
Appendix H: Select List of Partners

This list of partners represents not only many of the traditional partners but also new alliances that are just being made or need to be made to create more sustainable urban forests for the future. Some partners have produced very attractive secondary and tertiary products that conscientiously report the science and address concerns and issues specific to very influential audiences.

Even though these partners are not directly generating the science or knowledge, they are instrumental in placing it before the people who can act on it. Most of them help connect the research to the language and issues that are important to local leadership. Many invite scientists to their regional and national meetings, enabling direct sharing and interaction. This networking often results in further partnering, and even future research collaborations.

Alliance for Community Trees (ACT), Alice Ewen Walker, alice@actrees.org
<http://www.actrees.org/site/>, Beltsville, MD, 301–220–2251

ACT's mission is to support grassroots, citizen-based nonprofit organizations dedicated to urban and community tree planting, care, conservation, and education.

American City and County, Lindsay Isaacs, Managing Editor, lisaacs@prismb2b.com
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American City and County has been the voice of State and local governments since 1909. The magazine serves a powerful audience of city, county, and State officials who are charged with developing and implementing government policy, programs, and projects. The magazine maintains its leadership position by providing these readers with news, government trends, policy alternatives, and operational solutions.

American Forests, Deborah Gangloff, gangloff@amfor.org
<http://www.americanforests.org/>, Washington, DC, 202–737–1944

American Forests is a world leader in planting trees for environmental restoration, a pioneer in the science and practice of urban forestry, and a primary communicator of the benefits of trees and forests. As part of their efforts to improve urban forests they developed CITYgreen software. It is a powerful GIS application for land use planning and policymaking. The software conducts complex statistical analyses of ecosystem services and creates easy-to-understand maps and reports. CITYgreen calculates dollar benefits based on specific site conditions. The development of the software was funded in part by the Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

American Nursery & Landscape Association (ANLA), Robert Dolibois, Executive Vice President,
<http://www.anla.org/staff/index.htm>, Washington, DC, 202–789–2900

The ANLA, organized in 1876, is the national trade association of the nursery and landscape industry. ANLA provides education, research, public relations, and representation services to members. This support enables them to operate more effectively and to provide the public with quality plants, landscape design and installations, and related products and services.

American Planning Association, Peter Hawley, phawley@planning.org
<http://www.planning.org/>, Washington, DC, 202–872–0611

The American Planning Association is a nonprofit public interest and research organization representing 39,000 practicing planners, officials, and citizens involved with urban and rural planning issues. APA's objective is to encourage planning that will meet the needs of people and society more effectively.

Zoning Practice is a periodic newsletter that can help local communities with planning issues by providing guidance in writing and administering smart development codes. *Zoning Practice* also provides access to ordinances, reports, and other information featured in APA articles. Obtain a subscription at <http://www.planning.org/zoningpractice/index.htm>.

American Public Works Association, Lisa Pogue,
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<http://www.apwa.net/>, Washington, DC, 202-408-9541

The American Public Works Association is an international educational and professional association of public agencies, private sector companies, and individuals dedicated to providing high-quality public works goods and services.

American Society of Landscape Architects, Nancy Somerville, nsomerville@asla.org
<http://www.asla.org/>, Washington, DC, 888-999-ASLA

ASLA promotes the landscape architecture profession to more than 16,000 members and advances the practice through advocacy, education, communication, and fellowship.

Center for Public Environment Oversight (CPEO), Lenny Siegel, Director, lsiegel@cpeo.org
<http://www.cpeo.org/>, Mountain View, CA, 650-961-8918

In cooperation with the Urban Habitat Program and the United Church of Christ Commission on Racial Justice, the CPEO has sponsored the formation of the National Brownfields Environmental Justice/Community Caucus to develop common solutions to common problems and establish a dialogue not only with government policymakers but also with private-sector Brownfields interests. CPEO will support the caucus with a range of activities, including the already functioning Brownfields Internet Forum, Citizen's Report on Brownfields newsletter.

Center for Watershed Protection, Hye Yeong Kwon,
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<http://www.cwpp.org/>, Ellicott City, MD, 410-461-8323

The Center for Watershed Protection provides local governments, activists, and watershed organizations around the country with the technical tools for protecting some of the Nation's most precious natural resources: our streams, lakes and rivers. The center has developed and disseminated a multidisciplinary strategy to watershed protection that encompasses watershed planning, watershed restoration, stormwater management, watershed research, better site design, education and outreach, and watershed training.

Center of Excellence for Sustainable Development, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, sustainable.development@hq.doe.gov
<http://www.smartcommunities.ncat.org>, Golden, CO, 800-357-7732

The center helps communities design and implement innovative strategies that enhance the local economy as well as the local environment and quality of life. Its Web site contains a "tool kit" of sustainable information including manuals, workbooks, bibliographies, data bases, case studies, and model codes and ordinances.

Congress for New Urbanism (CNU), John O. Norquist,
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<http://www.cnu.org>, Chicago, IL, 312-551-7300

CNU is a Chicago-based nonprofit organization that was founded in 1993. The Congress works with architects, developers, planners, and others involved in the creation of cities and towns, teaching them how to implement the principles of the New Urbanism. These principles include coherent regional planning, walkable neighborhoods, and attractive, accommodating civic spaces. CNU has more than 2,000 members throughout the United States and around the world and sponsors annual conferences, known as Congresses, for the sharing and discussion of best practices in New Urbanism.

Firewise Communities, custserv@nfpa.org
<http://www.firewise.org/index.php>, Quincy, MA, 617-770-3000

The Firewise Communities program (a program of the National Fire Protection Association), envisions wildfires occurring without disastrous loss of life, property, and resources. The program provides wildfire/urban interface resources to help protect people, property, and natural resources from wildland fire. The program is part of the National Wildland-Urban Interface Fire Program, which is directed and sponsored by the Wildland-Urban Interface Working Team of the National Wildfire Coordinating Group, a consortium of wildland fire organizations and Federal agencies responsible for wildland fire management in the United States.

GreenPower Conferences, info@greenpowerconferences.com
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Accelerating the transition to a sustainable, low-carbon society requires good communication and collaboration among governments, banks, investors, power producers, and consultants. GreenPower provides targeted business-to-business events that facilitate networking, sales, and innovation. Their events feature the most-up-to-date industry thinking and high-quality information from prominent speakers in their fields.

Green Roofs for Healthy Cities, Steven Peck, Founder and President, speck@greenroofs.org
<http://www.greenroofs.org/>, Toronto, Ontario,
416-971-4494

Green Roofs for Healthy Cities' mission is to increase the awareness of the economic, social, and environmental benefits of green roof infrastructure across North America and rapidly advance the development of the market for green roof products and services. Although the current market does not value many of the tangible public and private benefits of green roofs to their full potential, Green Roofs for Healthy Communities is striving to facilitate changes that will bring green roof technologies to the forefront of high-performance green building design, implementation, and maintenance.

Institute of Ecosystem Studies, Gene E. Likens, Director,
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<http://www.ecostudies.org/>, Millbrook, NY, 845-677-5343

The Institute of Ecosystem Studies combines research and education in fulfillment of its scientific mission. Central to the institute's mission is the creation, dissemination, and application of knowledge about ecological systems. A society with a basic understanding of ecological systems and an appreciation of their role in the quality of human life is essential if natural areas are to be sustained.

International City/County Management Association (ICMA), Alison Miller, amiller@icma.org
<http://www.icma.org/>, Washington, DC, 202-289-4262

The mission of the ICMA is to create excellence in local governance by developing and fostering professional local government management worldwide. ICMA provides technical and management assistance, training, and information resources to its members and the local government community.

International Society of Arboriculture, Jim Skiera,
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<http://www.isa-arbor.com/>, Champagne, IL, 888-ISA-TREE

ISA, aligned on many fronts with other green organizations, is working hard to foster a better understanding of trees and tree care through research and the education of professionals as well as global efforts to inform tree care consumers.

International Union of Forest Research Organizations, Dr. Michael Kleine, kleine@iufro.org
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The International Union of Forest Research Organizations is a nonprofit, nongovernmental international network of forest scientists. Its mission is to promote the coordination of and international cooperation in scientific studies embracing the whole field of research related to forests and trees for the well-being of forests and the people who depend on them.

Jim Self Center on the Future, Dr. H. Gregory Hawkins,
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The Jim Self Center on the Future provides public policy research and targeted programs to address and serve current and emerging needs in South Carolina, the Southeast, and the Nation.

Local Government Commission, Judy Corbett,
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<http://www.lgc.org/index.html>, Sacramento, CA, 916-448-1198

The Local Government Commission is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, membership organization that provides inspiration, technical assistance, and networking to local elected officials and other dedicated community leaders who are working to create healthy, walkable, and resource-efficient communities.

Local Government Environmental Assistance Network, managed and operated by ICMA, lgean@icma.org
<http://www.lgean.org/index.cfm>, Washington, DC,
877-865-4326

The Local Government Environmental Assistance Network is a “first-stop shop” providing environmental management, planning, funding, and regulatory information for local government elected and appointed officials, managers, and staff.

Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), info@lisc.org
<http://www.lisc.org/>, New York, NY, 212-455-9800

LISC helps resident-led, community-based development organizations transform distressed communities and neighborhoods into healthy ones—good places to live, do business, work, and raise families. By providing capital, technical expertise, training and information, LISC supports the development of local leadership and the creation of affordable housing, commercial, industrial, and community facilities, businesses and jobs. LISC helps neighbors build communities.

National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD), Krysta Harden, Chief Executive Officer,
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<http://www.nacdnet.org/>, Washington, DC, 202-547-NACD

The National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) unites districts into one voice and helps them accomplish collectively what they could not accomplish alone. On behalf of districts, NACD develops national conservation policies, influences lawmakers, and builds partnerships with other agencies and organizations. NACD also provides services to its districts to help them share ideas to better serve their local communities. The motto of NACD—“Conservation—Development—Self-Government” conveys the belief that conservation begins with the actions of individuals. Whether joining NACD as a member, implementing conservation practices in communities or becoming a volunteer, participation and commitment to the conservation cause will ensure the future health of the Nation’s natural resources.

National Association of Local Government Environmental Professionals, Paul Conner, Executive Director,
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<http://www.nalgep.org>, Washington, DC, 202-638-6254

The National Association of Local Government Environmental Professionals is a not-for-profit organization that represents local government personnel responsible for ensuring environmental compliance and developing and implementing environmental policies and programs. Its membership includes more than 140 local government entities located throughout the United States, ranging in size from the largest cities to much smaller local communities. It also recognizes that local government environmental professionals are often confronted with tight budgets, complicated requirements, and problems that are perhaps first-time problems for a particular local entity that may have been encountered and dealt with by other localities.

National Association of State Foresters (NASF),
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<http://www.stateforesters.org/>, Washington, DC, 202-624-5415

Through public-private partnerships, NASF seeks to discuss, develop, sponsor, and promote programs and activities that will advance the practice of sustainable forestry, the conservation and protection of forest lands and associated resources, and the establishment and protection of forests in the urban environment.

National Brownfield Association, Robert Colangelo, Chief Executive Officer, robertc@brownfieldassociation.org
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The National Brownfield Association is a nonprofit, educational organization dedicated to stimulating the responsible redevelopment of brownfields. It is the premier association for government, businesses, and individuals involved in the redevelopment of brownfields. The association is the only group that represents the wide array of brownfield stakeholders—property owners, developers, investors, service professionals, and government representatives. Programs are designed to meet the needs of professionals, whether they are individual or corporate members.

National Center of Excellence on SMART Innovations for Urban Climates and Energy, Jay S. Golden,

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Rapid urbanization is quickly transitioning areas of native vegetation to regions of man-made materials, altering urban climate and requiring increased consumption of energy. It is at this nexus that the National Center of Excellence on SMART Innovations serves to develop use-inspired fundamental and applied research solutions for an urbanizing planet.

National Science Foundation, Dr. Arden L. Bement, Jr.,
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<http://www.nsf.gov/>, Arlington, VA, 703–292–8000

The National Science Foundation (NSF) is an independent Federal agency created by Congress in 1950 “to promote the progress of science; to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare; to secure the national defense...”. With an annual budget of about \$5.5 billion, the Foundation is the funding source for approximately 20 percent of all federally supported basic research conducted by America’s colleges and universities. In many fields such as mathematics, computer science and the social sciences, NSF is the major source of Federal backing.

National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council, Nancy Stremple,

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The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council was established to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on the national U&CF Program. The purpose of the council is to develop a comprehensive national U&CF action plan, evaluate the implementation of that plan, and to develop criteria for and submit recommendations for funding the U&CF challenge cost-share program.

Natural Resources Conservation Service, Arlen Lancaster,
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<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov>, Washington, DC, 202–720–7246

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) provides products and services that enable people to be good stewards of the Nation’s soil, water, and related natural resources on non-Federal lands. With the help of NRCS, people are better able to conserve, maintain, or improve their natural resources. As a result of technical and financial assistance, land managers and communities take a comprehensive approach to the use and protection of natural resources in rural, suburban, urban, and developing areas. The Agency promotes the following strategies: a **cooperative conservation** to seek and promote cooperative efforts to achieve conservation goals; a **watershed approach** to provide information and assistance to encourage and enable locally led, watershed-scale conservation; and a **market-based approach** to facilitate the growth of market-based opportunities that encourage the private sector to invest in conservation on private lands.

Partnership Network, Julia Steets,

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The Partnership Network’s goal is to facilitate (1) the exchange among researchers from different disciplines, (2) the communication of research results to partnership practitioners and policymakers, and (3) the input of partnership practitioners and policymakers into emerging research agendas. The network also recognizes that corporations, governments, international organizations, and civil society are increasingly working in partnerships to address development challenges such as poverty, corruption, and environmental degradation. As partnerships become more common in practice, researchers are focusing their attention on this approach to development.

Pew Center on Global Climate Change, Hon. Eileen
Claussen, President

<http://www.pewclimate.org>, Arlington, VA, 703–516–4146

The Pew Center on Global Climate Change brings together business leaders, policymakers, scientists, and other experts to bring a new approach to a complex and often controversial issue. Our approach is based on sound science, straight talk, and a belief that we can work together to protect the climate while sustaining economic growth.

Preserve America, Paacommunities@achp.gov or Paawards@achp.gov
<http://www.preserveamerica.gov/index.html>, Washington, DC,
202-606-8503

Preserve America is a White House initiative that encourages and supports community efforts to preserve and enjoy the Nation's priceless cultural and natural heritage. The goals of the initiative include a greater shared knowledge about the Nation's past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country's cultural and natural heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of our communities. The program will not fund bricks-and-mortar projects but rather will complement the Save America's Treasures grant program by helping local communities develop sustainable resource management strategies and sound business practices for the continued preservation and use of heritage assets. The President's 2007 budget requests \$10 million for these grants.

Project Learning Tree, Kathy McGlauffin,
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<http://plt.org/cms/urbanforestry/>, Washington, DC,
202-463-2462

The American Forest Foundation recently completed a project that resulted in a new Web resource on urban forestry that lists, organizes, and provides a bibliography of materials relevant to teachers in urban and community areas. Training was provided to 50 State Coordinators who are in the process of training 2,500 volunteer facilitators who will educate teachers about how to use the new Web site.

Smart Communities Network, Jeff Birkby, jeffb@ncat.org
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Butte, MT, 406-494-4572

Managed by the National Center for Appropriate Technology (NACT) for the U.S. Department of Energy, the Smart Communities Network Web site is NCAT's longest running, Internet-based information program. The Web site contains hundreds of community success stories, model codes, breaking news on community sustainability, a national conference calendar, and a compendium of links to sustainable community information.

Smart Growth Network, info@smartgrowth.org
<http://www.smartgrowth.org/>, Washington, DC, 202-962-3623

In 1996, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) joined with several nonprofit and government organizations to form the Smart Growth Network—a forum. The network was formed in response to increasing community concerns about the need for new ways to grow that boost the economy, protect the environment, and enhance community vitality.

Society of American Foresters, U&CF Working Group
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The Society of American Foresters U&CF Working Group provides technical information, support, and recommendations concerning urban forest ecosystem management. The group's intent is to increase awareness and understanding of U&CF. It promotes all aspects of urban forestry and shares information with local units of government regarding current issues, programs, policy, and regulatory laws concerning urban forest ecosystem management.

Society of Municipal Arborists, Jerri LaHaie,
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<http://www.urban-forestry.com/>, Watkinsville, GA,
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A professional affiliate of the International Society of Arboriculture, the SMA strives to create networking and educational opportunities for its municipal membership that promote the sound, professional management of a vital and invaluable resource. They also sponsor the Municipal Forester Institute and the Urban Forestry Program Accreditation.

Southern Region Extension Forestry, Bill Hubbard,
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The goal of the Southern Regional Extension Forestry Office is to identify, prescribe, and implement a mix of education and technical services that increase the efficiency of forestry and urban forestry programs in the 13 Southern States.

Sustainable Community Network, Susan Boyd,
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<http://www.sustainable.org/>, Washington, DC

Sustainable Communities Network Web site connects citizens with the resources they need to implement innovative processes and programs to restore the economic, environmental, and social health and vitality of their communities. It addresses a wide range of issues related to community sustainability, including creating communities, living sustainably, and governing communities. In addition it gives case studies, resources, links to relevant Web sites, events calendar, and suggested reading.

Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition, Jennifer Judd Hinrichs,
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The Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition (SUFC) is a national coalition to advance a unified urban forest agenda for our Nation's communities. The Coalition views urban forests as the aggregate of all vegetation and green spaces within communities that provide benefits vital to enriching the quality of life.

The Arbor Day Foundation, John Rosenow,
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Through mass-media communications, by providing low-cost trees for planting, and by producing high-quality, easy-to-use educational materials, National Arbor Day Foundation works to make tree planting and care something in which nearly everyone can be involved.

The Grant Institute, Kristine Chermakyan,
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<http://www.thegrantinstitute.com>, Los Angeles, CA,
888-824-4424

The Grant Institute offers expert workshops for nonprofit professionals, academic researchers, program planners, and public sector administration employees. The institute is the leader of grant writing education with respect to professional preparation and multidisciplinary focus.

The Grantsmanship Center, info@tgci.com
<http://www.tgci.com/>, Los Angeles, CA, 213-482-9860

The Grantsmanship Center offers grantsmanship training and low-cost publications to nonprofit organizations and government agencies. It conducts some 200 workshops annually in grantsmanship, enterprise development, and fundraising. Center alumni receive continuing support and benefit from technical assistance and other forms of support delivered through the Internet. The Center's Winning Grant Proposals Online collects the best of funded Federal grant proposals annually and makes them available on CD-ROM. The proposal-writing guide, Program Planning and Proposal Writing (PP&PW), is the most widely read publication in nonprofit history, with more than a million copies in print.

The Trust for Public Land, info@tpl.org,
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The Trust is a national, nonprofit, land conservation organization that conserves land for people to enjoy as parks, community gardens, historic sites, rural lands, and other natural places, ensuring livable communities for generations to come.

The U.S. Conference of Mayors, Judy Sheahan,
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The U.S. Conference of Mayors is the official nonpartisan organization of cities with populations of 30,000 or more. Today, mayors of 1,139 cities in the United States are represented in the conference. The primary roles of the Conference of Mayors are to promote the development of effective national urban/suburban policy, strengthen Federal-city relationships, ensure that Federal policy meets urban needs, provide mayors with leadership and management tools, and create a forum in which mayors can share ideas and information.

Toolbox for the Great Outdoors
<http://www.tools4outdoors.us/index.jsp>

The purpose of the Toolbox for the Great Outdoors is to help harness the power of new recreation tools to connect 21st-century Americans to public lands and to enhance the way great experiences for visitors are delivered. The initial version of the

Toolbox combined work done in several Partners Outdoors sessions and by partnerships forged at those sessions with a concerted effort to assemble information about programs available to supplement traditional appropriations to provide high-quality recreation experiences on public lands.

Tree Care Industry Association, Cynthia Mills, President and CEO, Mills@TreeCareIndustry.org
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Established in 1938 as the National Arborist Association, today's TCIA is a trade association of more than 2,000 commercial tree care firms and affiliated companies. TCIA develops safety and education programs, standards of tree care practice, and management information for arboriculture firms around the world. Through TCIA's Accreditation program, consumers can be assured of hiring a professional, ethical tree care company that has been inspected by TCIA for proper business practices, professional employees, quality service, and customer satisfaction.

TreeLink, Pepper Provenzano, Director, pepper@treelink.org
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TreeLink provides knowledge and communication that inspires people to cultivate sustainable urban forests worldwide.

TreeLink achieves this goal by providing the best Web site technology to grow the movement and discipline of U&CF to the widest audience. It provides access to traditional resources and outreach to more than 70 countries. Internet technology allows TreeLink to share its archived knowledge with every small town and large city in this country.

Treesearch, treesearch@fs.fed.us
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Treesearch is an online system for locating and delivering publications by Research and Development scientists in the Forest Service. Publications in the collection include research monographs published by the agency as well as papers written by our scientists but published by other organizations in their journals, conference proceedings, or books. Research results behind these publications have been peer reviewed to ensure the best quality science. Treesearch resolved to make available all

new books, chapters, and articles beginning January 2004 and to add older publications as rapidly as possible. At the start of 2004, the collection contained more than 7,000 publications, making it the largest freely available collection of online forestry research in the world.

United States Climate Action Partnership (USCAP),
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202-354-6442

The USCAP is a group of businesses and leading environmental organizations that have come together to call on the Federal Government to quickly enact strong national legislation to require significant reductions of greenhouse gas emissions. USCAP has issued a landmark set of principles and recommendations to underscore the urgent need for a policy framework on climate change.

Urban Forest Ecosystems Institute, Dr. Richard Thompson,
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<http://www.ufe.org/>, San Luis Obispo, CA, 805-756-5171

The Urban Forest Ecosystems Institute is based in the College of Agriculture at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, California. The institute was developed to address the increasing need for improved management of the urban forests in California through applied research, extension and technology transfer, and community service and outreach programs, all designed to assist landowners and public agencies in improving the management of urban forests. The institute is designed to work in cooperation with other universities, government agencies, and private consulting firms.

Urban Land Institute, customerservice@uli.org
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Washington, DC, 202-624-7000

Founded in 1936, the institute now has more than 30,000 members worldwide representing the entire spectrum of land use and real estate development disciplines, working in private enterprise and public service. As the preeminent, multidisciplinary real estate forum, Urban Land Institute facilitates the open exchange of ideas, information and experience among local, national and international industry leaders and policymakers

dedicated to creating better places. The mission of the Urban Land Institute is to provide responsible leadership in the use of land to enhance the total environment. The institute is a trusted idea place where leaders come to grow professionally and personally through sharing, mentoring, and problem solving. Members commit to the best in land use policy and practice.

U.S. Composting Council, Dr. Stuart Buckner,
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The USCC is dedicated to the development, expansion, and promotion of the composting industry based on science, principles of sustainability, and economic viability. The council also directs the Composting Council Research and Education Foundation a 501.c.3 charitable foundation, which administers public and private research and education grant activities. The USCC is the only national organics recycling organization committed to the advancement of the composting industry.

U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science
<http://www.science.doe.gov>, Washington, DC, 800-DIAL-DOE

The Office of Science manages fundamental research programs in basic energy sciences, biological and environmental sciences, and computational science. In addition, the Office of Science is the Federal Government's largest single funder of materials and chemical sciences; it supports unique and vital parts of U.S. research in climate change, geophysics, genomics, life sciences, and science education.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

- **Community-Based Environmental Protection**, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation—Gerald Filbin,
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<http://www.epa.gov/ecocommunity/>, Washington, DC,
202-566-2182

Community-Based Environmental Protection (CBEP) integrates environmental management with human needs, considers long-term ecosystem health and highlights the positive correlations between economic prosperity and environmental well-being.

- **Green Communities Program**, r3green@epamail.epa.gov
www.epa.gov/greenkit, Philadelphia, PA, 215-814-2739

This EPA Region III program is designed to help communities access the tools and knowledge that will help them become more sustainable, green communities. Its online Green Communities Assistance Kit is a step-by-step guide for planning and implementing sustainable actions.

- **Heat Island Reduction Initiative**, Eva Wong,
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<http://www.epa.gov/heatisland/>, Washington, DC,
202-343-9343

EPA's Heat Island Reduction Initiative supports research to better understand the impacts that heat island reduction strategies have on urban meteorology, air quality, energy demand, and human health. The program translates this research into outreach materials, tools, and guidance that provide communities with knowledge to develop programs, policies, codes, and ordinances to implement heat island reduction strategies.

- **Smart Growth**, smartgrowth@epa.gov
<http://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/>, Washington, DC,
202-566-2878

EPA helps States and communities realize the economic, community, and environmental benefits of smart growth by (1) providing information, model programs, and analytical tools to inform communities about growth and development; (2) working to remove Federal barriers that may hinder smarter community growth; and (3) creating new resources and incentives for States and communities pursuing smart growth.

- **Source Water Protection**
<http://cfpub.epa.gov/safewater/sourcewater/>,
Washington, DC, 202-564-3750

The drinking water from local drinking water utilities or individual wells comes from ground water, streams, rivers, springs or lakes in a watershed. Although most water requires some treatment before use, protecting this source water is an important part of providing safe drinking water

to the public. Protecting drinking water sources usually requires the combined efforts of many partners such as public water systems, communities, resource managers, and the public.

U.S. Green Building Council, S. Richard Fedrizzi, President and CEO, info@usgbc.org for general USGBC inquiries, leedinfo@usgbc.org for LEED inquiries <http://www.usgbc.org/>, Washington, DC, 202-828-7422

The U.S. Green Building Council's core purpose is to transform the way buildings and communities are designed, built and operated, enabling an environmentally and socially responsible, healthy, and prosperous environment that improves the quality of life. The Council's LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Building Rating System® is a voluntary, consensus-based national standard for developing

high-performance, sustainable buildings. USGBC's members, representing every sector of the building industry, developed and continue to refine LEED.

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