

Navigator Concept	
How do you plan to find the navigators for communities?	Long term, we are hopeful there will be funding identified that can support a certain number per interested state. We can then outreach through the post-fire community to identify those with energy and interest to serve in the roles and if we are able to secure support for year-round positions, they would be able to work both pre-fire and post-fire in mitigating the impacts that wildfires can cause.
Would Navigators be necessary for Pre-incident, During Incident/Post Fire Planning and Mitigation Implementation phases?	All of the above, most definitely, that is part of the concept. Year-round to build understanding, do mitigation before the fire, then be knowledgeable and in place post-fire.
Are navigators only post-fire or also pre-fire?	
Look for ways that navigators can be holistic and integrated positions - prefire and post-fire and help support local capacity	
do you see the navigators as government or non-profits? Funding?	From the input we have received, we feel they would be best either at the state level or the local/NGO level. It may depend on the actual funding mechanism as to how it is structured, but they must have the ability to be nimble and accepted into the community response structure as the member of the team, not just someone who delivers a report.
Am I hearing. Navigation taskforce, very small team, multi-governmental level?	It could eventually be a task force, but initially we were thinking a single individual to be able to go in and work with a community. The local community(ies) would have those that can take input from the navigator to implement, apply etc., but the navigator would help provide tailored advice to the local community. Communication between navigators will be important, as tapping into experts on a wide range of matters will be important to achieving integrated results on the ground.
I've seen quasi navigators from the firefighter community try to liaison the post fire response without success	Hopefully the structure of having someone focused with a depth of knowledge about the programs and needs of post fire communities will be more effective than a firefighter who knows more about response.
Coordination with Others	
how many states have implemented interagency BAER teams of state and local representatives?	Good. We are helpful to get as many folks dedicated to the post fire needs as possible.
We have federal interagency liaisons often during Baer assessments	Yes, they can be helpful but may not have the viewpoint of the local community.

Other than BAER, what other programs is the group looking at?	These will all be spelled out in the roadmap, but it can be a large list that the navigator would be knowledgeable of and help the community understand what works and what may not work with their community.
Communication	
Will these navigators be additional funded positions or just asking additional job duties of existing positions?	Hopefully, these will be additional resources for communities!!
Have you thought about having people already doing some of this work (extension, outreach, UPH, etc.) just have additional funding?	We are open to different models and it may be state by state as to what may work best. Our main criteria is to have them as dedicated as possible, so not just a small percentage of time that gets pulled away.
Many State Geological Surveys have people who would be great navigators. Is AASG (Am Assoc State Geologists) involved in there	Great idea. Would be good to understand this more.
Bravo on the roadmap and navigator ideas. Small counties simply can not navigate the maze of state and federal programs. It will take a team for most large fires. The smaller the county, the larger the team that is	Agreed.
Much of the discussion here over the past two days has focused on landscape impacts. Is there any thought that these navigators may need to cover more integrated post-fire issues?	Yes, the entire range will be important to a community. Infrastructure will be a huge piece as well as landscape.
Army Corps of Engineers and Silver Jackets are working on very similar roadmap products, many already completed for some states. Are you	Yes, they are a key player and have been great with providing insight.
Have you considered reaching out to soil and water conservation districts to be a good place to start with navigators. They are local, often have technical resources, and are generally trusted by the public.	Another great idea; conservation districts have been a critical part of restoration work in many post-fire situations..
NRCS, DOI, USFS and NRCS main players identified in the diagram. Noting that there are much broader agency resources available (HUD, SBA, EPA, USACE, etc)and the issues are broader than land mgt and fire	Agreed; this effort has had a heavy emphasis on the land management agencies, but we're attempting to capture the broader range of federal resources in developing the roadmap.
We often have Baer interagency liaisons that fulfill the navigator roll. Even after the assessment is complete. They work with other cooperaters to assist with post fire planning.	Good. We are helpful to get as many folks dedicated to the post fire needs as possible.
What opportunities exist for people to get involved in shaping these con	Wide open. From the group that has been working these issues, we have created a few small teams, but are always open to additional good minds... There is a webinar through After the Flames on July 14 that will be an excellent opportunity to do just that!

How best to package info for reaching WGA on post fire issues? What are the challenges?	States are certainly involved in post-fire response, but it's local communities that bear the brunt of post-fire impacts and often don't have the expertise or experience to address those impacts. That's what we're trying to address through the roadmap and navigators.
Do you have plans for webinars or trainings for practitioners?	Yes, as these initiatives roll out, we will work closely with others to get the information out.
How have you communicated your policy gaps and opportunities to both practitioners and researchers?	Through the core groups that help develop, we are still refining and working on solutions to fill the gaps.
Are there any upcoming roadmap and navigator trainings? Opportunities to bring partners in to learn from you together?	Nothing scheduled as we are still developing, but as we get to the roll out, you bet!
Funding	
do you foresee a time when BAER-like federal funds will be available for non-federal and tribal land mitigation?	We are working on some potential opportunities, but yes, that is a great dream. EWP through NRCS can be useful as well.
How can small rural local agencies access funding to support training for staff to be effective post fire response?	FEMA and/or state funds may be the widest available, but there could be others. Navigators can help locals navigate down the road.
Tribal lands r covered by doi Baer teams. Nrcs and army Corp of engineers can fund post fire treatment on pvt. Lands.	Our emphasis has been on lands with cross-boundary ownerships (federal, state, local, private), but the principles should be applicable in any situation. Even in communities without federal ownership, navigators would be a helpful addition to post-fire restoration efforts.
Is there a roadmap for people working in areas with no federal lands and/or no experience with post fire work?	
Does your work include assisting regions who have no federal lands and their associated resources, experts, and efforts?	
Get it Done!	
Are you working with communities of all sizes?	All sizes would have access is the concept.
There has been a lot of postfire science discussion in this symposium, where does science fit in with WFLC and WGA?	A key piece we hope to link directly to the roadmap as well as digging deeper into post fire science and research needs and opportunities. Will also be digging into the policy gaps and what science can inform how to address those issues.
How can the results of this symposium be used by WFLC and WGA?	After the Flames is an important element of bringing together the full range of stakeholders to address post-fire needs. Last year's conference and this year's webinar series can inform a number of efforts to improve post-fire restoration and help fire-affected communities.

<p>Time frame for roll out?</p>	<p>We're hoping an emergency-kit version of the roadmap will be available and deployed this year; we'll then turn more attention to the navigator ideas. It's important to recognize that the roadmap is just a starting point: we don't envision that as a static effort, but one that will be added to and updated as programs change.</p>
<p>What are some of the top policy issues that you think might be solvable in short(er) timeframes?</p>	<p>See policy gap paper. To be presented and feedback requested on July 14 webinar</p>
<p>Many of us live in small towns either impacted by now or soon to be wild fires.... I have been struggling to get on a team that can help the locals, can you assist with this? Seems the only time they care is when a</p>	<p>Our hope is the navigator can be both pre and post – and may depend on your state as to what they may offer. We'd love to get your feedback on how to make the navigator idea work effectively for local communities.</p>
<p>I excited to see a road map! Our NGO was able to help disaster survivors make a match (using volunteer hours and funds) for the federal programs. It was a great partnership.</p>	<p>Glad to hear it! NGOs are an important partner in post-fire response: the funding, expertise, and organizational skill can be great assets in helping communities address their needs.</p>
<p>What are your suggestions for navigating the issues big liability? How can federal employees balance providing risk information with non federal players with liability?</p>	<p>That was one of the reasons we have leaned toward having navigators come from state, local or NGO ranks, but we're open to understanding this further and talking with agency/departmental leadership about this hurdle.</p>