Supplementary Materials for

Exploring the Concept of Lineage Diversity across North American Forests

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Table S1. Species added to the molecular phylogeny in this study, because they were present in the FIA dataset, but absent in the study of Ma *et al.* 2016. The position is represented in relation to the two most closely related species according to the cited reference.

	Species	Position	Reference
1	Crataegus crus-galli	(C. saligna(C. crus-galli , C. mollis))	Potter et al. 2007
2	Crataegus mollis	(C. saligna(C. crus-galli , C. mollis))	Potter et al. 2007
3	Pinus arizonica	(P. arizonica , P. ponderosa))	Gernandt et. al 2009
4	Pinus remota	(P.cembroides, P. remota))	Gernandt et al. 2005
5	Prosopis glandulosa	(P. juliflora(P. glandulosa , P. velutina))	Bessega et al. 2006
6	Prosopis velutina	(P. juliflora(P.glandulosa, P. velutina))	Bessega et al. 2006
7	Quercus buckleyi	(Q. rubra, Q. buckleyii)	Hipp et al. 2018
8	Quercus margarettae	(Q. margarettae ,Q. similis,Q. stellata)	Hipp et al. 2018
9	Quercus minima	(Q. minima , Q. virginiana))	Hipp et al. 2018
10	Quercus pagoda	(Q. falcata, Q. pagoda)	Hipp et al. 2018
11	Quercus prinoides	(Q. prinoides , Q. muehlenbergii)	Hipp et al. 2018
12	Quercus similis	(Q. margarettae, Q. similis ,Q. stellata)	Hipp et al. 2018
13	Salix xsepulcralis	(S. xsepulcralis(Section Longfoliaea))	Lauron-Moreau et al. 2015

Table S2. Descriptions of the major evolutionary groups in the tree flora of the contiguous United States as determined by k-means clustering of over 13,000 tree assemblages based on their shared evolutionary history.

Group	Geography	Climate	Top 5 Indicator species and other notable indicators	Comments
Wet West	Along the west coast and the west flank of the Sierra Nevada, scattered across Rockies	Broad distribution across rainfall regime, occurring at cooler temperatures	 Pseudotsuga menziesii, Thuja plicata, Tsuga heterophylla, Alnus rubra, Acer macrophyllum; Abies spp., Arbutus menziesii 	The only group in west to occur above 1000 mm MAP, but also occurs in dry areas. Includes temperate rainforests of northwest, but also throughout Rockies.
High West	At northern latitudes, scattered through Rockies and east side of Cascade range	Cold and dry conditions	 Pinus contorta, Abies lasiocarpa, Picea engelmannii, Pinus flexilis, Larix occidentalis 	Occurs under coldest conditions of any group. Found at lower elevations as latitude increases. Very few angiosperms.
Dry West	Scattered throughout the Rockies and on the east flank of the Sierra Nevada mountains.	From warm to cool conditions, occurring under drier conditions on average than Wet West group.	 Pinus ponderosa, Juniperus Juniperus Juniperus Occidentalis, Juniperus Juniperus deppeana, Juniperus osteopsperma; Many Quercus and Pinus spp., 	Quercus spp. are the only nongymnosperm species to regularly occur across this group. Predominantly species of open habitat.
Northern Plains	Found across the Great Plains, but more predominant further north, also extending into Midwest	Found under cooler conditions on average than Southern Plains group, and uniformly	 Quercus macrocarpa, Sapindus saponaria, Gymnocladus dioica, Ehretia anacua, Crataegus crus- 	Least 'cohesive' group in terms of silhouette analysis and low indicator values for indicator species. Many of the indicators

	states from Illinois to Ohio.	occurs at low elevations.	galli	favour calcareous soils, but also include floodplain spp.
Southern Plains	Texas and scattered areas of Arizona, New Mexico and more northern states	Occurs under the hottest and driest conditions of any group.	 Prosopis glandulosa, Juniperus ashei, Juniperus pinchotii, Juniperus coahuilensis, Quercus buckleyi; Condalia hookeri, Vachellia farnesiana 	Notable presence of tree species that also occur in tropical arid regions. Many drought tolerant indicator species.
Northeast	Main evolutionary group in the Great Lakes region and the northeast from New York and upwards.	Occurs under coldest conditions of any of the eastern groups. Also drier on average than other eastern groups.	 Betula papyrifera Abies balsamea Betula alleghaniensis Pinus strobus Fraxinus nigra; Thuja occidentalis, Picea spp., Populus spp., Tsuga canadensis 	A diverse mix of gymnosperm and angiosperm lineages.
Appalachian	Southern Appalachian mountains of North Carolina north to include much of Pennsylvania and scattered across the Midwest	Intermediate in rainfall and temperature between the Southeast and Northeast groups	1. Sassafras albidum, 2. Robinia psuedoacacia, 3. Quercus rubra, 4. Fraxinus Americana, 5. Carya ovata; Liriodendron tulipifera, Prunus serotina, Acer saccharinum, Castanea dentata	Restricted to high elevations at more southern latitudes. Across elevations further north and interdigitated with other groups in Midwest.
Southeast	Found across the southeastern states inland of the Coastal Plain, but also extending westwards into Arkansas, Missouri and eastern Texas	This group is intermediate in precipitation and temperature between the Coastal Plain and Appalachian groups	 Ulmus alata, Juniperus virginiana, Pinus echinata, Quercus stellata, Carya alba; Cornus florida, Cercis canadensis, Platanus occidentalis, many Quercus, Carya and 	The most geographically widespread of the eastern groups and representing more grid cells than any other group in the database.

			Celtis spp.	
Coastal Plain	Along the Gulf Coast, including most of Florida and up the Atlantic Coast to New Jersey and Massachussetts	Uniformly at low elevations, occurs under warm and wet conditions	1. Pinus elliottii, 2. Persea borbonia, 3. Quercus laurifolia, 4. Taxodium distichum, 5. Quercus virginiana; Gordonia lasianthus, Sabal palmetto, Nyssa aquatica, Many Quercus spp.	Warmest conditions of eastern groups. Including many species from tropical and early diverging angiosperm lineages. Many of the indicators like swampy conditions.

Figure S1. Elbow plot showing the total sum of within group sum of squares versus the number of groups. Lower values mean more variation explained by groups.

