Special Issue

Urban and Urbanizing Forest Management

Message from the Guest Editors

Background: Exponential human population growth coupled with rapid urbanization is leading to the degradation of forest systems throughout the world. Informed decision-making is needed to prevent the loss of ecosystem services that are critical to the sustainability of human society. **Scope:** Landscape Ecology, Forest Health, Hydrology, Biodiversity, Economics, Policy/Governance, Urban Planning, Education **History:** Forest science has historically worked on quantifying the biophysical processes of forests in various stages of disturbance (natural and anthropogenic). What lacks in our understanding of the science of forests is how to incorporate that understanding into decision-making within the social context of urbanization. **Cutting-Edge Research:** Multiscale models, systems science, interdisciplinary science, adaptive management **Papers Solicited:** We are seeking papers that explore the nexus of forest science in the social context of urbanization. Papers may include a focused presentation of new ideas/datasets as well as meta-analysis of existing paradigms of forest management in an urbanizing matrix.

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