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White Oak Initiative E-News

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Welcome to the new White Oak Initiative newsletter! You are receiving the inaugural first edition where we will share information about the collaboration working for the long term sustainability of America's white oak. We plan to use this – and other communication tools – to periodically share information about oak and the Initiative with key leaders, partners, stakeholders. Please do let us know what you think and make suggestions for future editions.



Who We Are...

The White Oak Initiative is a collaboration working to ensure the long-term sustainability of America's white oak and the economic, social and conservation benefits derived from white oak dominated forest. While currently white oak growing stocks are sufficient to meet demand, forest monitoring, and long-term projections indicate problems in maintaining high-quality white oak regeneration. Without

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coordinated and sustained action, these forests will continue to shrink, and we will be faced with meaningful reductions in white oak forests and timber supplies...**more.**

Click **here** to see the full list of Initiative Steering Committee members.



Check out this White Oak Initiative video created and produced by our partner, The DendriFund! A great introduction to the challenges and goals we face for sustainable management of high quality white oaks.



Landscape Scale Restoration Grants for White and Upland Oaks

The White Oak initiative has worked closely with USFS Region 8 and Region 9 and 17 state agencies to secure two coordinated Landscape Scale Restoration Grants for White and upland Pak forests. This is the first time that two coordinated grants – one in Region 9 and in Region 9 have been awarded for a landscape scale project...**more.**



White Oak Initiative Assessment & Conservation Plan

Starting in 2019, we will be working with key partners to prepare a key foundation for white oak conservation work. With the support of the USFS Landscape Scale Restoration Grants, key public and private partners, the white oak initiative is developing a range-wide conservation assessment and plan...**more.**

White Oak Research

The White Oak Initiative and the interest it has established has generated several specific White Oak collaborative research projects. Below is a list of these current and

emerging projects. We will highlight each of these projects in upcoming issues of the White Oak Initiative E News..**more.**



We want to know what you're up to. If you are involved in white oak work, please share a link with us!

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