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• How NASF Is Organized
  ➢ Regional Associations
    Southern Group of State Foresters (SGSF)
    Northeastern Area Association of State Foresters (NAASF)
    Council of Western State Foresters (CWSF)

• Need Consensus
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- Key Supporters with FIA program
  - Only budget line-item supported by NASF
  - Support for additional FIA funding
  - Support for additional hiring
  - Support members using more FIA products
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• National, Region and State Members
  ➢ Support R&D at agency and department levels
  ➢ Want more states engaged in data collection to ease current and future federal hiring challenges
  ➢ Some states use their own funds to “buy down” inventory rotations
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• How Members Use FIA
  ➢ Evaluate forest health risks
  ➢ Growth vs Drain monitoring and reporting
  ➢ Urban and Community forest monitoring and health
  ➢ Monitoring insect and pest trends
  ➢ Woodbasket analysis
  ➢ Informing state policy
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• NASF Priorities for FIA
  ➢ Put forth in NASF 2015 Strategic Vision
  ➢ Focus on core program before taking on new initiatives
  ➢ Keep plot measurements on timely cycle
  ➢ Keep FIA dollars doing FIA work
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• NASF Concerns
  ➢ Overhead charges on all programs (SP&F, R&D, FHP)
  ➢ Transparency re: where funds are spent
  ➢ Transparency in allocation formulas and overhead charges
  ➢ Keep FIA dollars doing FIA work
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• NASF Wish List
  ➢ Regional consistency
  ➢ Better understanding of regional differences
    ❖ Contract instruments
    ❖ Match requirements
    ❖ Pass-through charges
    ❖ Overhead taps
  ➢ Parity in treatment among implementing state partners
  ➢ Greater use of private contractors