



Land Use Planning, Organization, and Management (E2) Working Group

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The E2 Working Group was developed to promote the understanding of how organizations anticipate the future, and how they adapt their activities, structure, and function to become effective land management organizations. If you have articles and announcements of interest to include in the newsletter, please submit them to the Working Group Chair via e-mail.

2011 Accomplishments

2011 was a quiet year for the Working Group, not that it needed to be. We co-sponsored a conference, the 8th Southern Forestry and Natural Resource Management GIS Conference, Athens, GA (Dec. 11-13). And, we assisted in the development of new questions for the National Convention Quiz Bowl (Thank you John Pilon, Forest Planner, Michigan DNR). We contemplated developing a technical session for the National Convention, but due to budget uncertainties of the officers, we decided against offering one. Interestingly, the SAF received nearly 100 more presentation abstract submissions than a typical year, so competition was keen for a spot on the convention program. Perhaps the setting (Hawaii) had something to do with that. The co-chair was ultimately able to attend the conference, and he attended the annual meeting of Working Group officers.

2012 National Convention

After discussing opportunities, we have decided to pursue an avenue under the "Forest Management & Operations" topic that involves issues faced by forest managers in other areas of the world. We have recently worked with colleagues in Turkey and China, and think we can develop presentations that illustrate the unique management and planning challenges faced there. If you would like to participate or contribute to this technical session, please respond to the Chair by mid-February.

The deadline for submission of an individual abstract or a technical session is February 29.

Quarterly Newsletter

The content of the Working Group newsletter is a function of what the members of the group wish to contribute. If a member would like to communicate information regarding land use planning, organization, or management issues that would be of value to the Society, please send the information to the Chair of the Group.

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