



## **Environmental Justice Offsets Working Group**

Meeting #12 08/27/2025



### **Ecology staff introductions**

- Meg Baker Facilitator, Community Outreach and Engagement Specialist
- Jordan Wildish Offsets and Tribal Grants Unit Supervisor
- Kayla Stevenson Offsets Rulemaking Lead, Technical Host
- Joshua Grice Climate Pollution Reduction Policy and Planning Section Manager
- Austin Atterbury-Kiernan Offsets Environmental Planner



## Working group role

- This working group is not tasked with making consensus recommendation changes to Ecology rule or adopted protocols
- Ecology will consider multiple sources and perspectives, including the input collected through this working group, when deciding how to proceed with changes to this protocol
- Input provided by working group members, even if unanimous, should not be considered an indicator of the changes Ecology may or may not make



## Meeting's goals

- Provide an opportunity to give final comments on the US Forest protocol offset rulemaking
- Debrief the working group experience

# Agenda

- 1 Community agreement check in and icebreaker
- 2 Final discussion
- 3 Debrief working group experience



# **Community agreement**

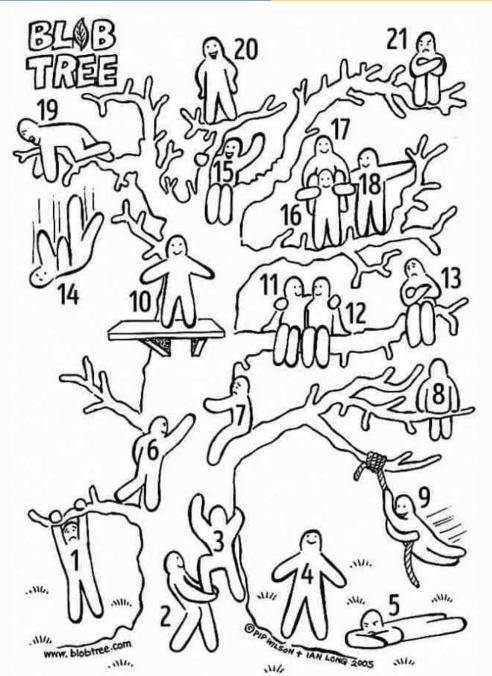


## **Community agreement**

- Respect diverse viewpoints, group members' time, active listening, "sit in a circle," raise hand to speak
- Accessibility and transparency plain talk complex topics and be forthcoming on desired outcomes
- Think broadly and creatively including impacts outside of our own communities
- Ask for clarification and help when needed

#### **Icebreaker**

 Knowing this is our last meeting, which number do you relate to today?



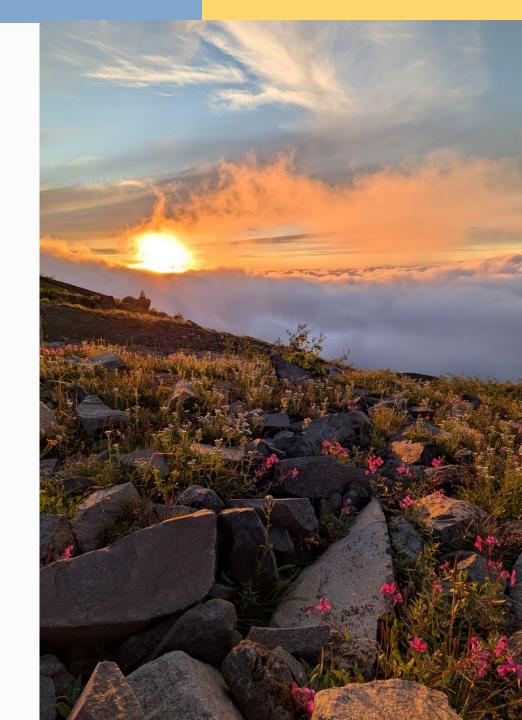


# Final discussion

# Anything to add?

#### US Forest protocol rulemaking

- Additional comments on the proposed changes/updates?
- Additional considerations for communities experiencing environmental harm or health issues?





# Working group debrief

# Overall experience – what went well?

 What aspects of your experience with this working group did you find most valuable?

 What parts of the working group worked well?



# Overall experience – what can we improve?

 What could have been done to make your participation more meaningful or effective?

 What additional supports or tools (e.g., training, background materials) would have helped?



#### **Equity and environmental justice**

 Did the working group center environmental justice principles in its work?

 How could equity and justice considerations have been better integrated into the process or outcomes?



## Purpose and implementation

 Was the purpose of the working group and how the recommendations fit in with Ecology's work clear?

 What concerns, if any, do you have about the implementation or impact of the group's work?



# Looking to the future

 What changes would you recommend for future working groups on similar topics?

• Is there anything you'd like to see continued or built upon because of this group's work?



## Sunsetting the working group

Finish survey

 Reminders of engagement opportunities for US Forest protocol rulemaking

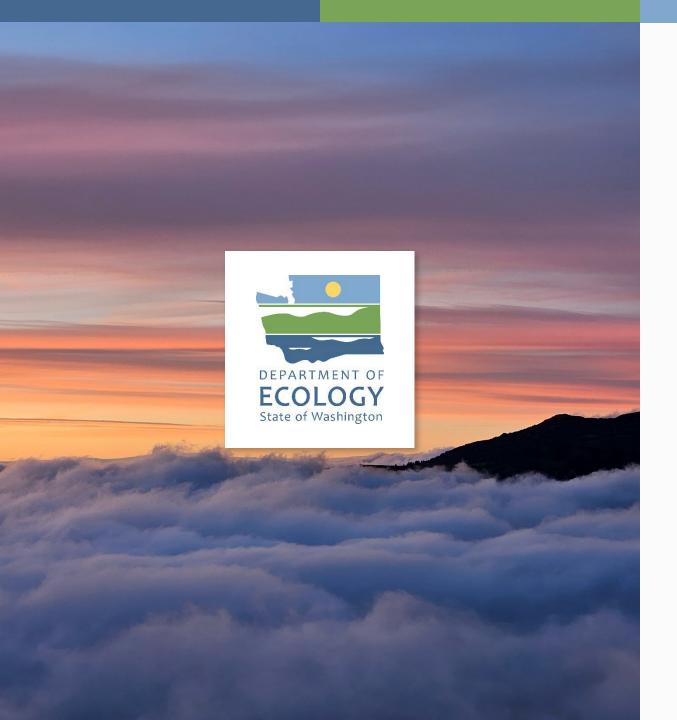
Stay in touch!



#### Reminders

- Stay involved
  - Ways to engage webpage
- Community compensation







# Thank you!

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