

DRAFT AGENDA
ROUNDTABLE ON SUSTAINABLE FORESTS
NATIONAL WORKSHOP – Criteria 1, 2 and 3
Portland, Oregon | April 20 – 21, 2005

Workshop Objectives:

1. To inform the U.S. position on the refinement of the Montreal Process Criteria & Indicators through input on potential indicator refinements.
2. Provide specific recommendations for indicator refinements at the national level.

Wednesday, April 20

7:30 a.m. **Registration and Coffee**

8:30 a.m. **Welcome and Introductions**

This session would begin with a welcome and brief statement of the purpose of the workshop, followed by participant introductions.

9:00 a.m. **Agenda Review**

9:15 a.m. **Overview of the Indicator Revision Process and the Role of the Refinement Workshops**

This presentation would be a concise description of the scope of the workshop, including a description of the context for the workshops, the relevance of the indicators, why some of them may be challenging to work with (e.g., challenges posed by scale of application, etc.), and what the USDA Forest Service and the Roundtable hope to accomplish through the workshops.

9:45 a.m. **The Latest Science on the Indicators: The State of the Field**

This session would include a presentation on the latest science on the indicators from one or more National Report Criterion Leads or other experts. The intent of this agenda item would be to help participants see the relationship between indicators and the elements (criteria) of sustainable forest management. It will also help to stimulate the discussion of possible revisions and refinements to the indicators.

10:15 a.m. **Directions for Breakout Groups**

Participants will receive guidance on the objectives of the breakout sessions and will be divided into smaller groups by Criteria (and possibly by smaller indicator groupings) for facilitated discussion.

10:30 a.m. **Break**

Participants will move into assigned breakout groups.

10:45 a.m. **Breakout Sessions**

Each small group discussion will begin with a 20-minute presentation by the Criterion Lead or some other knowledgeable individual (s) on observations,

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questions and potential modifications and/or improvements, based on individual experience, previous Roundtable input, and the results of the Roundtable's on-line consultation. The presentation will be followed by facilitated discussion structured by outcome/output forms. Structured input could include:

- *Relevant highlights from the on-line consultation and summary of previous Roundtable events*
- *Highlights from discussion of indicators by criteria or sub-criteria*
- *Suggestions on indicators that are not useful and why*
- *Highlights of indicators for which the group has suggested wording changes*
- *Rational statements for suggested indicator modifications.*

Noon		Lunch
1:00	p.m.	Breakout Sessions (continued)
3:00	p.m.	Break
3:15	p.m.	Breakout Sessions (continued)
4:30	p.m.	Plenary Session – Highlights from Breakout Discussions and Closing Comments for the Day
5:15	p.m.	Adjourn
6:00 – 7:30	p.m.	Evening Event

Thursday, April 21

8:00	a.m.	Coffee
8:30	a.m.	Breakout Sessions (continued)
10:30	a.m.	Break
10:45	a.m.	Breakout Sessions (continued)
12:30	p.m.	Working Lunch
1:00	p.m.	Breakout Sessions (continued) <i>With assistance, participants will work together to complete indicator documentation forms.</i>

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3:00 p.m. **Break**

3:15 p.m. **Plenary Session – Highlights from Breakout Discussions**

Each Breakout Group will be responsible for a brief presentation on the highlights of their discussions. The suggested format for the presentations would include:

- *Suggestions on indicators that are not useful and why*
- *Suggestions for indicators that should not be modified and why*
- *Highlights of indicators for which the group has suggested wording changes*
- *Rational statements for suggested indicator modifications.*

4:45 p.m. **Closing Comments and Next Steps**

5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**