Political Responses to Climate Change, Wildfires and Landscape Scale Restoration

- America’s Great Outdoors Presidential Initiative
- Coordinated Forest Landscape Restoration Act of 2009
  - 10 sites funded at $30 million in 2011
  - Council of Private Citizens Selects Sites and monitors progress
- Large Landscape Cooperatives
- Cohesive Strategy for Wildfire Management
- Legislative Proposals
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**Goal Statement**

Coordinate, facilitate, promote, and add value to large landscape conservation to build resource resilience in the face of climate change and other landscape-level stressors through:

**SCIENCE SUPPORT**

**COORDINATION**

**INFORMING**

**CONSERVATION ACTION**

**MONITORING AND EVALUATION**

**OUTREACH AND EDUCATION**

Established in 2010 across the US – over 15 LCC’s
Great Northern LCC Steering Committee

Alberta Parks Division and Sustainable Resource Development Division
British Columbia Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Bureau of Land Management
Bureau of Reclamation
Columbia Basin Federal Caucus
Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
Canadian Wildlife Service
Heart of the Rockies Initiative
Idaho Department of Fish and Game
Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks
National Park Service
Nez Perce Tribe
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Natural Resources Conservation Service
Oregon Department of Fish and Game
Parks Canada – Waterton Lakes National Park
US Fish and Wildlife Service
US Forest Service
US Geological Survey
Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Wildlife Conservation Society

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