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the budget request to allocate \$2,100,000 for the Northeastern States Research Cooperative program, including \$900,000 each for the programs in the States of New Hampshire and Vermont and \$300,000 for the program in the State of Maine.

Forest Inventory and Analysis [FIA]- The Committee recommends a \$5,000,000 general program increase above the request for the Forest Inventory and Analysis program. The Committee understands that this increase will enable the Service to add Hawaii, New Mexico, and Nevada to the national inventory and to establish intensive monitoring sites for the Service's experimental forests and other high-priority research sites across the Nation. The Committee notes that the expansion of the Service's FIA program will provide essential land use and ecosystem data required by the Service and other Federal and non-Federal partners to inform climate change decisions. Within 90 days of enactment, the Service is directed to provide a report detailing proposed FIA program accomplishments, including sites that have been selected for additional monitoring and the criteria used to select those sites.

Other- The Committee has not agreed to rescind \$1,000,000 of prior-year balances, as proposed in the budget request.

STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY

Appropriations, 2009	\$265,861,000
Budget estimate, 2010	306,111,000
House allowance	307,486,000
Committee recommendation	276,946,000

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

State and private forestry programs provide technical and financial assistance to landowners and resource managers to help sustain the Nation's urban and rural forests and protect communities and the environment from wildland fires. Through a coordinated effort in management, protection, conservation education, and resource use, State and private forestry programs facilitate sound stewardship across lands of all ownerships on a landscape scale, while maintaining the flexibility for individual forest landowners to pursue their own objectives.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Committee's request includes \$276,946,000 for State and private forestry programs, a decrease of \$29,165,000 below the request and an increase of \$11,085,000 above the fiscal year 2009 enacted level. Except where noted, increases above the budget request should be used to fund fixed costs.

	Budget estimate	Committee recommendation	Change
Forest health management	\$101,105,000	\$102,855,000	+\$1,750,000
Cooperative fire protection	42,147,000	42,147,000	
Cooperative forestry	153,791,000	122,876,000	-30,915,000
International forestry	9,068,000	9,068,000	
Total, State and private forestry	306,111,000	276,946,000	-29,165,000