



Peer Review Plan

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Influential Scientific Information Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

Agency
USDA Forest Service Rocky Mountain Research Station (RMRS) and the Southwestern Region (R3)

Principle Investigator
Richard T. Reynolds

Title of Study
Restoring composition and structure in frequent-fire forests: a science-based framework improving ecosystem resiliency

Field of Study
Forest restoration, ecosystem processes and functions, fuels reduction, fire regimes, habitats, biodiversity, food webs.



Type of Review

Panel Review Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Individual Review

Two sets of reviewers:
1. Five peer reviewers selected by authors.
2. Three reviewers (blind) selected and managed by RMRS Program Manager.

Estimate Date for Completion

Number of Reviewers

_____/08/2013

3 or fewer

4 to 10

More than 10

Primary Discipline/Types of Expertise needed for Review

Forest ecology, forest management, restoration ecology, fire ecology, plant and animal ecology, climate change.

Reviewer Names and Affiliations

1. L.S. Baggett, statistics group, RMRS; M. Battaglia, research silviculturist, RMRS; D. Huffman, restoration ecologist, Ecological Restoration Institute, Northern Arizona Univ.; C. Fiedler, research forester, Univ. Montana; Mike Kaib, fire ecologist, USDI Fish and Wildlife Service.
2. D. Peterson, research ecologist, PNW; R. Graham, research forester, RMRS; S. Hedwall, senior fish and wildlife biologist, USFWS

Expected Publication Outlet (Science or similar Peer Reviewed Journal)

General Technical Report

Reviewers Selected by: Agency Designated Outside Organizational
Organization's Name: _____

Opportunities for Public Comment? Yes No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How: Multiple public presentations and workshops including on-the-ground visits to demonstration sites.

When: Two to four presentations/workshops annually, 2005-2012.

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments Yes No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel Yes No

Other Comments

Several reviewers selected by authors attended presentations/workshops and participated in discussions with private, academia, and various NGO persons.

Authors requested suggestions regarding potential reviewers from academic and NGO persons.