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# Assignment:

As a class, develop a 50-words or less consensus statement for presentation to the Roundtable regarding:

- 1) the relevance of C&I at operational levels
- 2) the most important action which can be taken to further implementation of C&I at operational levels

Important definition: **consensus** *n.* general agreement

source: Oxford English Dictionary

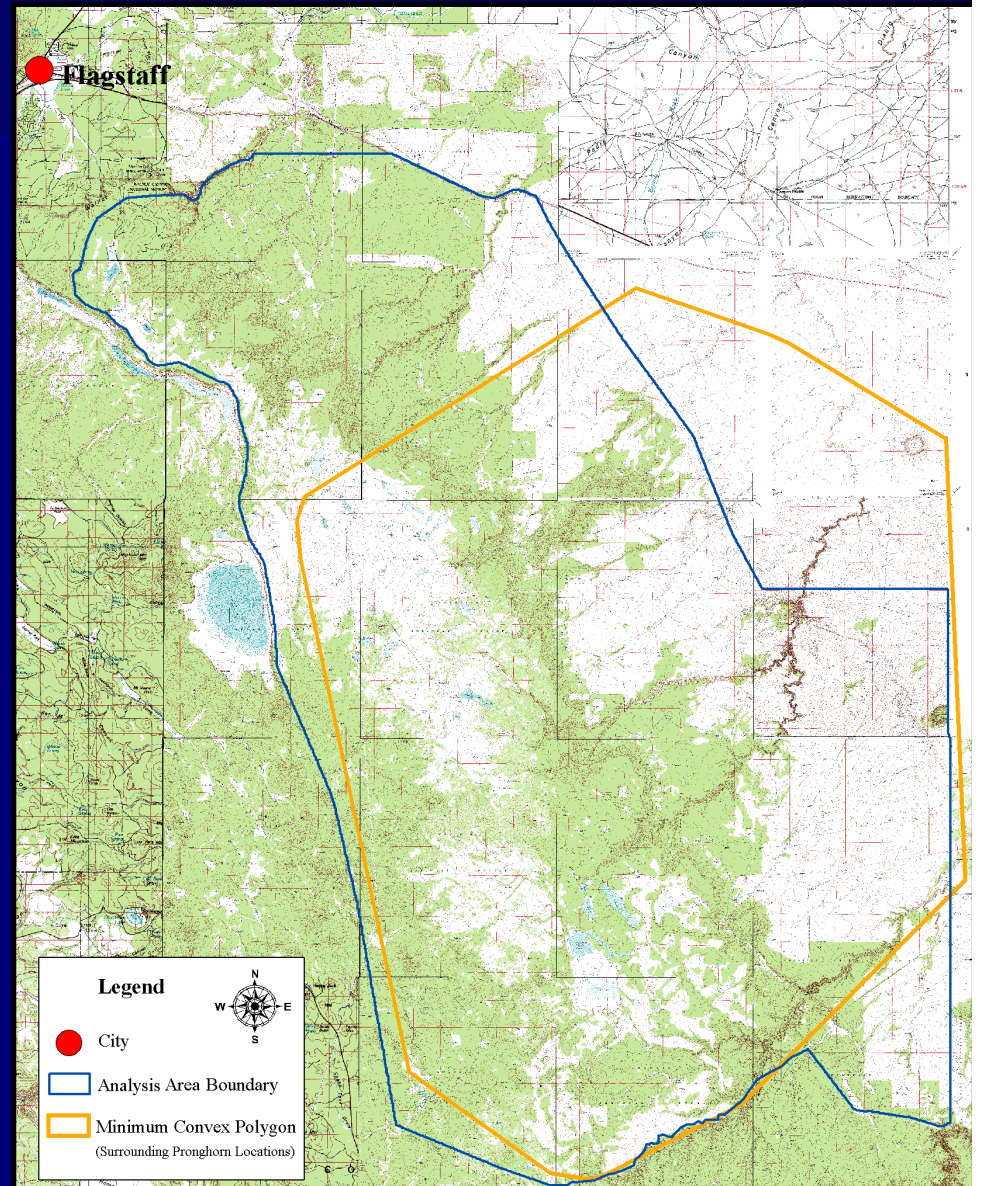
## 1) The relevance of C&I at operational levels:

“C&I are bigger than us at the operational (district) level. C&I should start at the Regional level to assess impact and gain consensus. More specific (refined) indicators (subindicators) can be developed at the Forest level to account for biodiversity and ecosystem variability.”

2) The most important action which can be taken to further implementation of C&I at operational levels:

- “Implement C&I at low cost to land managers/land owners by:
  - Utilizing existing database information and developing a comprehensive national database
  - Providing clear economic incentives
  - Promoting cooperation/coordination with Federal, State, private, and university stakeholders
  - Minimizing bureaucracy”

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As quoted in Colin Powell's biography *My American Journey*:

"Democracy is give and take. People have to trade, change, deal, retreat, bend, compromise, as they move from the ideal to the possible. To the uninitiated, the process can be messy, disappointing, even shocking. Compromise can make the participants look manipulative, unprincipled, two-faced. . . .  
`some of these brighteyed kids start wandering around the West Wing and cabinet members' offices and they're horrified to find how things really get done."