Annual Review of Northern District:
Forestry and Natural Resources Program Highlights

Forest Landowner Education

- **Objective:** To improve the sustainability of private forests, large & small
- **Methods & Impacts:**
  - Forestry & Wildlife Bus Tour – 79 participants (7 hrs. each)
    - ~15% have contacted a natural resource professional for assistance
  - Landowners Woods & Wildlife Conference – 164 participants (7 hrs. each)
    - 2/3 identified a specific action to undertake within 6 months to improve their stewardship
  - Sustainable Timber Marketing & Harvesting Short-course – 17 participants (12 hrs. each)
- 36 volunteers contributed over 138 hours as instructors, facilitators, planners, and evaluators

Urban Forestry

- **Objective:** To improve tree care practices and urban forest management
- **Methods:**
  - Tree Steward Volunteer Training – 25 participants (36 hrs each)
    - Local involvement in municipal planning, tree inventories, street tree pruning, and education
  - Urban Tree Workshop series – average 71 participants each day (~21 hrs. each)
    - 80% of the pesticide users indicated they would improve use & safety while using pesticides
    - 86% indicated a significant increase in their understanding of urban tree issues and 85% indicated an increase in skills to address urban tree problems
- 26 volunteers contributed over 70 hrs. as instructors, planners, and coordinators

Forestry & Natural Resources Media Campaign

- 63 radio programs (from July 1 – May 30) have been delivered
  - Topics cover a range of urban, rural and interface issues
- 9 educational articles developed & published through newspapers
  - Topics: fragmentation, drought, trees for crime prevention, good for buildings, tree care, and tree planting

**Mission Statement:**
To enable people to make best decisions regarding the forests & natural resources, within their realm of influence, resulting in environmentally sustainable management, growth, and quality of life for that person and that community.
Contacts for Adam Downing
Extension Agent, Forestry & Natural Resources

Program Year July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2003

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