



# Progress on Preparation of the 2010 National Report

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# Overview

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- TAC Meeting Results
- August Criterion Leads Meeting
- Integration of New Indicator Workshops into National Reporting Process
- December Technical Workshops



# TAC Meeting Results

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- 10 country reps met in Beijing in July (Uruguay & Mexico missing)
  - US reps were Rob Hendricks, Peter Gaulke, David Morman, and me
- Focus of the work was developing two statements for each indicator:
  - Rationale
  - Approach to Measurement



# TAC Meeting Results

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- Subgroups were formed to work on the indicators for each criterion
  - US reps split up to work on several indicators
  - I took the lead for criterion 6, Rob for 4
- The Whole Body reviewed the work and reviews continue to the end of Sept
- The final product will be reviewed at the Working Group meeting in Nov 2007



## Update on USA Reps to Montreal Process

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- Working Group members
  - Stephanie Caswell, Dept. of State
  - Rich Guldin, Forest Service
- Technical Advisory Committee member
  - Peter Gaulke, Forest Service
- USA intends to continue to include RSF participants as part of USA delegation to WG and TAC meetings



# Criterion Leads Meeting

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- Prospectus for 2010 Report envisioned a three-tiered organization to prepare the report:
  - Small team in Washington, DC
  - Criterion Leads
  - Indicator Leads
- The small team works with the criterion leads, and the criterion leads work with their indicator leads



# Criterion Leads Meeting

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1. Conserve Biodiversity – Steve Shifley
2. Productive Capacity – Brad Smith/Sonja Oswalt
3. Health & Vitality – Frank Sapio
4. Soil & Water – Mike Amacher
5. Global Change & Carbon – Linda Heath
6. Socio-Economic – Ken Skog
7. Legal & Institutional – Steverson Moffat



# Criterion Leads Meeting

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- Met for 3 days in August to organize and lay plans
- Discussed:
  - TAC results
  - How to integrate Tropical Forest report into process
  - Schedules and financial plans
  - Identifying indicator leads
  - Work desired at December Technical Workshop



# Integration of New Indicators Workshops

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- The teams working on “The Importance of Forests to People” and “Resilience of Forest-Dependent Communities” are indicator leads working under Criterion 6
- Two goals:
  - Push the “state of the science” forward
  - Produce useful information for the 2010 rept



# Integration of New Indicators Workshops

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- Partner reports are envisioned
  - Tropical Forests of the U.S.
  - Indicator technical reports
  - Other reports are possible; contact us



# December Technical Workshops

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- Opportunity exists to work on:
  - Scaling – data & results at multiple scales
  - Specific indicators' technical needs
    - Conceptual approach *and* data/information
- Criterion leads are sounding out indicator leads to identify specific needs
- Looking at two days of work, primarily in concurrent sessions & focused on technical issues, ahead of RSF meeting



# December Technical Workshops

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- If you have suggestions about what to focus on or who should participate, please contact Ruth, Guy, Sarah, or me
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# Other Food for Thought

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## Schedule & Targets

- 2011 – International Year of the Forest
- Aug 2009 – World Forestry Congress
- Dec 2008 – Release Draft Report for Public Comment
- Partner reports may be on different schedules

## Funding

- Stable FS funding envisioned
- Partner funding welcomed



# Questions??

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