Proposed High Level Indicators

For Wildlife

Categories-

There are three categories of HLIs proposed:

1. Vegetation Cover and Habitat Type – several metrics would be reported for each cover type that represents status and trend in quality and quantity of the cover type.
2. Focal Species – several national/state level data sets could be used to represent relative status of wildlife species in this area. This level of data would be retrieved from national or state databases, and not from the individual projects; however, most of the data is initiated at the project level.
3. Habitat Units – the BPA HU ledger would continue to be reported as a measure of mitigation actions implemented specific to the Fish and Wildlife Program.

Element or Class-

HLIs would be expressed in classes of habitat type or focal species.

Purpose-

The purpose of each HLI is expressed in terms of status, threats, or actions.

Scale-

Each HLI has a relative importance based on the scale on which it is measured and reported.

Metric-

Define how the HLI will be expressed in units and time.

Report interval-

Not all HLIs are relevant on an annual basis.

Report by-

Map or table

Take away-

In developing the HLIs, the co-managers need to think about the take away message from each indicator and how that information can be used by various entities for decision making.

Source-

The co-managers should consider where the data will be supplied from and how to manage and report the data in a consistent manner (coordinated assessments).

