



## Sherwins Working Group

### Process Description – Meeting Overview

**Objective:** Collaboratively developed proposal for trails and public access in the Sherwin Area Trails Special Study area (SATSS).

**Proposed Process Steps:** At each step, the Working Group will hold a facilitated meeting to discuss relevant matters and develop draft products. Between meetings, it is imperative that Working Group members review materials and discuss matters with concerned parties in order for subsequent discussions to be productive. Each meeting will provide time to share concerns identified since the last meeting and to revise products accordingly. The overall process is iterative and products will evolve based on reflection and constructive dialogue. The Inyo National Forest will ensure plans are made for implementation of the Working Group's proposal by undertaking appropriate next steps upon completion of the Working Group's efforts.

**Meetings 1-2:** Inventory of resources, the current situation, and the best available science and information.

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**Meetings 2-3:** Establishment of planning and decision criteria for evaluating and selecting the preferred alternative.

**Meetings 3:** Formulation of alternatives which address the significant issues and concerns. (Note: additional work to happen between meetings 2 and 3).

**Meetings 3:** Evaluation of the consequences, benefits, and affects of each proposed alternative. (Note: additional work to happen between meetings 3 and 4)

**Meetings 4:** Selection of a preliminary alternative based upon a full and reasoned analysis.

**Post-Meetings 4:** Public input and review of preliminary alternative.

**Meetings 5:** Modification of preliminary alternative and identification of preferred components. (Note: possible additional work to happen between meetings 5 and 6)

**Meetings 6:** Final revisions to preferred alternative and description/rationale and presentation of final product to Forest Service and Town of Mammoth Lakes.