



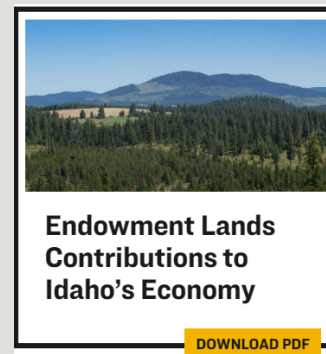
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Collaboration in the Intermountain West

A PROJECT TO UNDERSTAND HOW COLLABORATION IS IMPACTING
THE PACE AND SCALE OF RESTORATION ON PUBLIC LANDS

Policy Analysis Group

- ✓ Established by the Idaho Legislature in 1989 to provide timely, scientific and objective data and analysis.
- ✓ We provide **policy education** to inform stakeholders.
- ✓ We conduct **research syntheses** summarizing primary scientific literature to inform policy alternatives.
- ✓ We initiate **primary research** to provide in-depth evaluation of program or policy effectiveness.



Objectives

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| Investigate | Investigate how collaboration is impacting the pace and scale of restoration in Idaho |
| Share | Help the agency and collaborative groups communicate about their impact |
| Inform | Inform program and policy discussions related to collaboration and restoration |
| Develop | Develop replicable methods that can be expanded to all units of the Forest Service and incorporated into monitoring efforts |

Building the Foundation

TRUST



RELATIONSHIPS



ZONE OF AGREEMENT





Forest Collaborations in Idaho











1,938 views

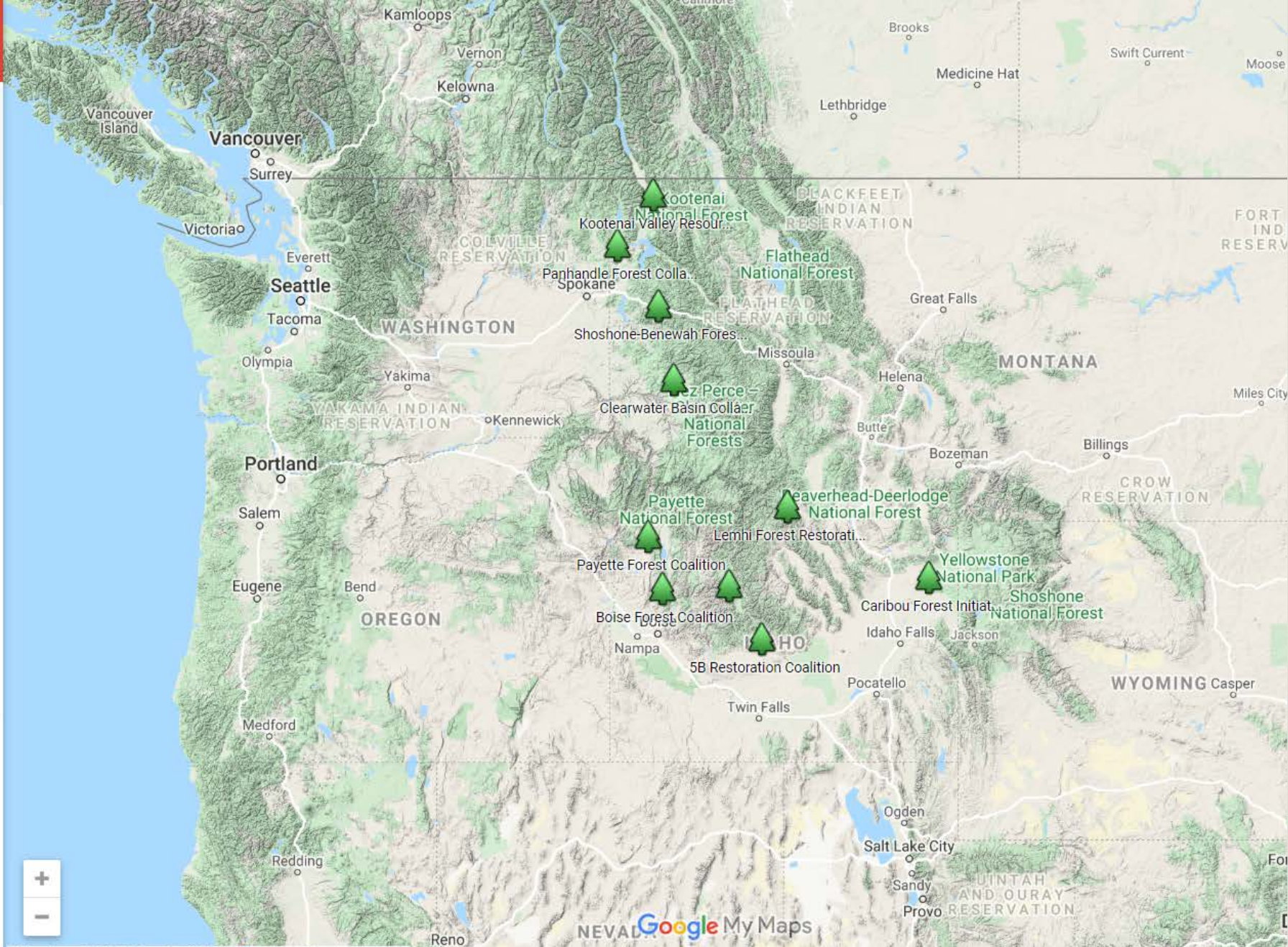


SHARE



Collaborative Groups

-  Clearwater Basin Collaborative
-  Lemhi Forest Restoration Group
-  Payette Forest Coalition
-  Boise Forest Coalition
-  Kootenai Valley Resource Initiative
-  Panhandle Forest Collaborative
-  Sawtooth Valley Wildfire Collaborative
-  5B Restoration Coalition
-  Shoshone-Benewah Forest Collaborative
-  Caribou Forest Initiative



Metrics

PACE

No. of days to decision

No. of acres treated
per planning day

SCALE

No. of acres treated

COMPLEXITY

No. of unique
activities
accomplished

No. of unique
objectives being met

OTHER

Decision Type

Appealed (Y/N)

Litigated (Y/N)

Collaboration (Y/N)

Collaborative (Name)

National forest

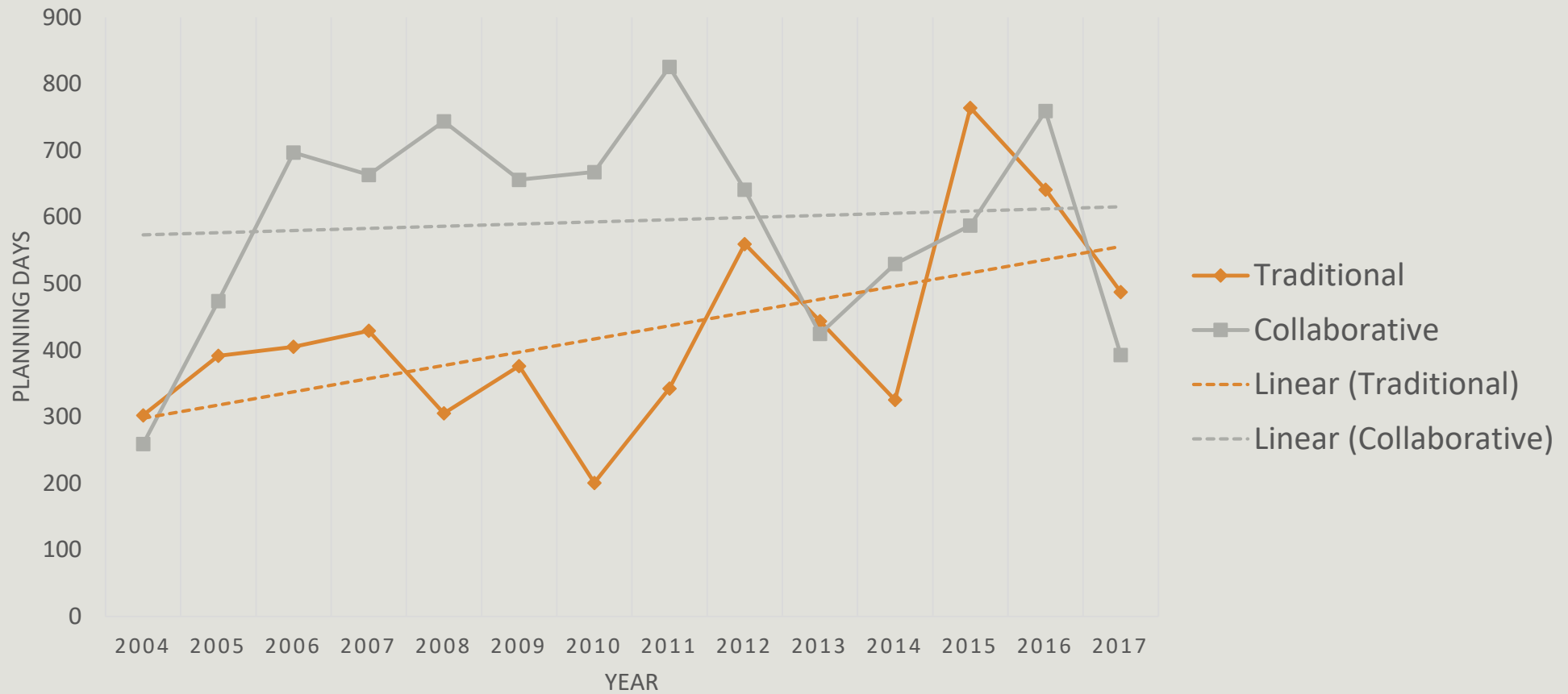
Unit of Analysis: NEPA Project

PACE

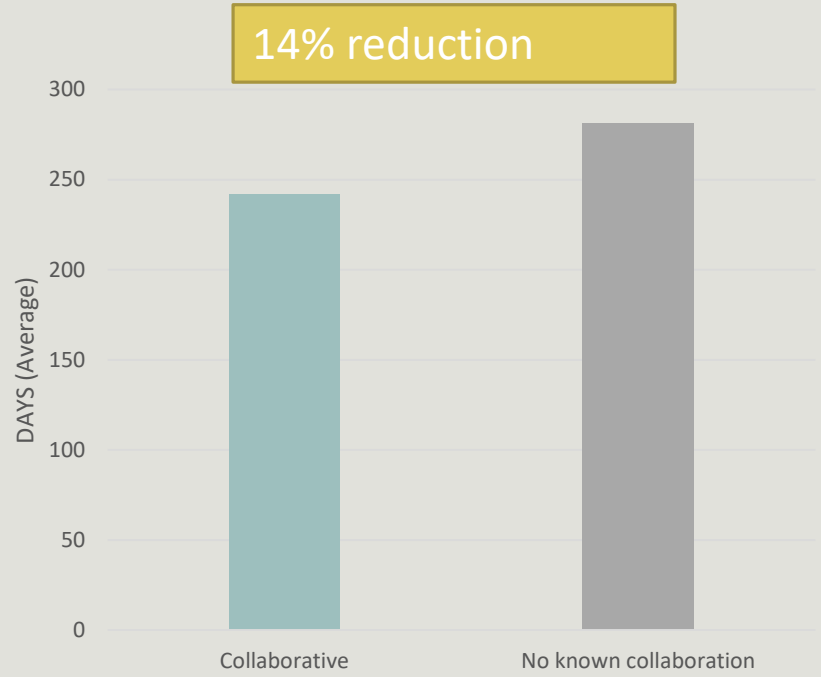
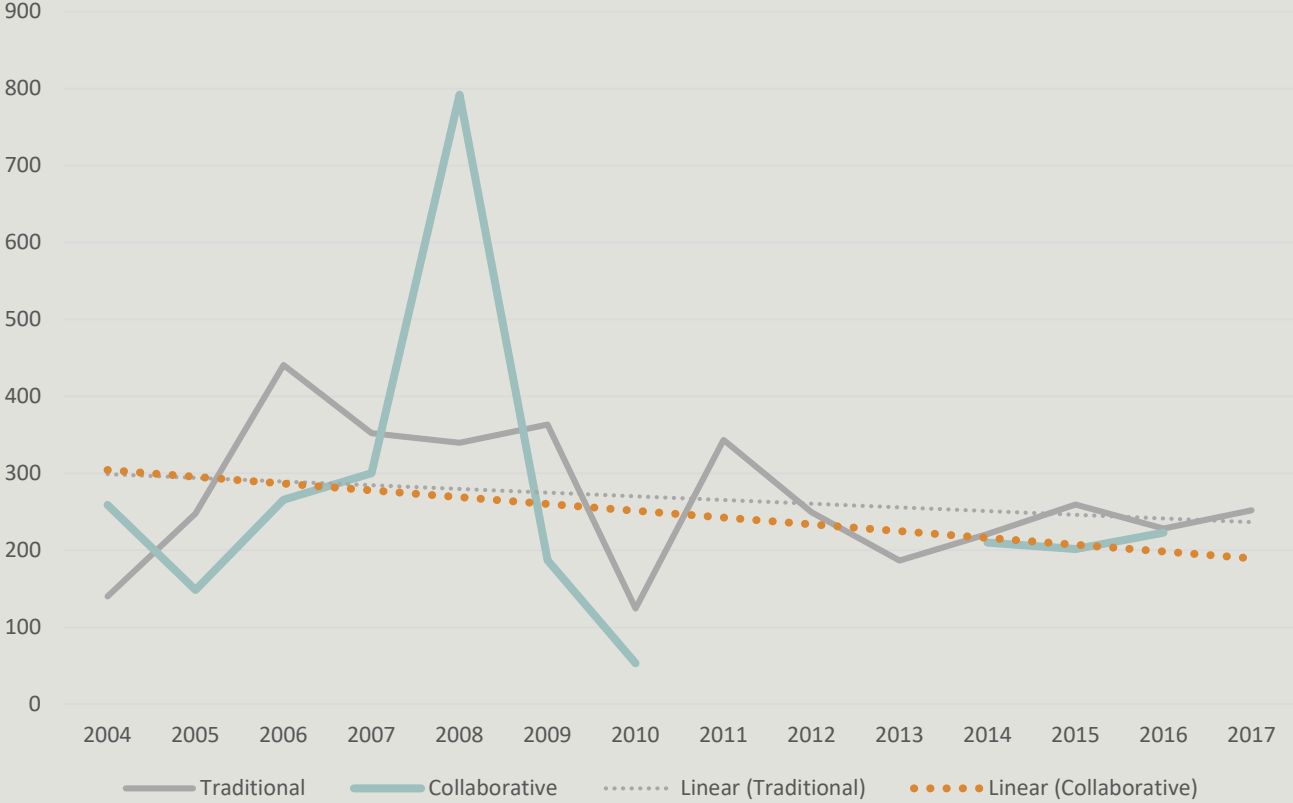
MEASURING THE IMPACT OF COLLABORATION ON PLANNING
TIMELINES



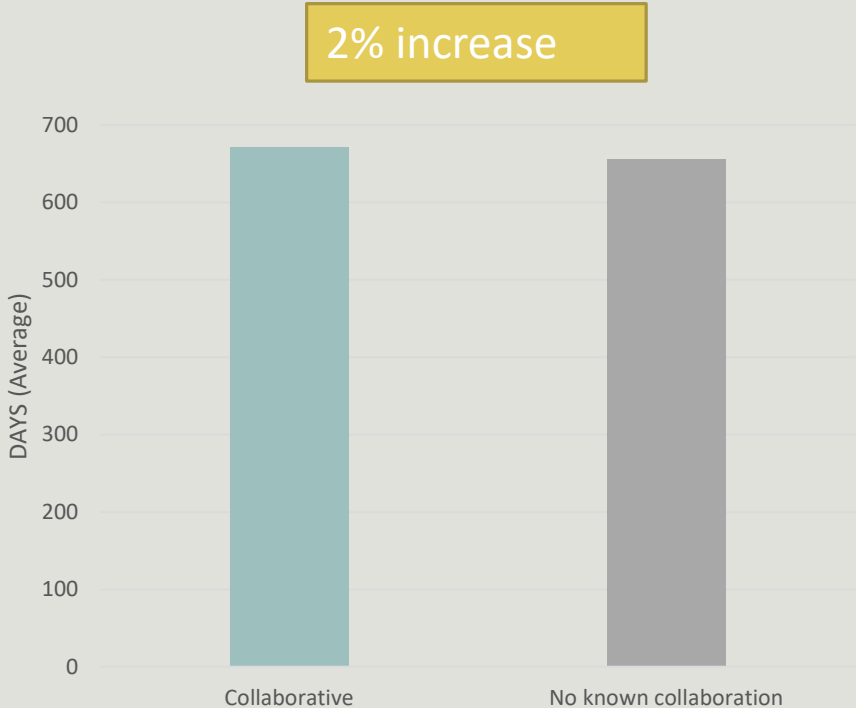
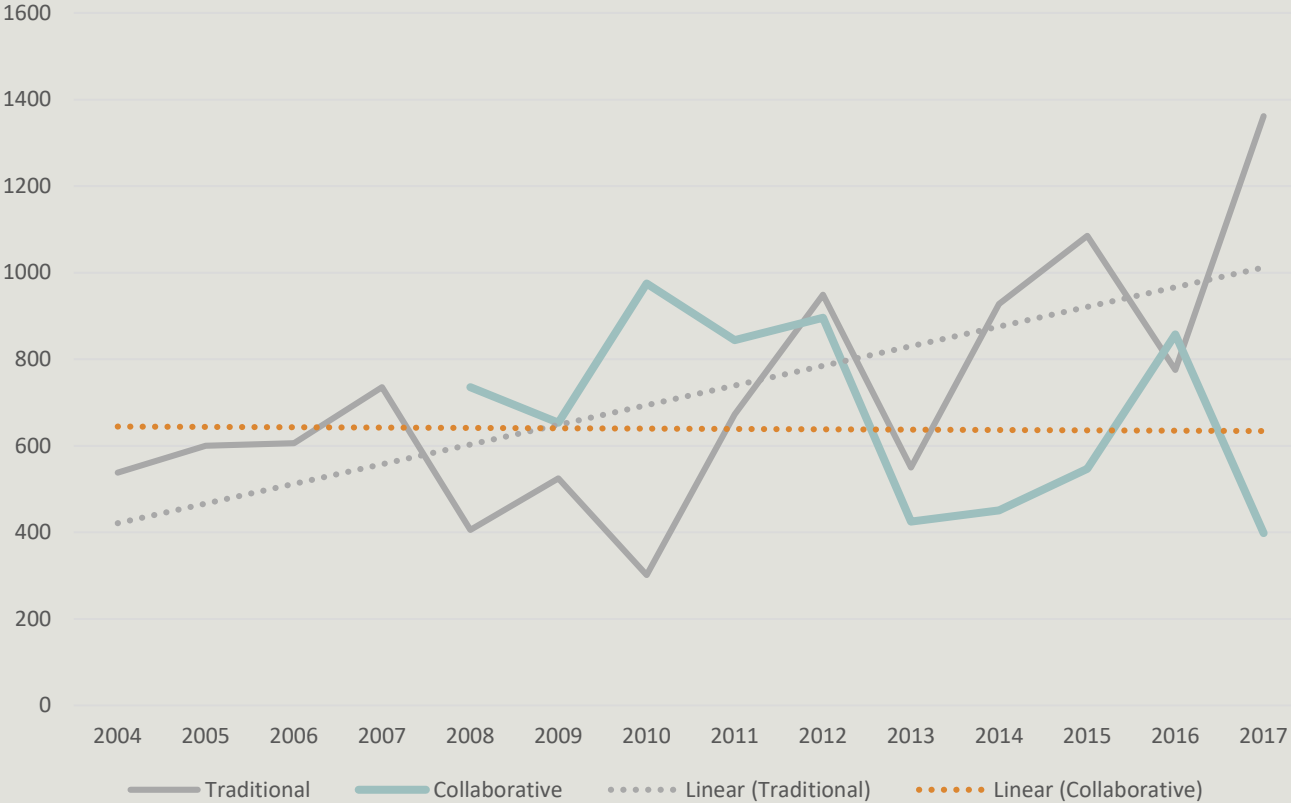
PACE – All projects



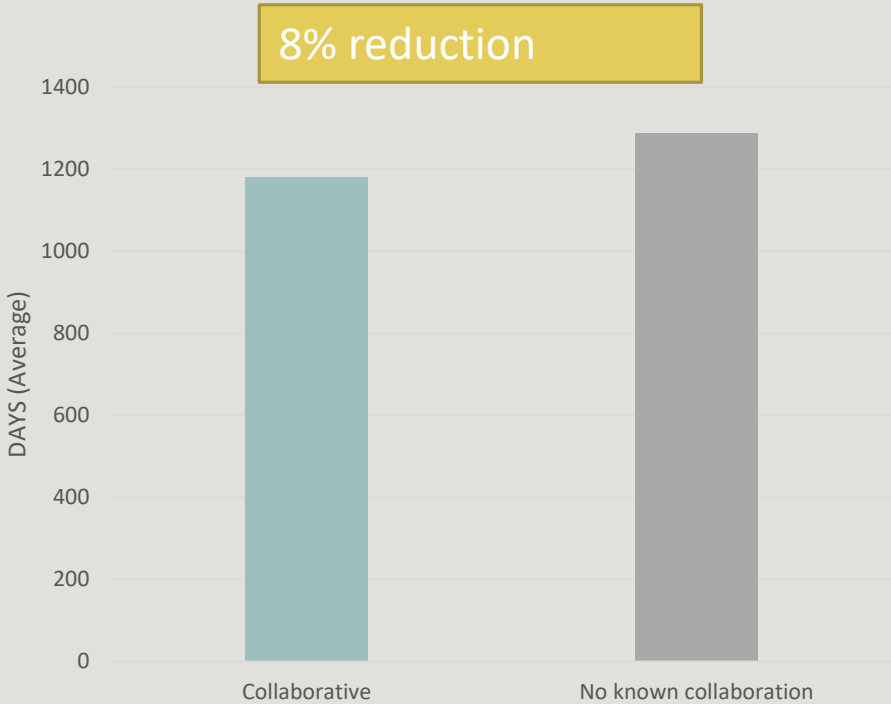
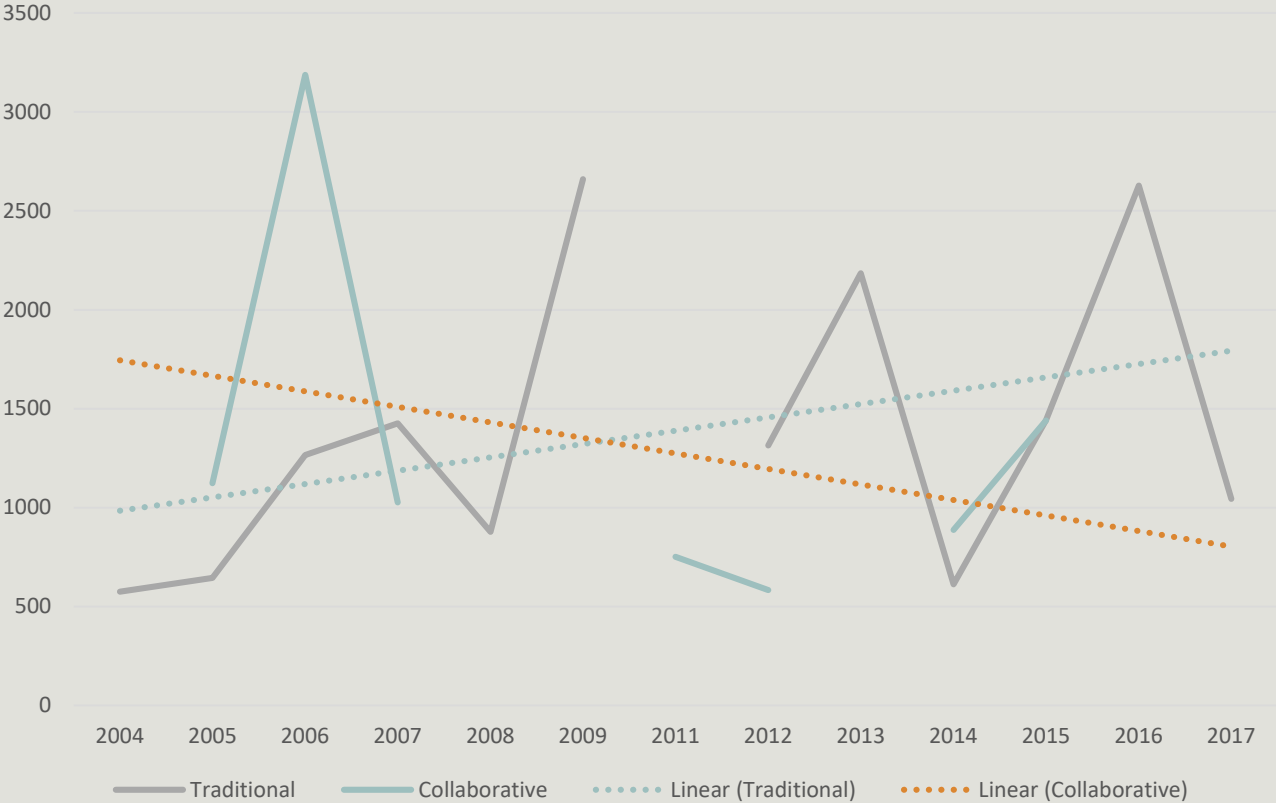
PACE – Categorical Exclusions



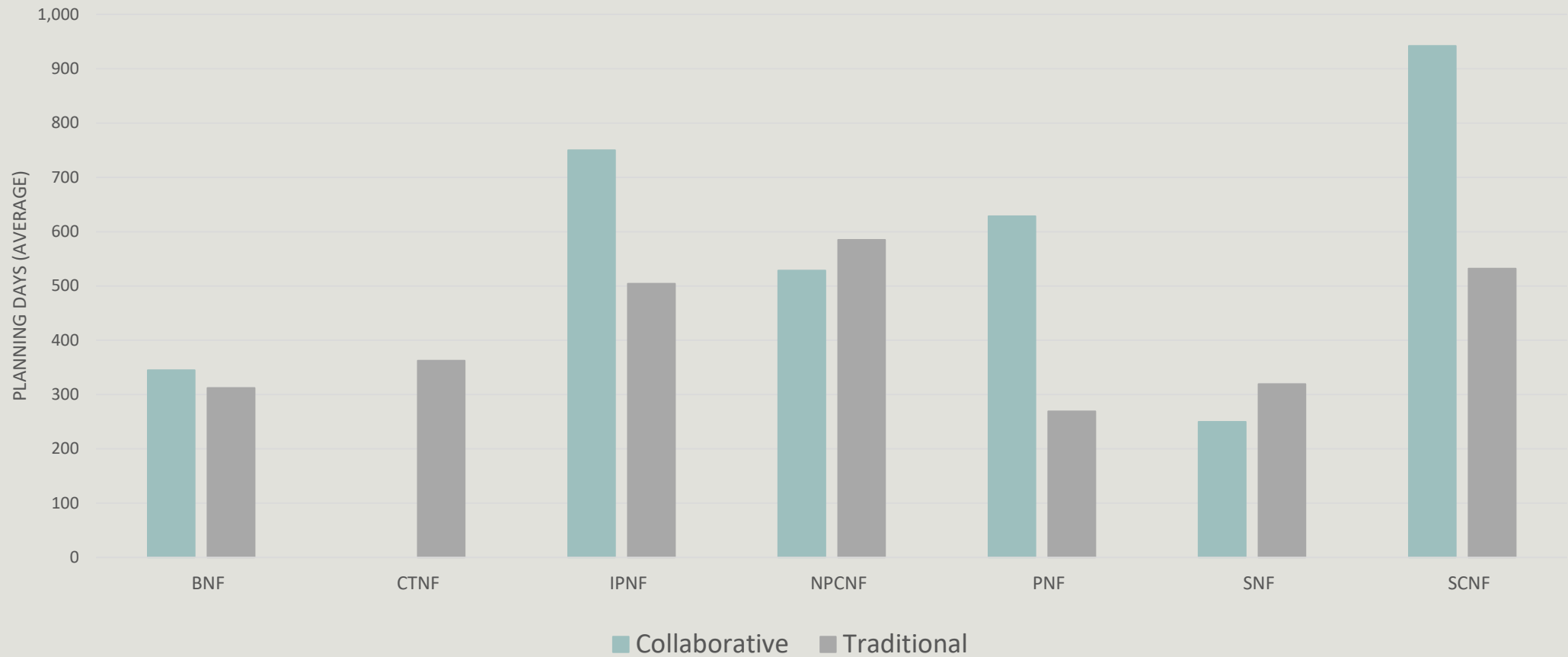
PACE – Environmental Assessments



PACE – Environmental Impact Statements



PACE – by forest

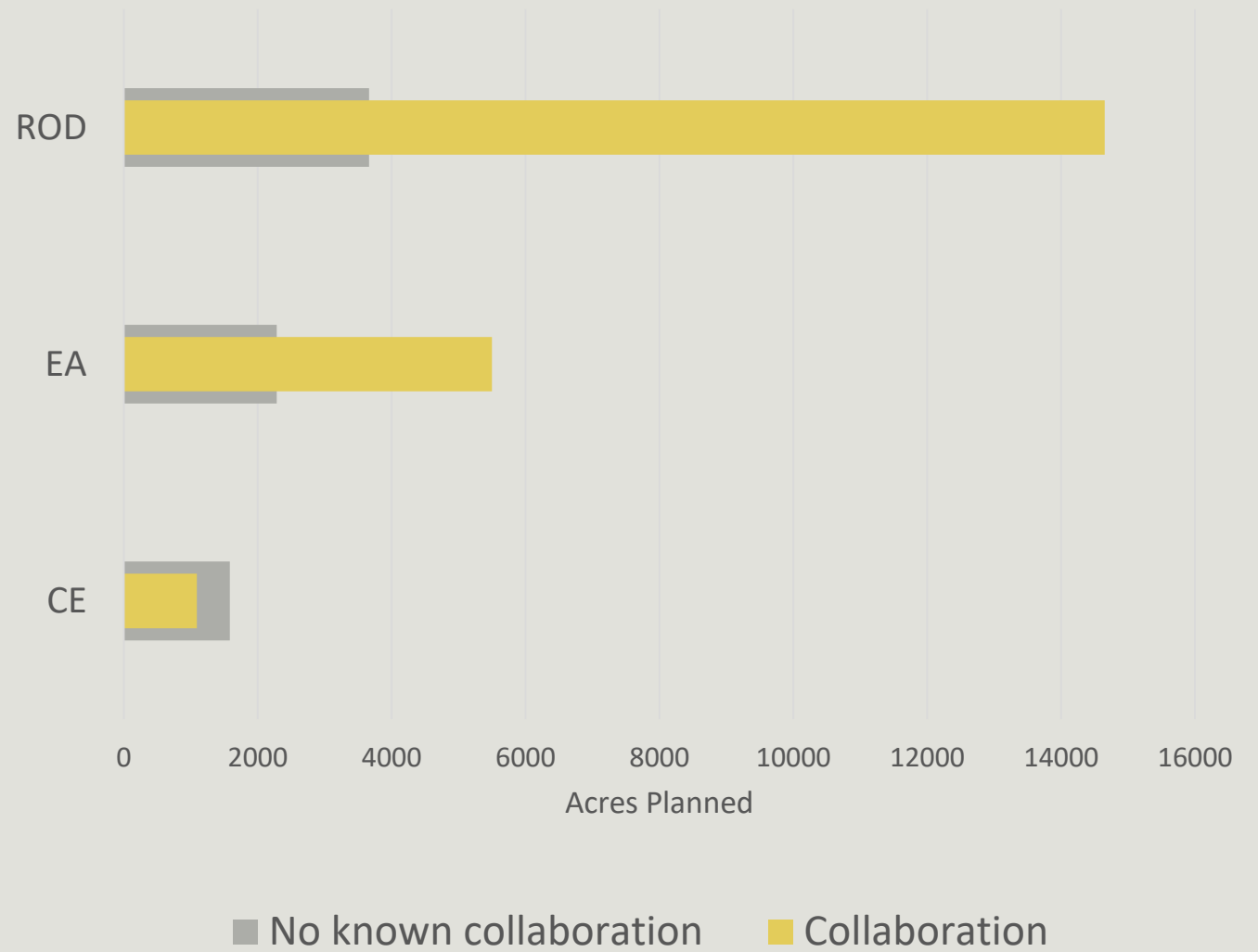


SCALE & COMPLEXITY

MEASURING THE IMPACT OF COLLABORATION

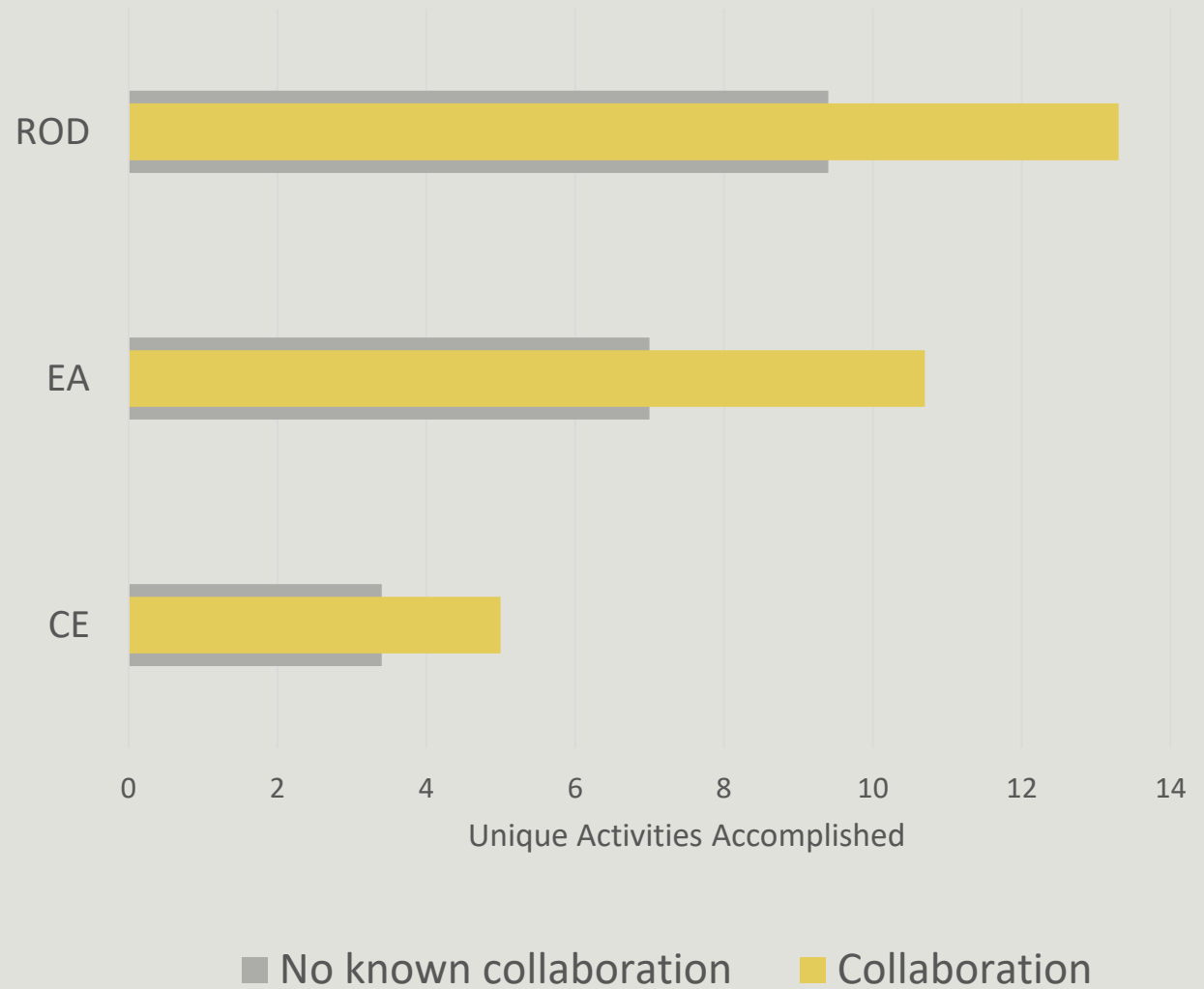
SCALE (acres)

Average number of acres treated per project by decision type



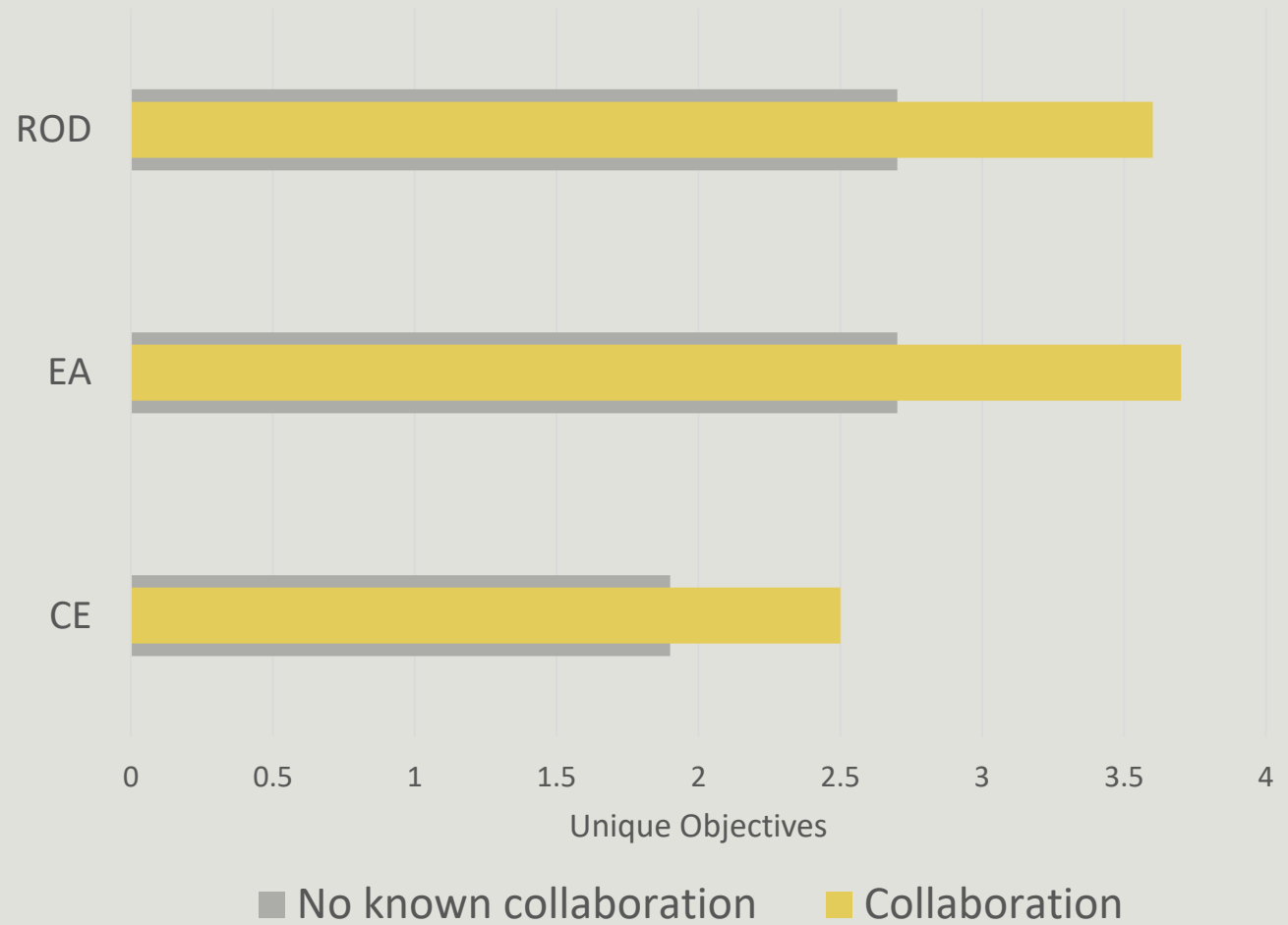
COMPLEXITY

Average number of unique activities accomplished per project by decision type



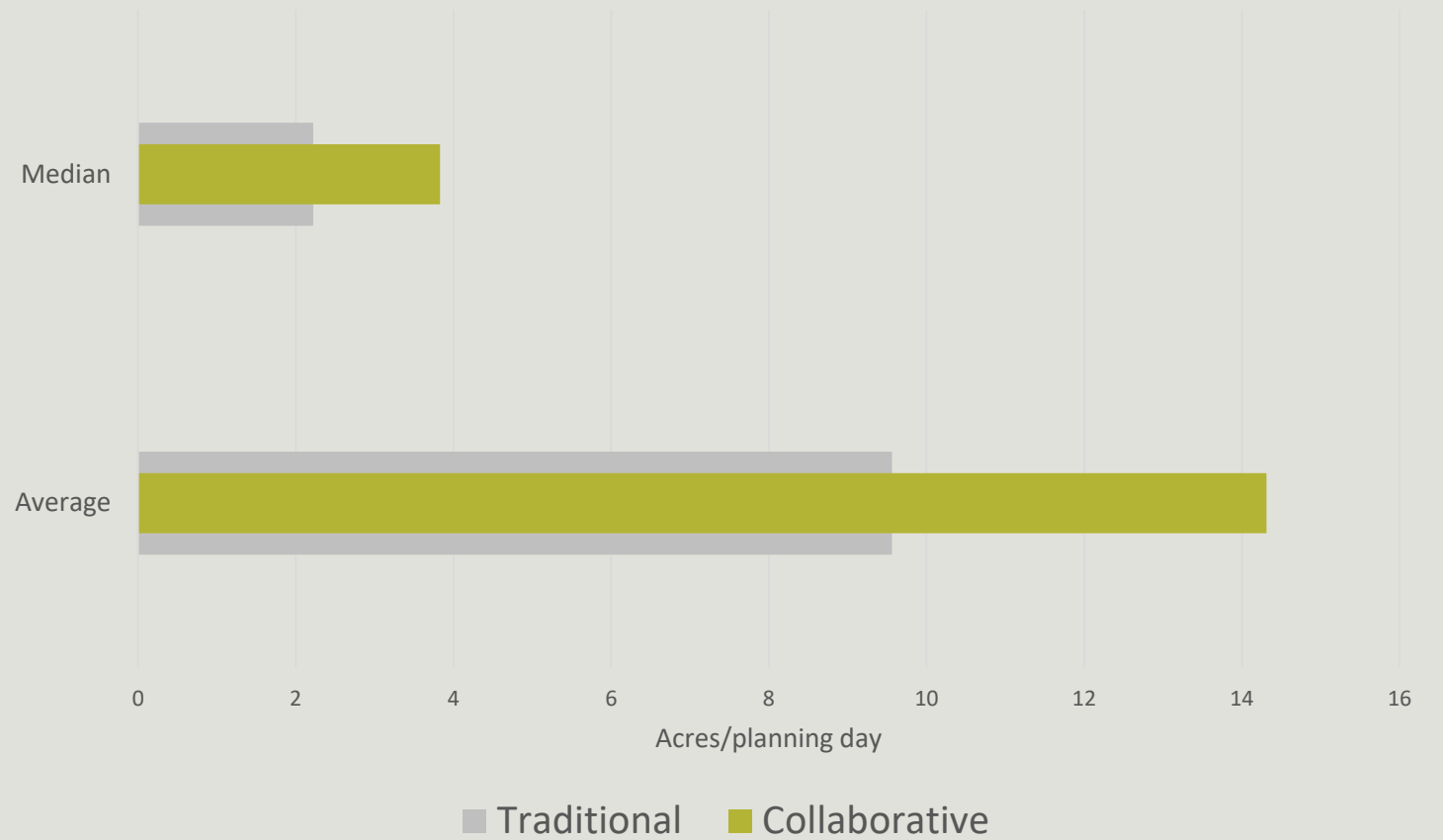
COMPLEXITY

Average number of unique objectives accomplished per project by decision type



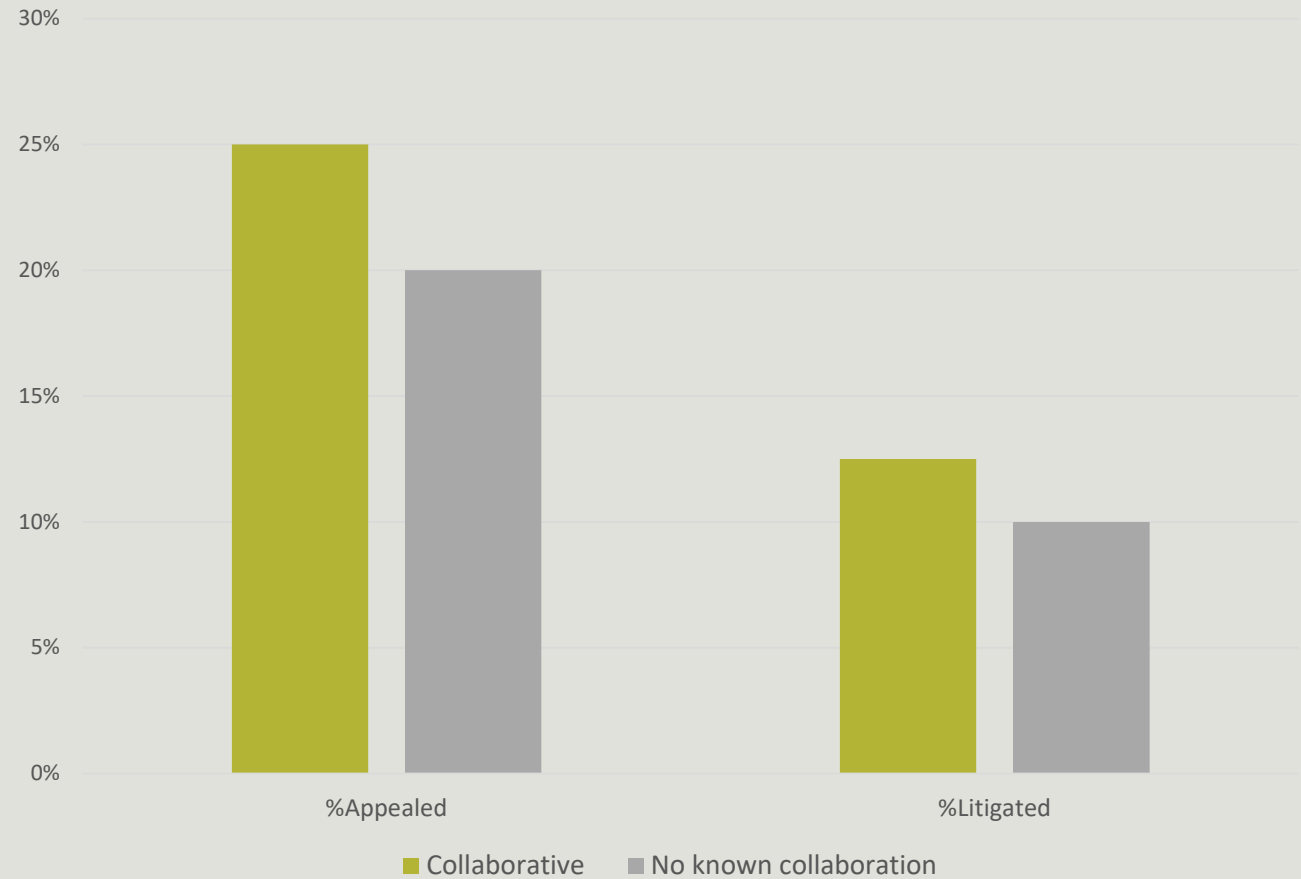
EFFICIENCY

Average number of acres accomplished per planning day



Appeals & Litigation

Rates of appeals and litigation by collaboration status



Future directions

Risk Taking

- Early adopters
- Innovators
- Public figures

POLICY

- Authorities
- Programs
- Funding

AGENCY CHANGES

- Leadership changes
- Capacity

Unit of Analysis: NEPA Project, National Forest



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