

USDA Forest Service, Western Wildland Environmental Threat Center (WWETAC)
and the Pacific Southwest Research Station

In cooperation with 2007 Western International Forest Disease Work Conference
(WIFDWC)

Invite you to a half-day workshop to synthesize information on
Climate, Climate Change, and Forest Diseases

Date: **Monday, October 15, 2007**

Time: **1:00 to 5:00 pm**

Location: Radisson Poco Diablo Resort
1752 S. Hwy 179 , Sedona AZ 86336

**Forest Diseases and Climate Change in Western Forests –
what do we know; what do we need to find out?**

At this half day workshop, we will brainstorm ways to synthesize and organize information on climate, climate change, and forest diseases. Information on climate's influence on forest declines, root diseases, rusts, mistletoes, decay organisms, and other forest diseases will be reviewed for the identification of information and research needs. Methods to facilitate access to information for various audiences will be discussed.

Background. In June 2007, WWETAC held a workshop on Climate Change and Forest Insects and Diseases, which catalyzed an effort to assemble all known information on western forest diseases and climate relationships. At this pre-WIFDWC workshop we will review findings to date, with the aim of adding, improving, and synthesizing the information.

The ultimate goals are to provide useable information on climate and forest diseases to land managers and forest pathologists; integrate forest pathology and forest pathologists into the climate change arena; and identify forest disease threats to ecosystems under changing climatic conditions.

Registration. The meeting is free and you need not pre-register.

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