**9:00am: Welcome & Meeting Charge**

Review the history of NE1962 and Multistate basic organization – Fred Servello (Maine) is the administrative advisor of NE1962 project.

Taylor relayed to group that both new members need to become member of current 2018-2022 NE1962 project at [www.nimss.org](http://www.nimss.org). Past NE1962 member probably also renew membership since this is a new project.

**9:15am: Introductions and Attendees**

**9:45am: Review of NE1962 history and project goals and objectives**

*Early Days of NE1962* – USDA was interested in a group that conducted research beyond Ag. NE1962 objectives are very broad: demonstrate and expand the evidence for the role of parks and outdoor recreation services in promoting (a) health and well-being benefits, (b)environmental literacy, and (c) community vibrancy and resilience. NE1962 projects runs within 5-year time frame, last project end 2017. 2018 is the start of a new project and will continue until September 30, 2022.

Questions and comments about NE1962

* Keith wanted to make sure of any geographical constraints with NEFA or with Manual for Cooperative Regional Research requirements. Manual will be requested and reviewed.
* Keith mentioned that when looking at Extension proposals there are specific aspects need to be thought through to apply for funding.
* Peter Fix – We should look at other USDA projects and their products. What are the mechanism they are using to get capacity funds? NE would like to see a big grant.
* Group had brief conversation about how Multistate Hatch funds can be accessed. Each state varies. Need to make sure that eligible members are getting the NE Hatch money to states that may not be in NE.
* Group view current NE1962 google website - Jasmine Shaw, University of Fairbanks is working with Peter Fix. Peter was able to get part time funding to help us with the maintain of the NE1962 google website. NE1962 members are to send their information to Jasmine to have their products/publications/other resource material added. Jasmine’s email is jdshaw2@alaska.edu
* It was suggested that the Google Website also be used as a learning house of potential methods, methodology, and common frameworks for NE1962 projects.

**10:00: Relevance to other recreation initiatives and possible opportunities**

Anna Miller - *Sustainable Recreation Working Group (SRWG)* met in Golden Colorado, April 3-5, 2018.

Six theme area came out of the SRWG meeting:

1. Benefits to a diverse public
2. Integrated management and planning frameworks
3. Recreation technology
4. Ecological integrity
5. Catalyzing partnerships
6. Fiscal and resources capacity.
* Anna is developing a google site for the Sustainable Recreation Working Group. She plans to have this live in August 2018.
* SRWG is working on a research agenda that should be out at the end of 2018. A set of working papers will be published in November (i.e., global dimensions). A special issue in the Journal of Forestry with some working papers and some new topics. For more information email Anna at annamiller@fs.fed.us

**11am: Individual presentations – presentations by researchers on work related to NE1962 proposal**

Peter Fix – *Outcome Focus Management Project*.

* Shared the BLM Outcomes projects that he has been working on.

Kathy Scholl – *Campus Landscapes as a Learning Ecosystem.*

* Focused on the Nature Setting Typologies and Attention Restorative Theory framework to identify cognitive benefits of nature settings

**Lunch Break: 12:15 – 1:15pm**

**1:15pm: Individual presentations (cont.)**

Keith Tidball – *Attributes and Benefits of Veteran involvement in outdoor recreation*

* Concept mapping – 3C method – Collaborative ‘cut & paste’ Concept Mapping.
* Color typology – Kellert’s typology of values of nature.
* Willing to develop fact sheets about NE1962 – for the Dept of Ag and Dept of Interior when Keith attends Hunting and Shooting Sport Council

Wayde Morse – *Physical Health and Constraints to Participation in Outdoor Recreation: Linking Supply and Demand*.

* Working on building a better SCORP

HAAS – spatial demand model that grocery stores use to decide on the need of a new grocery store in a community.

Mike Brady – Role of outdoor recreation and amenities in relation to regional growth

* rural outdoor recreation areas and continued economic development
* Stormwater projects and adding green space and parks and its effect on communities
* How public lands effect housing development and habitat
* Mike would next like to develop research related to how resiliency are these rural outdoor recreation areas to economic, environmental shocks (fires, flooding)

Kelly Bricker – *Veterans and the Therapeutic Benefits Outdoor Recreation*

* Willing to share the metrics that her team is using. Interests include: Different activities and the therapy effects – Hunting, fishing vs rock climbing. Veterans experience of river and it landscape features and their effects
* Healthy Parks and Healthy People – dosage, exposure, accessibility, community base nature as a buffer to help families, Nature as therapy that does not stigmatize someone
* Sustainability recreation and the policies related to the facilities and amenities within the agencies –
* Global sustainable tourism council – looks at a global framework for understanding tourism operations and sustainability at destination

**2:15pm: Identify potential collaborative activities**

* Research proposals-
	+ Keeping eyes and ears open for a multistate project and that NE1962 group can submit RFP
	+ Research competitive Hatch grant opportunities
	+ Extension Disaster and Veteran’s Family funds – Multimillion dollar funding to build into a national network for a MOI or MOU. Need the Manual of Cooperative Regional Research
* Projects – good ideas discussed and will continue to pursue.
* Initiatives with Sustainable Recreation Agenda – continue to communicate with group and possible 2020 NE1962 meeting in conjunction this group’s next official meeting.

**2:30pm: Wrap up**

* Sharing with other potential members of the benefits of this group.
* **Learning from each other and the work we are doing, sharing metrics and frameworks**
* Potential of collaborative research
* 2018-2019 NE1962 Chair – Peter Fix, University of Alaska, Fairbanks
* **Potential Next meeting location and dates:** Exploring the next meeting at NEER in Annapolis April 7-9, 2019. Peter and Taylor will look into detail of getting a room for a meeting before or after NEER conference.

Task after NE1962 meeting

* **Annual report is due 60 days after the meeting (August 17, 2018)**
* Have a quarterly zoom meetings with members
* Review Manual for Cooperative Regional Research requirements
* Ask Keith to develop fact sheets about NE1962 – for the Dept of Ag and Dept of Interior when Keith attends hunting and shooting sport council

Possible future NE1962 meeting in conjunction with other related conferences

* National Environment and Recreation Research Association, in Annapolis, in April 7-8, 2019.
* Society of American Forestry
* River Management Society
* Society of Outdoor Recreation Professionals
* Pathways – Estes Park location
* George Wright
* South East Environment Research (SEER)
* ESA – Ecological Society of America

**3:00pm Adjourn meeting**

Minutes by: Kathy Scholl