

**GREAT BASIN LANDSCAPE CONSERVATION COOPERATIVE
STEERING COMMITTEE
Webinar Meeting Summary**



Executive Summary

Steering Committee Meeting Review

The Steering Committee received updates and discussed six key topics:

- GBLCC BLM Rapid Ecoregional Assessment (REA) Central Basin and Range Rapid Ecoregional Assessment (CBR-REA) Review Opportunities and Challenges Report outline is undergoing a review by Washington DC BLM office. It will then be sent to the Executive Committee for final review within a couple weeks. The report is expected to be complete by the end of December.
- Science and Traditional Ecological Knowledge (S-TEK) Working Group strategy to be presented at the Consortium meeting in February
- 2015 Work Plan and proposed Steering Committee Goals
- Online Public Forum (Dec. 8 – 12) preview
 - Kick off meeting Dec. 8 at 10:00 am (PST).
 - There will be three call-in live sessions Dec. 9 – 11 each from 1:00-2:00 pm (PST)
- Current NGO Steering Committee membership vacancies
- Consortium in-person meeting: Feb.17-19
 - Steering Committee Tuesday, Feb. 17 (exact time TBD)

Steering Committee Business Action Items

The Steering Committee agreed:

- To exempt Steering Committee members from seat term limits for the next year
- To transition the Executive Committee seats by February. Bob Unnasch will become the current chair and Sue Phillips will become the past chair with an opening for a vice-chair
- To update the proposed 2015 Steering Committee Goals to include, “Enhance partnership and engagement with states”
- To set aside all of FY15 science funds and combine it with FY16 funds to support larger budget, multi-year projects
- To respond to a Doodle poll on a time for the February in-person Steering Committee meeting

Presentations and Updates

- FY 13 Science Project presentation: The causes and consequences of cheatgrass die-offs in the Great Basin presented by Owen Baughman, University of Nevada
- Partner Highlight: Nature Conservancy presented by Bob Unnasch