



URBAN NATURAL RESOURCES INSTITUTE

FOR THE NORTHEAST

ABOUT THE URBAN NATURAL RESOURCES INSTITUTE

The Urban Natural Resources Institute for the Northeast is an initiative of the USDA Forest Service Northeastern Research Station, which serves as a point of contact for focused research, development, and information exchange on urban natural resource management in the Northeast. The Institute consists of Forest Service scientists who are conducting science-based research on urban natural resource issues throughout the region. The resources of the Institute are located in various units of the Northeastern Research Station, in cooperation with state, university, municipal and commercial cooperators.

A VISION FOR ADVANCEMENT

The Urban Natural Resources institute (UNRI) seeks to develop and implement a comprehensive approach for urban natural resources research, development and technology transfer in the Northeast. The vision includes developing information, models, tools, and decision support systems to enhance community natural resource stewardship and to improve the livability of communities in the Northeast and the nation.

IMPLEMENTING THE VISION

A new approach, that focuses on target audiences, UNRI aims to improve coordination among various Forest Service urban forestry research activities, as well as serve as a facilitator of interaction and cooperation with other partners and collaborators. Increasing the visibility

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Analysis of information on urban forest ecosystems is accomplished by Institute scientists using state-of-the-art technology.

and importance of urban forestry research within the Northeast through effective research, development and technology transfer initiatives will help UNRI to serve as a regional leader and information source for urban forestry research and technology in the region. UNRI works with a variety of cooperators and partners who seek to improve the effectiveness of program delivery through communication, information sharing, and science-based research and study.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ACTIVITIES

UNRI works with a variety of clients and stakeholders to assist them with implementing models, tools, and other technology for urban forest stewardship developed by the Institute. The Institute's scientists serve to promote technology transfer of urban and community forestry scientific information through working relationships and information networks with state, local, and industry partners. The Institute serves as a conduit and liaison between Forest Service researchers and its primary partners and cooperators. Utilizing the Internet and state-of-the-art communication tools, the Institute provides a primary mechanism for research and technology transfer for urban forestry in the Northeast.



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