



## Pinyon-Juniper Restoration and Utilization Summit December 8 & 9, 2010

**Hosted by the Nevada Pinyon-Juniper Partnership**  
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### Conference Agenda

#### Day 1, Wednesday December 8, 2010

7:00 am - 7:55 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast (Registration Desk)	
8:00am - 8:30 am	<b>Why Nevada, Why Now?</b> Welcome & Introduction to the Nevada Pinyon-Juniper Partnership Sarah Adler - Co-chair, NPJP and State Director, USDA Rural Development  <b>Keynote Address: Dallas Tonsager, Under Secretary for Rural Development, USDA</b> (Scottsdale Ballroom B)	
8:30 am - 9:15 am	Session 1	
	<b>Nevada's Environment: Resource in Peril and a Focused Response</b>  <b>Moderator: Randy Sharp, U.S. Forest Service - Humboldt-Toiyabe</b> (Scottsdale Ballroom B)	
	<b>The Current State of Nevada's PJ Woodlands and Need for Treatment</b>  Robin Tausch, PhD., Rocky Mountain Research Station, U.S. Forest Service	<b>Summary of Nevada's Pinyon-Juniper Partnership Demonstration Area: Lines on the Map; How They Were Derived</b>  Jeremy Drew: Resource Specialist, Resource Concepts Inc.
	Q&A / Panel Discussion by Session Presenters	
9:15 am - 9:30 am	Morning Break	



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9:30 am - 11:30 am	Session 2			
	<b>Break Out Sessions - Making it Work: Options for Moving Forward (Choose one) Models/Monitoring/Utilization/Incentives</b>			
	<p>(Tucson Meeting Room A)</p> <p><b>How the Mechanics Could Work: Partnership <u>Models</u> from Regional Successes</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ed Gee, National Forest System Biomass Program Manager, U.S. Forest Service, Washington, D.C.</p> <p><b><u>Panelists:</u></b></p> <p>Walter Dunn, Program Lead, Collaborative Forest Restoration Project (New Mexico)</p> <p>Dusty Moller representing: Morris Huffman, Biomass Coordinator, Woody Biomass Utilization Partnership (Idaho)</p> <p>Lee Turner, NDOW Nevada Partners for Conservation and Development</p>	<p>(Tucson Meeting Room B)</p> <p><b>Protecting the Environment: <u>Monitoring</u> &amp; Adaptive Management</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Gerry Emm, Fisheries Director, Walker River Paiute Tribe</p> <p><b><u>Panelists:</u></b></p> <p>Mark Wertz, Ph.D., Range Hydrologist, USDA Agricultural Research Service</p> <p>Gregg Tanner, Staff Biologist, The Nevada Wilderness Project</p> <p>Steve Abele, Wildlife Biologist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service</p> <p>Tanya Anderson, Project Ecologist, The Nature Conservancy</p>	<p>(Scottsdale Ballroom C)</p> <p><b>Making a Product: <u>Utilization</u> Approaches</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> McKinley-Ben Miller, Biomass Forester, Bureau of Land Management, Washington, D.C.</p> <p><b><u>Panelists:</u></b></p> <p>Susan LeVan-Green, Program Manager, Technology Marketing Unit, Forest Products Lab, U.S. Forest Service</p> <p>Lauren Scott, CEO, Apollo Bioenergy</p> <p>Jim Croce, CEO, Nevada Institute for Renewable Energy Commercialization</p> <p>Larry Rackley, Sustainable Energy Development Associates</p>	<p>(Scottsdale Ballroom D)</p> <p><b>Making it Pencil: Tools &amp; <u>Incentives</u></b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Bill Hagy, Senior Energy Advisor, USDA, Washington, D.C.</p> <p><b><u>Panelists:</u></b></p> <p>Dave Torell, Land Program Manager, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation</p> <p>Bob Rummer, Ph.D., Project Leader, Forest Operations Research, USDA Forest Service</p> <p>Bill Carlson, Principal Carlson Small Power Consultants</p>
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	<b>Session Moderators Bring Out Key Ideas from “Options for Moving Forward” Break Out Sessions (Scottsdale Ballroom B)</b>			
12:00 pm - 1:15 pm	<b>Conference Lunch</b> <b>Keynote Address: Assemblyman David Bobzien (Scottsdale Ballroom A)</b>			



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1:30 pm - 2:45 pm	<b>Session 3</b>		
	<b>Pinyon-Juniper Woodlands: Current Impacts and Treatment Benefits</b>		
	<b>Moderator: Mike Ford, The Conservation Fund (Scottsdale Ballroom B)</b>		
	<b>Woodland Management: Current Impacts and Treatment Benefits to Wildlife</b>  Tim Griffiths, Coordinator, NRCS National Sage Grouse Initiative, Wa., D.C.	<b>PJ Woodland Management: Current Impacts and Treatment Benefits to Forest Health and Rural Communities</b>  Pete Anderson State Forester Nevada Division of Forestry	<b>Smith Creek Ranch - Porter Canyon Experimental Watershed, Management Action and Scientific Oversight</b>  Tamzen Stringham, PhD. University of Nevada Reno, CABNR
	<b>Q&amp;A / Panel Discussion by Session Presenters</b>		
2:45 pm - 3:00 pm	<b>Afternoon Break</b>		
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm	<b>Session 4</b>		
	<b>Private Side: Challenges and Opportunities with PJ Biomass Utilization</b>		
	<b>Moderator: Dusty Moller, Wood Utilization Manager, Business Environmental Program, Nevada Small Business Development Center (Scottsdale Ballroom B)</b>		
	<b>Demands: What it Takes to Attract Private Capital &amp; Investment</b>  Jim Croce, CEO - Nevada Institute for Renewable Energy Commercialization	<b>Laws &amp; Regulations: Potential Barriers &amp; Solutions to PJ Biomass Utilization</b>  Bill Carlson, Principal Carlson Small Power Consultants	<b>Making it Pencil: Hands On in Nevada</b>  Mike Baughman, Ph.D., Executive Director Lincoln County Economic Development Authority  Anthony Frank, Farm Manager Moapa Band of Paiutes
	<b>Q&amp;A / Panel Discussion by Session Presenters</b>		
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	<b>Keynote Address: Harris Sherman Under Secretary for Natural Resources and the Environment, USDA (Scottsdale Ballroom B)</b>		
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	<b>Hors d'oeuvres Reception: Map displays for Resource Areas Multi-Agency Staff Available to Answer Questions  (Scottsdale Ballroom A)</b>		



**Day Two Thursday, Dec. 9, 2010**

7:00 am - 7:55 am	<b>Registration</b> (Registration Desk)			
8:00 am - 8:30 am	<b>Co-Chairs Review of Day One, Preview of Day Two</b>  <b>Keynote Address: Bob Abbey</b> Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of Interior (Scottsdale Ballroom B)			
8:30 am - 9:15 am	<b>Session 5</b>			
	<b>Presenting the Nevada Pinyon-Juniper Partnership Demonstration Area: Lines on the Map; How They Were Derived</b>  Moderator: John McLain, Resource Concepts Inc. (Scottsdale Ballroom B)			
	<b>Jeremy Drew</b> Resource Specialist Resource Concepts Inc.	<b>Jose Noriega</b> Ely District Ranger US Forest Service	<b>Tye Petersen</b> Fire Management Officer, Ely Dist. Bureau of Land Management	
	<b>Q&amp;A / Panel Discussion by Session Presenters</b>			
9:15 am - 10:15 am	<b>Session 6</b>			
	<b>Leveraging Community and Economic Benefits in Nevada</b>  Moderator: Rang Narayanan, College of Agriculture, Biotechnology, and Natural Resources, University of Nevada, Reno (Scottsdale Ballroom B)			
	<b>Governor-Elect's Perspective</b>  Pete Anderson State Forester Nevada Division of Forestry	<b>Legislator's Perspective</b>  Pete Goicoechea, Assemblyman District 35	<b>County Perspective</b>  Ronda Hornbeck Lincoln County Commissioner	<b>Economic Development Perspective</b>
	<b>Q&amp;A / Panel Discussion by Session Presenters</b>			
10:15 am - 10:30 am	<b>Break</b>			



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10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Session 7			
	<p><b>Key Perspectives, Proposal for Moving Forward and Response</b></p> <p>Moderator: Doug Martin, NPJP Co-Chair / District Manager Nevada Tahoe Conservation District (Scottsdale Ballroom B)</p>			
	<p><b>Perspectives: (invited participants)</b></p> <p>Bob Abbey, Director, Bureau of Land Management</p> <p>Sarah Adler representing: Dallas Tonsager, Under Secretary for Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture</p> <p>David Bobzien: Assemblyman, District 24</p>	<p><b>Presentation of Partnership's Proposal for Moving Forward</b></p> <p>Tom Baker representing: Elwood Miller, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus College of Agriculture, Biotechnology, and Natural Resources, University of Nevada, Reno</p>		
	Response from Panelists			
	Q&A with Summit Participants			
1 2 : 0 0 N o o n	Closing Remarks and formal Summit adjourns			
	Lunch on your own			
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Optional Work Sessions - Rolling Up Our Sleeves			
	(Tucson Meeting Room A) Sarah Adler  Partnership and Regional Structures Work Group	(Tucson Meeting Room B) Jeremy Drew  Demonstration Area Work Group	(Hotel Sales Conf. Room) Scott Bell  Woody Biomass Suppliers Group	(Scottsdale Ballroom C) Dusty Moller  Utilization Work Group
	<p><b>Nevada Pinyon Juniper Partnership Thanks Its Partner Supporters! As of 12/02/10</b></p> <p>USDA Rural Development - Platinum U.S. Forest Service - Platinum U.S. Bureau of Land Management - Platinum The Conservation Fund - Platinum Nevada Institute for Renewable Energy Commercialization - Platinum USDA Agricultural Research Service - Gold USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service - Silver DuPont Land Management - Silver Nevada Tahoe Conservation District - Silver Resource Concepts Inc. - Silver BEC Environmental - Silver Bruks Mobile Chippers - Silver Nevada Section, Society for Range Management - Bronze Nevada Firesafe Council - Bronze Wildfire Conservation Group - Bronze Nevada Rural Electric Association - Bronze Las Vegas Valley Water District - Bronze</p>			