



## High Divide Workshop

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Below is a [report](#) on the High Divide workshop, with funding by foundations and the US Fish & Wildlife service, held in April, 2017. It is relevant because it identifies participants and the strategy for the Salmon area. The framework was Landscape Conservation [Design](#) which is designing a large area in a way conservationists think it should look, what should be protected, designing areas for wildlife and other corridors, all laid out for connectivity.

Some of the participants included Gina Knudson, Collaboration Specialist and previously from Salmon Valley Stewardship, Merrill Beyeler, Kristin Troy, Executive Director at the Lemhi Regional Land Trust, and others mentioned including Josh Milligan, Toni Ruth, and Kim Trotter.

Regarding forests on page 30, they saw opportunity to "Be involved in Forest Plan updates", "Analyze stakeholders and what power they have to influence change", and "Use our High Divide platform to influence policy changes for stewardship contracting...include some preference to local contractors" that would "...help tamp down the anti-federal sentiment." Bear in mind several federal agencies participated in this workshop as well as Idaho Fish & Game. Opportunity was also seen to "put fire back in the landscape".

Two years ago these groups and individuals were laying out their strategy on how they planned to execute their goals. The current collaborations are nothing more than a front to impose their objectives on citizens, the decision has already been made for you in the revision. All of this is supported by their weighing down the groups with their ideological friends and partners.

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