**Initial Sub-Team Meeting**

**2/5/19**

Attendees:

1. Jess Philippe – R12 St. Johnsbury, VT
2. Suzann Kienast-Brown – R4 Bozeman, MT
3. Alex Stum – R9 Temple, TX; awareness for initial; loves dsm
4. Beth Rowley – Missoula, MT; bob marshall wilderness; glacier np; updates
5. Betsy Schug – Fergus Falls, MN; update and initial with dsm; learn new things; lessons learned
6. Brian Gardner – Moscow, ID; curiosity; notcom forested areas
7. Chris Fabian – Fort Collins, CO; USFS orphans; update projects
8. Kari Sever – Fort Collins, CO; current correlation
9. Chris Gebauer – Klamath Falls, OR; large traditional initial/update; notcom w/dsm
10. Chris Savastio – Minden, NV; notcom w/dsm; get familiar with current DSM methods
11. Danny Wood – Powell, WY; notcom w/dsm
12. Dave White – Las Cruces, NM; mostly update w/dsm
13. David Rand – Salem, OR; initial for NF, lots mapped, leverage existing knowledge w/dsm
14. Jacqueline Vega – Kealakekua, HI; initial; improve knowledge
15. Jocelyn Wardrup – grad student DE; expanding knowledge
16. Joe Brennan – R10 St. Paul, MN; mostly update, some initial; fed lands liaison
17. Josh Paul – Fairbanks, AK; LOTS of notcom
18. Megan Krueger – Vale, OR; BLM initial survey; using ArcSIE
19. Mike Regan – R1 Portland, OR; awareness
20. Phil Goodin – Powell, WY; notcom w/dsm; learn and apply new methods
21. Russ Almarez – R2 Davis, CA; initial mapping focus team
22. Sam Streeter – Alamosa, CO; update w/dsm; learning for initial
23. Shanna Bernal-Fields – Ontario, OR; some dsm training; use it more
24. Sue Aszman – Arcata, CA; initial NF, BLM; awareness
25. Tim Riebe – R13 AK; LOTS of notcom
26. Andy Oxford – Pierre, SD; assisting AK with Kodiak project; application
27. Bernie Skipper – DU; extracting linework from photography – digital
28. Bob Kukachka – ID; retiree; NF work; awareness
29. Whityn Owen – OR State GIS; awareness

* DSM Focus Team overview – Suzann
* Getting started with DSM – Jess
  + Visit the DSM focus team website – it’s all there!
    - Training curriculum
    - Available resources
  + Essex county project
  + White Mountain project
* Q/A
  + Properties
    - NASIS data? Yes, but w/QC. Project will start with KSSL, RCA data
    - Official data? Differing opinions – moving toward NRCS providing multiple data options – more discussion to come on this topic
      * Feel free to communicate with Suzann or leadership if you have opinions, concerns, etc. to share
  + Time savings with DSM?
    - Depends really. Every project is different in scope.
    - Efficiencies are created in targeted field sampling, consistency, and ability to extrapolate across project area from smaller sampling area, if soil-landscape relationships are the same.
    - Initial investment and learning curve, especially for the first project. Like everything, efficiencies will develop over time.
    - More flexible product (raster-based) for users in the end may be one of the biggest gains for employing DSM.