• MRE
• Fast food
• Restaurant with wait staff
• Dinner party
• Rummaging in refrigerator together
• ?
“It would be very helpful if scientists ... could provide more tangible management applications for the research findings...they go into much detail but fail to provide How to Apply the Findings to our management actions and decision-making. Researchers need to take their findings one or two steps further and provide the usefulness of the info in real scenario discussions on how the findings actually apply to our needs. Examples, What-Ifs, and Management Decisions that can benefit from the research findings would be very helpful. I am often left ... wondering if and how I can actually apply the findings to my work.”
From Ferguson et al 2014
Examples of AFSC collaborations with LTER

- Glenn’s tree cookies
- Data in research plots map
- Research briefs based on results
- Succession guide
- Art of Fire

AFSC tools

- Workshops, webinars
- Written products
- Website
- Talk talk talk
- PERSISTENCE & CONSISTENCY
Linking environmental research and practice: what do we need to start rummaging in the fridge together?

--iterative: initial familiarity is key

--information brokers are central to interactions

--building capacity to work across boundaries is critical

--persistence