

SHEEP #S DECLINED
→ NEED TO LISTEN
TO PEOPLE ON THE LAND
→ DIDN'T HEAR OUR VOICES.
→ EYES OF THE LAND.

I KNOW WHY I
AM HERE AT THIS
WORKSHOP.

SHEEP #S LOWEST
EVER SEEN - ~~WOLVES~~
WORRIED

SHEEP #S DECLINE
~~WOLVES~~ SO MANY WOLVES
PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO
WOLVES ANYMORE
NONRESIDENTS CONCERNED

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LESS CERTAIN ON
HOW WE ARE GOING
TO GET.

FANATICAL SHEEP
HUNTER - WANT SON TO
HAVE OPPORTUNITIES
IN THE FUTURE
→ ABUNDANCE MGMT.

VOTING ON SHEEP
PROPOSALS THAT HAVEN'T
GONE ANYWHERE

NOT SURE HOW TO
GET THERE
→ ROLE OF WORKSHOP?

LEAST AMOUNT OF
CHANGE IN THE
REGULATIONS.

LOTS OF PEOPLE WHO
DON'T HUNT SHEEP
IN STATE, NOT SURE
YOUR ROLE.

NOT A CLUE ON
HOW TO GET THERE
→ WHERE GETTING TO

SHEEP #S ↓, NON-RESIDENTS
TAKING 40% OF OUR
SHEEP.

WANT INFORMATION
TO BE ACCURATE

APPEARS TO BE A LEVEL
OF DISSATISFACTION
→ BLANK SLATE

GUIDES & RESIDENTS,
AVID SHEEP HUNTING
SCIENCE, ISSUES
DISCUSSED THOUGHTFULLY

TAKE BACK IDEAS
TO THE ORGANIZATION,

POSITIVE ABOUT IT.
PROTECTION OF ~~THE~~
RESOURCE.

CONCERN WITH DATA
HOW USE IT?

NOT SURE WHERE WE
ARE GOING.
→ GIVE A VOICE FOR
THE AIRMEN
→ FUT. GEN. SHEEP IN STATE

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OUR GOAL

To Work Toward Understanding AND ADDRESSING THE KEY ISSUES FACING SHEEP AND SHEEP MANAGEMENT ISSUES IN ALASKA.

MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS To BOARD OF GAME AND To ALASKA FISH AND GAME.

RECOMMENDATIONS REACHED BY CONSENSUS WITH A DIVERSE GROUP OF INTERESTS COULD INDEED HAVE POWER.

INTRODUCTIONS OF SHEEP TEAM MEMBERS

ARE WE MISSING A KEY SECTOR WHOSE VIEWS MAY NOT BE IN THE ROOM?

FIND SOLUTIONS THAT MIGHT FIX EVEN BIGGER THINGS (e.g. LEGISLATION)

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF TEAM MEMBERS

GAINING A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE ISSUES

UNDERSTANDING THE CURRENT SITUATION

EXPLORING SOLUTIONS / WAYS TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES

UNDERSTANDING WHAT WE WANT.

WHAT ARE OUR CORE VALUES?
WHAT IS OUR VISION?

VISION
• CLEAR,
• CONCISE,
• UNIQUE,
• STRETCH BUT NOT OVERSTRETCH,
• MOTIVATING.

WHAT ARE THE KEY OBSTACLES TO ACHIEVING OUR VISION?

SPIN THESE OBSTACLES AS OBJECTIVES

ARE THESE THE KEY ISSUES TO UNDERSTAND AND ADDRESS?

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DISCUSSION RULES

FOR FLOWING AND
EFFICIENT DEBATE.

30 SECONDS SPEAKING
TIME

(LITTLE MORE
NEEDS TO BE
SAID)

EXPRESS ONE
IDEA AT A TIME.

WRITE DOWN ALL
IDEAS.

→ 7 WORDS ARE USUALLY
ENOUGH.

BUT NOT JUST
KEY WORDS.

FLASH FOR OBJECTIONS,
COMMENTS AND
CLARIFICATION.

ADD COMMENT ON
ORANGE CARD.

WILLINGNESS TO WORK
IN SMALLER GROUPS AND
WORK TOWARD SOLUTIONS.

SAYING "YES" WHILE
THINKING "NO" JUST LEADS
TO GREATER PROBLEMS
LATER.

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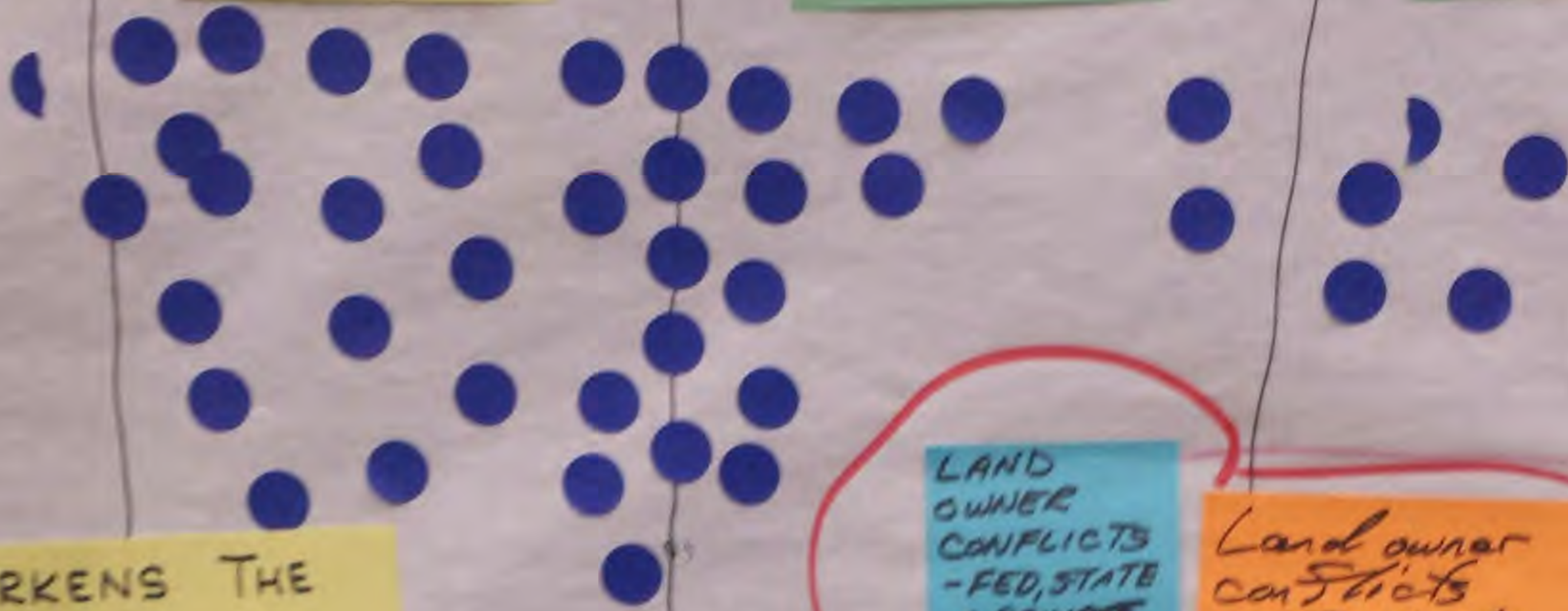
IN THE BATTLE TOWARD UNDERSTANDING AND ADDRESSING THE KEY ISSUES FACING SHEEP AND SHEEP MANAGEMENT, ARE YOU:

LOSING

LOSING GROUND

GAINING THE UPPERHAND

WINNING



WHAT DARKENS THE PICTURE?
→ MAKES YOU PESSIMISTIC

LAND OWNER CONFLICTS
- FED, STATE & PRIVATE

Land owner conflicts
→ Federal vs state/private

Have dual management systems
may need to look at cooperation

Federal over reach - Federal management overtaking State management.

Differing Land Management goals + strategies by agencies

Special Use Lands.

- 1) Federal COWSLOW lands
- 2) private lands.

SO FEW NONCONSUMPTIVE USERS REPRESENTED/INTERESTED

NCWL USERS FEW.

- become political not science based

ISSUE BECOMES POLITICAL NOT SCIENCE BASED

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Big differences among sheep enthusiasts/users.

i.e. Commercial vs. rural/subsistence

Devisiveness of various stake holders preventing lack of consensus and progress.

Economics is a big part of the issue, w/ real life consequences. i.e. Families/bvl/lands

friction in perception of proportion of non resident harvest

Conflict of interest Res v. non-Res. Economics...

HARVEST BY NON RESIDENTS TOO HIGH.

UNLIMITED GUIDE USE ON STATE LAND

DISPROPORTIONATE HARVEST BY NON-RES

Conflict rises allocation issues

Allocation issues causing conflict

CONFLICTIVE USER GROUPS
=> ALLOCATION

SHEEP #s DECLINING

Less sheep in mountain w/ varying causes & varying ability to affect causes.

Current management in certain areas will not allow for genetic diversity of faster growing horn genes

We don't fully understand the causes of population declines

POPULATION DECLINE

Concern w/ decreasing #s of sheep + conservation consequences

Consensus of Group significantly lower sheep population

Recent closures to Sheep in Unit 23 NW Alaska

declining sheep population in decades with no management action

NOT KNOWN DATA ON WHETHER FULL CAGE RULE DAMAGES GENETICS OVER LONG TERM

Hearing complaints over & over about no fire pans, no sheep, crowding etc.

LESS #s OF SHEEP SEEMS TO HAVE CONSENSUS

AGREE LESS #s OF SHEEP BELIEVED OUT THERE

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DISEASE POTENTIAL

Potential for disease transmission (inadequately being addressed?)

Lack of consensus on whether a problem really exists w/ sheep + sheep mgmt.

are there key issues we can address

DO WE HAVE A "PROBLEM"?

lack of consensus on what the "problem" is.

DOMINO EFFECT OF PERMIT AREAS - LEADS TO INCREASED PRESSURE OTHER AREAS.

CROWDING ISSUES

LESS Hunters / ~~than~~ than the 70's - Early 80's But there is a perception of crowding

FUNDING ISSUES

poor / decreased funding for wildlife troopers

FUNDING FROM STATE IS INADEQUATE -> PITTMAN-ROBINSON ACT.

WHAT IS STATE'S FUNDING? -> GENERALLY IS OUTSIDE?

COSTS IN OTHER STATES HIGHER

GENERAL FUND 5M down from 8M LICENCES 8M - MATCHED WITH P-R (3 to 3) OVERALL 48M

COST OF RESIDENT SHEEP TAG? \$ COST OF NON-RESIDENT \$425 \$550.00 (Alim)

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We don't know how to
"put" more sheep on the
mountain.

State's inability to not
sense pressure/over use
and address fast enough.

Absence of comprehensive
and proactive Management
Plans

Plan out there
but they are out
of date & vary
by region.

ADFG lacks understanding
of sheep populations, patterns
growth, declines.

Still
- lack of research and understanding
of what drives sheep pop
numbers

Lack of understanding of
Data. / Lack of Data

Decision making not based
of evidence present from
harvest analysis.

Advanced technology
may be ~~skewing~~ harvest
data of recent years vs.
data from 30 years ago.

Comparing data
from before but
without technology

Data - age
category not
affected by
technology

Technology - can
stay out longer

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PREDATION

Predation - statewide is an issue

ADEC doesn't know the predation on sheep or predator numbers.

Lack of predator control statewide

Dual mgmt connection to predator control issues.

Too much predator control

Doesn't occur on sheep in terms of #, & in same direction

Sheep not an IM species

BOS involvement in proposals

TIRED OF CONTINUED LACK OF BOS ACTION on PUBLIC ACCEPTED IDEAS Brought THROUGH THE PUBLIC PROCESS.

BOS LACK OF ACTION

Prop 207 has NOT solved any problems and is against resident hunters

207 DOES IT WORK?

Adm. Div.

ENVIRONMENTAL WEATHER CONDITIONS

Weather changes are negatively impacting sheep population

Environmental changes may occur, w/ impacts to sheep and not w/in human control.

icing events - climate change increasing sheep mortality

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WHAT MAKES YOU OPTIMISTIC?

adequate funding for state wildlife division in time of fiscal insecurity

Abundance of Pittman-Robertson funding

Take full of observers available afield.

Could be some monies around from P-R.

Use volunteer time to leverage P-R funds.

FUNDING ISSUES

SHEEP #3

SHEEP NUMBERS FAIRLY STABLE ON LONG AVERAGE. I.O.W. "WE ARE NOT CRASHING"

Big Rams are still being killed! 😊

Some sheep populations rebounding since 2012 crash

Nature has a tendency to rebound

PROP 207

Prop 207 - shows the BOG cares about and is trying to do something

HABITAT

We have maintained viable and intact habitat

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DATA

SCIENCE-BASED DATA COLLECTION IS GROWING.

Better understanding of issues over last few years

Some better monitoring data and data sharing

Hopeful that ² new surveys (Banking) data analysis, + research will allow for statistically & scientifically factual sheep population management.

UAF SHEEP HUNTER SATISFACTION SURVEY

Better understanding of the issues leads to negative perceptions.

Less assumptions are made.

eg. Crowding - less hunters in field

Filter this through Pre-~~the~~ Analysis

Fed. gov't & take land from state

Full curf restriction still provides opportunity and protects the population

OPPORTUNITIES STILL EXIST

Still have a good odds to harvest a legal sheep if you put in the effort.

Yearly opportunity to Hunt sheep every Year. RES. and NON-RES.

Plenty of open land to hunt. Still lots of opportunity.

MAJORITY OF STATE UNDER HARVEST SYSTEM OPEN

Change nothing.

Problem not as bad as we think it is. Opportunity still here.

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ADFG

ADFG will close season if there is a population decline/problem.

#2 ADFG creating educational material for field judging sheep to inc opportunity & dec sub legal take.

#2 Science based management implemented by ADFG.

Some steps have been taken in some areas to address concerns i.e. changes in permit #s.

State has managed Conservatively in the past and will likely continue to do so

Dept. does have a set of mgmt plans with some good ideas that vary by region & user groups. → track those.

Reduce predation mortality improve predator control

Formation of this Working Group

THIS WORKSHOP MORE AWARENESS

We have gathered a diverse group to address the issues

Diversity of people on work group help ensure full complement of issues & solutions.

have broad based group working on issues

Optimistic

WORKING GROUP ACTUALLY SET UP - AND VERY DIVERSE

Action is being taken I.E - the sheep working group, ADFG looking @ management plans

Ability to deal w/ conservation through work group & generated ideas.

Creation of work group is positive. People willing to work, seek solutions, conserve sheep & protect opportunities

#2

Diverse working group w/ chance to make something work.

have experienced facilitator

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED

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Thanks to BOG For taking the issue seriously with creation of group.

#2
Consensus of group
can drive BOG Action
on sheep issues.

formation of working group has raised public
interest in sheep management

PUBLIC INTEREST / INVOLVEMENT ↑
IS GROWING.

public more informed on sheep issues

PUBLIC
INTEREST ↑

CONSENSUS
MAY BE
DIFFICULT.

Possible Break Down of
Communication Between working
group and non-participating Public

Perceived illegitimacy of
working group process
by public.

Fear that people will not
acknowledge other people's
positions in public.

WORRIED HOW
PERCEIVED IN
PUBLIC.

PUBLIC
INVOLVEMENT

Consensus may be difficult
to reach.

May not be able to
reach consensus in
working group send
bad message to BOG.

Certain issues will not
have a consensus.

Working with a team may
NOT reach a consensus

Many people make it more
challenging to find common
ground and agreement.

Working group is Large,
and individual ideas become
Diluted.

Because so many ideas/
viewpoints,
nothing gets done / no action /
harder to do.

Fear that working group
might not develop a consensus
on some important issues or
that recommendations might not
be followed.

Groups ideas are open to
misinterpretation if not consensus.

FEAR OF HOW
IDEAS ARE USED
BY INDIVIDUAL
→ TWISTED AROUND

Consensus may only be reached
on less controversial issues.

Believe (HOPE) all agree that
long-term conservation +
sustainability of sheep is the
most important element.

Include / And
habitat on that.

Agree
on this

FEAR
NATURE IS
GET IGNORED.

DO YOU MEAN
NATURAL PROCESSES?

BE CONSCIOUS
OF INFLUENCE
OF NATURE.

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WHAT ARE YOUR FEARS,
DISADVANTAGES OF
WORKING TOGETHER AS
A TEAM?

INFLUENCE
OF W.G.
ON A.C.
PROCESS

WORKING GROUP PROCESS MAY
WEAKEN LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

OUTSIDE THE
A.C. PROCESS

BOARD WILL
LISTEN TO GROUP
BUT AC COMMENTS
NOT BEING LISTENED
TO.

COMPROMISE

CONSENSUS MODEL REQUIRES
COMPROMISE WHICH MAY NOT
SOLVE PROBLEM

Compromise is
required

Possibility of an outcome
we don't like. Process
has inherent uncertainty.

Fear that process won't identify
the critical issues, such as too
many people coming into rural
areas and creating more issues.

EFFECT?
RIGHT
ISSUES?

CANT EFFECT UNIQUE
~~STATE~~ LEGAL MGT
MANDATES FOR SOME
LAND OWNERS (FED, PRIV.)

FEAR OF
INDIVIDUALS
WHO MAY
NOT WANT
TO BE HERE

Fear of hidden agendas
driving process to bad/distorted
outcomes

Some may not be serious
about working on a new
mgmt. plan to address issues.

A few bad apples
destroy team

Personalities, egos,
hard headed - won't
change their minds

Some groups may not be willing
to work as a team or be
willing to change.

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RISK ONE INTEREST GROUP IS MORE VOCAL AND DOMINATES.

Valuable individual opinions may be suppressed by group.

DOMINATION OF GROUPS

WORRIES ABOUT OVER REACTION TO HUNTING REGULATIONS DUE TO SHORT TERM WEATHER RELATED POPULATION DECLINES

INEQUITABLE RESIDENT REPRESENTATION
↑
"OWNERS OF RESOURCE"

Representatives ^{of groups} to the group need to have decision making authority

No way to bring in ALL interests (anti/nonhunters)

JUST ONE PERSON, ONE VOICE.
→ CAN'T BRING ALONG ALL VIEWS

LAND TAKEN AWAY FROM HUNTERS SEEN AS LAND FOR NONHUNTERS.

INDIVIDUALS VS GROUP

Fear that majority of working group may agree on recommendations that do not meet views of individual members

INDIVIDUAL VALUES MAY BE LOST.

Perception that working group recommendations to the Board might weaken the individual public proposal process

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WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF WORKING TOGETHER AS A TEAM?

MORE IDEAS

DIVERSITY OF VIEWS

PROVIDES OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN FROM ONE ANOTHER

Reduces demonization of other interests.

Large group adds different perspective and allows for exchange of ideas.

Working Group may -

Support + additional Research and inform Research questions

Team provides diverse ideas + expertise.

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MORE IDEAS.

Collection of ideas and knowledge from broad array of perspectives + people.

Exposure to new ideas & concepts

LARGE BODY OF KNOWLEDGE

More **IDEAS** coming to the table

Everyone gets the same info.

Better dissemination of information

Diverse group of Conservation adds legitimacy.

Different Perspectives helps guarantee better solutions

The diversity of the group allows for more ~~more~~ comprehensive and well thought out solutions.

Synergy - interaction or cooperation of two or more organizations, substances or agents to produce a combined effect greater than the sum of their separate effects

Working group Process has a Good Track Record for creating compromises towards solutions

Better opportunity to clearly identify problems.

CONSENSUS AMONG DIFFERENT INTEREST GROUPS = MORE DEPENDABLE SOLUTIONS

COMMUNICATION - diverse, gets v. groups together for discussion.

Come up w/ solution, and then try to find a problem to stick it to.

WITH THE D.S. W.G. PERCEPTION THAT THERE IS A PROBLEM.

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Opportunity to learn & share knowledge of sheep biology.

QUALITY OF INFORMATION.

TOO MANY IDEAS, TOO MUCH INFORMATION.

LET'S LET SCIENCE REMAIN CENTRAL TO GROUP.
→ BIOLOGICAL + SOCIAL.

WHAT ARE THE SOCIAL & BIOLOGICAL ISSUES?

DIVERSE VIEWS

POWER OF CONSENSUS INFLUENCE BOG

ATTENTION OF SENIOR STATE & FEDERAL LEADER TO INTERACT WITH THE D.S.W.G.

If we can create a consensus we send a powerful message to the BOG.

CONSENSUS hard for BOG to ignore

Consensus will inspire board to act.

POWER in numbers.

Power of consensus when coming from many types of interest groups (Diversity)

CONSENSUS OF WHAT WE CAN & CAN'T CHANGE

Consensus may improve viability of sheep population.

BUY-IN TO THE "PROCESS"

If we can create a consensus we send a powerful message to sheep hunters across the state & outside.

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Opportunity for every voice + viewpoint to be heard.

PARTICIPANTS MAY OVERCOME BIAS OR MISPERCEPTIONS OF OTHERS

OPENS OUR EYES TO OTHERS' VIEWPOINTS

Face to face interaction reduces unproductive dialogue on divisive issues and forces thoughtful & respectful dialogue.

Everyone is willing to work together.

Getting to understand new & different people and building respect for different views.

Better understanding of other viewpoints.

EVERY INTEREST GROUP HAS OPPORTUNITY TO GET IDEAS OUT TO THE PROCESS

Opportunity to hear and understand one another's idea.

Meeting people eliminates misconceptions other peoples views

Biggest advantage is we are all residents.

We get to hang out w/ people who like sheep!

One special interest may dominate the agenda and negatively affect the outcome of the working group.

Participants with very narrow agendas

INFLUENCE OF SPECIAL INTEREST

It may take more time than we have to come to consensus before BOG meeting.

BOG TRUST ISSUES

LIKE TO GET SOME IDEAS BEFORE MEETING BUT NOT HAVE TO BE FINISHED BY THEN

Statewide consensus won't fit some regions... solution needs to regionally independent

STATEWIDE REGULATIONS GET CONSIDERED EVERY 3 YEARS

BOG WANT TO DEAL WITH SHEEP ON A STATE-WIDE BASIS

IT'S OUR DUTY TO GET SOMETHING FOR MEETING

BOG WILL EXTEND PROCESS

30 DAY PUBLIC REQUIREMENT

IS 2YR CYCLE FIXED IN STONE?

BOG ROAD AGENS # IDENTIFY PROBLEM AREAS NOT CONSTRAINED BY WHAT BOG HAS SAID IN PAST

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OPTIONS CAN EXIST TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS STATEWIDE + REGIONAL IF STANDARDS ARE MET

BOG CAN CALL SPECIAL MEETINGS.
• CONSIDER PROPOSALS AT A LATER TIME

BOG may not act on working group consensus.

BOG WILL LISTEN IF CONSENSUS REACHED (eg. if proposals have been listened to)

Represent your group.

Represent organization rather than self.

Clearly identify when you are representing your individual opinion

Group representatives should be prepared to make decisions on behalf of group without endless group consultation dragging out working group process.

MAKE DECISIONS

→ BASED ON

TRUST

→ WHERE CAN I COMPROMISE WHEN COME TO GROUP.

Each individual should be diligent to report back to group members / constituents

Bring forth issues from others to future meetings

Collect more information from your group and public

Inform your group membership about working group progress

Share info with the group you rep.

PROVIDE ACCURATE INFORMATION BACK TO USER GROUP REPRESENTATION

AS A TEAM MEMBER, WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

Don't speak for your organization if you're not sure of its position. Seek clarification.

I will ^{MAKE SURE I} separate personal views from organizational views

Don't focus on your personal interests

DON'T MIS REPRESENT MEETING OUTCOME.

Sacrifice your group's ~~position~~ core values.

AGREE TO RULES & RESPONSIBILITIES 18-22

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AS A TEAM MEMBER, WHAT SHOULD YOU NOT DO?

Take info learned here to others ~~un~~ accurately outside our group.

Communicate honestly

Should speak up when appropriate, about your issues & concerns. Do not be shy

Fully understand others' and their perspectives. Seek clarification.

ACTIVE PARTICIPATION "WORK" THE WORKSHOP

PARTICIPATE. BRING YOUR IDEA.

Should not speak disrespectfully to other members

Should not be arrogant

We need to work as individuals to keep a positive tone.

Be a positive person and speak respectfully about process.

RESPECT WORKING GROUP PROCESS AND MAINTAIN INTEGRITY ONCE SESSION IS OVER

REPRESENT THIS TEAM \rightarrow CONSTITUENCY.

GIVE THE PROCESS A CHANCE

Do not be impatient with the work group process

Should ~~not~~ respect all work group members.

Do our homework (study data, sheep hunter survey reports etc)

Don't be disrespectful to other working group members and their opinions.

AVOID ANGER / STRONG EMOTION

I won't attack others ideas.

Don't bad mouth others, ~~especially~~ in or outside the work group.

Bully others into positions

NO: PERSONAL ATTACKS. OBSTINACY. (DON'T BE) INTERRUPT OTHERS.

GIVE UP (NOT!)

Walk out.

Do not leave work group until plan is completed.

Should be willing to dedicate the time to work through the whole process

Don't FEAR CHANGE

Don't get discouraged. There is light @ the end of the tunnel.

Have willingness to be open minded and compromise

Be courteous to others and respectful.

Listen to others.

Be willing to listen to other views.

Listen to others points of view with open mind

BE OPEN MINDED AND RESPECTFUL OF OTHER VIEWS

KEEP AN OPEN MIND

LISTEN . OPEN MIND

Listen to other point of view

Don't accuse a group/members opinion based on position taken in past - don't dwell on past.

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I should be prepared to look at other people's solutions.

I won't be a part of the problem, but be a part of the solution.

Not be willing to compromise and closed to new ideas.

I will not be antagonistic just to be negative,

Should not be judgemental of positions of others in and out of working group.

Be willing and open to new viewpoints & willing to compromise

WORK TOWARD UNDERSTANDING & SOLUTIONS:
(COMMITMENT).

Don't limit options / ideas for creative solutions

Be willing to compromise

Put aside prejudices against other ideas

DON'T TAKE IT PERSONAL IF GROUP DOESN'T AGREE WITH YOUR POSITION OR GOES IN A DIFFERENT DIRECTION

Challenge others ideas but don't attack.

Don't jump to conclusions w/out fully seeking to understand others.

RESPECT EACH OTHER
TREAT w/ DIGNITY

Group members should avoid being close minded to new ideas, not previously considered.

The working group members should support the BOG process of considering working group recommendations.

RESPECT: OTHERS.

SHARE UNIQUE KNOWLEDGE & PERSPECTIVE

Remember that everyone's S---T DOES stink!
We're all equal and in this together.

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Don't take yourself too seriously!

Have another cookie!

Group members should avoid being publicly negative about the working group process.

DONT SABOTAGE PROCESS FOR PERSONAL OR SPECIAL INTEREST REASONS

DONT BAD MOUTH PROCESS OR GO AGAINST WORK GROUP AFTER SESSION.

DONT DERAIL / SUBVERT PROCESS.

Members should not actively subvert process through other means while this effort is ongoing

Do not make public opinion statements about working group while in process.

DONT TALK TO MEDIA.

Do Not seek alternative (Political) Solutions until after group is finished.

Do Not cite false data or make up Data.

KEEP INFORMED OF FACTUAL HARD DATA DONT EMERGE OR EMULATE FACTS.

NEED TO UNDERSTAND SOCIAL vs. BIOLOGICAL ISSUES

Willing to read and understand the biological information about sheep.

Group members should not dismiss any evidence including science, statistics, personal experience, and anecdotal evidence.

I won't hold back and make sure my idea is expressed and considered so I can't complain after the fact.

SAY YES, ~~but~~ THINK NO

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Keep Big Picture in mind;
providing maximum benefit
for the greatest number of
people

DIGRESS INTO SIDE ISSUES

Debate issues that
we don't have control
over (Fed. land, bad weather)

Group members should
not avoid pulling the group
off task or from addressing
the identified core/most important
issues.

DON'T BE SINGLE ISSUE
(DON'T USE THE FOREST FOR
A TREE.)

Agree
to Meet
Again

Possible meeting in
Fairbanks at some
point in time.

- Jan. 2nd & 3rd Fairbanks
- Jan. 30th & 31st Anchorage
- Feb. 20th & 21st Anchorage

BODY OF DATA IN ADVANCE
→ HARVEST STATS
→ SHEEP COUNTS OVER
TIME
→ ECONOMIC IMPACT OF SHEEPING
INDUSTRIES

All ACs have coordinators
→ communication could
happen.

LONG TERM CONSERVATION
AND SUSTAINABILITY
OF SHEEP & THEIR
HABITAT FOR THE FUTURE

WE AGREED TO STRIVE
FOR RECOMMENDATIONS
IN THE FUTURE MEETINGS.

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SHEETS WILL BE
POSTED WITHIN 1
WEEK. KRISTY
LET PEOPLE KNOW.

THE GROUP IS COMMITTED TO
IDENTIFYING, UNDERSTANDING
& ADDRESSING THE KEY ISSUES
Facing sheep & sheep mgmt

AGREE TO MAXIMIZE
USE OF TIME
→ WORK EVENINGS

Understand current
situation.

DID NOT DISCUSS
SPECIFIC ISSUES
YET EXPLORED THE
VALUE OF WORKING TOGETHER
WITH B.O.S.

DISCUSSING MEETING
IN SAME LOCATION,
IN FAIRBANKS.

Work within the AC system we have.

SEEMS THIS IS COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE.

STAY WITH THE AC PROCESS.

DON'T NEED THIS PROCESS → WORKING GROUP → DISCUSSION AT AC LEVEL.

THIS WORKING GROUP COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM NORMAL SITUATION

AC PROCESS DEFINED IN STATUTE.

ACs - NEED TO BE INVOLVED → WORKING GROUP GOT IN CROSSFIRE ACs / BOG.

IS IT DIFFERENT FROM ANY OTHER WORKING GROUP?

FAIRBANKS AC HAVE BEEN ACTIVE BUT BOG WANTED MORE

WORKING GROUP BROADER VIEWS → UNDERSTAND & ACCEPT PLANS IDEAS

WORKING GROUP BENEFIT OF WORKING GROUP → DIVERSE INTERESTS → CHALLENGE OF SEPARATE AC PROCESS → BROKEN DOWN IN SHEEP.

FEAR OF WHETHER AC WILL LOSE RELEVANCE.

ACs - SHEEP ISSUE MAY BE MORE THAN AT THE AC LEVEL → NEED TO LOOK AT BOLDER PICTURE

IF GROUP GETS TO THE POINT AS THE ACs

WE HAVE GEN. PUBLIC MEMBERS & FEDERAL REPS

BOG MORE THAN OFTEN VOTES WITH ACs → SOME MAY ~~BOG~~ HAVE HARD FEELINGS

ACs USED TO BE EFFECTIVE PROCESS. → WORK GROUPS UNDERMINE AC → NOT NORMAL

ACs ARE NOT BEING BY PASSED BY PROCESS.

40 MILE HEAD WORKING GROUP → WORKED WITH BOG. • BOG WE NEED TO COME UP WITH IDEAS

LIKE STATUS QVO → SHOULD PARTICIPATE → SHARE VIEWS

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ACs CONCERNED ABOUT ISSUES AT REGIONAL LEVEL
→ IS THIS THE VENUE FOR STATEWIDE ISSUES?

ALASKA COUNCIL DIDN'T WANT A ^{WORKING} GROUP EITHER
INITIALLY → HOPEFUL
→ AC & B.O.G. PROCESS TOGETHER
84+PUBLIC

WHAT DOES B.O.G. HAVE TO DO / OR DONE TO LOSE YOUR TRUST?
Board Generated proposals
HAVE

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCESS,
• B.O.G. HASN'T STEPPED UP TO PLATE FOR DECISIONS

CONCERN WITH COST

If the board were to become corrupted They would lose our trust.

BOARD GENERATED PROPOSALS

To change a process mid-effort

ACs CAN DEPEND ON INPUT FROM ELDERS & CONCERN FOR REGION.
→ AC PROCESS STILL VENUE

Not Complete the process.

To be dismissive of any appeal to the Board from the public

Don't follow (fail to follow) Board policy 2013-34-JB when generating their proposals.

INTEGRATE WISDOM OF ELDERS INTO THE DECISIONS.

Don't ~~pass~~ Pass Board-generated proposals when there's large public opposition to those proposals. "Listen to the public!"

To move forward on an issue when more info. is needed

DATA → STILL BE QUESTIONED
→ DISMISSED
→ ALWAYS BE QUESTIONED THEN MOVE ON.

Ignore work group ideas, suggestions, and rationale, w/ no explanation for why.

Deferring sheep proposals AGAIN

B.O.G. HAVE MADE SOME DECISIONS ON SHEEP.
→ PROPOSALS HAVE BEEN BASICALLY SUBMITTING SAME PROPOSALS.

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Repeatedly deny proposals w/out explanation

Making public policy/regs w/out open public involvement sufficient

Continue to Generate Board proposals outside of public process (207-208)

Substantially amending a proposal ~~to~~ beyond the author's intent

When politics seem to be ~~politically motivated~~ or based on politics
Don't trust when make ~~decisions~~ decisions without public input or seem to be ignoring public input

lose
Continue status Quo
lose trust when making changes and board becomes one sided

We generally trust the BOG

We currently have the trust of the BOG, it's ours to lose.

B.O.G. generally has our Trust
make decisions based on good science

TIMELY DECISIONS
SCIENCE BASED DECISIONS
USE science for sheep management

WHAT DOES B.O.G. HAVE TO DO TO GAIN YOUR TRUST?

It's about process, not about personalities. BOG have a tough job to do.

Support consensus decisions from sheep working group.

Not following AC and/or working group recommendations to manage sheep.

Following the statutes and not push envelope of legality.

Recognize and admit to not following Policy 2013-34-38 when generating proposals.

Not follow statutes.

Not recognize scientific principals for managing sheep.

BOG Give Traditional and Ecological Knowledge more weight in proposal Deliberation

Certain Individuals and certain Board Members have had disproportionate influence over the recent direction of Sheep Management concerns.

Board of Game commissioned survey's can be biased

Increase public access to Board members outside of mtgs. (Email, phone).

The Board is going to Cherrypick from our meeting to do what they wanted to do at the start. Promote aesthetics over Maximum sustained Yield.

Fairly listen to all Sides of an issue

Pass all of group 3's proposals! 😊

The APHA receives preferential treatment.

Maintaining a transparent process

Stop doing the things that lost our trust

Provide meaningful recommendations

Active effort by Board members to understand issues

No more Board Generated Proposals.

We need to complete the process

Support A RESIDENT SHEEP HUNTING Priority.

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increased B.O.G. Transparency

Follow the legislative directives of the BOG process

make decisions with balanced input

Open and respectful communication w/ the public

Report back to AC's. Why they did NOT accept vote in favor of AC proposal

Be responsive and offer feedback/rationale to public when passing/opposing proposals.

BOG NOT BE PARTICIPANTS IN WORKING GROUP

TAKE ACTION ON PROPOSALS IN A REASONABLE TIME FRAME. STOP DEFERRING DECISIONS

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Less executive sessions during public BOG meetings.

BOG members come to ~~participate~~ & AC meetings when possible.

Negotiations ~~can~~ have been in the past BOG good to be here

BOG members make it to AC meetings

BOG members stay in rooms ~~AGREED~~

Allow one interest to Dominate the process

Board of Game Needs to streamline and consolidate Proposal Process

Admit to error on proposals 207 and 208, and take remedial action to correct the errors.

SERIOUSLY CONSIDER REPEAL OF 207
Repeal proposal 207, and avoid embarking on similar Board Generated proposals

Advisory Committee's need more support from DFG ~~and~~ support

B.O.G. Needs to be more sensitive to Local AC points of view (especially Rural AC's)

Board of Game and the AC's need a Reconciliation

Many interest groups lost TRUST with formation of Working Group
MAKE MORE Working Groups

Board generated proposal solves sheep issues instead of working groups and/or AC generated proposals.

NOT USING DATA PRESENTED TO THE BOG

"Ledge/terrace Data"
By Title Dept. on AC's re public

Not listening to AC's/public on issues.

(i.e. 207)

When The BOG ignores AC comments to do something.

And The BOG TAKES a totally different path, opposite of the Majority of AC's

Ignoring AC Recommendations.

USE AC's ~~more~~ Reps. at BOG meetings
More.

Interact with AC's.