



National Conference on Ecosystem Restoration

*Building connections from the local to the landscape scale*



LERS: The Past, Present, and Future of the Global SER  
Network on Ecosystem and Landscape-Scale Restoration  
August 28, 2018

# The Foundation of LERS

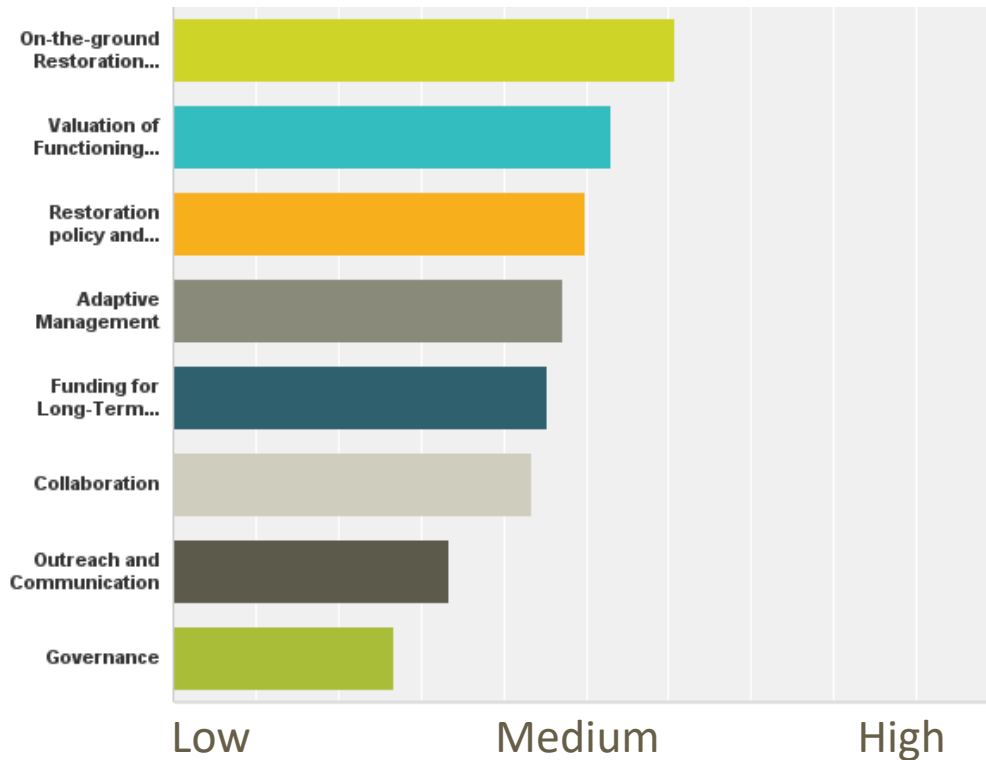
- Initiated in 2013 to be the connection between the National Conference on Ecosystem Restoration and the Society for Ecological Restoration
- Potential for increased connection of the restoration community between conference events?



# 2017 Membership Survey Results

- 190 Responses!!
- Highest response from Australasia and Mid-Atlantic Chapters

# Survey Highlights: Rank in Order of Concern/Interest



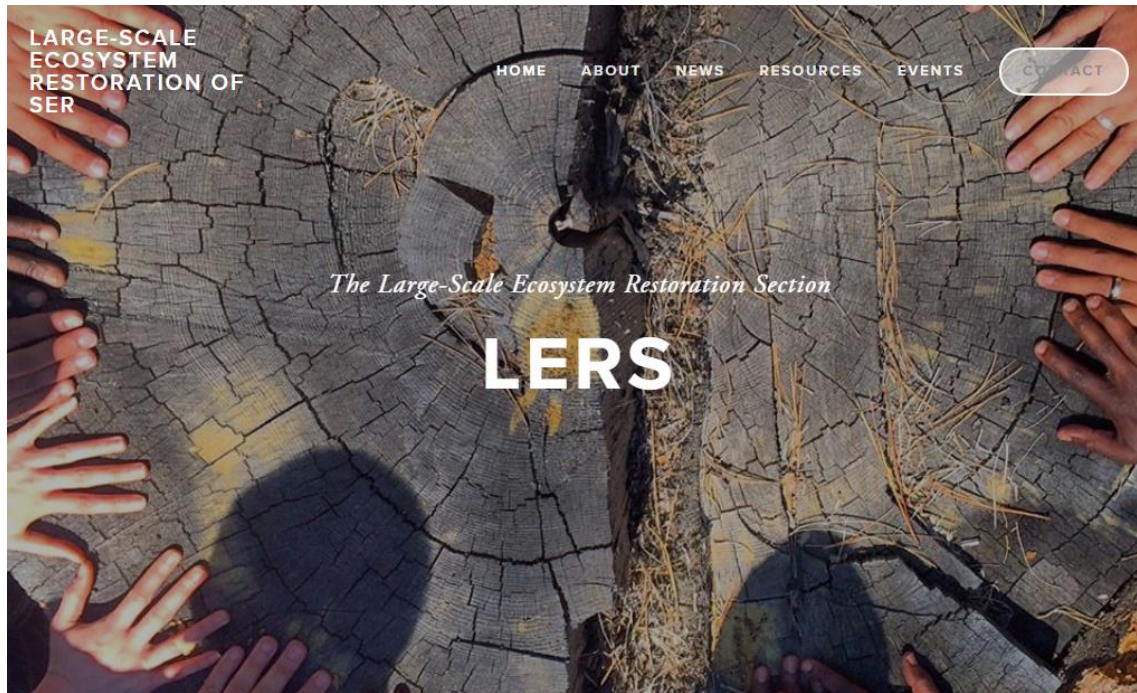
# Survey Highlights: High Level of Interest in...

- Project Highlights: 60%
- LERS Webinars: 58%
- LERS Newsletters: 46%
- In-Person Networking Opportunities: 46%
- LERS Participation in Conferences: 33%
- Virtual Networking Opportunities: 30%
- Member Highlights 23%

# Progress to Date

- Over 800 members 😲
- Facebook page (please like us!)
- New website in development
- Initial Webinar Committee interest list
- But...overall a lack of momentum

# Under Construction...



We strive to understand innovative solutions for the restoration of large-scale degraded ecosystems through the integration of ecological and socioeconomic aspects.



# Lets Proceed!

- Add your project highlights/resources/restoration finds/videos to the website and facebook page. Email me to learn how:
  - [Ainggs@louisberger.com](mailto:Ainggs@louisberger.com)
- Are you a webinar champion!?
- Do you want to run a committee?



# Join Us!

- SER.org
  - Register to be a member (annual fee)
  - Choose LERS as your additional section



# Moving Forward

*We need your help!*



**LARGE-SCALE  
ECOSYSTEM  
RESTORATION**

Collaboration  
Conservation  
Holistic Landscape  
Regional Projects  
Biodiversity Stewardship  
Design Ecosystem  
Action Acreage Acres  
Forest Watershed  
Carrying Capacity  
Ecological Functions  
Cycle Natural Capital  
Human Habitat  
Ecotone Woodlands  
Environmental Global  
Biome