

# Utilizing Partners to Build Partnerships & Capacity



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# Questions to think about as you get started?

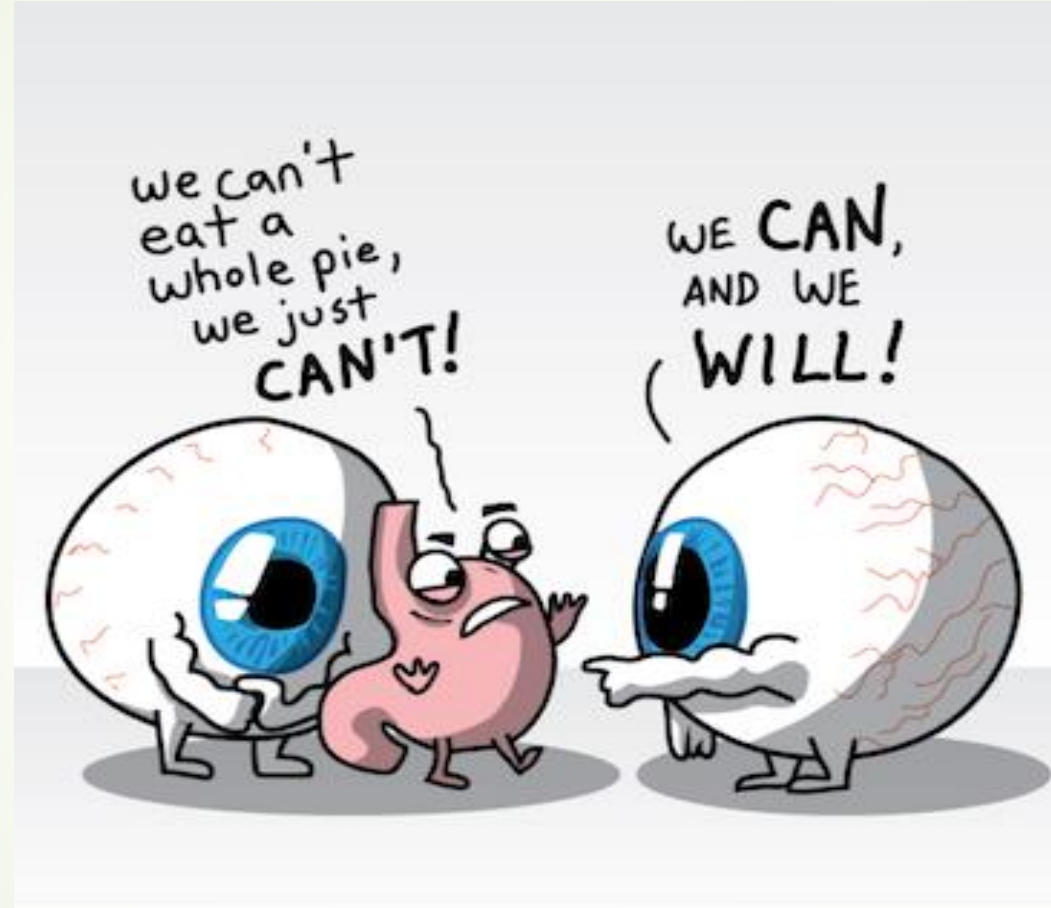
1. What is our team's priorities and objectives?
2. What is our team's current workload, budget, staffing, and capability to get the work done?
3. Where are we lacking in capacity? (i.e people or budget or both)
4. **Is there a partner to help get the work done?**
5. **How do we get connected?**

Do you have the capacity?



What is your capacity to get the job done?

Do you have the capacity?



Group Question: What concerns do you have with capacity when building new partnerships?

Maintaining and building partnerships take time and nourishment to grow....



Lets explore how partners can help you with capacity and building partner relationships?

# Examples

- San Rafael Utah Chapter of the Back Country Horsemen of America and the Utah Conservation Corps creating capacity and building new partnerships.



# Examples

- Fishlake National Forest, Utah State University Extension, Farm Bureau and Utah Conservation Districts building relationships to help grazing permittees.



## Range Management

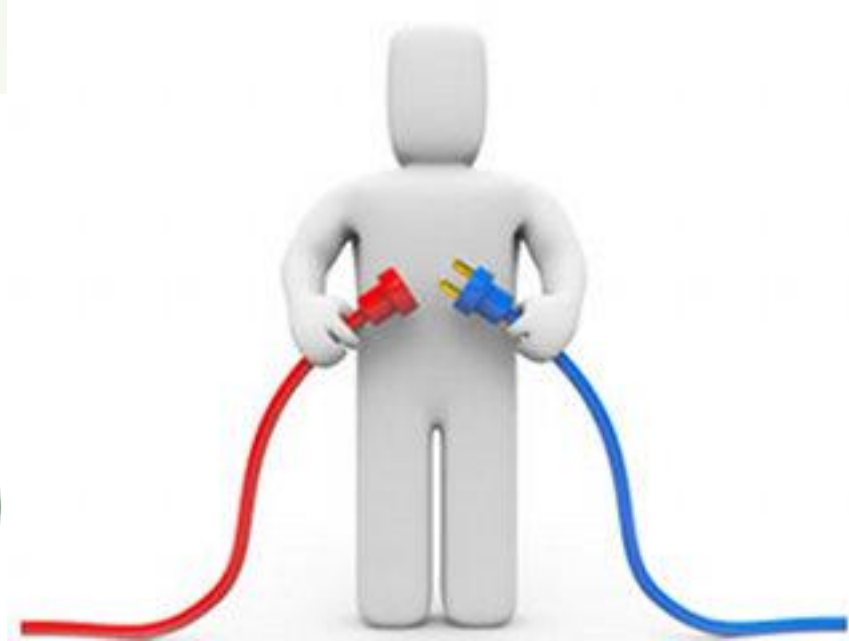
The USU Extension Service, Fishlake NF, and Farm Bureau collaborated to hold USU Range School: Understanding Your Forest Service Permits. 100+ livestock producers, agency employees and elected officials attended. Nice work by Brian Monroe, Kendall Nelson, Kurt Robins.



# How do we get connected to our partners?



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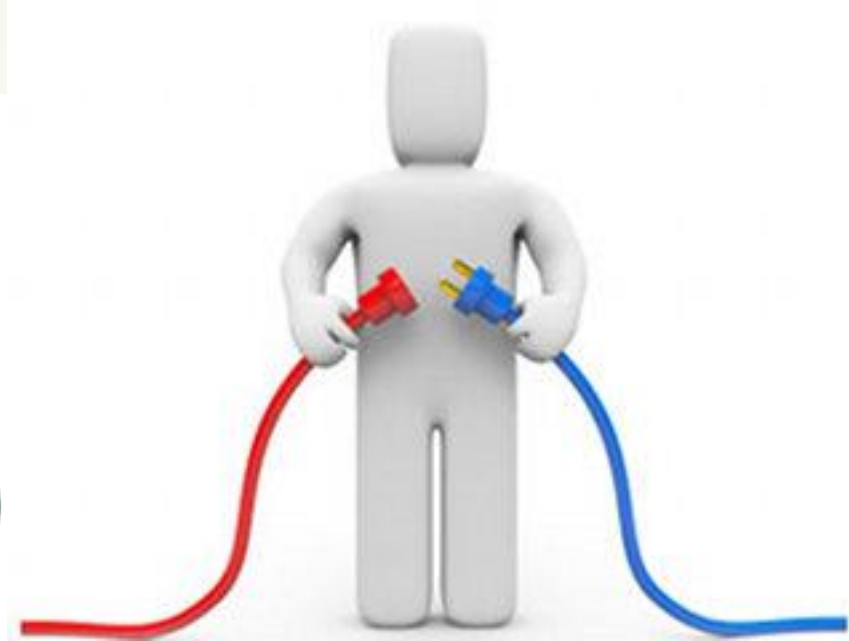




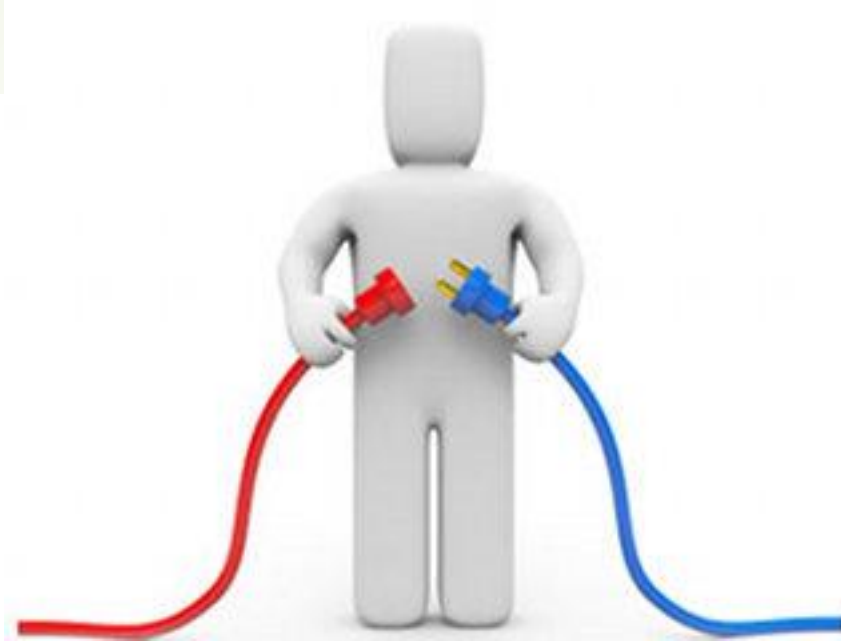
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What are your goals and objectives?  
Who are we trying to connect with? (Why?)



Grazing Permittees  
Elected Officials  
Forest Plan Revisions  
Watershed Restoration Groups  
Collaborative Groups  
Trails Work

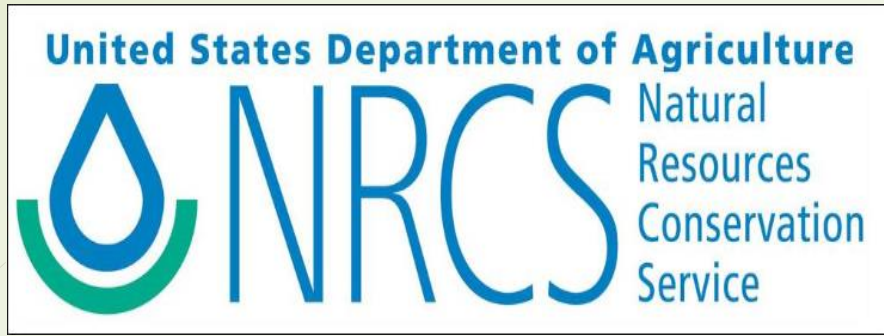
What partners could help connect us all together?



# Getting to Know USFS Partners in Region 4 Webinar Series

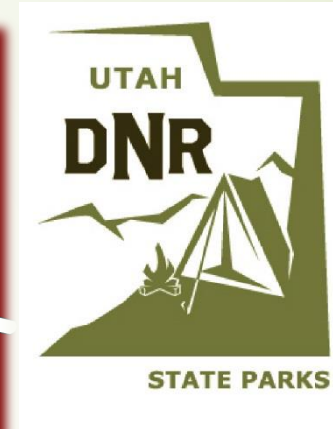


Who are they, what do they do, and how can we work together?

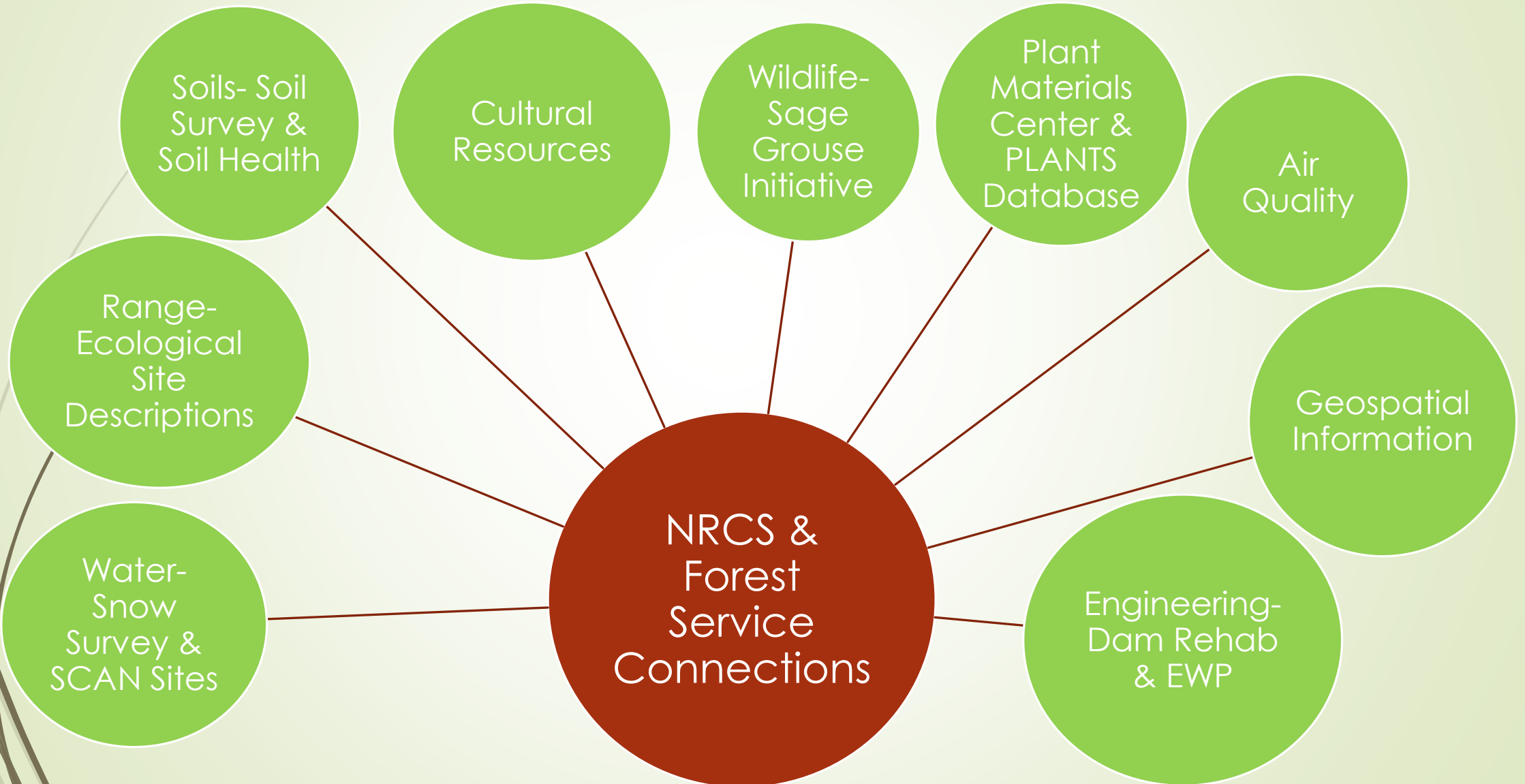




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# NRCS – How can we work together?





# Group Question

- ▶ What ways do you get to know your partners and their programs better?
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- ▶ What ways do you get to know your partners and their programs better?
  - ▶ Attend their meetings
  - ▶ Get to know their programs
  - ▶ Workshops/Conferences
  - ▶ Build internal Networking Capacity
    - ▶ Regional Partnership Group
    - ▶ Regional Advisory Partnership Advisory Board

Share the capacity and learning...



Help so others do not have to recreate the wheel.....



## How do you get there?



- The first step is becoming familiar with your partners at what level you need. You can engage at the State, Area, or Local level.
- What specialist or staff do you need?
- What type of project are you working on and how can we help them and they help us?
- Do we need a partner to help build a relationship with someone else (bridge the gaps)?
- Find their contact information usually found on their state websites.

# How do you get there?



- So, take the first step and reach out to your partner at the level that you need.
- Attend one of their staff meetings and get to know the employees.
- Bring your resources to the table and allow them to see what your organization can do for them.
- Have open communication and allow this partnership to help build your capacity to get work done.

# Relevancy = Capacity



- ▶ Bill Hodge, Executive Director, Southern Appalachian Wilderness Stewards (SAWS)

If you build it they will come....





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