

### **Opening Remarks**

**Steve McNulty, Team Leader and Ecologist, Eastern Threat Center**

### **Washington Office Updates (Research and Development)**

**Greg Kujawa, Senior Staff Assistant, Climate Change Advisor's Office**

- Baseline assessments of carbon stocks for carbon pools will be available for forests and grasslands soon. These numbers will help with Scorecard Element 9. Harvested wood information will also be available for the Regions.

**Randy Johnson, National Program Leader, Genetics and Global Change Research**

- The Forest Service is taking a major lead in developing proposals with Agricultural Research Service and Natural Resources Conservation Service for USDA climate change hubs. For more information or to get involved in the proposal process, contact Randy at [randyjohnson@fs.fed.us](mailto:randyjohnson@fs.fed.us).

**Amy Daniels, National Program Leader, Landscape Science**

- The Interagency Land Management Adaptation Group (ILMAG) is addressing concerns about downscaled data for climate projections, resulting in two products: a coordination reference sheet and a briefing on legal tests and science standards. Staff from the Southern Region and the Southern Research Station (especially researchers developing decision support tools) are encouraged to contact Amy ([adaniels02@fs.fed.us](mailto:adaniels02@fs.fed.us)) to discuss.

### **Southeast Climate Science Center (SECSC)**

**Gerard McMahon, Director**

- Gerard was unable to attend.

### **South Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative (SALCC) Update**

**Lori Barrow, Information Transfer Specialist/USDA Forest Service Liaison**

- The national LCC website is now live at <http://lccnetwork.org/>.

- The Gulf Coastal Plains and Ozarks LCC has issued a request for proposals (due Aug 30th). See the [GCPO LCC website](#) for more info.

- The TACCIMO ([Template for Assessing Climate Change Impacts and Management Options](#)) development team will facilitate a breakout session during an Ecological Sustainability Forum at the Francis Marion National Forest for integrating climate change into the planning process.

- The TACCIMO team is working with the United South and Eastern Tribes to incorporate traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) into the TACCIMO tool.

- [Conservation Blueprint design workshops](#) will be held in Raleigh, NC (10/22-23) and Savannah, GA (11/19-20).

### **Station Updates**

**Kier Klepzig, Assistant Director, Southern Research Station (SRS)**

- The SRS is developing proposals for climate change hubs which will bring technology transfer opportunities across USDA.

- A SRS display highlighting climate change issues and forest science will be installed at the Cradle of Forestry (Brevard, NC) later this year.

**Chris Swanston, Director, Northern Institute of Applied Climate Science (NIACS), Northern Research Station (NRS)**

- NRS, the Eastern Region, and the Northeastern Area are developing proposals to lead the midwestern and northeastern climate change hubs and collaborate closely with Agricultural Research Service and Natural Resources Conservation Service.

- The [Forest Adaptation Planning and Practices](#) (FAPP) workshop will be held August 20-21. About 15 adaptation demonstration projects are ongoing; ten more should emerge from the FAPP training.

- Kailey Marcinkowski has joined NIACS and the [Climate Change Resource Center](#) team to develop educational materials and help Forest Service units with Scorecard Element 1.

### **National Forest System Updates**

**Leslie Brandt, Climate Change Specialist, Northern Institute of Applied Climate Science, Eastern Region**

- The Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie recently hosted a climate change education day.

- The Region will begin addressing climate change monitoring (per the Scorecard) this year, to be discussed during a meeting at the Ecological Society of America conference.

- CoCoRaHS ([Community Collaborative Rain, Hail & Snow Network](#)) will be the discussion topic during the next climate change coordinators' conference call.

**David Meriwether, Ecosystems Management Coordinator, Southern Region**

- Leslie Brandt is helping to align Planning Rule and monitoring efforts for the Southern and Eastern Regions.

**Presentation**

- "The Adaptive Silviculture for Climate Change Project" – Linda Nagel, Associate Professor of Silviculture, School of Forest Resources and Environment Science, Michigan Tech, Houghton, MI

The next FFACCTs will take place September 6. See <http://www.forestthreats.org/news/upcoming-events> for details.