Research Needs Framework

A framework of urban forest research needs is provided below. This framework is not intended to address every research or assessment need in every community. Its intent is to guide programs of science that respond to high priority needs in communities, and from a national perspective. Many entities support or conduct research on urban socio-ecological systems; the framework can also be used by the USFS, other national agencies, and cooperating scientists (at universities and other institutions) in collaborative efforts to establish research and funding priorities over an extended time frame.

- Understand Ecosystem/ Ecological Services
- **Promote Human and Community Health**
- Planting, Inventory, and Analysis for Forest and Environmental Health

- Prepare for Pests, Threats, Climate and Associated **Changes and Risks**
- Enable Civic Stewardship and Improved Local Governance
- Integrate Knowledge Networks and Data for **Urban Socio-Ecological Systems**

Key to Objectives

Momentum Objective

Research activity is well established and needs sustained support.

Emergent Objective

Research activity either has begun recently and results hold high promise for urban forest planning, programs and management, or has been underway for some time but needs greater effort.

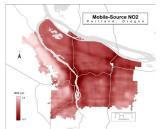


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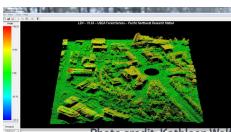




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