

# SMART News



## SMART Training Schedule Coming

By Brian Hanson



With the expected release of SMART approaching on October 1, 2012, a training schedule is currently in the works. During August and September, the current WebDET, soon-to-be SMART Help Desk team will post training videos, conduct dozens of live webinars, and possibly travel to several locations across the country to conduct in-person training classes of the new SMART applications. Starting in August, check out webdet.info for videos, printable guides, and a webinar

schedule. We hope to know more about live training in July, so stay tuned for a message from your State Administrator.

For more information regarding the upcoming SMART training schedule, please contact the Help Desk at (800) 908-7550, or visit the website at webdet.info. You can also learn more about the SMART release timeline (including training) in the *What to Expect Guide* under Articles at webdet.info.

## SMARTer

By Luke Tomczak

Although the SMART training will begin in earl August, SMART will not be released to the states for use until October 1st. SMART will fill the need for a national Stewardship geospatial data repository which supports consistent and accurate reporting accomplishments across the landscape. It will be replacing WebDET and PMAS for all accomplishment reporting on October 1. SMART will provide a simple, nationally consistent way to meet the spatial reporting requirement of the Forest Stewardship Program. It will have more advanced geospatial and report building tools to help make a more useable application for states. A lot of time and energy has gone into SMART from programmers and future users to help create a program that will fit your state’s needs. We are looking forward to the release and believe it will be the future of Stewardship accomplishment reporting.

Check out the “What to Expect - A Guide For States” document under *Articles* at webdet.info for more information.

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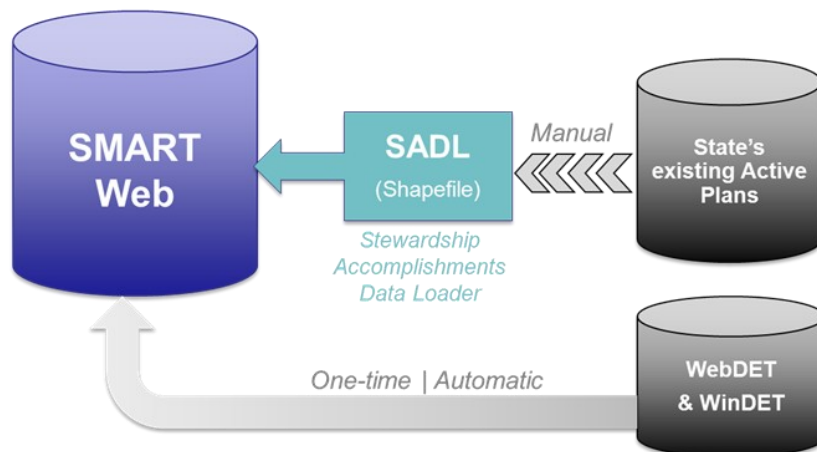
- SMART will be released to states October 1, 2012
- USFS SMART Help Desk  
1-800-908-7550
- SMART training coming to a city near you



## Transitioning from WebDET to SMART

by Luke Tomczak

Users are preparing for the upcoming transition from the WebDET database to the new and improved SMART database. The process will move all current data in the WebDET database to a new database that will be linked to the SMART web application. This is not to be confused with the data bridge that the Timmons Group will be offering. The data bridge is on an individual state level, while the main database transition is on the federal level. States should be sure to have all plans entered into WebDET before the Timmons Group pushes the data into SMART. The database transition is expected to occur on October 1, 2012. In the meantime, we are asking that all states have their data entered into WebDET by September 30. This is the date that the **one-time** automatic data transition from WebDET to SMART will take place, so don't miss out (see below). This will help users avoid using the data-bridge or entering plans into SMART manually. Please consider this option to ensure a smooth data transition. Having your state's data available in SMART on day one will certainly make the transition easier.



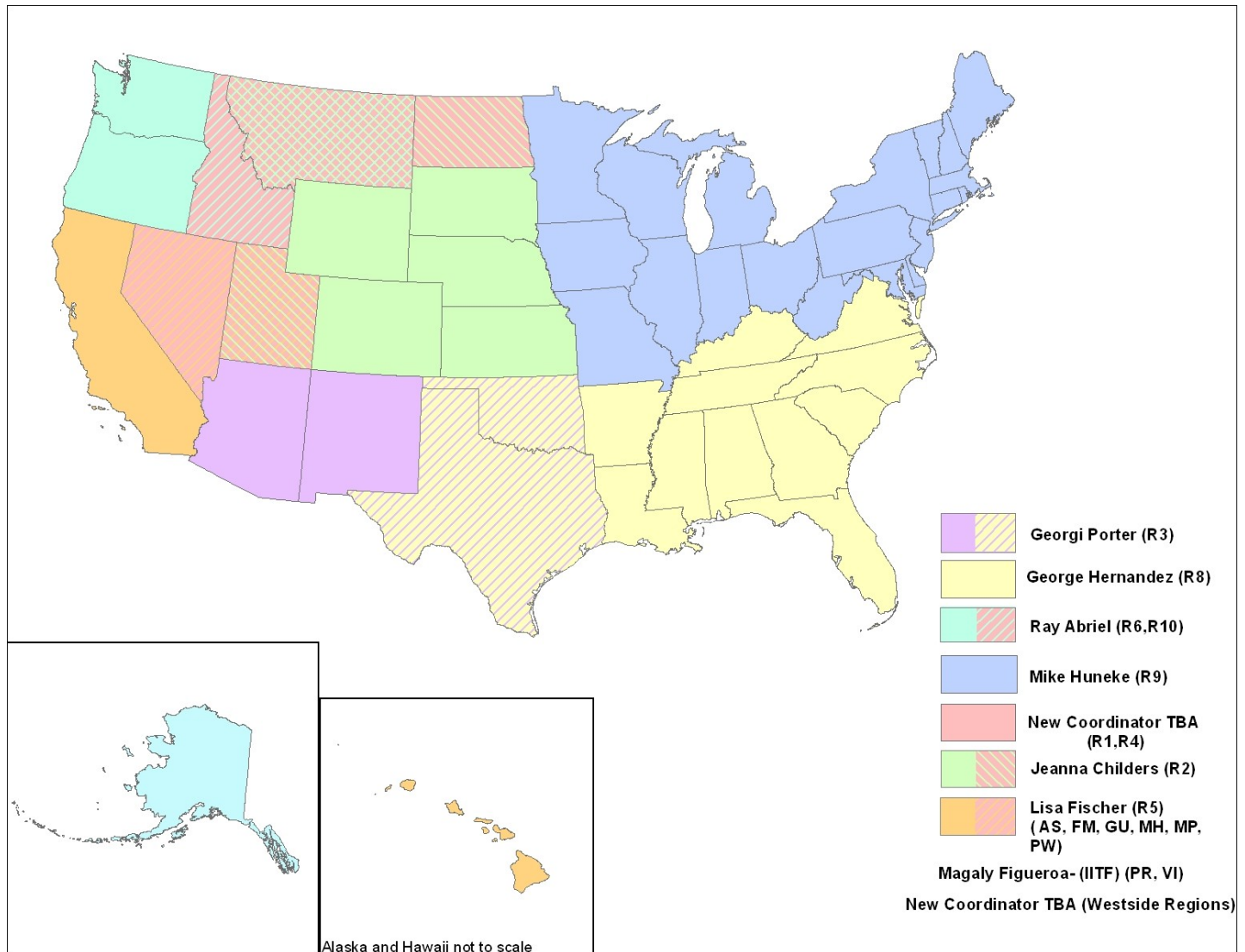
## SMART Testing is Underway

by Brian Hanson

On Tuesday, May 22, a select group of national users began their SMART orientation and testing. Users in Colorado, Maryland, and Texas among others have the opportunity to flush out the bugs, and provide their user feedback to the Timmons Group before the application is released to states in October. All of the testing is being conducted in the application's project hosting environment (PHE). The PHE site provides users with a mirror image of the web application, but is housed in a testing environment. Users are testing the stewardship plan writing workflow from various SMART user roles, and coordinating with other users within their state to test the elements which require cooperation between user roles. All of the user feedback is expected to be completed by June 8, 2012.



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