

Utah Table Connecting Session #2 Notes
 Confluence 2020

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Question 1: What inspires and motivates you to do collaborative conservation?

- a. Patchwork of land ownership.
- b. Increase capacity of agencies.
- c. Getting others excited about landscapes.
- d. Allows us to not repeat the same processes that don't work.
- e. It is a necessity for public lands.

Commented [K1]: Please clarify this statement. Does this mean collaboration increases the capacity of agencies? Or does it mean agencies have increased capacity to do collaborative conservation?

Question 2: What has been your greatest success so far? AND. What has been your greatest Challenge?

Successes	Challenges
1. Creating trust among minority/underrepresented groups	1. "bring the weird white girl in the uniform"
2. Integration with partners and agencies	2. Growing community/base
3. Physical representations reflecting collaboration in our work (e.g., bathroom at access site)	3. Nepotism/bias in hiring which limits diversity
4. Collaboration is familial, that is collaboration as a strong bond as part of an organization's culture	4. Increasing administrative burden
5. Openness to collaboration	5. Diversity in partnerships (from federal agencies)
6. Relationships with corporations	6. Citizen support
7. Making public lands allies	7. Representation

Commented [K2]: Can we translate this to something more general like-Acceptance of diversity ???

Commented [K3]: Should this be combined with #1 above?

Commented [K4]: Dave please clarify...is this making public lands agencies allies, or public lands users allies?

Question 3: What collaboration learning opportunities, tools and resources, or capacity building, do you need from this Network to support or advance your work moving forward? No indication of priority.

- Knowledge sharing
- Resource sharing-e.g., podcasts, educational curriculum
- Person-to-person communication/advising
- Creating capacity to cross boundaries
- Potential issues-getting more people at the table
 - Because there is so much going on
 - Need more diversity-make an intentional effort to identify more voices
- Searchable member directory; include information such as field, organization, etc.
- Like the diverse types of organizations represented
- More federal voices (COVID 19 and federal agency approval process was an issue) –specifically target them in future years
- Broad sharing of the value of all of us being here together
 - Make the case for collaborative conservation to higher levels of government
 - Let federal agencies know we can help
- Project sharing to lead to awareness and synergy where possible (like WRI in Utah)