



Roundtable on Sustainable Forests

A Partnership for the Future

NATIONAL MEETING AND WORKSHOP Landscape Scale Resource Monitoring and Implementation And Revenue from Forest Based Environmental Services

**Clarion Hotel
530 Richards Drive
Manhattan, Kansas
May 12 - 14, 2008**

Draft Agenda

Meeting and Workshop Objectives are to:

- Learn about opportunities for the Roundtable and the WFLC and others to collaborate on landscape scale resource monitoring and implementation in the West;
- Learn about successes in landscape scale change in the West;
- Talk about expanding the use of web-based tools to increase data access for sustainable forest management in the United States;
- Hear about activities being championed by Roundtable participants in the West;
- Hear progress on the development of new Montreal Process Indicators 38 and 44;
- Envision Roundtable activities after May 08 and beyond 2011; and
- Contribute to the approach to data collection and reporting on the revised Montreal Process Indicator on Revenue from Forest Based Environmental Services.

DAY I - Monday, May 12, 2008 – Landscape Scale Resource Monitoring and Implementation – Regency BI

- 2:00 p.m. **Registration**
- 2:30 p.m. **Welcome, Introductions, Agenda Review and Opening Remarks**
Jim Hubbard, Deputy Chief for State and Private Forestry, USDA Forest Service; Joel Holtrop, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, USDA Forest Service, and Richard Brinker, Dean and Professor, School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences, Auburn University and Sustainable Forests Partnership, Roundtable Co-Chairs
- 2:40 p.m. **Overview of the Western Forestry Leadership Coalition**
Bill Crapser, State Forester, Wyoming, Chair, Executive Board of the Western Forestry Leadership Coalition
- What the WFLC is why it came to be
 - What some of the critical issues facing the WFLC are
 - What the focus of the WFLC will be in the future
 - Questions, answers and discussion
- 3:00 p.m. **Overview of the Roundtable on Sustainable Forests**
Richard Brinker, Sustainable Forests Partnership

- What the Roundtable is and why it came to be
- What are some of the critical issues being addressed by the Roundtable
- Examples of successful Criteria and Indicator implementation that may have helped to address some landscape challenges in the West
- The focus of Roundtable activities in the future
- Questions, answers and discussion

3:20 p.m. **Vision for Meeting Landscape Challenges in the United States**

Jim Hubbard* and Joel Holtrop, USDA Forest Service

- Using Criteria and Indicators as a framework for sustainable forest management at multiple scales
- Using the Criteria and Indicators framework for scaling up and down to achieve landscape and institutional changes
- Questions, answers and discussion

3:50 p.m. **Panel I: Opportunities for Collaboration on Landscape Level Challenges in the West: How to Optimize Mutual Gains**

Richard Guldin, Director, Science Policy Planning Inventory and Information, USDA Forest Service; Jan Davis, Legacy and Heritage Forests Coordinator for Texas Forest Service; and Jay Jensen, Executive Director, Western Forestry Leadership Coalition
Facilitated by Michael Buck, Sustainable Forestry Representative, National Association of State Foresters

Each speaker will have 10 minutes to provide an overview of the opportunities they see for collaboration, followed by 5 minutes of questions of clarification. This series of presentations is intended to initiate 50 minutes for discussion on opportunities for the Roundtable and WFLC to collaborate on landscape level monitoring and assessment in the West, especially in the context of the State and Private Forestry Redesign through topics including:

- Relevant organizational activities
- The framework offered by the Criteria and Indicators and resources available in the 2010 National Report on Sustainable Forests
- Incorporating Federal lands in State Assessments
- Suggestions from WFLC
- Questions, answers and discussion

5:30 p.m. **Closing Remarks and Next Steps**

Joel Holtrop* and Jim Hubbard, USDA Forest Service, and Richard Brinker, Sustainable Forests Partnership

5:45 p.m. **Adjourn**

Informal Networking Opportunity (Optional)

There will be an opportunity for Roundtable participants and WFLC members to meet informally with forest stakeholders and other WFLC members. The event will take place from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. in Room Regency B1, the same location as Day I of the meeting. All are welcome to attend.

Day II - Tuesday, May 13, 2008 – Landscape Scale Resource Monitoring and Implementation – Regency B1

8:00 a.m. **Opening Remarks**

Joel Holtrop* and Jim Hubbard, USDA Forest Service, and Richard Brinker, Sustainable Forests Partnership

8:10 a.m. **Highlights from Prior Day's Discussion on Landscape Scale Change in the West**

Jim Hubbard, USDA Forest Service

8:25 a.m. **Panel II: Perspectives of Western Landscape Scale Resource Monitoring and Implementation**

The Oregon Story: David Morman, Forest Resources Planning Director, Department of Forestry, State of Oregon and Gary Larsen, Mount Hood National Forest Supervisor
Yakama Nation Forest Cultural Resource Management Utilizing Criteria and Indicators: Roger Jacob, Yakama Reservation Community Member
Addressing Landscape Challenges in an Urban Setting: Tom Jacobs, Director, Environmental Programs, Mid-America Regional Council

Presentations will be 20 to 30 minutes in length, followed by 5 minutes of questions of clarification. Following the presentations there will be 40 minutes of facilitated discussion.

- 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:45 a.m. **Panel III: Expanding the Use of Web-Based Tools to Increase Access to and Use of Data Supporting Sustainable Forest Management**
Jim Hubbard, USDA Forest Service, Moderator
Web-based Tools for Large – Scale Collaborative Assessments: Mike de Luz, Federal Business Development, Land and Natural Resources Team, Environmental Systems Research Institute
Web-based Tools to Support the Use of Criteria and Indicators in the United States: Ruth McWilliams, National Sustainable Development Coordinator, USDA Forest Service
- Overview current and potential applications
 - Opportunities for integrating the use of web-based tools to support landscape scale change
 - Questions, answers and discussion
- 11:45 a.m. **Open Discussion on Opportunities for Optimizing Mutual Gain**
Joel Holtrop, USDA Forest Service
Facilitated discussion synthesizing learnings from Day I and II.
- 12:15 p.m. **Lunch on your Own**
- 1:15 p.m. **Status of Work on New Indicator 38 – The Community Resilience Protocol**
Kristen Magis, Director, Leadership Institute and Portland State University
- History and development
 - Introduction to the protocol
 - Questions, answers and discussion
- 1:40 p.m. **Status of Work on New Indicator 44 – The importance of Forests to People**
Wayde Morse, Assistant Professor, Human Dimensions, School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences, Auburn University
- Questions and answers and discussion
- 2:05 p.m. **Status of Preparation for the 2010 National Report**
Guy Robertson, Sustainability Program Lead, USDA Forest Service
- Brief overview of progress
 - Highlights of some of the challenges with data collection and assessment
 - Update on the timeframe for drafts and review
 - Draft outline for the National Report
 - Update on format and framework for access to data and the report
 - Questions, answers and discussion
- 2:45 p.m. **Break**
- 3:00 p.m. **Proposal for Funding to Facilitate Stakeholder Analysis and Dissemination of the Results of the 2010 National Report**
Michael Buck, National Association of State Foresters
- Review of history and content of proposal
 - Questions, answers and discussion
- 3:30 p.m. **Shaping Roundtable Efforts Following the May Meeting**

Richard Guldin, USDA Forest Service

- Preparation for International Meetings Regarding Sustainable Forests, including the World Forestry Congress in 2009, and the International Year of Forests in 2011
- Preparing for the review of the 2010 National Report on Sustainable Forests
- Questions, answers and discussion

4:20 p.m. **Finalizing the Draft 2008 – 2010 RSF Work Plan Addendum**

Jim Finley, Sustainable Forests Partnership, and Professor of Forest Resources, The Pennsylvania State University, School of Forest Resources, Roundtable Co-Chair, and Michael Buck, National Association of State Foresters

- Brief review of addendum
- Questions, answers and discussion
- Confirmation of the plan

4:50 p.m. **Wrap-up and Next Steps**

Joel Holtrop and Jim Hubbard, USDA Forest Service, and Jim Finley, Sustainable Forests Partnership

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

Communications and Outreach Work Group (COWG) Meeting (Optional) – Regency BI

The Roundtable's Communications and Outreach Work Group will hold a meeting from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in Regency BI. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the release and review of the draft 2010 National Report and other Roundtable efforts following the May meeting. All are welcome to attend.

Day III - Wednesday, May 14, 2008 – Revenue from Forest Based Environmental Services – Conference Rooms IV and V

8:00 a.m. **Welcome, Introductions, Agenda Review and Opening Remarks**

Jim Finley, Sustainable Forests Partnership, Joel Holtrop and Jim Hubbard, USDA Forest Service

8:15 a.m. **Overview and Background on Revenues from Forest Based Environmental Services**

Evan Mercer, Research Economist, Southern Research Station, USDA Forest Service

- Goals and Objectives of Workshop
- Overview of Environmental Services
 - How we classify environmental services
 - Current and planned policies and programs
- Review of Indicator 27 (6.1.c) Revenue from forest based environmental services
- Questions, answers and discussion
- Directions for Break Out Groups

9:00 a.m. **Small Group Discussion**

Participants will remain at their tables, and identify a guide, note taker and reporter for their discussion. They will spend their remaining time together discussing the following questions:

- Which environmental services are currently producing revenues for landowners?
- Which landowners are receiving revenues for the ecosystems services produced?
- Who is paying the landowners for the ecosystem services they produce?
- Which environmental services do you expect to produce revenues for landowners in the future?

10:00 a.m. **Break**

10:15 a.m. **Small Group Discussion**

Participants will again remain at their tables, identify a guide, note taker and reporter for their discussion, and spend their remaining time together discussing the following questions:

- What kinds of data are available on revenues from environmental services?
- Where are the data and how can they be accessed?

- What would be the most useful scale for our data collection and analysis: national, regional, and/or local?
- What would be the most useful way(s) to display information on revenues from environmental services?

11:15 a.m. **Plenary – Small Group Reflections and Discussion**
Jim Finley^{*}, Sustainable Forests Partnership; Joel Holtrop and Jim Hubbard, USDA Forest Service
A representative from each of the small groups will provide a 5 minute presentation on the highlights from their small group discussions. Each presentation will be followed by 5 minutes of questions and answers. Time remaining in the session will be devoted to discussion on the presentations.

12:00 p.m. **Closing Remarks and Next Steps**
Jim Hubbard^{*} and Joel Holtrop, USDA Forest Service, and Jim Finley, Sustainable Forests Partnership

12:15 p.m. **Adjourn**