



Andy Rasmussen is a project manager and facilitator with The Langdon Group in Salt Lake City, Utah. Andy's work includes over seven years working with federal and state lawmakers and agencies in natural resource policy. Andy draws on a breadth of experience in multiple industries, where he has focused on collaborative processes, stakeholder engagement, planning, environmental processes, and legislative negotiation. Andy is an experienced facilitator, and public participation practitioner.

SPECIFIC PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Great Salt Lake Watershed Integrated Water Assessment Workplan | Utah Division of Water Resources (2022-ongoing) Andy is co-managing the stakeholder engagement, public involvement, and facilitation aspects for an integrated team of respected experts and staff contracted to assist in implementing the Utah Legislature's directive to assess the unprecedented crisis of Great Salt Lake water levels and recommend lasting solutions for a resilient water supply for GSL and its large watershed.

Utah Watershed Councils Act Facilitation | Utah Division of Water Resources (2022-Ongoing) In 2020, the Utah Legislature passed the Watershed Councils Act. Andy is helping the Langdon Group organize and convene the first local watershed councils in Utah. These councils will forums to encourage and facilitate discussion and collaboration by and among the stakeholders relative to the water-related interests of the state and the state's people and institutions.

Free Roaming Equid Summit | Utah State University (2022) Andy is assisting the Langdon Group team in organizing various stakeholder groups and agencies to successfully convene and develop diverse working groups to produce new demonstration projects for wild horse management, in an ongoing effort to tackle this complex issue and to help support the agencies whose job it is to implement wild horse and burro policy.

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Reauthorization | Trout Unlimited (2020) Andy led the coordinated efforts of Utah sportsmen and women to work with the Utah's Congressional delegation on the permanent reauthorization of the LWCF. He worked to assess stakeholder concerns and managed the public relations efforts to highlight LWCF success stories in Utah. These efforts coordinated with a national campaign to permanently reauthorize and fully fund LWCF.

Utah Shared Stewardship Agreement | Trout Unlimited (2019) Andy represented Utah's sportsmen and women in negotiations with the governor's office on a proposed new, state-specific Roadless Rule for USFS managed lands within Utah. Following listening sessions, Andy led the sporting community's engagement with state government, USFS, and Department of Agriculture. He worked with the governor's Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office and Regional Forester on the establishment of the Utah Shared Stewardship Agreement between the state and USFS. He designed meeting agendas in Washington D.C, and Salt Lake City, facilitated communication between adversarial stakeholders, coordinated with the state legislature to secure funding, and was asked by the Deputy Regional Forester to help launch a collaborative group of stakeholders connected to Shared Stewardship implementation.

Education

M.L.A., Comparative Religion – Harvard Extension School, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA | Expected 2024

B.S., Political Science – Utah State University, Logan, UT | 2007

Work History

Project Manager
The Langdon Group
Logan Office | 2022-Present

Utah Director of Public Policy,
Trout Unlimited
2015-2022

Political Field Director – Northern Utah,
Campaign Manager/Consultant
BCR Political
2007-2013

Constituent Relations Coordinator
Cache County State Legislators
2008-2014

Sales & Investments
Cornerstone Real Estate Professionals
2013-Present

Radio Host
KVNU's For the People, The Zone's Inside the Outdoors
2010-2015

Owner
Roundrocks Flyfishing, Logan, UT
2013-2016



Emery County Public Lands | Trout Unlimited (2018) Andy led and facilitated involvement for the sporting community on the Emery County Public Lands Act in Congress. He negotiated on several priorities including new Wild & Scenic designations on the Green River in Utah. Andy facilitated challenging negotiations with state and local government, federal agencies, agriculture, and other recreation interests. The bill passed Congress, with support from all stakeholders, as part of the 2019 Dingle Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act.

Utah Legislative Fishing & Hunting Caucus | Trout Unlimited (2017-2022) In 2018 Andy organized, staffed, and facilitated the Utah Legislative Fishing & Hunting Caucus, the second largest caucus on Utah's capitol Hill. He continued to manage the caucus for four years, designing and organizing agendas for weekly meetings and facilitating the meetings between legislators and leaders of the Utah Department of Natural resources, Division of Wildlife, Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands, and the BLM, USFS, and representatives from Utah's congressional delegation. Andy also managed and coordinated the involvement of over a dozen other non-governmental stakeholders with interests in natural resource, fish, and wildlife.

OTHER PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument Plan Revision; BLM Oregon/California (2022)
- Ashley National Forest Plan Revision; USFS (2018-2021)
- Public Lands Renewable Energy Development Act, Trout Unlimited (2017-2018)
- Sportsmen For Responsible Energy Development, Trout Unlimited, UT, ID, CO, NM, MT (2017)
- Utah Public Lands Initiative; Trout Unlimited, U.S. Congress (2015-16)