

Summary of USDA Forest Service Activity 1997-2002

- DEC Stewardship Plans
- WAC Stewardship Plans
- FOREST 480A
- Model Forest Locations
- Conservation Education Sites
- Economic Action Grants
- Forest Legacy Parcels
- FS Intensive Research
- NY-NJ Highland Study Area
- Forest Legacy AON
- Urban & Community Forestry

- Forested Areas
- Public Land
- Non-Forested Areas
- Watershed Boundaries
- Congressional Districts

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Management Applications and Implications

Applications:

State can maintain First-come First-served and still find benefit

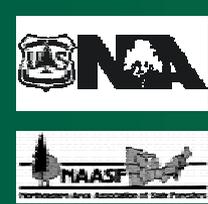
Ability to Track/Report on accomplishments and needs by

Watershed

Congressional District

County

Service Forester District/Region



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Management Applications/Implications:

Ability to Target High Potential lands

 Focused mailings/outreach/field days

 Tailor FLEP Funds

 Address Backlog in a prioritized way

 Consider Staff placement

Report to State Legislature and Feds on program impact in reaching high potential lands

 Increased degree of accountability



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Management Applications/Implications:

Implications:

Depending on degree of tool use/adoption, Organization cultural shift may be required (First-come First-served -> Resource need)

Tool is only as useful as its data – need to update on regular (realtime?) basis

Unlikely to affect Forest Stewardship funding allocations to states in short term. ***Annual funding allocations will be increasingly driven by accountability – this effort is one tool that effectively demonstrates results.***



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Next Steps:

- Complete initial pilot effort
- State adoption and enhancement
- Bring on 4 additional NA States ('04)
- Marketing outside of NA
- NA based info Website



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Next Steps:

- Consider adding info on Legacy, EAP, UCF, Fire
- Create web based tool for regular low impact database updating, heads up map creation, etc
- **Questions?**