

APPENDIX G . DEVELOPMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY/ INDICATORS EFFORTS DATABASE AND INDICATORS DATABASE

The evaluation of existing sustainability/indicators efforts included the development of a database that contains descriptive information about 60 sustainability/indicators efforts and a database that contains 39 different sets of sustainability or environmental indicators.

The databases were developed in response to requests from the Northeastern Area Association of State Foresters (NAASF) to provide information about current sustainability/indicators initiatives. This project was carried out by the Northeastern Area (NA) in collaboration with the Northeastern Forest Resource Planners Association (NFRPA). Initial database development was conducted from March to July 2000. Further development and analysis continued from July 2000 to the present. The results presented in this document represent analysis of the databases as of June 2001. The databases are periodically updated to include additional projects and to update information as efforts evolve.

Various methods were used to obtain information about sustainability/indicators efforts. Contacts and requests for information were made by E-mail and phone, directly contacting the lead agency or organization for the effort. Significant research was also conducted via the Internet. In some cases, initial information about various efforts was received by word-of-mouth and then verified. In other cases, communication was made with key contacts within State forestry and other natural resource agencies to learn of efforts that are relevant to include in the database. For database entry, information was taken as cited, where possible. Sixty sustainability/indicators efforts were entered into the database (box 8).

Box 8. Sixty sustainability/indicators efforts are contained in the database

<p>International Efforts International Arrangement on Forests—United Nations Forum on Forests The World Commission on Forests and Sustainable Development Montreal Process Working Group Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)</p> <p>National Efforts Sustainable Forestry Partnership President’s Council on Sustainable Development Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) Program State of the Science Ecological Indicators Report U.S. Interagency Working Group on Sustainable Development Indicators U.S. First Approximation Report Report on the State of the Nation’s Ecosystems National Association of State Foresters Sustainable Forestry Implementation Committee National Association of State Foresters First Approximation Assessment Project National Environmental Performance Partnership System U.S. Roundtable on Sustainable Forests</p> <p>Regional (Multistate) Efforts New England Goals and Indicators Project/Partnership Forest Sustainability Assessment Report for the Northern United States Chesapeake Bay Program Trends in Sustainability Indicators Project Selection of Indicators for Great Lakes Basin Ecosystem Northern Forest Lands Council Great Lakes Forest Alliance Sustainable Forest Management C&I Project Ecosystem Indicators and Targets for Lake Superior Lake Superior Lakewide Management Plan Vital Communities of the Upper Valley Northern Forest Wealth Index Mid-Atlantic Integrated Assessment (MAIA) Narragansett Bay Estuary Program</p>	<p>State Efforts Environmental Quality in Connecticut Illinois Environmental Conditions and PPA* Illinois Critical Trends Assessment Program (CTAP) Illinois Report on Sustainable Forest Management Maryland’s Environmental Indicators/PPA* Maryland’s Strategic Forest Lands Assessment Maine Measures of Growth 2000 Maine Forest Sustainability Standards Minnesota Milestones Minnesota Sustainable Development Initiative Minnesota’s Sustainable Forests Program Minnesota Environmental Indicators Initiative (EII) Missouri Resource Assessment Partnership (MoRAP) New Hampshire Forest Sustainability Standards Work Team New Hampshire Comparative Risk Project New Jersey Future New Jersey Environmental Indicators and PPA* Ohio Comparative Risk Project Oregon Forest Assessment Projects Sustaining Penn’s Woods Vermont Forest Resources Plan Vermont Strategic Plan and Agency of Natural Resources Indicators Vermont Monitoring Cooperative (VMC) Wisconsin Northern State Forest Assessments Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Performance Measures Effort</p> <p>Forest Management Unit Efforts North American Test of C&I of Sustainable Forestry Lake Superior State Forest Sustainable Forest Management Project Local Unit Criteria & Indicators Development Project (LUCID)</p> <p>City and County Efforts Sustainable Boston Sustainable Lansing Project Cape Cod Sustainability Indicators Project Northern New England Sustainable Communities Implementation Project-Franklin Co.</p>
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* PPA—Performance Partnership Agreement; involvement in the U.S. EPA National Environmental Performance Partnership System