

**Enhancing Fire Science Exchange:
The Joint Fire Science Program's National Network of
Knowledge Exchange Consortia**

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Abstract:

The Joint Fire Science Program is developing a national network of knowledge exchange consortia comprised of interested management and science stakeholders working together to tailor and actively demonstrate existing fire science information to benefit management. This poster describes the background, vision, and goal behind the network, provides an overview of existing regional consortia, and illustrates examples of the types of activities and services the consortia provide.

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