



FEDERAL FUNDING PRIORITIES

for FY 2013 (NIFA in USDA)



McIntire-Stennis:

- Provides base capacity funding for long-term research and graduate education.
- \$32.934 million, consistent with the President's budget, would be less than 20% authorized.
- Increase needed now more than ever to include 1890 institutions.

RREA:

- Provides the base funding for new forest extension activities nationwide.
- \$4.06 million, consistent with the President's budget, would be less than 30% authorized.
- Needed to inform landowners, policy makers and the public about energy, climate, new technologies, new products and ecosystem services.

AFRI:

- The nation's major source of competitive grants to enhance agriculture, food systems and natural resources.
- \$325 million is the amount in the President's budget.
- Increase needed now to support the key thrusts of the newly-formed National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA): sustainable agricultural production systems; food safety and security; energy independence; climate change science; and human nutrition and child obesity.

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Research. Education. Extension
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What is
NAUFRP?

An association that represents 67 of our nation’s most prestigious universities that have programs devoted to forest resources.

Vision:

Long-term investment in university-based research, education and extension to enhance the benefits and intrinsic values offered by our nation’s forests.

Mission:

To advance the health, productivity and sustainability of our nation’s forests through research, education and extension.

Member Activites:

[1] Conduct research to provide the most reliable, objective and innovative information on the science of forest biology, management, utilization and policy.

[3] Disseminate information to landowners, the general public, agencies, policy makers and private organizations to promote the sustainable use and conservation of forests.

[2] Educate the professionals, scientists and leaders who are the stewards of our nation’s and global forests.



FOREST BENEFIT PRIORITIES



Integrated Science:

Whole system analysis that spans biology, social sciences and engineering to ensure **triple-bottom-line sustainability:**

Economic, social and environmental sustainability of our nation’s forests.

Energy Independence:

Information and technologies that **put forests at the forefront** of the new bioenergy economy **while sustaining the forests** and existing structures.

Climate Mitigation & Sustainability:

Quantification, management, public understanding and verification strategies for **climate change mitigation and adaptation.**

New Products & Technologies:

Biobased polymers, alternative fiber products, renewable energy and bioremediation to **create jobs and support a sustainable industry.** Nano-, bio-, spatial and engineering technologies to create jobs, reduce costs, increase forest productivity and ensure sustainability.

Resilient Communities:

Promoting healthy populations and people, establishing **nature-place connectivity**, promoting long-term **ecological forest stewardship**, forest-based recreation, **linking forests and communities** and overcoming nature-deficit disorder.

Ecosystem Services:

Understanding, quantifying and valuing **all forest benefits:**

Clean water, clean air, carbon sequestration, biodiversity, erosion control, etc.



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