



NORTH AMERICAN FOREST COMMISSION

TWENTY-NINTH SESSION

Edmonton, Canada, 19 - 21 September 2017

REPORT OF THE RESILIENCY AD HOC WORKING GROUP

PERIOD: 2016 – 2017

1. WORKING GROUP COMPOSITION

Chairpersons	Country	Organization
David N. Bengston	USA	US Forest Service, Northern Research Stn.
Melissa Barros	Canada	Natural Resources Canada
Member Names	Country	Organization
Juan Carlos Leyva Reyes	Mexico	Comisión Nacional Forestal (CONAFOR)
Francisco José Zamudio	Mexico	Universidad Autónoma Chapingo
Daniel R. Williams	USA	US Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station

2. (A) LIST OF ACTIVITIES COMPLETED DURING THE PAST 2 YEARS

Activity	Location	Date	Status (done/ongoing)
Held numerous conference calls to coordinate Working Group activities, including calls with Dr. Kabilan (Conference Board of Canada) and Prof.	Not applicable	Various dates	Done

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Andy Hines (University of Texas) to plan the foresight workshop for the Fall 2017.			
Presented to North American Forest Commission meeting in Mexico, summarizing the work of the Working Group.	Skype	12 January 2016	Done
Working Group members Melissa Barros and Juan Carlos Leyva Reyes attended a 5-day Strategic Foresight course at the University of Houston.	Houston, Texas, USA	April 2016	Done
Finalized and submitted journal article titled "North American Forest Futures 2016-2090: Aspirational Futures for Building a More Resilient Forest Sector" authored by Working Group members, to the journal Futures.	Not applicable	18 July 2016	Done
Finalized Working Group report "Building Resilience: Federal Forest Agencies in 2050" and submitted to the BoA in October 2016 and approved by Commissioners in February 2017.	Not applicable	October 2016	Done
Updated Working Group membership: Added Dr. Daniel Williams, US Forest Service	Not applicable	20 October 2016	Done
Reported on Working Group activities to the NAFC BoA meeting.	Kelowna, BC, Canada	25 October 2016	Done
Provided an update to the BoA on the foresight workshop planned for Fall 2017.	Teleconference	21 June 2017	Done
Develop documentation and briefing materials to support the strategic foresight workshop.	Not applicable	Summer/Fall 2017	Ongoing
Design and deliver a 1-day strategic foresight workshop on building institutional resiliency to take place on the margins of the 29 th NAFC Session in Canada in Fall 2017.	Edmonton, Alberta, Canada	18 September 2017	Ongoing

2. (B) PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR NEXT 2 YEARS

Activity	Location	Date	Status (ongoing/new)
Prepare a summary on lessons learned from the 1-day workshop.	Not applicable		New

3. WORKING GROUP FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS AND/OR NETWORKING

Period: 2016 - 2017

Activity	Amount US\$ (cash)	Amount US\$ (in-kind)
Contract to support the design and facilitation of the foresight workshop and review lessons learned document.	\$10,000	\$10,000
Time all WG members have invested in activities listed in item 2 above		\$8,000 (approximate)

4. REQUEST FOR FUNDING AND/OR OTHER SUPPORT

If a renewed mandate for the WG is identified, travel funds are requested for members to meet face-to-face in Fall 2017.

5. CLOSING REMARKS

While the current mandate of the WG is complete (report and workshop), there are opportunities for continued foresight work in the area of resilience