

## Forestry Research Advisory Council Meeting (FRAC)

June 19-20, 2014

U.S. Forest Service International Programs

1 Thomas Circle, Suite 400

Washington, DC 20005

### June 19

- 8:30-8:35 Safety and hospitality  
**Sharon Parker**, *Science Quality Services, U.S. Forest Service R&D*
- 8:35-8:45 Welcome and introductions  
**Daina Dravnieks Apple**, *Designated Federal Official for FRAC, and Acting Director Science Quality Services Staff, U.S. Forest Service*
- 8:45-9:00 Review agenda and meeting logic; hold election for chair-elect  
**Cassandra Moseley**, *FRAC Chair*
- 9:00-9:20 Connected Risks: Climate Change, and the Importance of Systems-Level Sciences  
**Dave Cleaves**, *Climate Change Advisor to the Chief, U.S. Forest Service*
- 9:20-10:00 Discussion with **Dr. Cleaves**
- 10:00-10:30 Break
- 10:30-10:50 Perspectives from the NRE Mission Area  
**Butch Blazer**, *Deputy Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA*
- 10:50-11:30 FRAC discussion with **Mr. Blazer**
- 11:30-12:30 **LUNCH** (on your own)
- 12:30-12:50 Update on USDA Forest Service R&D budget outlook and priorities  
**Jim L. Reaves**, *Deputy Chief, U.S. Forest Service R&D*
- 12:50--1:30 FRAC discussion of R&D budget and priorities with **Dr. Reaves**
- 1:30-1:40 MINI BREAK
- 1:40-2:00 Agroforestry: Focus Areas, Key Challenges, and Research Priorities  
**Michele Shoeneberger**, *R&D Program Lead and Acting Director, USDA National Agroforestry Center.*
- 2:00-2:40 Discussion with **Dr. Shoeneberger**

- 2:40-3:00 BREAK
- 3:00-3:20 New Directions in NIFA and McIntire-Stennis Program Updates  
**Dr. Luis Tupas**, Deputy Director for Bioenergy, Climate and Environment,  
National Institute of Food and Agriculture
- 3:20-4:00 Discussion with **Dr. Tupas**
- 4:00-4:45 Preview plan for tomorrow and begin developing priority topics for report to Secretary
- 4:45 **ADJOURN FOR THE DAY**

## **June 20**

- 8:30 – 8:35 Review the plan and logic for the day –  
**Cassandra Moseley**, *FRAC Chair*
- 8:35-10:10 Review list of possible letter topics from last meeting and agree on priority topics and outline positions for report to Secretary. Begin developing sections of report.
- 10:10-10:30 **Break**
- 10:30-10:50 Priorities and Vision for U.S. Forest Service and the Role of Forestry Research  
**Tom Tidwell**, *Chief of the U.S. Forest Services*
- 10:50-11:30 FRAC discussion with **Chief Tidwell**
- 11:30-12:30 **LUNCH** (on your own)
- 12:30-3:30 Write letter to the Secretary
- 3:30-4:00 Discussion of next steps
- 4:00 **ADJOURN**
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