

Indicator 38: Resilience of Forest-Dependent Communities

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Round Table**

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The Task

Literature & Praxis Review

Roundtable Discussion

Design Measurement Protocol

Purpose of the Community Resilience Indicator

**Generate
a national level picture
of resilience
of forest-dependent
communities**

Community

**a social grouping of people
distinguished by both
place-based and
interest-based characteristics**

The Protocol

Phase I

Rural communities-of-place

Phase II

**Urban communities &
communities-of-interest**

Forest Communities

human communities that are linked culturally, socially and economically in a variety of ways to a nearby forest.

- **high-amenity commuter suburbs of urban areas**
- **remote economically depressed areas surrounded by public and industrial forests.**
- **place-based communities & communities-of-interest**

The Protocol

Phase I

**Rural communities
proximate to forests and with
obvious connections to the forest**

Phase II

**Urban communities &
communities-of-interest**

Community Resilience

the existence, development and engagement of community resources by community members to thrive in an environment characterized by change, uncertainty, unpredictability and surprise.

Members of resilient communities intentionally develop and engage personal and collective capacity

- to respond to and influence change,**
- to sustain and renew the community and**
- to develop new trajectories for the communities' future**

The Protocol

Evidence of Resilience

Use of community resources

Increase of resources

Measurement

Initial states of community resources

Collective, strategic employment of resources

Changes in the state of the resources

Methodology

**Multiple metrics
developed, tested, available**

Data collected at community level

Primary and secondary data

Stratification to select communities

Compare and aggregate to national level

The Protocol

The Package

Measurement Instrument

Data Collection Process

Data Analysis Process

Supporting Documentation

Protocol Purposes & Outcomes

Community Specific Data

- 1) Provide Vital signs**
- 2) Inform Policy and Decision-Making**
- 3) Facilitate Community Resilience**