



United States Department of Agriculture
Forest Service
Intermountain Region



UTAH SHARED STEWARDSHIP ACTION PLAN

INTRODUCTION

On May 22, 2019, Utah Governor Gary R. Herbert and USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue signed the Agreement for Shared Stewardship between the State of Utah and the USDA Forest Service Intermountain Region. This agreement establishes six mutual commitments that support the national vision and framework for Shared Stewardship. We are committed to:

1. Existing partnership, programs, and initiatives that have been successful in Utah.
2. Working together to identify and map shared priorities for protecting at-risk communities and watersheds across all lands.
3. Making joint decisions and sharing resources for immediate and ongoing work in priority areas.
4. Engaging local communities in dialogue and learning about active management and desired landscape-scale outcomes, including capacity building and economic development opportunities.
5. Shared planning efforts, including the integration of Utah's Forest Action Plan and the Forest Service's Five-Year Vegetation Management Plans.
6. Co-managing wildfire risks and supporting each other in decisions that we have made together.



SHARED STEWARDSHIP ACTION PLAN

Following the signing of the Utah Agreement for Shared Stewardship, the State and Forest Service worked collaboratively to develop a Utah Shared Stewardship Action Plan to guide our efforts, which consists of the elements described below:

1. Accelerate planning

The Forest Service will expedite National Environmental Policy Act analysis and documentation for forest management projects that reduce community wildfire risks and stimulate forest-based economic development. This will increase the amount of on-the-ground forest management work available for funding and implementation in priority areas.

2. Increase the pace of implementation

The State and Forest Service will combine resources to increase the amount of forest management work that is funded and implemented in agreed upon priority areas.

3. Focus on economic development

The State and Forest Service will support a concerted economic development initiative to increase forest-related economic opportunities in Utah.

4. Provide more training

The State and Forest Service will increase fire prevention outreach and education efforts in an effort to curtail the number of human caused fires. The Forest Service will also continue its efforts to educate employees on the topic of the 2001 Roadless Rule and forest management activities that can be performed utilizing the rule's exceptions.

5. Convene stakeholders and leverage their interests

The State and Forest Service will collaborate with a broad spectrum of partners to develop informed plans for forest management projects that meet the goals of Shared Stewardship in Utah. Collaboration with partners will help build support for priority projects and increase project funding opportunities.

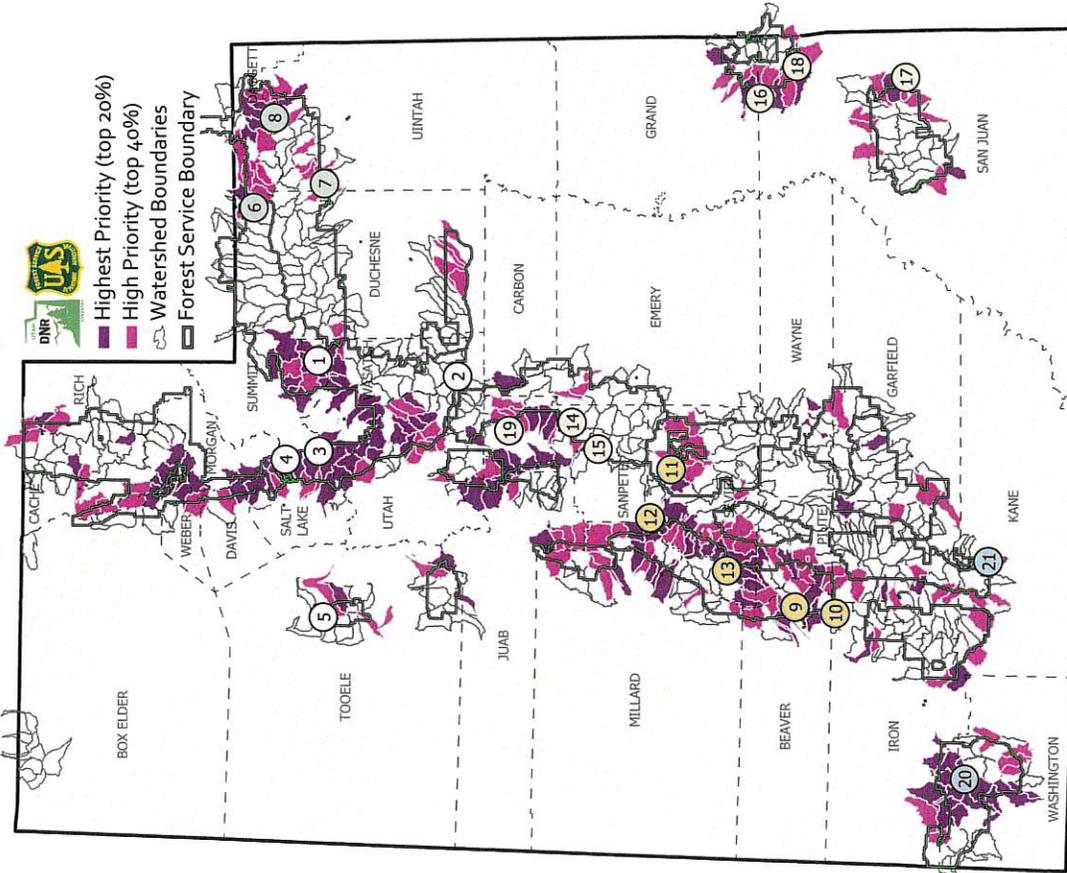
FUNDING

An initial 4-year investment to support the Shared Stewardship Action Plan was agreed to by the State and the Forest Service. This investment is subject to Congressional appropriation and State legislative approval:

Year	State	Forest Service
2019	\$2 million ¹	\$2 million match
2020	\$1.5 million (optional)	\$2.5 million plus ² \$1.5 million match
2021	\$1.5 million (optional)	\$2.5 million plus ² \$1.5 million match
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Total	\$6.5 million	\$14 million

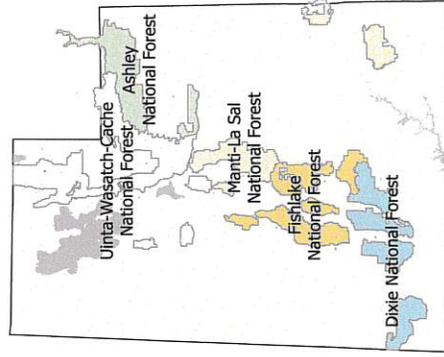
¹ Appropriated by the State during the 2019 Utah Legislative Session ²USFS funds contingent on State of Utah match

Shared Stewardship 2020 Proposed Project Areas



ID	Project Name	Acres
1	Upper Provo Watershed Restoration Phase 5	1,935
2	Sheep Creek Rx Phase 2	6,010
3	Central Wasatch Front Conservation Phase 1	8,498
4	Parley's Canyon Watershed Restoration	11,364
5	Stansbury Mountains Watershed Improvement	15,781
6	Cow Hollow Fuelwood	525
7	Whiterocks Watershed Improvement	1,487
8	Greater Cart Creek Hazardous Fuels Reduction	161,480
9	Beaver River Watershed Improvement	1,824
10	South Beaver Watershed Improvement	2,153
11	Gooseberry Phase 1	4,951
12	Hans Pumpnickle Habitat Restoration Phase 1	6,111
13	Joseph Habitat Restoration Project	6,617
14	New Canyon Watershed Restoration	212
15	Willow Phase 3	882
16	Mill Creek Watershed Restoration Partnership	1,368
17	Shingle Mill Phase 2	2,174
18	LSSC Habitat Improvement Phase 1	4,106
19	Skyline West Archeological and Wildlife Surveys	94,841
20	Pinto Watershed and Defensible Space Restoration Phase 2	2,479
21	Deer Springs Wildlife Habitat and Fuels Reduction	3,096

Total: 337,874 Acres





Utah Shared Stewardship 2019 Operations Plan

Item	Location	Project Description	Source	Status
Project Implementation				
1	Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF	Upper Provo Watershed Restoration project phase IV	USFS/State	Contracted
2	Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF	Road work for Upper Provo Watershed Restoration project	USFS	Completed
3	Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF	Cultural resource surveys for Upper Provo River project phase V	USFS	Completed
4	Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF	Pre-sale road work for fiscal year 2020 timber sale projects	State	In-process
5	Manti-La Sal NF	Willow fuels phase I stewardship project	USFS	Obligated
6	Manti-La Sal NF	Willow fuels phase 2 stewardship project	USFS	Obligated
7	Manti-La Sal NF	Canyons project reforestation support	USFS	Obligated
8	Manti-La Sal and Dixie NFs	Boundary surveys for Billingsly and Canyons projects	USFS	Completed
9	Dixie NF	Sawyer Point/lkes vegetation treatment project phase 2	USFS/State	Obligated
10	Dixie NF	Billingsly project	USFS/State	Obligated
11	UT FFSL	Utah Shared Stewardship project database and monitoring protocol development support	State	On-hold
Economic Development				
12	Manti-La Sal NF	Tethered logging contract/pilot project	State	In-process
13	UT FFSL	Economic development and forest products industry Shared Stewardship support	State	In-process



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14	UT FFSL	Wood utilization and business development specialist	USFS/State	Obligated/ In-process
Facilitation				
15	UT FFSL	Interagency Shared Stewardship/Good Neighbor Authority program coordinator	USFS	Obligated
16	USFS Regional Office	Shared Stewardship stakeholder engagement	USFS	Contracted
17	UT FFSL	Shared Stewardship success framework and strategic plan	State	In-process
Training				
18	USFS Regional Office	Roadless rule training	USFS	Contracted
19	UT FFSL	Wildfire prevention outreach campaign	USFS	Obligated
20	UT FFSL	Wildfire Prevention outreach coordinator	USFS	Obligated
21	UT FFSL	Shared Stewardship Education Video	State	Contracted
Planning				
22	USFS Regional Office	Programmatic NEPA	USFS	Contracted