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# Yuba Forest Network Strategy Development Subgroup

## **Background**

Forest restoration in the Yuba River watershed faces a multitude of challenges, including a high percentage of Wildland Urban Interface lands and a unique "checkerboard" ownership pattern. Now more than ever, cross-boundary collaboration is essential to effectively increase the pace and scale of forest restoration across the watershed.

Many effective partnerships and collaborations already exist in the region, however, there is still opportunity to leverage resources, increase communication, and develop unified goals. The Yuba Forest Network's Strategy Development Subgroup will lead discussions around common goals and desired conditions to better support our forests and communities.

### Goals

- Develop a regional forest health strategy that includes guidance on prioritization.
- Develop and distribute resources emphasizing best-practices for practitioners.
- Increase regional identity around Yuba forests.

#### **Current Tasks**

- Develop a mission statement, including a definition of "forest health."
- Build a glossary of forest health terms, including desired conditions and objectives.
- Create a prioritization framework to guide management efforts.

## **Future Tasks**

**TBD** 

## **Products**

TBD - links to mission statement, glossary, etc. will be provided here

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