

NUCFAC Website at *Urban Forestry South Expo*

Users' Guide for Reviewers

You'll find the 2008 NUCFAC website for Federal Coordinators and NUCFAC committees and council at www.NUCFAC.UrbanForestrySouth.org. The website is designed primarily to function as an interim repository for 2008 pre-proposals, review documents, and final NUCFAC funded applications.

It is the primary point of access for all individuals involved with the review of these applications.

The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council

home

Welcome to NUCFAC

2008 Challenge Cost-Share Request for Pre-proposals

Download Instructions & Application Form here (MS_WORD form)!

Download PDF Instructions & Application Form here!

Deadline for Pre-proposal Applications **has been extended** through **October 12, 2007**

The 1990 Farm Bill created the National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council to bring together the wide variety of voices raised about a common concern: the present health and future preservation of America's urban treescapes. NUCFAC was founded to synthesize the full spectrum of views into a consistent vision, as a foundation for practical policy on urban forestry.

An important way the National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council can fulfill its vision and make a positive impact on community forests nationwide, both now and in the future, is through its annual challenge cost-share program.

Each October, a request for pre-proposals is distributed nationwide. Brief proposals are then evaluated by the Council on the basis of meeting the specified criteria and demonstrating merit relative to the other proposals. Selected applicants are then invited to submit full proposals for final judging in this competitive program. In all cases, project funding must be matched on at least a 50-50 basis from non-federal sources and the project must have national scope, application, and distribution of its findings. Projects that will only have a local impact (i.e. local tree planting projects) do not qualify under this program.

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Authorized users may access the website and download pre-proposals, review documents and full applications from this website.

Anonymous users (those without a USERID & PASSWORD) cannot view or access the pre-proposals and full applications during the review process.

Note: Users logged into the system CANNOT modify anything on the website, and must submit all of their review documents and comments via e-mail to the NUCFAC Executive Staff.



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A partnership between the Southern Research Station and the Southern Region



Authorized individuals will use the USERID and PASSWORD provided by the NUCFAC Executive Staff to log into the website.

To log in "click" on the *Log In* link under *NUCFAC Tools*.

The screenshot shows the NUCFAC website homepage. On the left, a navigation menu lists: ABOUT NUCFAC, COST-SHARE GRANTS, RESOURCES, CONTACT NUCFAC, Quick Search, NUCFAC Tools (with 'Log in' highlighted), NUCFAC News Room, Other Tools, and NUCFAC Help. The main content area features a 'Welcome to NUCFAC' message, a '2008 Challenge Cost-Share Request for Pre-proposals' announcement with a deadline extension to October 12, 2007, and a calendar for September 2007. A sidebar on the right contains a calendar and a logo for the 'URBAN FORESTRY SOUTH EXPO'.





When the log in screen appears, enter your USERID and PASSWORD.

The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council

home

Please log in

To access this part of the site, you need to log in with your user name and password.
If you have forgotten your password, [click here to retrieve it.](#)

Account details

Login Name
Login names are case sensitive, make sure the caps lock key is not enabled.

Password
Case sensitive, make sure caps lock is not enabled.

Please log out or exit your browser when you're done.

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Then, "click" on the "log in" button under your PASSWORD.





Following log in, users will be at this page.

Note the expansion of the *NUCFAC Tools* list within the left panel of the page.

The *Preferences* link can be used to change your password.

The other new links under *NUCFAC Tools* include:

- *Grants by Region*
- *Grants by State*
- *Grants by Category*

These three links provide access to the pre-proposals and full applications for the review process.

Grants by Region is provided for regional coordinators and provides a list of all grants by category within a specific region.

Grants by Category is provided for NUCFAC council members that are reviewing specific categories of pre-proposals.

Grants by State lists all grants by state regardless of category.

Reviewers may access grant pre-proposals or full applications using any of these links and should select the one that seems most logical.



About Control Numbers

Each pre-proposal is assigned a Control Number that is composed of the following components:

- first 3 digits – sequential number between 1 and 999 (order of receipt)
- next 2 characters - indicate the USDA Forest Service Region (e.g. R1 through R0, plus NA)
- next 2 characters - the NUCFAC category (e.g. C1 through C6)
- final 2 digits - the category sequential number between 1 and 99

A portion of the *Grants by State* screen illustrates some control numbers.

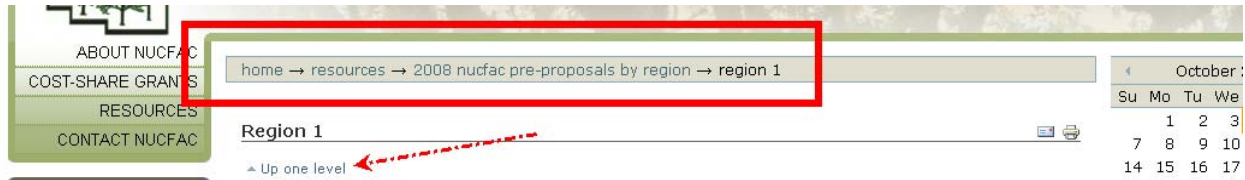
002-NA-C1-01 Sample Urban Statewide Inventory (SUSI) is a Northeastern Area (i.e. the region) pre-proposal for Category I; it was the second pre-proposal received and the first for this category.

Indiana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 002-NA-C1-01 Sample Urban Statewide Inventory (SUSI)
Kentucky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 039-R8-C3-06 Community Restoration Network
Louisiana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 029-R8-C1-07 Restoring New Orleans with New Orleanans

The regional coordinators Excel spreadsheet form includes the control number and title.

About Bread Crumbs?

“Bread crumbs” are a website visual tool to help users orient themselves within the site hierarchy, and navigate the site. They appear in the gray bar just below the header graphic.



Each hierarchical “level” that a user traverses is separated with an arrow (→); the complete “bread crumb” indicates where you are and how you got there.

By selecting a new “level” and “clicking”, the user can navigate the site.

Also on some web pages is the “Up one level” link under the page title; in this example, the “Up one level” link will accomplish the same navigation as “clicking” on “2008 NUCFAC PRE-PROPOSALS BY REGION” section in the “bread crumb”.



Regional coordinators may access pre-proposals or full applications most easily by “clicking” on either the *Grants by Region* link or the *Grants by State* link under *NUCFAC Tools*.

Grants by Region:

The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council

home → resources → 2008 nucfac pre-proposals by region

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2008 NUCFAC Pre-Proposals by Region

Up one level

This folder contains the 2008 NUCFAC Pre-proposals for regional coordinator review.

- [Pre-Proposal Review Instructions](#)
This describes what the Federal Coordinators need to look for while reviewing each pre-proposal.
- [Blank Federal Coordinators' Review Form](#)
This is the Excel spreadsheet for the Federal Coordinators to fill out.
- [Region 1](#)
The Northern Plains; includes North Dakota, Montana, and northern Idaho.
- [Region 2](#)
Includes the Western Interior states; Colorado, Wyoming, S. Dakota, Nebraska, and Kansas.
- [Region 3](#)
The Southwest; includes Arizona and New Mexico.
- [Region 4](#)
The Inland Empire; includes Nevada, Utah, and southern Idaho.
- [Region 5](#)
California and Hawaii.
- [Region 6](#)
The Pacific Northwest; Washington and Oregon.
- [Region 8](#)
The Southern states; includes Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Kentucky.
- [Northeastern Area](#)
The Northeast and Midwest; includes Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.
- [Region 10](#)
Alaska.

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This page also contains Pre-proposal Review Instructions and the Excel spreadsheet review form from the NUCFAC Executive Staff. They can be downloaded by ‘clicking’; on the titles.

Select your region with a “click”.



The region category page will be displayed.

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Region 8

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Region 8
The Southern states; includes Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Kentucky.

Category I: Assessment of the Extent, Health and Function of Urban Forests
Summarize the proposed project in 100 words or less. This proposal is in response to the devastation Hurricane Katrina left on Louisiana and its efforts to rebuild and restore its green infrastructure and create a future workforce. This project directly addresses NUCFAC's Category One: Assessment of the Extent, Health and Function of Urban Forests. The specific objectives of this project are to 1) develop a strategic long-term urban forest management and disaster plan for New Orleans, Louisiana, 2) complete a comprehensive urban forest inventory for the area, 3) establish a comprehensive GIS database for the area, 4) provide a unique experiential learning opportunity for underserved citizens of the region, while developing the workforce of the region 5) participate in the greening and restoration of the area and 6) enhance partnerships between the City of New Orleans, local citizens, government, and Southern University.

Category II: Management Programs
Increase active management of urban and community forests at state and local levels by 2016: To make America's communities safer for people, places, and property by creating, developing, incorporating, and implementing emergency management concepts and principles into urban forest management.

Category III: Outreach
Support and encourage active involvement of all people in urban and community forestry at the regional and national levels, including underserved populations - the goal of this category is to produce a higher level of cooperation, volunteerism and partnerships among local, regional and national non-profit urban and community forestry organizations in order to reach and engage a broader and more diverse audience.

Category IV: Program Funding
Achieve sustainable funding, investments and efficiencies from traditional and non-traditional sources for all of U&CF - Urban and Community Forestry Program Funding for Local Jurisdictions. The goal of this category is to provide local government with funding information, funding models, funding tools and funding resources transferable nationwide to help establish and secure local government urban and community forestry programs.

Category V: Research
Support research that is applicable to local needs - Urban and Community Forestry Research and Technology Development with emphasis on the social/human dimension, that improve our knowledge about the many components of and interactions within the urban forest ecosystem.

Category VI: Program Enhancement
Improve performance and effectiveness of USDA programs that address urban and community forestry - Urban and Community Forests Ecosystem Services Education to increase understanding of the ecosystem services provided by urban and community forests, provide opportunities for urban communities to participate in conservation stewardship projects, and to increase the green infrastructure in communities and schools.

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Note that the page header and the "bread crumbs" point to the region selected.



Select a category for review by "clicking".

The screenshot shows the website for The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council. The breadcrumb trail is: home → resources → 2008 nucfac pre-proposals by region → region 8 → category v: research. The selected category is "Category V: Research". A list of pre-proposals is shown, each with a title, control number, and program qualification status. A calendar for October 2007 is also visible.

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Support research that is applicable to local needs - Urban and Community Forestry Research and Technology Development with emphasis on the social/human dimension, that improve our knowledge about the many components of and interactions within the urban forest ecosystem.

- Developing a Practical Income Approach in Urban Forest Benefit Valuation**
Control Number: 011-R8-C5-01 Program Qualified: Not Reviewed
- Eliminate sweetgum and sycamore fruits to improve safety of urban forest**
Control Number: 024-R8-C5-02 Program Qualified: Not Reviewed
- Layered Structural Soils in Southern Cities**
Control Number: 028-R8-C5-05 Program Qualified: Not Reviewed
- Biomass from the waste stream: Generation of electricity from yard waste**
Control Number: 040-R8-C5-06 Program Qualified: Not Reviewed
- Tree Shade Impact on Electricity Demand: A Cool Empirical Experiment**
Control Number: 050-R8-C5-08 Program Qualified: Not Reviewed

The page header and "bread crumbs" indicate the category selected and the region.

From here you may select a pre-proposal for review by "clicking" on the title (in red).

The description under each pre-proposal title includes the NUCFAC control number and indicates whether the pre-proposal meets U&CF program qualifications (i.e. PROGRAM QUALIFIED: NOT REVIEWED/YES/NO),

The NUCFAC Executive staff will update the program qualification status as each regional coordinator completes and submits the Excel spreadsheet review form (via e-mail).



A pre-proposal summary page.

The screenshot shows the website for The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council. The main heading is "The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council". Below the heading, there are navigation links: "ABOUT NUCFAC", "COST-SHARE GRANTS", "RESOURCES", and "CONTACT NUCFAC". A breadcrumb trail reads: "home → resources → 2008 nufac pre-proposals by region → region 8 → category v: research → developing a practical income approach in urban forest benefit valuation". A calendar for October 2007 is visible, with the 4th highlighted. The main content area displays the title "Developing a Practical Income Approach in Urban Forest Benefit Valuation" and a "Control Number: 011-R8-C5-01 Program Qualified: Not Reviewed". The description states: "Identification of benefits and costs of urban forestry is a major need and a practical problem. Appraisal of large trees is commonly accomplished using a valuation formula or market comparison methods. These methods have been inconsistent and do not allow for consideration of the total array of benefits. A third standard method, income capitalization, is seldom used because cash flows are difficult to obtain and capitalization methods difficult to apply. This proposal is for developing a framework to use existing forest valuation software to value urban forests using the income approach and allowing for improved cost-benefit analyses." Metadata includes "Category: Category V: Research", "State: South Carolina", "Federal Funds Requested: \$44,678", and "Matching Funds: \$44,679". A red box highlights the "Matching Funds" value. A link "Open/download pre-proposal" is also present. A sidebar on the left contains a search bar and various tool links. A logo for "URBAN FORESTRY SOUTH EXPO" is on the right. A footer link reads "Privacy Policy, Partners, Nondiscrimination Notice, and Other Disclaimer Notices."

"Click" on the *Open/download pre-proposal* link to save a copy to your local PC as a PDF file. Saving a copy and then opening it in Adobe Reader is the recommended approach for reviewers.

Alternatively, you may open the PDF from within your browser. If you open the PDF from within your browser, you will use the browser's *BACK BUTTON* to return to this pre-proposal page, and then use the "bread crumbs" category (e.g. *CATEGORY V: RESEARCH*) to select another pre-proposal from this category.





Grants by State:

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home → resources → 2008 nufac pre-proposals by state

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Alabama

- 050-R8-C5-08 Tree Shade Impact on Electricity Demand: A Cool Empirical Experiment
- 040-R8-C5-06 Biomass from the waste stream: Generation of electricity from yard waste
- 036-R8-C1-10 Estimation of Carbon Storage Variations in Urban Forests

California

- 022-R5-C1-04 A Street Tree Inventory and Mapping Tool for Action 11
- 023-R5-C1-05 Spatial fuels distribution across multiple ownerships in a fire prone, highly urbanized National Forest in Southern California
- 016-R5-C6-08 Community Forest Stewardship Enhancement Project
- 035-R5-C6-14 Green Silicon Valley
- 021-R5-C6-11 Building a Greenprint Community
- 017-R5-C3-02 Urban/Community Forestry Trainee Stipend Program for At-Risk Youth

District of Columbia

- 030-NA-C6-12 Growing Habitats-Developing Green Infrastructure in Americas Urban Schools
- 009-NA-C6-04 PLT's Green Schools in Our Communities Initiative
- 010-NA-C6-05 City Greening National Institute Session & Technical Assistance Follow-up

Florida

- 020-R8-C6-10 Blueprint for Green Schools

Georgia

- 038-R8-C3-05 Application of the Bugwood Network to Urban and Community Forestry
- 031-R8-C6-13 Cobb County Natural Science Education Initiative

Illinois

Select a pre-proposal by "clicking on the title. (refer to page 8 for the pre-proposal view)



NUCFAC committee members will most easily access the pre-proposals for review by "clicking" on the *Grants by Category* link under *NUCFAC Tools*.

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home → resources → 2008 nucfac pre-proposals by category

2008 NUCFAC Pre-Proposals by Category

Category I: Assessment of the Extent, Health and Function of Urban Forests
Continually update data on the overall extent, health, and function of the urban forest. Support innovation and development of new analysis techniques and technologies, including geospatial display and analysis, for measuring and assessing the extent, health, and/or function of urban and community forests. Also, support the development of data collection and analysis standards and protocols for urban and community forest assessments at local, regional and/or national scales.

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The category list will appear; make a selection by "clicking" on a category.



The category search page will list all pre-proposals regardless of region or state; the example screen below is for Category V ("C5") and includes several regions.

The screenshot shows the website for The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council. The main navigation menu includes: ABOUT NUCFAC, COST-SHARE GRANTS, RESOURCES, and CONTACT NUCFAC. A secondary menu shows: home → resources → 2008 nucfac pre-proposals by category → search. A calendar for October 2007 is visible, with the 4th highlighted. The search results are listed under "Search by Category" and include the following items:

- 011 R8-C5-01 Developing a Practical Income Approach in Urban Forest Benefit Valuation
- 024 R8-C5-02 Eliminate sweetgum and sycamore fruits to improve safety of urban forest
- 025 NA-C5-03 Using trees in urban BMPs: Evaluate the restrictions and solutions
- 026 R6-C5-04 Naturally Smart! Testing the Relationship of Campus Greening
- 028 R8-C5-05 Layered Structural Soils in Southern Cities
- 040 R8-C5-06 Biomass from the waste stream: Generation of electricity from yard waste
- 043 NA-C5-07 What Role for Community Forestry in Post-Katrina Resilience
- 050 R8-C5-08 Tree Shade Impact on Electricity Demand: A Cool Empirical Experiment

Additional features include a "Quick Search" box, a "NUCFAC Tools" sidebar with links to Grants by Region, State, and Category, and a "NUCFAC News Room" with News Items and Press Releases. A "Privacy Policy, Partners, Nondiscrimination Notice, and Other Disclaimer Notices" link is located at the bottom of the page.

Select a pre-proposal by "clicking" on the title link. (refer to page 8 for the pre-proposal view)

