FPA Executive Oversight Group (EOG) Meeting Decision Summary July 8, 2008

On July 8, 2008 a meeting convened of the EOG for Fire Program Analysis (FPA) in Washington, DC and Boise via videoconference. Present were the EOG members, FPA Project leadership, bureau subject matter experts, and invitees. The meeting was led by EOG co-chairs Nina Rose Hatfield, DOI and John Phipps, USFS.

DECISION 1: The EOG sub-group will continue to refine the interagency guidance for FPA. A working draft of the guidance will be provided to the Project to present to the early adopter FPUs to use during the testing phase of their analysis. The early adopter FPUs will provide feedback on the draft to the EOG sub-group through the Project. The sub-group will present a final draft which considers feedback from the early adopters and the August Interagency Science Team meeting to the EOG at their August 28th, 2008 meeting.

DECISION 2: The same sub-group will continue to refine the description of the out-year budget development process.

DECISION 3: The specialists from the Eastern Forest Environmental Threat Assessment Center and the Western Wildland Environmental Threat Assessment Center who are working on Highly Valued Resources (HVR) will meet the week of July 14th, 2008in Portland to evaluate and identify which data layers are feasible to use in the national HVR data layer. A Project representative will participate in the meeting.

In order to meet the August 15th, 2008 HVR data delivery date, a workshop will be held the first week of August to finalize and approve the HVR data layers through representatives of the USFS and the DOI bureaus. Tom Quigley will work with Fred Wetzel and Rick Prausa to ensure appropriate representation from each agency.

DECISION 4: The EOG agreed that the feasibility of expanding the scope of FPA to include acres treated for reasons other than reduction of wildland fire risks remains a topic of interest for the next year's iteration of FPA. Preliminary discussions of this topic by EOG members will continue.

DECISION 5: The FPA Communications Strategy was approved.

Next Scheduled EOG Meeting:

August 28, 2008 1:00 p.m. EDT, Videoconference

July 8, 2008 EOG Meeting Participants:

EOG Members

Nina Rose Hatfield, DOI, Co-Chair
John Phipps, USFS, Co-Chair
Rick Prausa, USFS
Carlos Rodriguez-Franco, USFS
Dave Cleaves, USFS
Karen Taylor-Goodrich, NPS (representing Dan Wenk)
Jim Douglas, BLM (representing Henri Bisson)
Geoff Haskett, USFWS (representing Ken Stansell)
Keith Smith, NASF (representing Kirk Rowdabaugh)

FPA-Project

Donna Scholz, Executive Project Manager Dan Keller, Project Manager Jaymee Fojtik, DOI Business Lead Alexis Collins, Communications Team Kevin Knauth, Lead for the User Focused Team Howard Roose, Lead for the Model Focused Team

Subject Matter Experts and Invited Guests

Dave Henderson, FPA Management Advisory Team Ron Dunton, OWFC, DOI Barb Loving, OWFC, DOI Bill Breedlove, USFS Fred Wetzel, USFWS David Eisenhauer, USFWS/DOI WO External Affairs Jack Waide, FPA IST Co-Lead Danny C. Lee, FPA IST Co-Lead Tom Quigley, METI, Inc. Caitlin Briere, BLM