Forestry Via Satellite

The vast majority of forestland in New England is owned by non-industrial private owners, and many of them are 50 years and greater in age. While they may have good intentions of passing on their forestland to heirs, THEY MAY BE PREVENTED FROM DOING SO by high state and federal inheritance taxes and the increase in value that the property has experienced in the recent past. Heirs are consequently often forced to sell, subdivide, and develop forestland just to generate the cash to pay the inheritance taxes on forested real estate. Wise estate planning can soften the blow of inheritance taxation, and can often mean the difference between forced sale of forest, and keeping it in the family (and forested).

The Southern New England Forest Consortium has organized a satellite video conference to address this issue. It features real-life case studies of landowners who wanted to preserve their family lands but found themselves coping with the unexpected burden of inheritance taxes. A panel of experts will be on the program to discuss the case studies, and to answer live questions that are called in over toll-free lines. Panelists include: Steven J. Small, noted tax attorney, specialist in estate tax planning, and author of "Preserving Family Lands"; Tim Storrow, Director of Land Protection for the Massachusetts Audubon Society; and Angela Hill, a Connecticut landowner and anchorwoman at WWL-TV in New Orleans for the past 15 years.

The satellite video conference is scheduled for Saturday, March 20, 1993 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. There are 16 pre-designated down-link sites throughout Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island. A $10 fee will be charged per person to cover the costs of each site. Alternately, anyone can establish a down-link site if they have a satellite dish and a telephone. This is an excellent opportunity for foresters to work with mature landowners to insure that the land they manage need not be developed to meet the expensive burden of inheritance taxes. Please consider attending to learn more about this issue, or bringing landowners to a down-link site and host landowners, foresters, land trust officials, and others who want to learn more.

For more details on how to register to attend a pre-established down-link site, or to establish your own, contact: Steve Broderick 203-774-9600 or David Kittredge 413-545-2943, or 1-800-777-2-TREE.

Bird/Forest Study Completes First Field Season

The first year of field work has been completed on a study of neotropical migratory birds in the managed forests near Greenville, Maine. The study involves as cooperators Manomet Bird Observatory, Scott Paper Company, Champion International Corporation, Great Northern Paper Company, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, and NCASI. Additional funds are provided by The John Merck Fund and The Jessie B. Cox Charitable Trust. The principle investigators are Dr. John M. Hagan, Manomet Bird Observatory, and Dr. T. Bentley Wigley, NCASI.

Objectives of this study include: To determine whether neotropical migrants are affected by stand area, age, and species composition within a largely forested landscape; and to evaluate land management strategies and landscape configurations that will benefit these neotropical migratory birds while ensuring economic vitality of the forest resource.

For further information contact: Dr. John Hagan, Manomet Bird Observatory, PO Box 1770, Manomet, Massachusetts 02345.

Land Conversion Appears Small

A preliminary study of the 26 million acre forest land area stretching across northern Maine, New Hampshire, New York, and Vermont has found that over 7 million acres of forest land switched ownership during the 1980's. The study by James E. Sewall Company and Market Decisions, Inc., both of Maine, looked at changing ownership and uses of the northern forest and concluded that only a small portion of these sales led to development and subdivision of the forest during the period.

The Land Conversion study was contracted by the Northern Forest Lands Council in early 1992 to study the conversion of parcels of at least 500 acres in size from productive forest land to non-forest uses from 1980 to 1991. Of the 7.3 million acres transferred, the contractors found that roughly 200,000 acres of land had been subdivided into smaller ownerships. These preliminary study findings were presented to the Council in early December. The final draft will be available at the end of January.

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November 25, 1992

Fellow Foresters:


With help from a number of our colleagues throughout New England and New Brunswick, and from the Maine Chapter of the Wildlife Society, we have developed an ambitious program featuring technical updates as well as a framework to spawn efforts to create viable solutions to contemporary problems in forestry. This conference begs the active participation of each of our members. Its success will depend on you to contribute your ideas and expertise, and on our collective commitment to become creative in our risk taking, to step willingly into the public eye, and be agents of change so our profession can move forward positively into the 21st century.

Some items of note:

Exhibit space is still available. If you are on a restricted travel budget, perhaps staffing your company's exhibit will be your ticket to attending. Contact Pat Adams at 207-989-6955 or evenings at 207-945-0934.

Working groups are encouraged to convene. Other groups are welcome to present special programs as well. To reserve a room and time, contact Carol Redelsheimer at 207-794-6886 or evenings at 207-794-6872.

Poster abstracts are being solicited through February 5, 1993. For complete information, see your July News Quarterly or contact David Fournier at 207-581-3795 or FAX 207-581-2858.

Hotel registration information is enclosed. Our room block will be held until February 2, 1993; thereafter, reservations will be accepted based on availability.

Conference registration materials are enclosed -- we encourage you to register early! In an effort to provide a mix of expertise and interest in each Friday morning break out session, we would like you to express your topic preference. Please be kind enough to prioritize your top three choices in the space provided at the bottom of the registration form.

If you have questions specifically regarding registration, contact Ken Laustsen at 207-723-2142. If you have other questions, suggestions or comments, you are welcome to contact me at any time.

We believe the 1993 NE SAF conference will be informative, stimulating and fun, and look forward to welcoming you to Portland in March.

Sincerely,

Carol L. Redelsheimer
Maine Division Chair-Elect
Council’s Commentary
James E. Coufal

This is a hurried report listing the highlights of the December 3-5, 1992 meeting of the SAF Council.

District VI wants continuance of the issue of affiliate members being able to obtain full membership.

Accepted the SAF Task Force Report on "Sustaining Long-Term Forest Health and Productivity," but want the substance of the report to be disseminated to members and discussed before a position statement is made. This is because the report calls for acceptance of "ecosystem management," which will create significant changes in the practice of forestry.

Suggested that SAF might take to assist foresters when forestry employers "downsize," and direct staff to follow up as appropriate.

Heard a presentation from Richard Lewis, President of the American Pulpwood Association, who suggested a joint APA/SAF conference on managing for aesthetics.

Took action to solidify SAF financial situation dealing with cash flow.

There were many other important items discussed and actions taken that I would be pleased to talk about with any of you. I’ll close with a summary of SAF plans for 1993. Plans based on membership input.

1. Take more policy actions, especially by utilizing those reports and position statements that exist rather than creating new ones.

2. Work to improve media coverage, especially at the national level and by working with state societies to help them deal with media at the local level.

3. Follow through on the "President's Task Force on Dues and Dues Structure" (Council asked this Task Force to expedite their report).

4. Implement an analysis of SAF's organizational structure, especially the many layers of volunteers; change as necessary.

5. Move on an enhanced CFE program that will serve as the basis for a national certification system.

6. Operate within a balanced budget (actions taken last year and at this meeting clearly address this).

In my opinion, it was a very productive Council meeting, and the kind of experience I wish all foresters could share. Call me (315-470-6565/6566) if you have questions.

Out Of Africa

John Heermons and Cecilia Polansky report from Parakou, Benin, West Africa that after three months their forestry project has become focused to put Benin's national forests under management by establishing a model for one of them. This is no small task given that forest management has never been practiced here other than trying to keep people from using them. Our job as Cecilia says is "to develop a forest management plan with the local people and the Beninois Forest Service that would allow people to begin exploiting the forest on a "sustainable basis." It is extremely interesting and challenging work in view of the diversity of ethnic groups and forest products that are taken from each forest. In Benin, as in most of Africa, people depend on the forests not only for wood but also for medicine, nuts, berries, game meat, dyes, spices, and a wide range of other forest products. So far, their main accomplishment has been to visit the forests and develop a work plan for this year with our counterpart, Mahouna Tchiwanou, who is an extremely bright, energetic and experienced individual. John and Cecilia are working on a three year project financed by the World Bank.

Comments of the Chair
Maxwell L. McCormack, Jr.

A postcard in the mail.... "Your opportunity to be read by thousands.... has arrived." Words of encouragement from the Editor to meet the deadline for the next News Quarterly. There was a time not so long ago when the Quarterly had faded into obscurity. It was effectively resurrected by the late David Crosby, maintained and developed by Russell Reynolds, and it continues as our consistent communications link across our entire New England SAF membership under the energetic editorship of Gary Salmon. Dedicated member editors and a Quarterly on which we can depend - benefits of membership.

Speaking of membership, my blood pressure peaked upon reading page 54 in the September Journal of Forestry, Panic-driven bounty hunting (imagine, $10 for tracking down a new SAF member - how unprofessional can it get?) and win-a-trip-to-Alaska carnival game gimmicks cultivated by those motivated by short-term, non-long-term SAF gain. Substantial programs of benefit to forestry should attract professionals to SAF membership, participation, development, and involvement. It's time we cease our preoccupation with chasing numbers of members and become occupied with productive professional programs based on active participation.

Now, speaking of participation and involvement, our Annual Meeting coming up in Portland early next March will be a little different. Different time schedule, a different format with opportunities to interact, speak your mind, and get your thoughts on the record in the proceedings. An awards luncheon-enjoy your evenings in Portland and with the informal discussion of forestry topics. Get involved. Get ready to host the 1995 National SAF Convention-express your interests in helping out-familiarize yourselves with Portland. Our 1993 NESAF Meeting host committees are working hard-join us in benefitting from their labors and dedication. Come to Portland. Contribute an informal poster for discussion of a topic of your choice. Speak out in the program sessions. Speak out in the business sessions of the Host Division. I would learn anyway. I learned that there are a lot of dedicated foresters out there that will go the extra mile to promote our profession-and I DON'T just mean attending meetings and eating donuts. These are the ones that attend meetings and MAKE THINGS HAPPEN. Whether it is a poster contest for school kids, developing a national SAF Position Statement on the Northern Forest, conducting hardball negotiations with a hotel to get the best room rate possible for our annual Winter Meeting, participating in conference calls and faxing ideas back and forth on the program for our summer meeting, or standing for 12 straight hours in front of the NESAF booth at the New England Environmental Conference. It is a real inspiration and privilege to work with people that care so much about our profession. I encourage you to get involved in SAF and learn as much as I did. There is a lot going on-theres a lot to do.

Past Chair’s Comments
David R. Kittredge, Jr.

I probably shouldn't admit it but I learned a great deal by serving as the Chair of NESAF for a year. Please don’t assume that my learning was at the expense of the organization, and I've been misleading NESAF with my inexperience. Fortunately, not too much can go wrong, since we have a dedicated and competent Executive Director, a well-balanced and thoughtful Executive Committee, and an annual winter meeting organized by the Host Division. What did I learn anyway?

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Gavel Changes Hands

At the NESAF Executive Committee Meeting in Portland on December 10 out-going NESAF Chair Dave Kittredge (l) passed the official NESAF gavel to in-coming Chair Maxwell L. McCormack Jr., (r) Research Professor of the Cooperative Forestry Unit at the University of Maine. With the gavel go the responsibilities of leading NESAF during 1993 with the help of Past-Chair Dave Kittredge, Chair-Elect Joseph Michaels, the Executive Committee and the nearly 1,200 members of the organization.

Employee Recognition Opportunity

An important factor in individual professional development is support by employers. By encouraging membership in professional societies and facilitating individual involvement, employees can greatly enhance professional growth of their employees, to the benefit of the employer, the employee, and the profession.

The Society of American Foresters wishes to recognize and thank those employers who have given outstanding support to employees’ professional development. Recognition will be given annually to all employers meeting certain criteria. Employers will be acknowledged at the SAF National Convention, and certificates of appreciation will be presented by state societies. Special recognition will also be given in the Journal of Forestry and through local news releases.

Employers are defined as companies, associations, universities, and government agencies, or recognized subdivision of each (district, area, region, forest, or other) generally having ten or more employees eligible for full membership in the Society of American Foresters.

Recognition will be for the calendar year immediately preceding the SAF National Convention. Any SAF member may nominate an employer. Nomination forms must be submitted to the Membership Office (c/o SAF National Office) by April 15, 1993. Awards will be presented by State Societies to all employers meeting the criteria, as determined by the SAF Committee on Membership.

SAF Convention Well Attended

Forestry professionals from across the United States gathered at the annual meeting of the Society of American Foresters, in Richmond, Virginia, from October 26 through 28. Nearly 1,600 foresters met to discuss topics related to the theme "American Forestry - An Evolving Tradition," exploring the time period from 1892, when documented forest management was first practiced in this country, through 1991 to 2092 and beyond. During the three day meeting, more than 200 people presented papers on topics ranging from global issues to urban forestry to the Endangered Species Act.

Dr. Carl Sagan, the David Duncan Professor of Astronomy and Space Sciences and Director of the Laboratory for Planetary Studies at Cornell University, officially opened the meeting on the morning of October 26. His keynote address placed forestry in a universal context.

"Forestry began in this country one hundred years ago," said SAF Executive Vice-President William H. Banzhaf. "We have made significant progress in ensuring the health and vitality of the nation's forestlands, and in providing needed wood products for the American people, and, indeed, the people of the world. But our meeting in Richmond was about more than looking back at accomplishments--it was about looking ahead to future challenges," he said.

The SAF convention, and coinciding press conference highlighting SAF's position on the Endangered Species Act, received good media coverage. The local NBC television affiliate and three radio stations covered the convention, and stories appeared in the Richmond Times Dispatch and on the Associated Press newswire.
Members Rewarded for Efforts

Tim Hawley

Connecticut Regional Water Authority forester Tim Hawley has received the 1992 Outstanding Forester award from the Yankee Division. Hawley has chaired the Tree Farm Committee, RC&D, and Yankee Division SAF Committees. Prior to joining the Water Authority in 1982, Hawley was DEP Forester for Middlesex County. He served as News Quarterly correspondent for nearly ten years and has also served on the NESAF Executive Committee. He edited the second edition of Timber Harvesting and Water Quality in Connecticut and has helped organize several Yankee Division workshops. In addition, he was Program Chair for the 1992 NESAF Winter Meeting. Hawley was recently promoted to Supervisor of Source of Supply at the New Haven water utility. In his new position, he supervises operation and maintenance of facilities associated with sixteen reservoirs on 26,000 acres, as well as active forestry and recreation programs on these lands. Congratulations to Tim Hawley from NESAF.

Tom Quink

At their meeting in Georgia in October, the National Association of State Foresters awarded Tom Quink with the Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of his career of service in support of national forestry programs. This is the highest award given by this organization. Congratulations to Tom from the New England Society of American Foresters.

William Patterson

William A. Patterson, Professor at the University of Massachusetts and past CFE Coordinator for NESAF, received the President's Award from the Nature Conservancy for his work on controlled burning on Nature Conservancy lands. He is one of only three people to receive the award in 1992.

Tellers Report

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The ballots will be retained in the files of the Executive Director for six months.

For the Tellers Committee:

[Signatures]

NOTE: The Maine Division conducted its own election for Maine representative on the Executive Committee. Lloyd Irland was elected.
NESAF SILVICULTURE WORKING GROUP

Afternoon meeting, Tuesday 2 March 1993
Holiday Inn by the Bay, Portland, Maine - the afternoon before the NESAF Annual Meeting

Finalization of plans for summer field meetings.

Discussions and summary reports addressing the following topics:
(1) Understanding the problem. Why is there a negative perception of silviculture? How can that perception be reversed?
(2) How is silviculture integrated into operational forestry?
(3) What are the real constraints on applying highest levels of silviculture?
(4) How does silviculture address other than fiber production objectives? What are realistic long-term goals?

All SAF members are welcome to participate. Please register in advance with the Silviculture Working Group Leader:

M. L. McCormack, Jr.
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Yankee Division: John Aahola of Pembroke (T), Ronald Muir of Stockbridge (T), Glenn Sheenan of Wakefield (T), Scott Amraault (S), Kimberly Ruthman (S), Christopher Keyes (S), Matthew Keyes (S), Michael Magee (S), and Robert Muckenthaler (S).

Connecticut Chapter: Anne Black of East Haven (N), Jared Cohon of New Haven (N), Christine Angelo (S), Thomas Brendier (S), Eliza Cleveland (S), Daniel Newberry (S), Jeffrey Andrews (S), Patrick Baker (S), Ada Gonzalez (S), Lisa Gustavsen (S), Christopher Hopkins (S), Brent Sohngen (S), and Kate Lance (S).

Canada: Susan Hruszowy of Halifax (N), and Jean-Marc Lacasse of Ste-Catherine, Quebec (N).

Editor's Notes

To borrow a phrase or two from Carrie Tripp's column in Maine "In an organization run by volunteers it is often easy to overlook the efforts of those who have contributed to assuring a successful year of operation." "In addition, it is not only enough to thank the working volunteer, but also to recognize the employers that have supported this effort." Therefore, many thanks and sincere appreciation go out to those individuals who helped produce four issues of the News Quarterly in 1992.

My greatest fear when I assumed the responsibility for this publication six years ago was a fear of having a Quarterly due with nothing to put into it. Sixteen blank pages but quick reading. Over this six year period we have filled the Quarterly with news from New England, both solicited and unsolicited, and borrowed material from other SAF newsletters, magazines, and newspapers that has ranged from Dear Abby to the Wall Street Journal. I emphasize the word "we" in the previous statement because this publication has, more and more, become a publication of the membership. In 1992 news from each state always made the Quarterly thanks to the work of the correspondents and more than a few other articles were produced by members who sent me either the article or most of the basis for the article.

The News Quarterly has, and will continue, to be available for membership involvement. News is gathered through the correspondents but is not limited to that vehicle. Please feel free to submit any article that you feel newsworthy for the Quarterly for we are a publication for and about the foresters and forestry profession of New England.

Forestry Calendar

Graduate Student Meeting

Graduate students attending forestry schools throughout New England and Canada are invited to attend CONFOR '93, the ninth annual graduate student conference on forestry and environmental science. The location has moved from the University of Maine, site of the 92 event to Universite Laval, Quebec on February 11-14, 1993.

Natural Areas Conference

The 20th Natural Areas Conference will be held in 1993 at the University of Maine on June 22-25. The Conference's theme is "Conservation in Working Landscapes." The Conference will include invited and contributed papers on six symposia topics. Conference field workshops will be organized around the six symposia. Four pre-conference field workshops are being offered: Baxter State Park, Peatlands, Seabirds, Whales and Seals.

More information will be available in the April News Quarterly. For additional information at this time contact Hank Tyler, Conference Coordinator, Maine State Planning Office, Station 38, Augusta, Maine 04333 (207-624-6041).

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TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 1993
New England SAF
Silviculture Working Group and
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 1993

10:00 am  PLenary Session - Past, Present and Future

Call to Order and Welcome

Historical View of Forest Management and Use - Bill Barton, 1992 SAF President

New Forestry: A Possible Model for Meeting Wood and Cultural Needs in the Northeast Malcolm Hunter, Univ. of Maine

12:00 - 1:00 pm  BAG LUNCH

1:00 - 4:00 pm  CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS

SILVICULTURAL STRATEGIES FOR MEETING WOOD DEMANDS

1:00 - 1:35 pm  Plantations vs. Natural Stands - Bob Seymour, Univ. of Maine

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1:40 - 2:15 Industrial Application of Intensified Forestry - Carl Haag, S.D. Warren

RESPONDING TO SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHALLENGES TO NEW ENGLAND FORESTRY

1:00 - 1:35 pm  Northern Forest Lands, Where Next? Some Evidence from Northern Forest Lands Council Case Studies - Charles A. Levesque, NFLC

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2:45 - 3:20 The Northern Forest Lands Debate: Is Forest Legacy the Answer? - John Currier, USFS, Radnor, PA

ENHANCING WILDLIFE HABITAT THROUGH FOREST MANAGEMENT

1:00 - 1:35 pm  Hericiding for Softwood Release. Enhancing Moose Habitat? - Fred Servello, Univ. of Maine


2:45 - 3:20 Application of Forest Habitat Manipulation for Wildlife Improvement - Mariko Yamasaki, USFS, Durham, NH


ROLE OF LITIGATION AND LEGISLATION IN FOREST RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

1:00 - 1:35 pm  Red Cockaded Woodpecker Habitat: The Fort Benning Controversy - Richard Lewis, APA, Washington, D.C.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 1993
CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS, CON’T

SILVICULTURE IN AN URBANIZING ENVIRONMENT

1:00 - 1:35 am Effects of Fragmentation on Natural Resource Management - Wayne Zipperer, USFS, Syracuse, NY

1:40 - 3:20 Maintaining the Larger Tracts: Can Fragmentation be Prevented?
1:40 - 2:15 Planning Future Patterns of Development - Bob Neville, USFS, Syracuse, and
3:25 - 4:00 The Role of the S. New England Forest Consortium, Inc. - Tom Dupree, Chief, Rhode Island Division of Forest Environment

4:15 - 6:00 pm SAF Business Meeting
6:00 pm Ice Breaker

THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1993
CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS, CON’T

ENHANCING WILDLIFE HABITAT THROUGH FOREST MANAGEMENT

8:00 - 8:35 Planning for Wildlife Habitat - Michael Dann and Sarah Medina, Seven Islands Land Co.; and Mark Stadler, Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

8:45 - 9:15 Integrating Fish and Wildlife into a Comprehensive Forest Management Plan - Al Childs, Lakeview Plantation Co., ME

9:45 - 10:20 Integrating Wildlife Habitat into Forest Management--Overview - Mike Sullivan, N.B. Fish & Wildlife

10:25 - 11:00 Integrating Wildlife Habitat into Forest Management--Case Study - Steve Gorden, N. B. Fish & Wildlife

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FOREST MANAGEMENT ON A LANDSCAPE BASIS: INTEGRATING TIMBER, WILDLIFE & WATER

1:00 - 1:35 pm Managing New England Forests for Water Quality - Jim Hornbeck, USFS, Durham, NH

1:40 - 4:00 Migratory Land Birds in an Industrial Forest Landscape
1:40 - 2:15 I. Productivity - Matt VanderHagen, USFS, Orono, ME
2:45 - 3:20 II. Abundance & Diversity - John Hagan, Manomet Bird Observatory, MA

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8:00 - 8:35 am National Forest Management Planning: In the Field or in the Courts? - Mike Hathaway, Supervisor, Nicolet National Forest, WI

8:45 - 9:20 Endangered Species Act Implications and Applications - Carlton Owen, Champion International Corp.

FLEXIBILITY IN PROTECTING THE PUBLIC INTEREST

Case Studies of Private Landowners and Regulatory Agencies Working Together
David E. Boulter - Maine Land Use Regulation Commission
THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 1993
CONCURRENT TECHNICAL SESSIONS, CON'T

SILVICULTURE IN AN URBANIZING ENVIRONMENT

8:00 - 8:35 Forest Products from the Suburban Woodlot: Maintaining the Flow
   Wood Supply and Operations - William Hull, Hull Forest Products, and Watershed Management and Water Quality - Tim Hawley, Regional Water Authority

8:40 - 9:15 Maintaining the Larger Tracts: Can Fragmentation be Prevented? Planning Future Patterns of Development - Bob Neville, USFS, Syracuse

9:45 - 11:00 Urban/Suburban Forestry: Managing the Interface
   9:45 - 10:20 Planner/Urban Forester - Gail Vaillancourt, USFS, Durham, NH
   10:25 - 11:00 Wildlife Habitat Interfaces, Urban Wildlife Management - Tom Husband, Univ. of Rhode Island

FOREST MANAGEMENT ON A LANDSCAPE BASIS: INTEGRATING TIMBER, WILDLIFE & WATER

8:00 - 8:45 am Habitat Selection by Martens: Landscape Implications for Forest Specialists - Dan Harrison, Univ. of Maine

8:40 - 9:15 Implementation of Industrial Strategy for Landscape Biological diversity - Lorin Hicks, Plum Creek Timber, WA

9:45 - 10:20 Fundy Model Forests: An Attempt at Integrated Forest Management - Peter Etheridge, J.D. Irving, Ltd., N.B.

SILVICULTURAL STRATEGIES FOR MEETING WOOD DEMANDS

9:45 - 10:20 Future of Forestry: Greed or Sustenance - Ralph Nyland, SUNY

10:25 - 11:00 Naturalistic Silviculture - John McNulty, Seven Islands Land Co.

11:45 am - 1:45 pm NE SAF & MC TWS AWARDS LUNCHEON

FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 1993

8:00 - 8:20 am GENERAL SESSION

8:30 - 10:30 am SMALL GROUP SESSIONS

1-Forestry Practices Legislation - how much and who pays?
2-Public Ownership - solution or obstacle?
3-Private Forest Management for Public Benefits - by choice or regulation?
4-Private Use of Public Resources; Fees, Licenses, Leases - are they appropriate?
5-Should Wood Costs Dictate Silviculture - who pays and when?

6-American Paper Institute's Commitment for Membership - is it enough?
7-Endangered Species - does it have to be us or them?
8-Multiple Use Management - do privateland owners have a social responsibility? Who pays?
9-Access Rights Across Private Lands - should the user pay?
10-Clearcutting - how many and how big a place?

Participants in each group will discuss roadblocks and opportunities around an assigned topic above with the intent to find workable solutions to our forest related conflicts. Roadblocks, opportunities, and potential solutions will be summarized in the proceedings and used as starting points for future NE SAF programs, discussions, and position statements.

11:00 - 12:30 SMALL GROUP REPORTS AND WRAP-UP
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MAINE Division by Carrie Tripp

A JOB WELL DONE - In an organization run by volunteers it is often easy to overlook the efforts of those who have contributed to assuring a successful year of operation. This year in particular, where the focus has been to attract new members, it becomes increasingly important to thank those members who have helped make the organization worth joining. In addition, it is not only enough to thank the working volunteer, but also to recognize the employers that have supported this effort. Therefore, many thanks and sincere appreciation go out to the following individuals and organizations.

1992 Maine Officers: Lloyd Irland, Chair, The Irland Group; Carol Redelsheimer, Chair-Elect, Champion International; Robert Shepard, Secretary/Treasurer, UMO; and Members at Large: Dave Fournier, UMO and Craig MacClean, International Paper. 1992 NESAF representative: Donna Cassese, Scott Paper Company.

It takes many individuals to complete the tasks needed to support each year's activities. In addition to the continuing efforts of the officers of Maine Division and NESAF, the following individuals assisted in a variety of special projects for 1992: Tom Driscoll and Peter Bouchard, Ask Me Information Systems; Russ Briggs, CFRU; Pat Flood, International Paper; John McNulty, 7 Islands; Bill Lilley, UMO Extension; Tim White, Sewall Company; Carrie Tripp, Scott Paper Company; Laura Audibert and Marcia McKeague, Great Northern Paper; Bob Haynes, Haynes Forestry; and Bob Krantz, Champion International. Certainly this list is not complete. Many efforts were placed around the membership drive, meeting arrangements and publicity. We will periodically try to update this list and give thanks to those who have volunteered their time to help make the Society of American Foresters an active and respected organization in the state of Maine.

The Maine Division would also like to welcome the following as the new leaders for 1993: Carol Redelsheimer, Chair, Champion International; Fred Knight, Chair-elect, Dean Emeritus, College of Forestry; Izzy McKay, Secretary/Treasurer, Forest Care; and members at large: Bob Seymour, UMO and Bob Haynes, Haynes Forestry. 1993 NESAF representative: Lloyd Irland, The Irland Group.

If you would like to get involved contact any of the 1993 officers. You can make a difference!!!!!

Baxter State Park Expands - Maine Governor John McKernan on December 16th commended the Georgia-Pacific Corporation for enabling the Baxter State Park Authority to purchase 500 acres of high-value shore property and woodland near the Upper and Lower Togue Ponds at the main entrance to the 201,018 acre park. The purchase includes more than 7.5 miles of lakeshore on Upper and Lower Togue Ponds. The Baxter Park Authority purchased the land for $200,000 from the Park's Land Acquisition Fund, well below the market value for the land. "Baxter State Park is recognized as a natural treasure in Maine and nationwide. The addition of the Togue Pond property will further enhance Baxter State Park's excellent reputation," said John Rasor, Georgia-Pacific Corporation Vice President/Forest Resources. "We knew the Authority was interested in the property. That's why we worked to ensure that the property would be set aside for the future of Maine and its citizens."

Trees Available To Maine Communities - Maine cities and towns are again eligible to receive federal cost share funds towards the cost of purchasing and planting trees on public property according to Susan Bell, Director of the Maine Forest Service. Towns are eligible to participate in the tree planting initiative through the Small Business Administration's Natural Resource Development Program. Under the program, communities may apply for up to a $5,000 match in federal funds to purchase and plant trees. The community's 50% share may include direct costs, in-kind contributions associated with direct administration of project activities, care and maintenance of the trees for three years, and the planting of other plant materials.

All Maine communities will be notified by the Maine Forest Service of the availability of the grants. Completed applications must be mailed to the Maine Forest Service by February 22, 1993. More information about the program may be obtained by calling Beth Reed, Urban Forestry Coordinator, Maine Forest Service at (207)-267-1073, or in-state, 1-800-367-0223.

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Winter Meeting Set For Feb 6 - The Green Mountain Division SAF Winter Meeting will be held on Saturday February 6, 1993 once again at the Stockbridge Elementary School. The business meeting will be held in the morning followed by a general session after lunch. The general theme for the afternoon session will be "Vermont: An Island in a Sea of Forest Regulation." Keynote speaker will be Chuck Clarke, new Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources. A panel discussion will follow moderated by Conrad Motyka, Commissioner of the Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation. Panelists will include Peter Farrell, Consulting Forestier from New Hampshire; David Brynn, Addison County Forestier; Sidney Balch, Chief Forestier, Boise Cascade; Joe Smith, Service Forestier and Forest Practices Act State Coordinator, Massachusetts; and Christian Gearwar, Consulting Forestier, New York. There are forest practices acts in neighboring states, will Vermont be the next to follow suit? For that answer join us on February 6th. Details of the meeting including both registration and lunch costs can be obtained by waiting for your invitation in the mail or by contacting any member of the Executive Committee.

Election Results - New Green Mountain Division officers for 1993 include Barbara Burns, Chair; Alan Calfee, Vice-Chair; Mitch Kihn, Secretary; and Scott Moreau, Treasurer. In addition to electing next year's officers, the Division also voted to accept the Harvesting Position Statement. This official position will be distributed to the media, the public and to state legislators. Copies are available from Ed Leary. Two past county forestiers were elected to the Vermont Senate. Tom Bahre will represent Addison County and Sam Hudson, long time SAF member and past NESAF Chair was elected as Senator from Franklin County.

Logger Education Goes National - Thom McEvoy will provide the leadership of a national program aimed at increasing the logging community's knowledge and understanding of forest ecology and silviculture. "Logger Education to Advance Professionalism," or LEAP, focuses on the impacts of logging and timber harvesting on the future of forest lands. It also aims to help loggers improve communications skills and sharpen sensitivity toward the public's concern for the environment. LEAP is sponsored by a $200,000 grant from the USDA Extension Service.

Stewardship Workshop A Success - Alan Calfee produced a workshop for teachers this fall entitled "Concepts of Forest Stewardship for Educators." A dozen teachers attended the two day workshop in early November and it became a learning experience for both staff and attendees. Valuable feedback and discussion on stewardship concerns in Vermont were shared and a second workshop is being planned for the northern part of Vermont. The workshop was funded by grants from NESAF and the Vermont Stewardship Committee.

Tree Farm News - As of January 1, 1993 a three-way merger of the American Forest Council, American Paper Institute, and National Forest Products Association will occur. The Troy office of the American Forest Council will close and Jane Difley will move to Washington, D.C. to become Vice President of Tree Farming for the new organization. The Vermont Tree Farm Committee and its co-sponsors are busy plotting the future of Tree Farming in Vermont. A seminar will be held January 21, for all interested Tree Farmers and Tree Farm Inspectors to determine what path the program will follow in Vermont. Anyone interested can call Thom McEvoy or Linda Matteson for details.

Lecture Series Focuses on Northern Forest - The George D. Aiken lecture series held at the University of Vermont on November 12-13 examined "Sustaining Ecosystems, Economies, and the Way of Life in the Northern Forest." Co-sponsored by the University and the Wilderness Society, a wide range of speakers presented information on the ecology and economic forces of the three state region, and how those impact on the lifestyle of the residents. Speakers represented environmental groups, academia, government, private industry, native american cultures, and private non-industrial landowners. No easy answers were given to preserve the future existence and accessibility of the Northern Forest. Many ideas were discussed ranging from vast public ownership and wilderness, to private unencumbered ownership.

Newsmakers - Dick Watt, NESAF Executive Director attended the Aiken Lecture Series held at the University of Vermont with the NESAF display and our position statement regarding the Northern Forests. David Stevens of the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation has assumed the position of Director of Forests for that organization. Prior to his new position he was the Chief of Marketing, Utilization, and Development within the Department.

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Clearcutting Regulations Rejected - The Clearcutting Study Committee convened by the Legislature in 1991 and chaired by State Forester Jack Sargent, met for a final time on October 21 and issued the following motion: "That no regulation of clearcutting be recommended to the 1993 Legislature and that our Committee recommends a Committee be established to develop a set of best silvicultural practices for use in clearcutting and that the Department of Revenue Administration add a section to the intent to cut timber tax document where the landowner or logger would be required to provide the State data on clearcutting if it is to be utilized in harvesting the timber reported on the intent." For information gathering purposes only, the committee adopted the following definition of clearcut. "A timber harvest on a forested site upon which at least an area of 20 acres has been harvested leaving a residual basal area of less than 30 square feet of basal area per acre." For a copy of the committee's report, contact the New Hampshire Timberland Owners' Association office at 224-9699. (The Forest Bulletin, Nov 92)

Current Use Report Available - After five months of bi-weekly deliberation, the legislature's current use study committee in November issued it's final report. Chaired by Representative David Scanlan of Canaan, the study committee was charged with looking at the "eco-tax burden" imposed by current use of NH municipalities. The eleven member committee focused on the creation of a statewide reimbursement fund, whereby funds from some unidentified source would be apportioned to communities according to a formula based on acreage of current use lands in the town and the extent to which current use has resulted in some "tax shift." The report makes three specific recommendations: (1) Legislation should be filed providing for a statewide reimbursement fund to equalize among municipalities the tax shifts caused by current use; (2) A resolution should be introduced calling on NH's congressional delegation to seek increased federal government reimbursement in lieu of taxes to those towns that contain federal forestland; (3) The legislature should support a $1,000 expenditure to support a current use landowner survey to be conducted by the UNH Survey Center. Legislation has already been filed in support of these three specific recommendations. For a copy of the study contact NHTOA.

Final EIS Announced for Loon Mt. Ski Area - The White Mountain National Forest released in November the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Loon Mountain Ski Area expansion proposal. Forest Supervisor Rick Cables noted that "the complexity of this proposal along with the intense public interest necessitated taking additional time to finish the FEIS." The preferred alternative reflects the concerns of our public, and our work with the Joint Review Committee." Volume I of the two volume FEIS contains all the information from the Revised Draft EIS, along with updates and clarifications to the Revised Draft EIS. Volume II contains the public comments and the Forest Service's response to comments on the Revised Draft EIS. The Record of Decision will be issued in January.

Land Acquisition Program Nears Conclusion - With less than nine months to go, the Trust for NH lands and the Land Conservation Investment Program are rapidly bringing their land acquisition work to a close. Both programs will close their doors by June 30, 1993 - the sunset date of LCIP legislation. The Forest Society helped start the program six years ago, with wide membership support. To date, LCIP grants have protected 92,110 acres of significant conservation land. This represents 336 parcels for an investment of $40,253,000. Still pending are approximately 30 more transactions for which appraisals, surveys, and title work are underway. The LCIP board will most likely have allocated all of its funds by November 1992.

Legacy Areas Approved - The US Forest Service has approved Rhode Island's Forest Legacy areas, and several parcels have all ready been submitted for review.

Backyard Tree Farm Program - A members only workshop was held on October 24 at URI's East Farm. The workshop included a session on fruit tree management and an attempt at establishing a BTF Committee, which will then be able to run the program in the future. Currently the BTF program is being administered by RIFCO.
Dean Jared L. Cohan - Yale University School of Forestry and Environmental Studies welcomed Jared Cohan, as the new Dean of the College of the Environment. Cohan is a water resource and environmental systems engineer interested in developing and applying realistic mathematical models. Cohan succeed John Gordon, who will continue teaching and research at Yale following a year of leave of absence. Cohan was previously professor of geography and environmental engineering at Johns Hopkins University.

Forest Practices Board - Acting State Forest Director Don Smith reported that regulations governing forester and logger certification are being revised to meet new standards for state regulations. At some point, these procedures will be delivered to the same approval process as the forest practice act regulations.

Null Forest Products Open House a Success - About 250 people from Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island attended an outreach program organized by Hull Forest Products' forest foresters at their Ponomor sawmill on October 24. In addition to mill tours, there were displays by Hull and the Eastern Connecticut Forester Association. Attendees included several scout groups and local politicians. William Hull, company president, attributed the excellent turnout to good weather, free refreshments, and advertising weekly bargain bulletin.

Stewardship - Carol Youell reported more than 100 people attended three training sessions implementing SIP. A brochure is expected to be out soon, and an article will appear in the Wildlife Unit's newsletter. Workshops for endangered species, wildlife habitat enhancement, and trail building are planned February and March.

Newsmakers - Edward C. Childs received commendations from the National Weather Service, Governor Vickers, and President Bush in honor of his 60 years of weather monitoring. Darrell Russ, Childs' forester on Great Mountain Forest, received an award for 40 years of volunteer assistance to the weather service.

DEP foresters Jerry Milne, Jim Pronovost, and Fred Borman received continuing participation awards for Project Learning Tree contributions. Also recognized were Northeast Utilities arborist Stan Watson and tree farmers Wilma and Robert Visny.

Hazel Tuttle, former RC&D Forestry Chair and member of the Forest & Park Association board of directors, is moving to Fort Collins, Colorado. Tuttle devoted countless hours to assembling the CFPA library.

The November 1993 issue of Yankee Magazine is expected to have an article entitled "Last Fall Color in New England," featuring DEP Forester Jerry Milne at West Rock and Sleeping Giant State Parks.

Calendar

The RC&D forestry committee will meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Forest & Park Association on the following dates in 1993: Jan. 14, Mar. 11, May 13, Jul 8, Sep. 9, and Nov. 18.

Mar. 20 - Televised, satellite-linked estate planning and fragmentation workshop. Sponsored by the Southern New England Consortium (formerly the Yankee Forest Cooperative).
Massachusetts Envirothon Gets Forestry Support - Laura Dooley of Massachusetts DEM is in charge of DEM's forestry involvement with this statewide program. High school students voluntarily sign up to participate in extracurricular activities centered around water, soil, wildlife, forestry, current environmental issues and other related subjects. Students are field tested in these subject areas and receive prizes. Teams from across the state compete for a state championship and an opportunity to participate at the Nationals to be held next year in New York State. Laura's involvement is in providing information and assisting in field testing.

Canada

Forestry In Quebec
Dr. Kim Lowell

Industrial News - Among Canadian provinces Quebec has traditionally been the leading exporter of newspaper to the European market accounting for 49% of all such newsprint in 1989. However, recently the percentage of Quebec's contribution to this export market has fallen to 33% in 1990 and 30% in 91. The biggest increases among other provinces have been by New Brunswick (5% of the total in 89, 24% in 91) and British Columbia (16% to 20%). Total product export was approximately 900,000 tons in 1991.

The Donohue Company of Saint-Felicien is now offering pulp which has been bleached using chlorine dioxide. This reduces the amount of chlorine in industrial effluent but has increased the cost of pulp by $5-6 per ton. This initiative was taken to respond better to the European market, and to be able to satisfy anticipated future environmental legislation. The search for a satisfactory product was the result of 21 months of research and an investment of $18 million Canadian.

Changes in Private Forestry Projected - The Minister of Forests (MFO) program to help private forest owners has existed in Quebec for approximately 20 years with 80% of the budget spent on reforestation of private lands. However, the MFO is about to embark on a change which will emphasize more natural regeneration. A large portion of this initiative will focus on landowner education.

Faculty of Forestry and Geomatics, Laval University - From May to September 92 ten students received advanced degrees (3 Master's and 1 PhD in Wood Science, 4 Master's and 1 PhD in Forest Sciences, and 2 Master's in Geomatics). Thesis subjects included the examination of technical criteria for the utilization of white birch, the use of eucalyptus tannins in the creation of adhesives for wood, and the evaluation of forest regeneration using high-resolution digital images. As of Autumn 92 student enrollment included 641 undergraduates (up 0.4% from 91) 92 Master's students (up 13%), and 55 PhD candidates (same). Approximately 24% of students over all programs are females.

New Brunswick News
Dr. Alex Dickson

Woodsmen Competition - UNB retained the championship title for the seventh consecutive season at the 27th Annual UNB-Intercollegiate Woodsmen Competition, held in Fredericton on October 17. In the women's division, UNB was the first place finisher followed by Sir Sanford Fleming College and the Nova Scotia Agricultural College. Twenty-three teams competed, representing 17 universities and colleges in Ontario, Quebec, Maine, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, New York and New Hampshire. In addition, the Maritime Forest Ranger School, the Nova Scotia Agricultural College, UNB and J.D. Irving Ltd fielded six alumni teams. UNB won the alumni competition as well.

Photo Contest Winner - Dr. G. R. Powell, UNB's forest tree biologist, took first place in the "close-up" section of the photo contest held at Whitefish, Montana, October 5-9 in conjunction with the International Symposium on Ecology and Management of Larix Forests: A Look Ahead. He also won the grand prize (all sections) for his picture of a proliferating seed cone of tamarack;

Wajax Award on Fire Report - Randal Power, a fifth-year student in UNB's Department of Forest Resources, is the winner of the 1992 Wajax Award. Mr. Power produced his winning report on the effects of prescription burning on small mammals on the North American continent.

Faculty Briefs - UNB faculty members M.S. Jamnick, T.D. Needham and K. Walters conducted a workshop on forest management planning in El Salto, Mexico in early November. Their audience consisted of academic and practicing foresters from Mexico's state of Durango.

E. K. Morgenstern, UNB forest tree geneticist, teamed up with graduate student C.L. Carswell to present a paper at the International Symposium on Ecology and Management of Larix Forests: A Look Ahead. The paper was entitled "Phenology and Growth of Nine Larch Species and Hybrids Tested in New Brunswick, Canada. Dr. Morgenstern also chaired one of the four concluding sessions at the Symposium.

Professor E.W. Robak, Forest Engineering, hosted five academics and managers from Thailand for three weeks in November. They were here to listen to lectures and participate in design discussions on Integrated Plantation Planning Systems. Professor Robak will also be going to Thailand eventually to help the Thai forest service implement these systems.

Dr. R. A. Douglas, Forest Engineering, along with recent UNB graduate W. Cameron won the 1991 CPPA Award from Stone Consolidated, Inc., for "the best paper (Culverts: Black Holes in the Forest?) of the current year dealing with the secondary transport of wood or the construction and design of forest roads." Dr. Douglas was also a program participant in an industrial forest roads workshop, held at the Maritime Forest Ranger School in Fredericton in early October.
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