and guests.
7. Create a mosaic of vegetation types and structure that maintain or improve habitat, movement and connectivity for a variety of species, enhance biodiversity, improve hydrologic function and maintains soil health.
8. Use project outcomes to measure progress toward project goals and objectives and allow for adaptive management response.

**Broad Goals (Not project specific)**

*Concurrent efforts, outside of the NEPA process and not a goal of the fuel treatment itself, but critical for project success in the short to medium term, and overall, for the long-term sustainability of the Town of Mammoth Lake and fire-adapted communities and forests.*

1. Use science and outreach to increase public understanding of the need for proactive forest management and fire as a necessary ecological tool.
2. Invest in partnerships and technologies that help increase the pace and scale of forest restoration in the short and long-term.

***ESCCRP Draft Objectives***

**OBJECTIVE EXAMPLES:** *Assuming 2025 is year 1 implementation*

*Provided for a few examples of SMART objectives, to inform next meeting’s discussion*

*SMART = specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, and time-bound*

1. Within first 5 years treat at least 10,000 acres that are identified as the highest risk to the ecological integrity of the system, and the local community.
2. Within 20 years treat all lands, as appropriate, so that prescribed fire can be safely and effectively introduced as a long-term maintenance strategy to maintain the ecological integrity of forests and provide for community protection.
3. Within 20 years, forest species composition and structure should be on a trend towards a more natural range of variation that promotes biodiversity and supports a wide variety of habitat types.
4. Within first 5 years of implementation, treat at least 5,000 acres sufficiently to allow for prescribed fire re-entry. As implementation progresses, expand use of fire as follow up treatment as needed meet natural fire return intervals as described by best available science which may include the traditional use of fire.
5. In first two years of planning process, create a science driven, adaptable prioritization framework for treatments that captures USFS and stakeholder interests and leverages experiences from emergency operations personnel to addresses key vulnerabilities in a deliberate and strategic manner.
6. During planning process work with Community Development, Tribes, CalFire, contractors and the CCC to identify local workforce development opportunities that will help achieve project implementation schedule.
7. Throughout planning process, work with recreation community to understand important viewsheds, use patterns, timing, and vulnerabilities of recreation assets to fire within the project boundary. Use this understanding to develop a tiered priority of assets for consideration in prioritization framework.
8. By the end of 2022, develop and begin implementation of a comprehensive outreach and education plan to improve public understanding of project purpose and need.
9. During planning phase, identify location of demonstration forest and work with Education & Outreach team to develop vision and future educational content.
10. Draft adaptive management assessment report once every 3 years to capture lessons learned and adjust to incorporate those lessons for the benefit of the resource and the local Community.