Prospects for a Shared Media Campaign for Conservation and Forest Management

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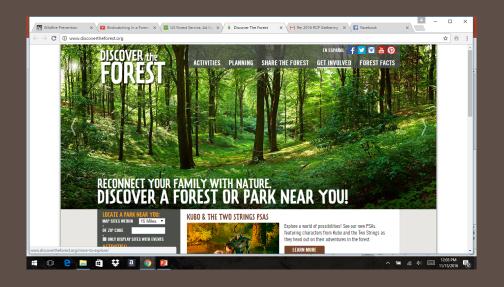


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What's Worked for Conservation Campaigns?

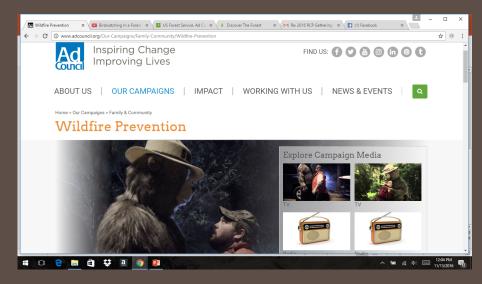


USFS Launches "Discover the Forest" to sync with The Lorax Movie Release in 2011:



USFS Continues the 70-Year Tradition of Smokey Bear:





How Do You Build Campaigns Like These?

- Baseline data
- Goals
- Audience Analysis
- SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats)
- Messaging
- Channels
- Timeline & Budget
- Execution and Call to Action
- Measurement & Revision

What Were the Successful Elements of These Campaigns?

"...the *Discover the Forest* campaign aims to encourage children and their families to get outside and experience the many benefits of nature. The goal of the campaign is to instill a life-long love for nature in children."

"More than 245 million Americans live within 100 miles from a national forest or grassland. However, children in the U.S. spend fifty percent less time outdoors than they did twenty years ago, according to the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan."

All of the PSAs encourage children and their parents to visit www.DiscoverTheForest.org (or www.DescubreElBosque.org) where they can find ideas for outdoor activities, an interactive map tool — powered by Google and Nature Find™ — that enables users to search for nearby forests and parks, as well as downloadable activities for them to print and take with them when they visit.

"The Ad Council and the Forest Service will promote the new PSAs through a multifaceted social media effort on Facebook, YouTube and Twitter. Visit the campaign's online communities at facebook.com/DiscoverTheForest, YouTube.com/DiscoverTheForest and twitter.com/cheecker."

"...distributed to approximately 33,000 media outlets nationwide. Per the Ad Council's model, all of the ads will air and run in advertising time and space donated by the media. Since the campaign's inception, media outlets have donated more than \$48.6 million in time and space for the campaign."

What Would this Look Like for the RCP Network?







Considerations & Discussions

- Encompass goals of all RCPs in the Network or a sub-section for a pilot-type project?
- What might be the goals for such a campaign?
- Who are we trying to reach?
- What do we want them to do?
- What if we are successful can our RCPs and our partners handle the success?
- Possible resources and funding
- Process & the people to make it happen

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