

Peer Review Plan

Topic of Review:	<u>Resources Planning Act Assessment</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Influential Scientific Information
Agency:	<u>USDA Forest Service</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Highly Influential Scientific Assessment
Agency Contact:	<u>Linda Langner, Forest Service R&D, Washington Office</u>	
Subject of Review:	<u>Summary document for the Update to the 2010 Resources Planning Act (RPA) Assessment</u>	
Purpose of Report:	<u>The Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (RPA) (P.L. 93-378, 88 Stat 475, as amended) mandates a periodic assessment of the condition and trends of the Nation's renewable resources on forests and rangelands. The RPA Assessment provides a snapshot of current United States forest and rangeland conditions and trends on all ownerships, identifies drivers of change, and projects 50 years into the future. We analyze trends in outdoor recreation, fish and wildlife, biological diversity, wilderness, forests, range, water, urban forests, landscape patterns, and the potential effects of climate change on these resources.</u>	
Type of Review:	<input type="checkbox"/> Panel Review <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual Reviewers	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Alternative Process (Briefly Explain): <u></u>	
Timing of Review (Est.):	Start: <u>July 3, 2015</u>	End: <u>August 15, 2015</u> Completed: <u>August 31, 2015</u>
Number of Reviewers:	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 or fewer <input type="checkbox"/> 4 to 10 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> More than 10	
Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review:	<u>The RPA Assessment summary spans a variety of resource topics and will require expertise in forestry, range ecology and management, outdoor recreation, wildlife and fish, land use, biological diversity, water, economics, demographics, and climate. Therefore, we have developed a list of diverse reviewers to address the various facets of the RPA summary from both a scientific and management perspective.</u>	
Reviewers selected by:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agency <input type="checkbox"/> Designated Outside Organization	
	Organization's Name: <u></u>	
Opportunities for Public Comment?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
	If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided: How: <u></u> When: <u></u>	

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Other: _____

