

PARTNER COORDINATION

Objective P-1: Establish a structure for coordinated management

THE NEED: The Carbon River Corridor includes large areas of public and private landownership. Public pressure for expanded use of the area has grown dramatically as population and travel to the Pacific Northwest has increased. A means of sustaining coordinated planning and cooperative management of the corridor is needed to address the issues and opportunities resulting from increased interest and expanded use of the area.

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Public and stakeholder input included:

- Expanding visitor services and information.
- Enhancing infrastructure.
- Desire for additional recreational opportunities and infrastructure.
- Desire to conserve natural and historic resources

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>	P-1-1 Adopt and implement the Carbon River Corridor Cooperative Action Plan.	Parks	USFS, NPS-MORA, Fruit Growers Supply, Steering Committee members, and Stakeholders
>	P-1-2 Landowners develop and participate in Memoranda of Agreement related to management of public services and facilities in the Carbon River Corridor.	Parks	USFS, NPS-MORA, potentially other Steering Committee members, and Stakeholders
>	P-1-3 Identify funding sources and opportunities for cost-sharing and prioritize needs not supported within current budgets.	Parks	USFS, NPS-MORA, potentially other Steering Committee members, and Stakeholders



Pressure for public access to the Carbon River Corridor is expected to continue to grow. It is important to mitigate this anticipated growth by implementing the actions of this plan, especially those related to visitor services and information, infrastructure, and enforcement before recreation opportunities can be opened to more users. Due to the proximity and common interests of the parties, a means to discuss current events and shared concerns will be an on-going need. A coordinated management approach will provide a stream-lined process to improve the responsiveness of all partner organizations to visitor and public interests.

Developing one or more Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) or other such charter among landowners and land managers will put a management structure in place that can change, as necessary, as use of the area grows. Initially, the focus will likely be on enforcement and developing visitor services and information as a priority, which can be expanded to include issues concerning infrastructure and other services. The goal is to realize a nimble and responsive management structure that can continue to coordinate on common issues over time and as needs evolve.

