
Forest Health Monitoring Program
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Recent Happenings

Evaluation Monitoring (EM) – The Forest Health Monitoring (FHM) program is accepting proposals for EM projects for Fiscal Year 2010. EM is a component of FHM designed to determine the extent, severity, and causes of undesirable changes in forest health. Project proposals for new and continuing projects should be submitted by **September 30, 2009** to the FHM Regional Managers: Jim Steinman for Northeast FHM Region (jsteinman@fs.fed.us), Manfred Mielke for Northcentral FHM Region (mmielke@fs.fed.us), Dale Starkey for Southern FHM Region (dstarkey@fs.fed.us), Jeri Lyn Harris for Interior West FHM Region (jharris@fs.fed.us), or Alison Nelson for West Coast FHM Region (asnelson@fs.fed.us). Find complete details regarding the EM component of FHM and proposal instructions at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/foresthealth/fhm/em/index.shtml>. Contact: Borys Tkacz, National Program Manager for more details regarding EM, (703) 605-5343, btkacz@fs.fed.us.

The Western Aspen Alliance has developed an electronic, searchable, database of over 3,000 aspen references. The Aspen Bibliography is now available online here: <http://www.western-aspen-alliance.org/>. Entries in the database address all aspects of aspen ecosystem health, management, and basic science. Use this database to conduct research, or locate aspen management documents, from your office computer. While phase I of the Aspen Bibliography will compile basic citation information in a searchable format (i.e., Digital Commons), phase II will make many of these documents available in electronic formats for download (depending on copyright status). The Aspen Bibliography is an aspen user community endeavor; meaning that users are encouraged to submit published and non-published works via to the site administrator (see the Contact Us option) in either electronic or hardcopy formats. For more information contact Paul Rogers (p.rogers@usu.edu), Director, Western Aspen Alliance, Utah State University.

Publications of Interest

USDA Forest Service. 2009. America's Forests: Health Update 2009. U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, Forest Health Protection, Washington, DC, AIB-804, 18p. Available online: <http://www.fs.fed.us/foresthealth/fhm/> or <http://www.fs.fed.us/foresthealth/publications.shtml>.

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Yemshanov, D.; McKenney, D.W.; Pedler, J.H.; Koch, F.H.; Cook, D. 2009. Towards an integrated approach to modeling the risks and impacts of invasive forest species. *Environmental Reviews*. 17: 163-178.

Job Announcements

The USDA Forest Service State and Private Northeastern Area is currently advertising a permanent , full-time Plant Pathologist (GS-0434-11/12) located in Durham, NH. Some duties of the position are participating in budget planning and management; data collection, interpretation and analysis including writing reports and answering questions; providing scientific and/or technical advice and guidance to federal, state, and/or local government agencies, universities, forest health-related organizations, or private and public foundations regarding plant pathology programs; and representing the agency on large inter-agency projects, meetings, and activities and in the public arena. For complete information about the position, visit the website: www.usajobs.gov. The vacancy number is ADS09-NA-FHE-0094DP (open to US citizens). The announcement closes on **September 4, 2009**. The USDA is an equal opportunity employer.

FHM Homepage: : www.fs.fed.us/foresthealth/fhm/
or access via the USDA Forest Service homepage at www.fs.fed.us