



Sierra Jobs First Sustainable Recreation & Tourism Working Group Final Agenda: Meeting #1

November 17th, 2025

- 3:30 - 3:35 Welcome & Introductions (Austin, Facilitator)**
- a. Welcome!
 - b. Land acknowledgement
 - c. Quick agenda review
 - d. Meeting agreements:
 - Assume good will, avoid editorials and engage with respect.
 - Listen with an open mind and take an active problem-solving approach.
 - Use conversational courtesy.
 - Honor time and share the floor. Respond to polls as quickly as possible.
 - Appreciate humor, but not at others' expense.
 - Be honest and candid while treating each other with respect.
 - Think innovatively and welcome new ideas.
 - Please feel free to use the chat to share your ideas or any question you may have.
 - e. Introductions of presenters and attendees in chat (name, organization, share something attendees would be surprised to know about you)
- 3:35 - 3:45 Introduction to Regional Governance (Andie, MLTPA)**
- a. What is Regional Recreation Governance and why are we here today?
- 3:45 - 4:05 Project Presentations & Interview (Andie, MLTPA)**
- a. Project presenters: (1) John Wentworth & (2) Elaine Kabala
 - b. *Questions posed to presenters:*
 - What are the most challenging, unforeseen regulatory, capacity, funding, or any other hurdles your project has encountered since your effort began?

- Does your project have the potential or aim to positively impact and serve residents/visitors in all seven counties in the Sierra job first region?
 - If “yes “, what action/steps is your project taking to engage all counties within the region?
 - If “no “, would the existence of a regional recreation governance entity have the potential to help strengthen/expand your projects?
 - If “yes”, What **steps** would need to be taken to establish a regional recreation governance entity?
- Detail one success and one disappointment from your recent inner actions with the following entities: federal government, state government, county government, local government, Tribal, other NGO/nonprofits.
- In what way could your organization/project contribute to a regional governance process?
- How might a regional governance entity contribute to implementing your project?

4:05 - 4:10 Breakout Group Overview & Instructions (Austin)

a. We are utilizing this time to brainstorm; no decisions are being made.

4:10 - 4:30 Breakout Session: Initial Brainstorming (All)

Room 1: *Does it make sense to draft a mission statement for a regional entity or a number of ‘regional entities’ and, if so, what might be in that mission statement?*

Room 2: *How might a “regional recreation entity” play a role to expedite project development, with each or any of the following: Federal government, state government, county government, and/or local government.*

Room 3: *Based on what you’ve heard from the two projects, how should the recreation/tourism sector work with tribes to partner/move forward with work in this region?*

Room 4: *What are the most important and practical components of a regional recreation and tourism governance structure to most benefit the sector?*

4:30 - 4:50 Breakout Session Number Two (All)

4:50 - 4:55 Breakout Room Reflections

4:55 - 5:00 Wrap-Up & Next Steps (Austin)

a. Any lingering questions - post to chat / e-mail to sjadmin@mltpa.org

- b. Post-meeting actions:
 - Stay tuned for follow-up email
 - Please share contact info for anyone you believe would be interested in this effort
- d. **Next Meeting:** January 20th Working Group meeting reminder, "Inventory & Asset Mapping"