Attendees: Carol Mack, Matt Berger, Mike Lithgow, Alex Laughery, Forrest Ownbey, Adam Gebauer, David Marcell, Matt Hobbs (?)

RTCA Virtual: Steph Stroud, Alex Stone

Phone: Mike Jensen

**Welcome and Introductions**

* Update: Kalispel DNR applied for funding from conservation district for engineering to design water system for nursery (overflow from pond to nursery). Stay tuned for update about approval.
* Community Forest Plan and meeting notes are now on the [Kalispel Tribe website](https://www.kalispeltribe.com/kalispel-natural-resources-department/indian-creek-community-forest).

**Decision Making**

Decision making was discussed for the 6-9 month period that this short term advisory committee will be together. A new decision process will be worked out for the organization that manages the Community Forest after this implementation strategy planning process is over.

* Mike shared that as land owners the Kalispel Tribe has ultimate decision making authority, but the AC can use an activity to come to a consensus to advise. Mike brought green, red, and yellow flash cards to use to express agreement/support or lack of support on a decision.
  + **Green=Agree**
  + **Red= Don’t agree**
  + **Yellow= Not ideal, will support**
  + We can use the flashcards to express ourselves from now on!

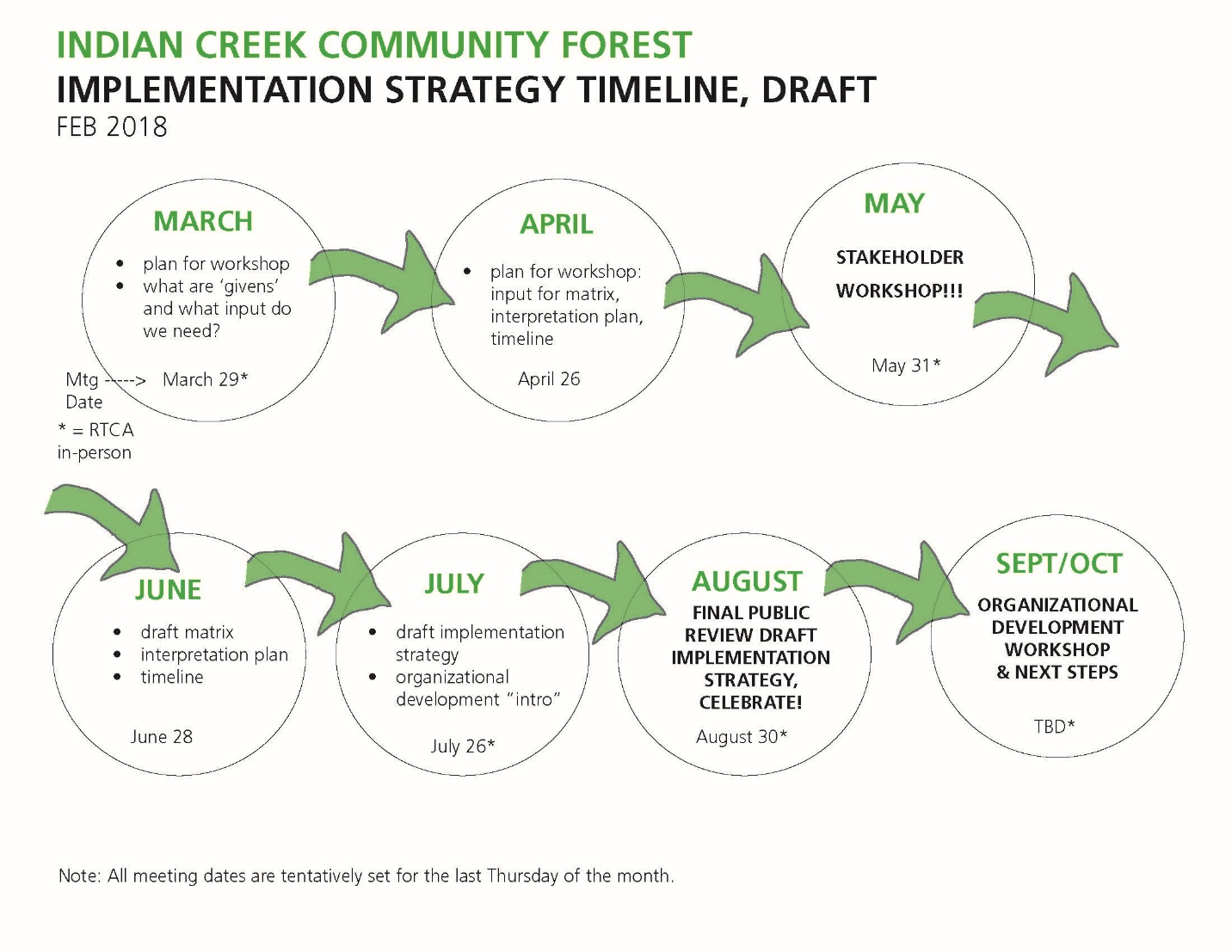
**Vision and Mission Statements:** *Recruiting Poets and Artists!*

A Vision statement is a description of a shared future state; what the future will *look and feel* like.

A Mission statement describes the organization created to achieve the Vision. Goals are steps taken by the organization to achieve the Mission.

* The group discussed the value of having a vision statement
* The group reviewed two RTCA projects and their Vision/Mission Statements—one from a park prescription program in Bellingham and the Concrete Trails System in Concrete, WA.
* We reviewed some of the language that came from our last meeting’s brainstorming exercise. Some recurring themes include hands-on education, a destination or overnight facility for groups, web-based resources for educators, a community resource to connect local experts, connecting families to the forest and tradition, job training, logging rescue, fire dept training, hiking/outdoor recreation, a place for all ages, clean air and water, positive lifestyle choices, and a place for improved mental and physical health.
* Reaching out for volunteers to craft vision and mission statements—**Mike Jensen and David Marcell have volunteered. Thank you!**
* Another local resource for a Vision/Mission is the [Dishman Hills Conservancy](http://www.dishmanhills.org/about).

**Timeline and Workplan**: Reviewed proposed timeline and work plan:



* How to build community connections/networking into the process as we go?
* Most important date: **Stakeholder/community workshop to be held in May**.
  + Purpose & outcome? (engage community, raise awareness & input on aspects of programs and management that we control)
  + Discussed how it was important to go above and beyond to advertise workshop to make sure a lot of people know about it.
  + Recently there has been an increase of new environmental groups in the community due to proposed smelter facility
  + Possibility of creating a workshop brochure
  + Could hold the workshop at the Camas Center—could capture parents with children at day care during the day, and teachers and students at night
  + Potential drone footage for workshop?
  + Share the givens & expectations (what’s already planned for Community Forest, “the box”, where are we starting from)?
  + Will want to reach out to stakeholders we identified at last meeting
  + Youth engagement component (NPS can visit classrooms if need be)
  + Potential tribal participation?
  + Ideas to discuss at workshop: potential opportunities for studies, programs to support citizen science
  + How can we make this an appealing workshop?
    - Incentives for participants: free passes to Camas Center or other paid stipend?
    - Do we need to provide accommodations (best time of day, food, childcare, translation, etc.)?
      * Speakers, presenters?
        + Lucas (tree climber) is energetic and has expressed interest

**Next Steps based on Timeline**

* Save the dates for upcoming AC Meetings (Last Thursdays):
  + March 29 (RTCA in person)
    - **Draft of Vision and Mission statements from Mike and David**
    - Brainstorm ideas for publicity of workshop
    - Discuss potential presentation from Lucas (tree climber)
    - Gary (graphic designer) to discuss Community Forest logo, color scheme, fonts
    - Continue planning for workshop
  + April 26
    - Plan for workshop
    - Graphic design update
  + May 31 (RTCA in person) **STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP**
    - Gather input for CF, interpretation/storytelling
    - Youth engagement?
    - Refine graphic design?
  + June 28 – Maybe held at Indian Creek
    - Use feedback from the workshop to create a draft matrix for CF
    - Draft Interpretation plan
    - Drafting funding plan
    - Draft timeline
  + July 26 (RTCA in person)—Maybe held at Indian Creek
    - Draft implementation strategies
    - 1 hour intro into organizational development (what will the organization look like going forward?)
  + August 30 (BBQ, RTCA in person)—Held at Indian Creek (May not have DNR)
    - Finalize implementation strategy
    - Celebrate with BBQ!
    - Showcase of public review draft
    - Engage the community/stakeholders
  + Sept/Oct (RTCA in person)
    - Organization going forward

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* Larger community events and updates
  + North American Environmental Education Conference in Spokane