



## **Session 3.2**

**Do the right thing: Planning, designing and managing the urban forest to strengthen its resilience to external shocks.**

**Chair: Livia Shamir**



**World Forum on  
Urban Forests**



# 2nd World Forum on Urban Forests

Washington DC, 2023

## Session 3.2: Do the right thing

Look up: Shifting the urban forest composition in Washington, DC to enhance climate resilience



---

### Presented by

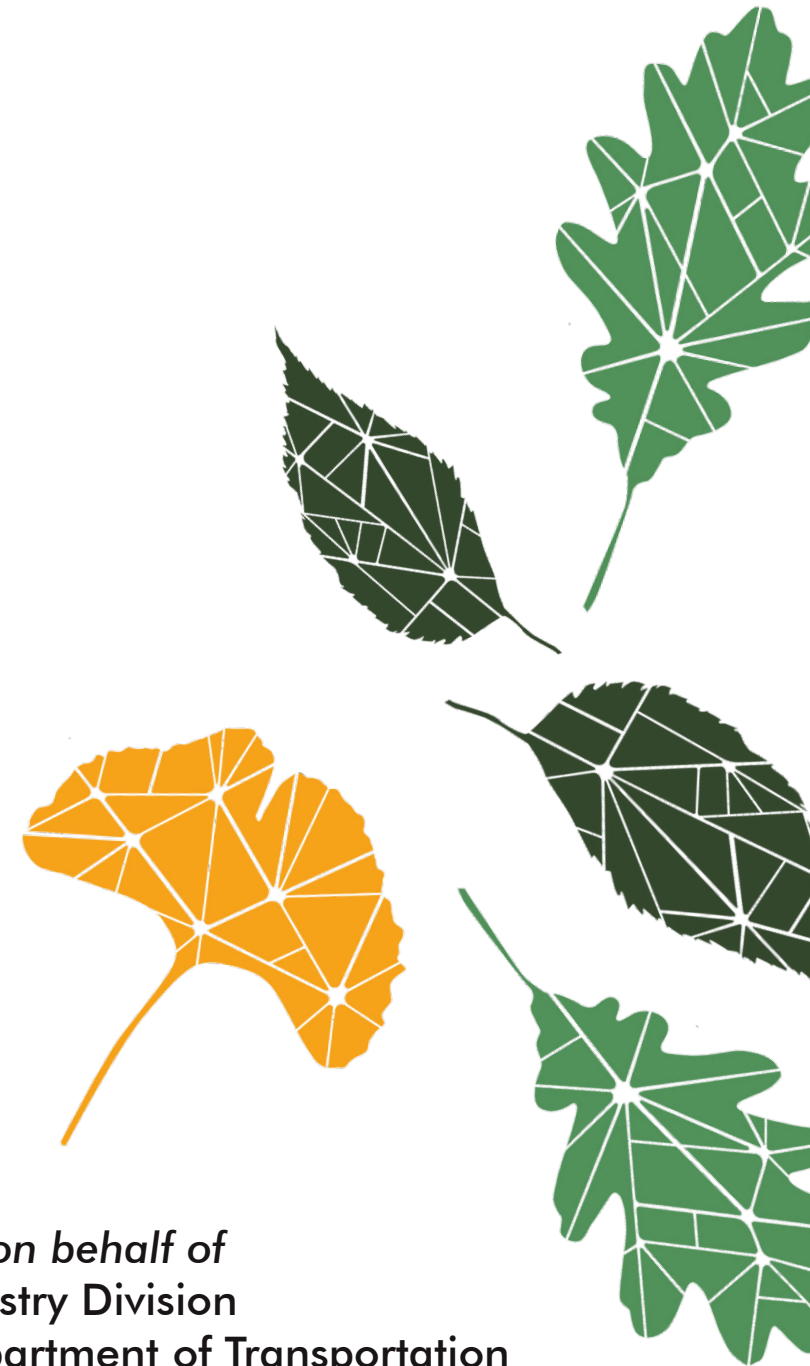
Kasey Maria Yturalde, PhD

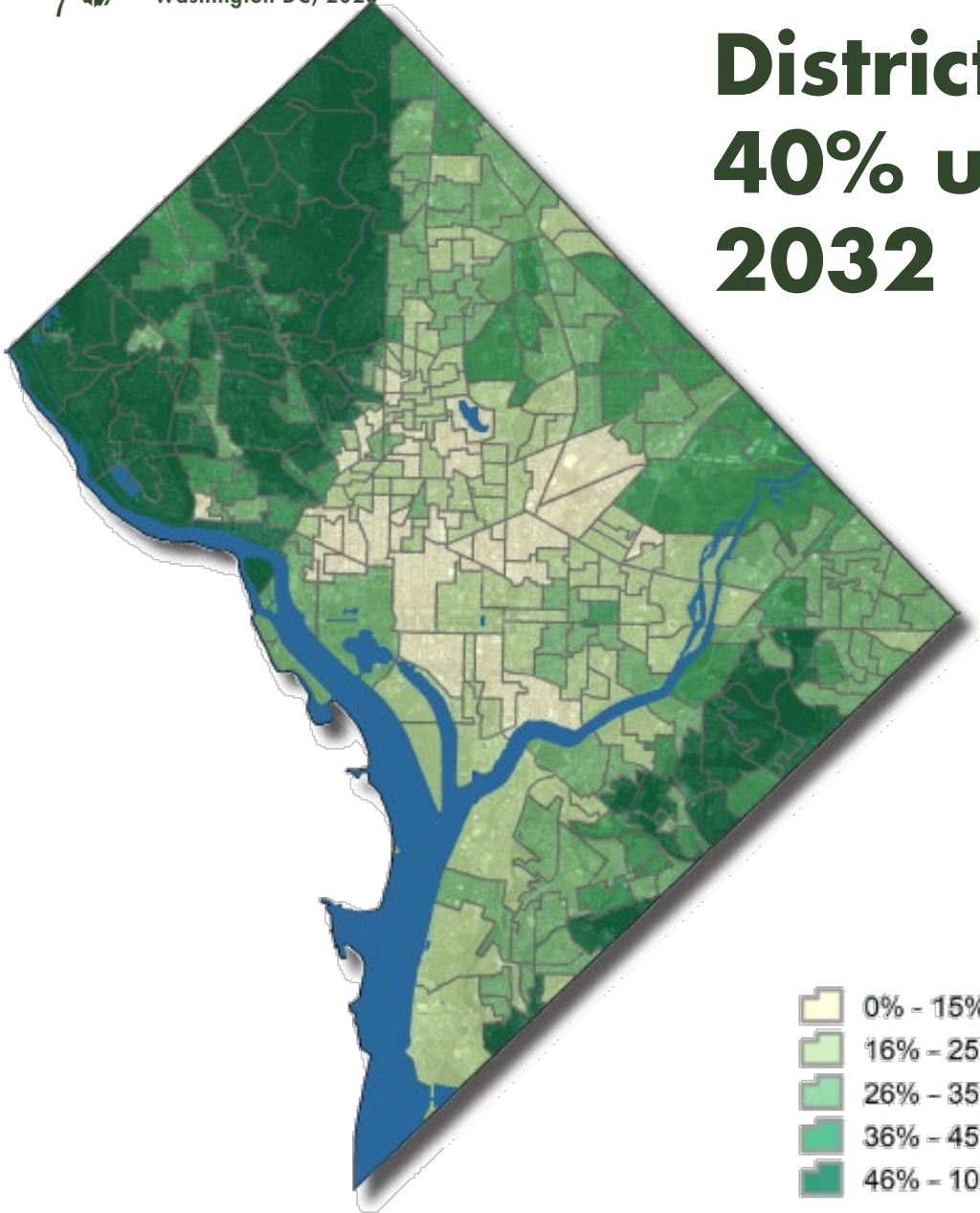


Urban and Community Forestry  
US Forest Service



Presenting on behalf of  
Urban Forestry Division  
District Department of Transportation



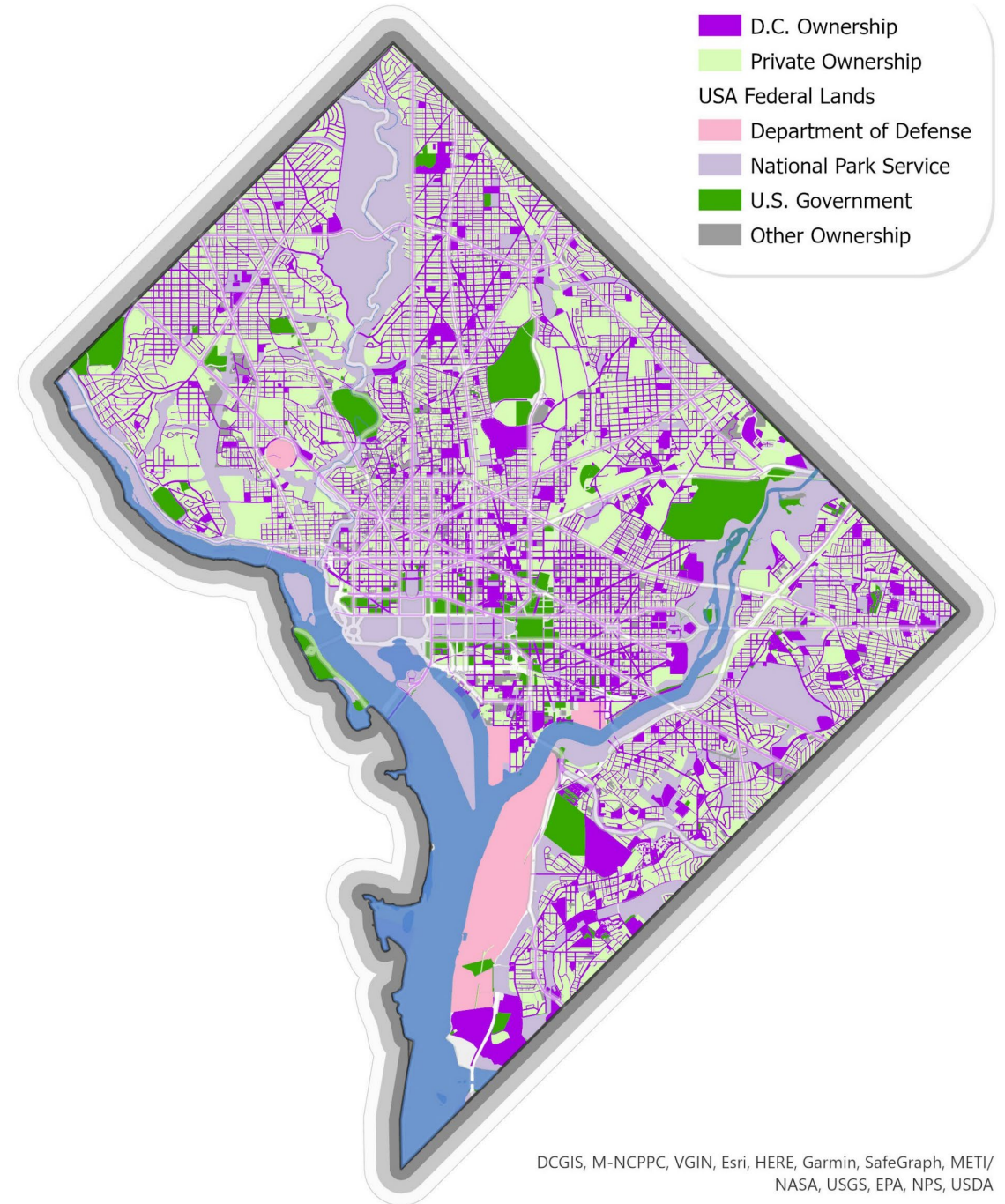
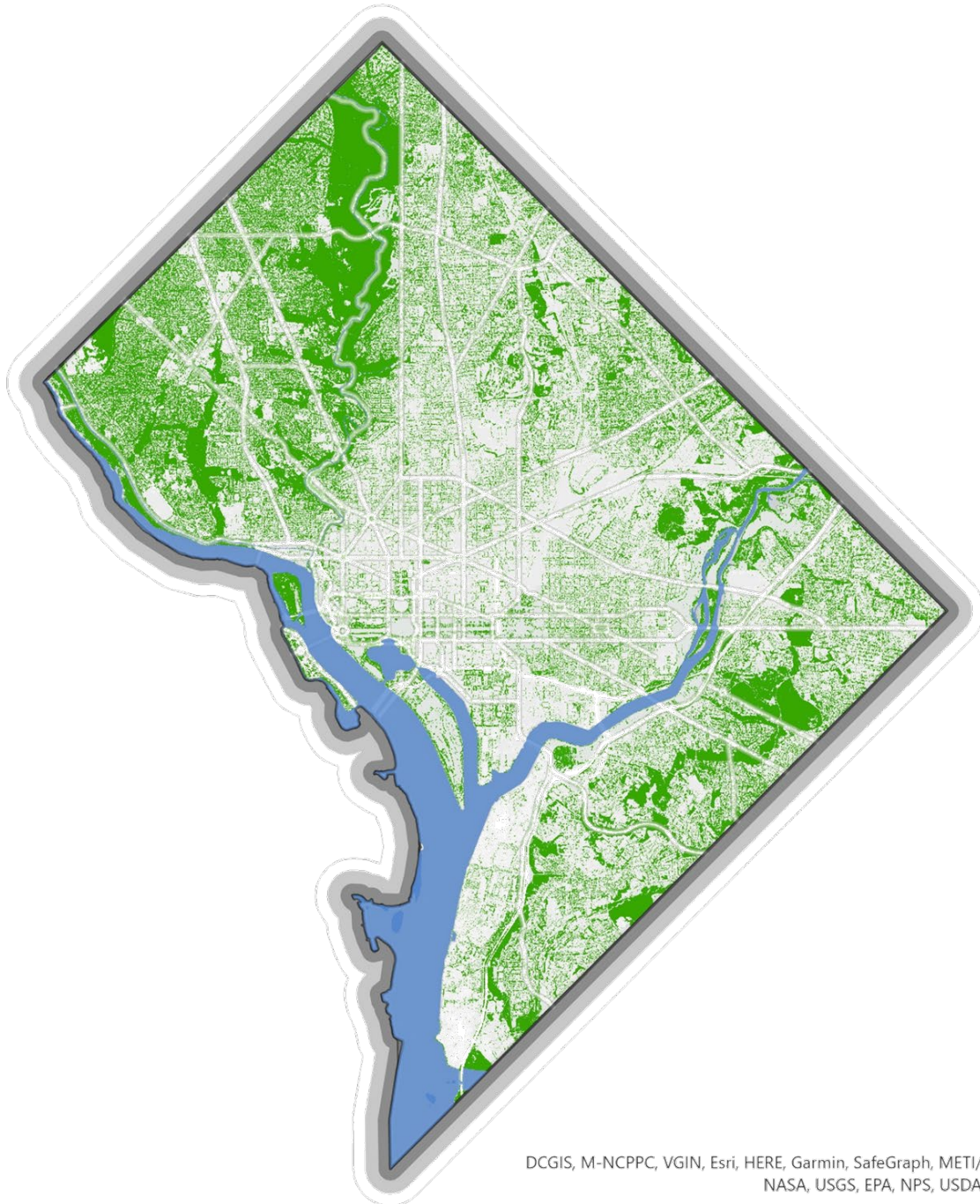


# District of Columbia

## 40% urban tree canopy cover by 2032

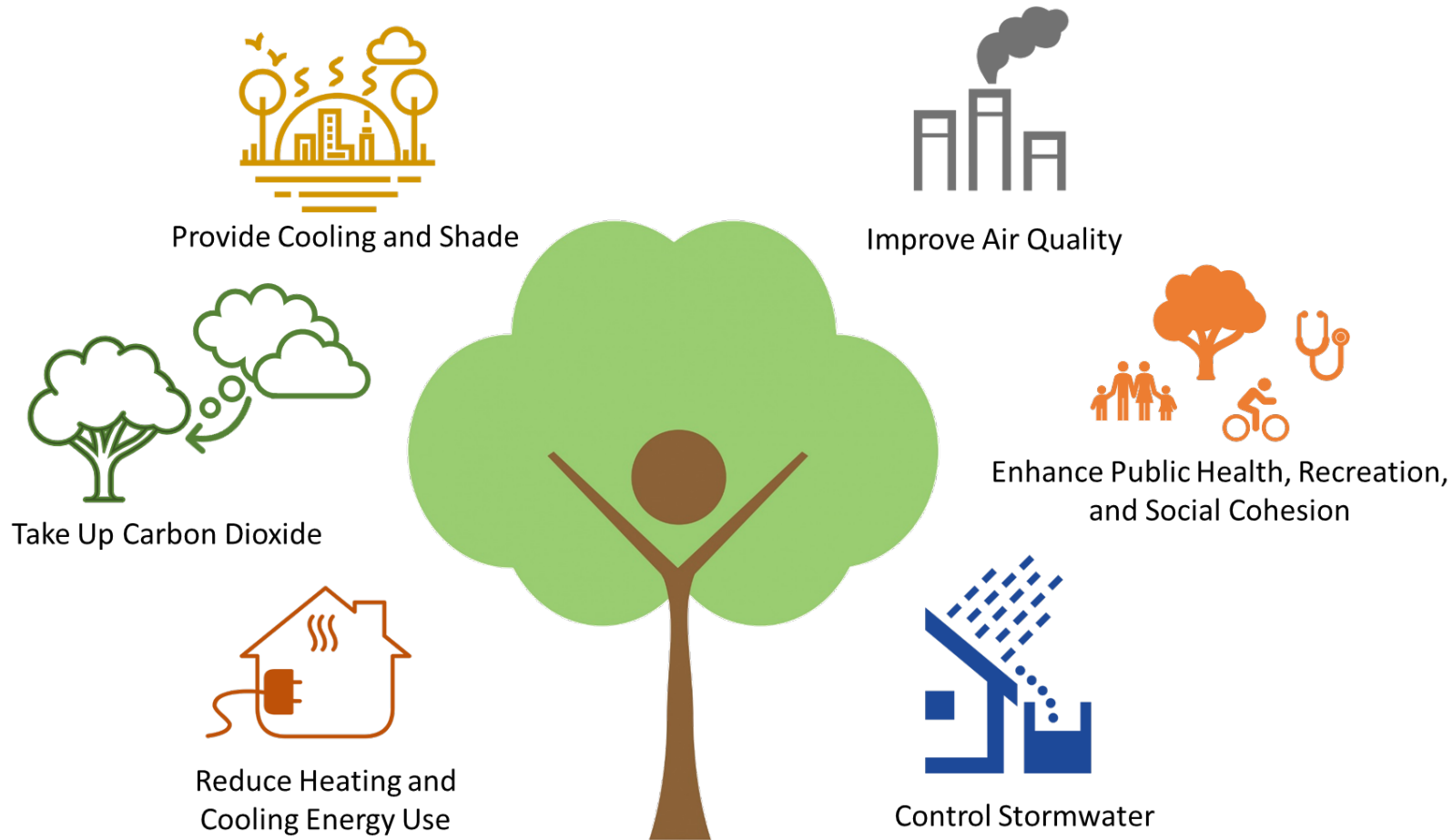
- **Direct management**
  - Trees on city property
  - Public space permits
  - Emergency response
- **Indirect management**
  - Tree ordinance
- **Partnerships**







# Benefits of Urban Forests in a Changing Climate





# Climate change and urban trees

- **Direct impacts**
  - Drought
  - Extreme heat
  - Extreme weather events
- **Indirect impacts**
  - Shifts in insect range and phenology
- **Response of trees**
  - Changes in phenology
  - Change in growth rates



Photo: District Department of Transportation

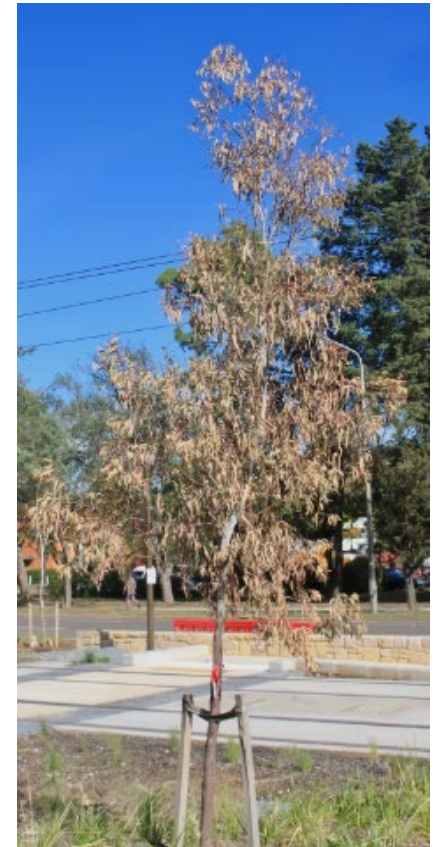
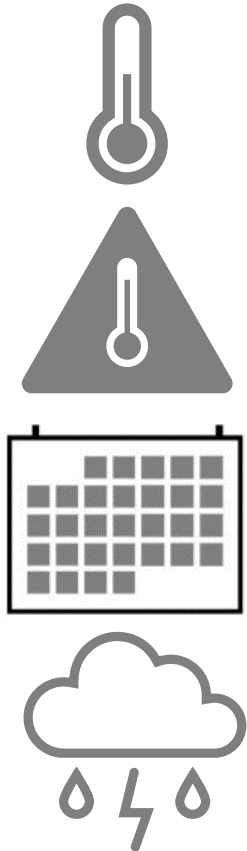


Photo: Dr David Ellsworth,  
Western Sydney University



# Climate change in the District of Columbia



**CLIMATE READY DC**  
The District of Columbia's Plan to Adapt to a Changing Climate





# Climate change and urban forest management in the District

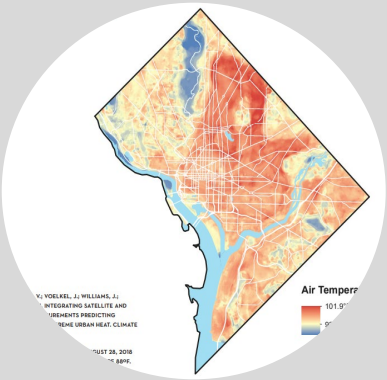
2019

2020

2021

2022

2023



**ONLINE TRAINING**  
**FOREST ADAPTATION PLANNING AND PRACTICES**  
The Northern Institute of Applied Climate Science and US Forest Service Northern Forests Climate Hub are offering the [Forest Adaptation Planning and Practices](#) training as an online course for forest managers (in a series of seven 1-hour sessions).

Species may perform worse than modeled. Species may perform better than modeled.

ZONE SUITABILITY:   
✔ Suitable   
✗ Not Suitable

LOW EMISSIONS HIGH EMISSIONS

COMMON NAME	ADAPT	SUIT	VULN	SUIT	VULN	COMMON NAME
Alleghany serviceberry	+	✔	✔	✗	○	Honeylocust*
American linden, Basswood	+	✔	✔	✗	○	Ironwood
American sweetgum, fruitless	+	✔	✔	✔	✔	Japanese flowering cherry
American beech	-	✔	✔	✔	✔	Japanese pagoda tree
American elm	+	✔	✔	✔	✔	Japanese tree lilac
American sycamore	+	✔	✔	✔	✔	Japanese zelkova
Amur corktree*	+	✗	○	✗	○	Jefferson elm
Amur maple*	+	✗	○	✗	○	Katsura tree
Bay cypress	+	✔	✔	✔	✔	Kentucky coffeetree
White goldenrain tree	+	✔	✔	✔	✔	Kousa dogwood
Lacebark elm	+	✗	○	✗	○	Littleleaf linden
London plane	+	✔	✔	✔	✔	London plane
...	...	...	...	...	...	...

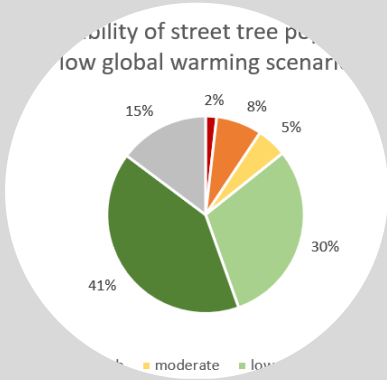
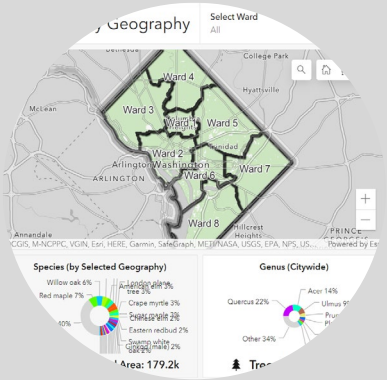
Division tree plan

↑ site this species in new plantings.

↔ Maintain current levels of planting for this species.

↓ Reduce planting selections

Species	Planting Level
Acer buergerianum	Reduce planting selections
Acer canadense	Maintain current levels of planting for this species.
Acer glabrum	Reduce planting selections
Acer saccharinum	Maintain current levels of planting for this species.
Acer saccharum	Reduce planting selections
Azalea indica	Maintain current levels of planting for this species.
Carya alba	Reduce planting selections
Carya caroliniana	Maintain current levels of planting for this species.
Carya ovata	Reduce planting selections
Carya tomentosa	Maintain current levels of planting for this species.
...	...



Urban heat mapping

Assessing climate vulnerability and adaptation planning

Prioritizing tree species

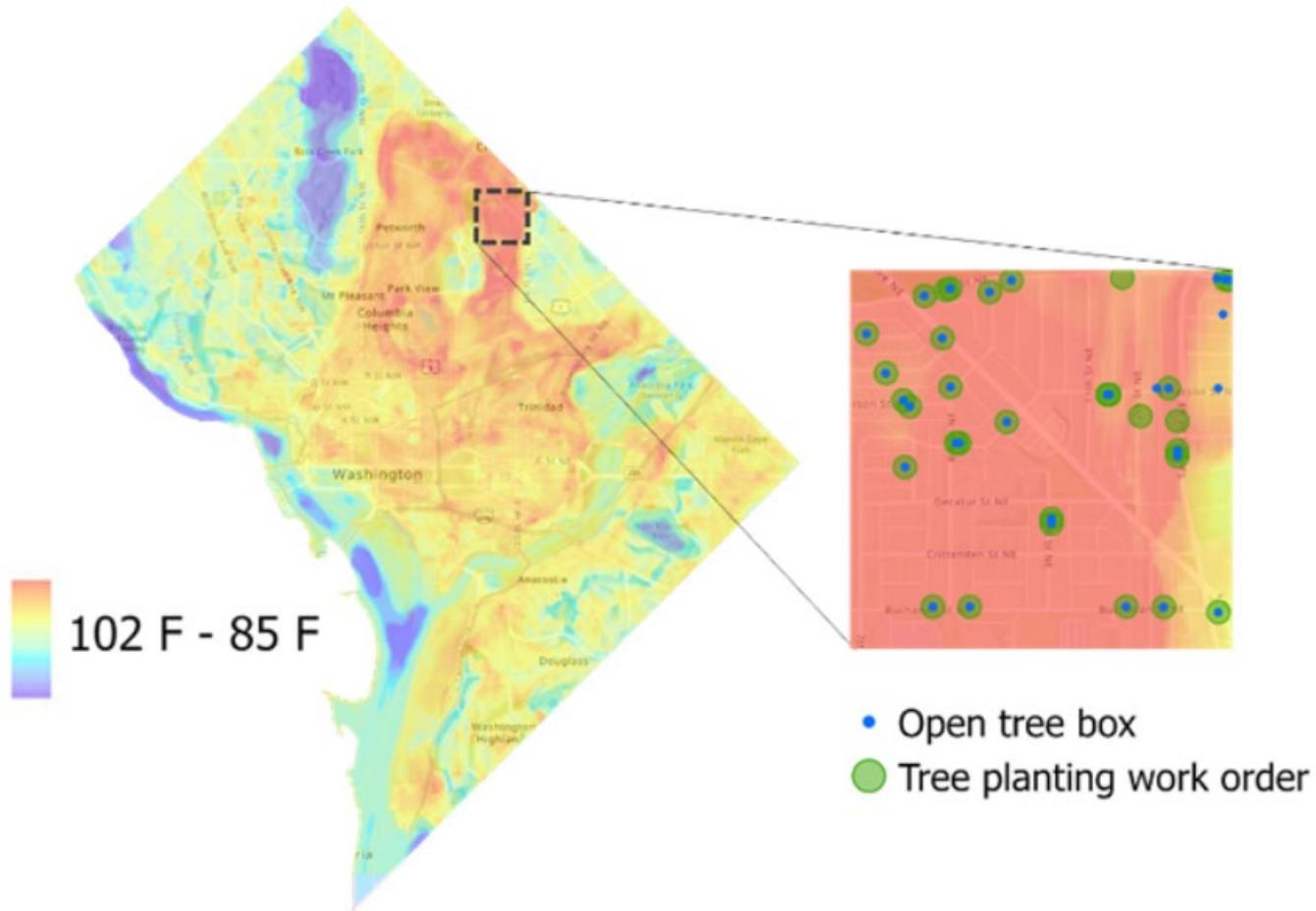
Decision support tool: implementation

Evaluating progress



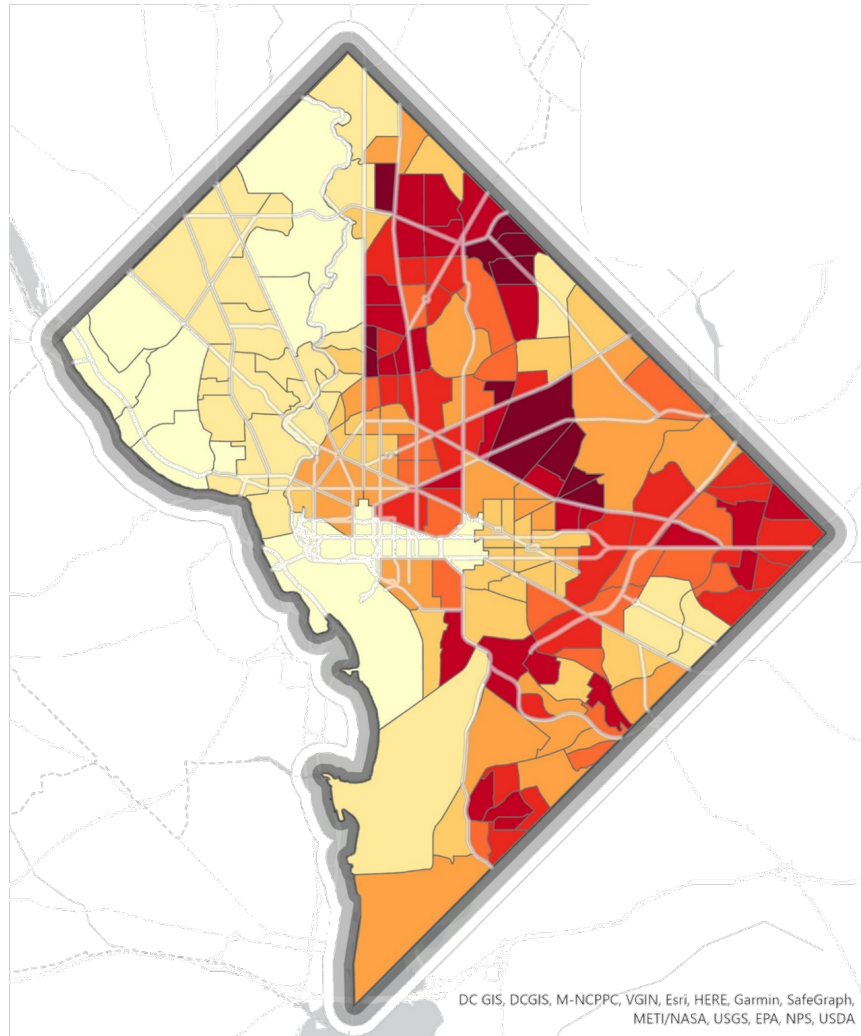


# Planting trees where they are needed most





# Planting trees where they are needed most



Heat Sensitivity & Exposure Index  
(50% Sensitivity and 50% Exposure)

- < 21%
- 22% - 36%
- 37% - 44%
- 45% - 49%
- 50% - 52%
- 53% - 55%
- 56% - 59%
- 60% - 67%



# Assessing climate vulnerability: what is at risk?

## CLIMATE CHANGE VULNERABILITY OF URBAN TREES WASHINGTON, D.C.



This list was developed to aid Washington, D.C. community forestry practitioners in selecting trees to reduce climate change vulnerability of their urban forests. It is meant to be a complement to other tree selection resources. Other factors may also need to be considered, such as aesthetics, local site conditions, wildlife value, or nursery availability. It is also important to note that some species may have climate benefits but may not be suitable for planting for other reasons, such as having invasive potential or susceptibility to pests or pathogens.

**Vulnerability:** Trees can be vulnerable to a variety of climate-related stressors such as intense heat, drought, flooding, and changing pest and disease patterns. Climate vulnerability is a function of the impacts of

climate change on a species and its adaptive capacity. Species with negative impacts on habitat suitability and low adaptive capacity will have high vulnerability and vice versa. The following factors were used to determine climate vulnerability:

**Urban adaptability:** Adaptability scores were generated for each species based on literature describing its tolerance to disturbances such as drought, flooding, pests, and disease, as well as its growth requirements such as shade tolerance, soil needs, and ease of nursery propagation. Scores were assigned to species using methods developed in an urban forest vulnerability assessment for Chicago for trees planted in developed sites. A positive score indicates that a species is tolerant to a wide range of disturbances and can be planted on a variety of sites. A negative score indicates a species is highly susceptible to disturbances and/or is limited to specific planting sites.

**Hardiness and heat zone suitability:** Tree species ranges were recorded from government, university, and arboretum websites. Species tolerance ranges were compared to current and projected heat and hardiness zones for Washington, D.C. using downscaled climate models under low emissions (RCP 4.5) and high emissions (RCP 8.5) scenarios for changes in greenhouse gases. Trees were considered to have suitable zone suitability if the species' tolerance was within the range of current and projected hardiness and heat zone through the end of the 21st century.

**NOTE:** This list was primarily created for species planted in developed sites, such as streets, yards, boulevards, and parks. If you are interested in projected changes in habitat suitability for native species in natural areas, see the Climate Change Tree Atlas at [www.fs.fed.us/nrs/atlas/](http://www.fs.fed.us/nrs/atlas/).

**Current and projected USDA Hardiness Zones and AHS Heat Zones for Washington, D.C.** Hardiness zone is determined by the average lowest temperature over a 30 year period. Heat zones are determined by the number of days above 86°F.

Time Period	Hardiness Zone Range		Heat Zone Range	
	Low Emissions	High Emissions	Low Emissions	High Emissions
1980-2010	7		7	
2010-2039	7	8	7 to 8	8
2040-2069	7 to 8	8	8	9
2070-2099	8	8 to 9	8	9 to 10

**SOURCE:** Adaptability scores were assigned using methods developed in an urban forest vulnerability assessment for Chicago by Brandt et al. 2017 ([https://www.fs.fed.us/nrs/pubs/gtr/gtr\\_nrs168.pdf](https://www.fs.fed.us/nrs/pubs/gtr/gtr_nrs168.pdf)). Future heat and hardiness zone information were provided from: <https://usfs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=96088b1c086a4b39b3a75d0f497a4c40>.

**URBAN ADAPTABILITY:**  
+ High: Species may perform better than modeled  
- Medium  
- Low: Species may perform worse than modeled

**ZONE SUITABILITY:**  
✓ Suitable  
✗ Not Suitable

**VULNERABILITY:**  
▼ Low: Suitable zone, high adaptability  
● Low-moderate: Suitable zone, medium adaptability  
○ Moderate: Suitable zone, low adaptability or zone not suitable, high adaptability  
○ Moderate-high: Zone not suitable, medium adaptability  
△ High: Zone not suitable, low adaptability

\*Invasive species

COMMON NAME	LOW EMISSIONS			HIGH EMISSIONS		
	ADAPT	SUIT	VULN	ADAPT	SUIT	VULN
Alleghany serviceberry	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
American linden, Basswood	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
American sweetgum, fruitless	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
American beech	+	✓	●	✓	✓	●
American elm	-	✓	●	✓	✓	●
American sycamore	-	✓	●	✓	✓	●
Amur corktree*	+	✗	○	✗	○	○
Amur maackia	+	✗	○	✗	○	○
Amur maple*	+	✗	○	✗	○	○
Bald cypress	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Bipinnate goldenrain tree	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Black alder	-	✗	○	✗	○	○
Black locust	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Black oak	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Black tupelo, Black gum	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Black walnut	-	✓	○	✓	○	○
Blackjack oak	-	✓	○	✓	○	○
Bowelder	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Bur oak	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Callery pear*	+	✓	●	✗	○	○
Carolina silverbell	-	✗	○	✗	○	○
Chestnut oak	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Chinese fringetree	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Chinese magnolia	+	✗	○	✗	○	○
Chinese pistachio	-	✓	●	✓	●	●
Chokecherry	-	✗	○	✗	○	○
Common hackberry	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Common horsechestnut	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Crapemyrtle	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Dawn redwood	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Downy serviceberry	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Eastern hemlock	-	✗	△	✗	△	△
Eastern redbud	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Eastern redcedar	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Eastern serviceberry	-	✗	○	✗	○	○
Eastern white pine	-	✗	△	✗	△	△
English oak	+	✓	●	✗	○	○
European hornbeam	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
European mountain ash	+	✗	○	✗	○	○
Flowering dogwood	-	✓	●	✓	●	●
Ginkgo	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Goldenrain tree*	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Green ash	-	✓	●	✓	●	●
Hardy rubber tree	+	✗	○	✗	○	○
Hedge maple	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Honeylocust*	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Ironwood	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Japanese flowering cherry	-	✗	△	✗	△	△
Japanese pagoda tree	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Japanese tree lilac	+	✗	○	✗	○	○
Japanese zelkova	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Jefferson elm	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Katsura tree	-	✓	○	✗	△	△
Kentucky coffeetree	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Kousa dogwood	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Lacebark elm	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Littleleaf linden	+	✗	○	✗	○	○
London planetree	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Musclewood	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
New Harmony elm	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Northern red oak	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Northern white cedar, Arborvitae	-	✗	○	✗	○	○
Norway maple*	+	✗	○	✗	○	○
Norway spruce	-	✗	○	✗	○	○
Nuttall oak	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Okame cherry	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Osage-orange	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Overcup oak	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Paperbark maple	-	✓	○	✗	△	△
Persian parrotia	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Pin oak	-	✗	○	✗	○	○
Post oak	-	✓	○	✓	○	○
Princess tree*	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Princeton elm	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Red buckeye	-	✓	●	✓	●	●
Red horsechestnut	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Red maple	-	✓	●	✓	●	●
River birch	-	✓	●	✓	●	●
Sawtooth oak*	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Scarlet oak	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Shingle oak	+	✓	▼	✗	○	○
Shumard oak	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Siberian elm*	-	✓	●	✓	●	●
Silver linden	-	✗	○	✗	○	○
Silver maple	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Smoothleaf elm	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Sour cherry	-	✓	●	✗	○	○
Sourwood	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Southern live oak	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼
Southern magnolia	+	✓	▼	✓	✓	▼



# Climate change and urban forest management in the District

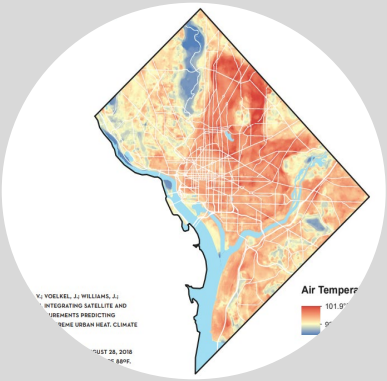
2019

2020

2021

2022

2023



Urban heat mapping

Assessing climate vulnerability and adaptation planning

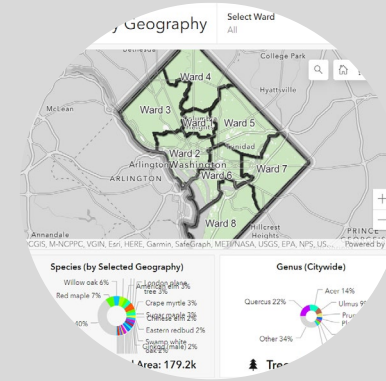
Species may perform worse than modeled

**ZONE SUITABILITY:**  
 ✓ Suitable  
 ✗ Not Suitable

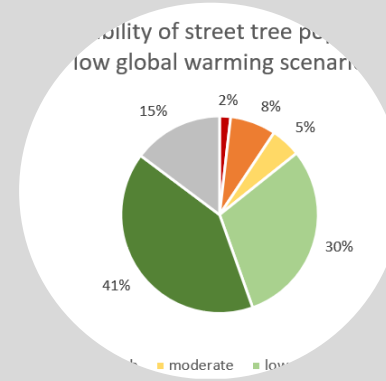
**VULNERABILITY:**  
 ▼ Low Suitability  
 ● Low-moderate Suitability  
 ○ Moderate Suitable zone

COMMON NAME	LOW EMISSIONS		HIGH EMISSIONS		COMMON NAME
	ADAPT	SUIT	VULN	SUIT	
Allegheny serviceberry	+	✓	✓	✓	Honeylocust*
American linden, Basswood	+	✓	●	✗	Ironwood
American sweetgum, fruitless	+	✓	▼	✓	Japanese flowering cherry
American beech	-	✓	✓	✓	Japanese pagoda tree
American elm	-	✓	●	✓	Japanese tree lilac
American sycamore	-	✓	●	✓	Japanese zelkova
Amur corktree*	+	✗	○	✗	Jefferson elm
Amur maackia	+	✗	○	✗	Katsura tree
Black cypress	+	✓	▼	✓	Kentucky coffeetree
Black locust	+	✓	▼	✓	Kousa dogwood
Black locust	+	✓	▼	✓	Lacebark elm
Black locust	+	✓	▼	✓	Littleleaf linden
Black locust	+	✓	▼	✓	London plane
Black locust	+	✓	▼	✓	Malabar chestnut
Black locust	+	✓	▼	✓	Manitowish
Black locust	+	✓	▼	✓	Manitowish
Black locust	+	✓	▼	✓	Manitowish

Prioritizing tree species



Decision support tool: implementation

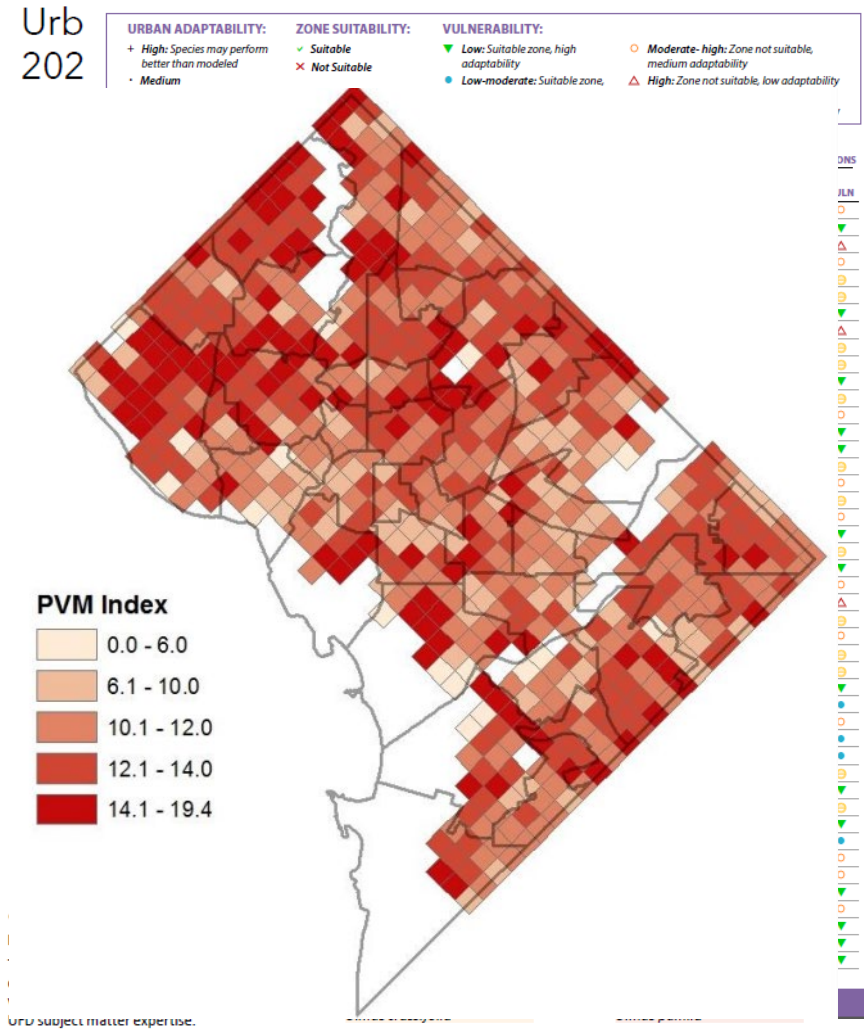


Evaluating progress



# Prioritizing tree species selections

- Available data and resources
  - Tree atlas and NIACS climate vulnerability
  - Pest vulnerability matrix
  - Subject matter expertise
  - Tree mortality study data
- Urban foresters ranked tree species
- Prioritized tree list for planting



# Decision support tool

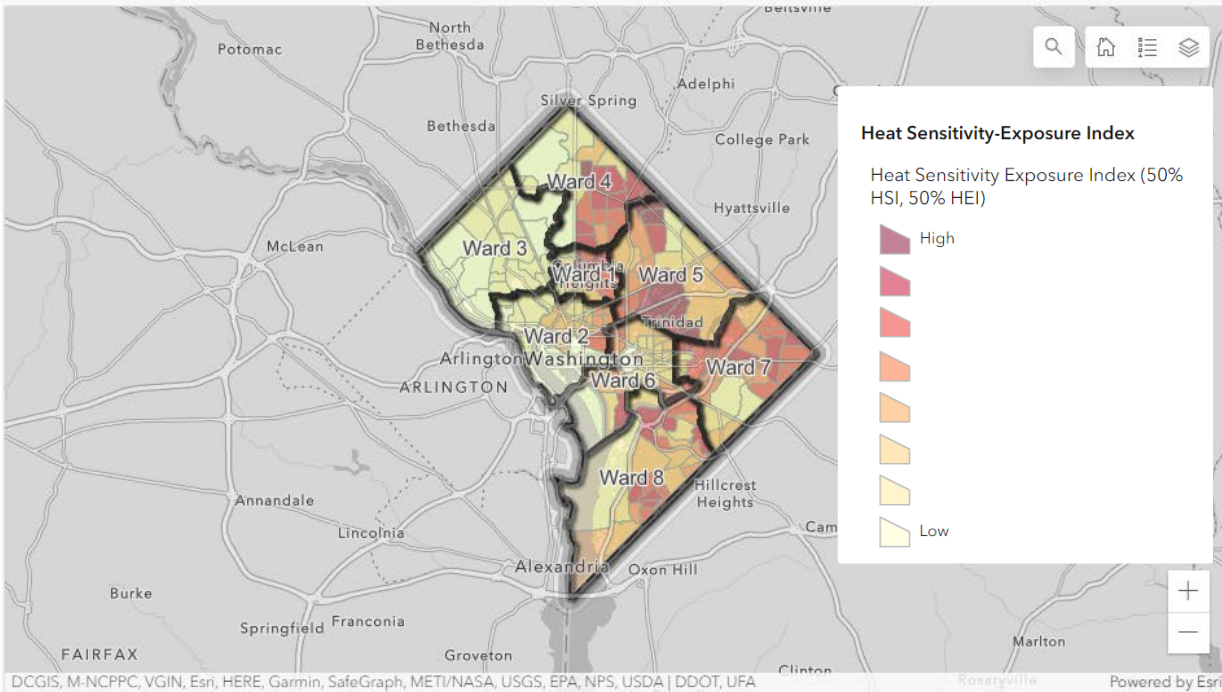
## d. Trees by Geography

Select Ward  
All

ANC  
All

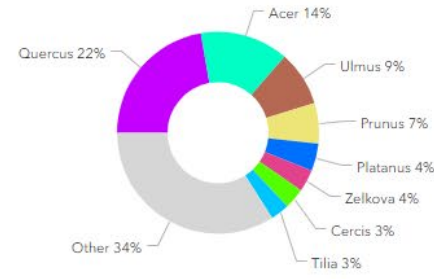
SMD  
All

Arborist  
All



### Ward 1

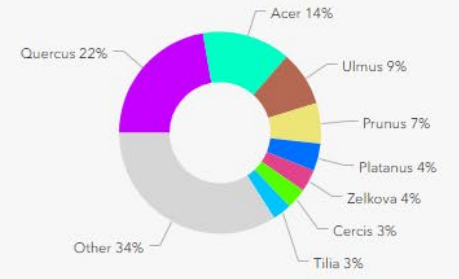
#### Genus (by Ward)



🌲 179.2k

### SMD: 1A01

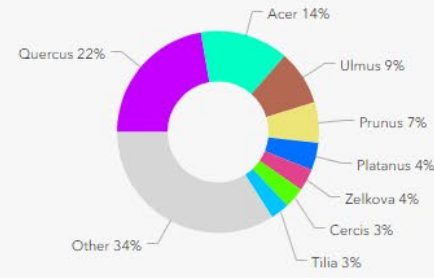
#### Genus (by SMD)



🌲 179.2k

### ANC: 1A

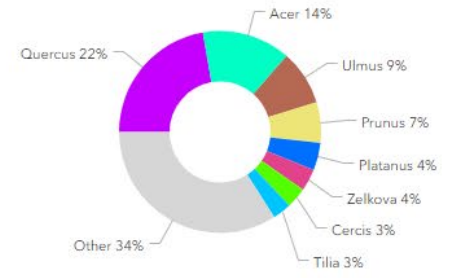
#### Genus (by ANC)



🌲 179.2k

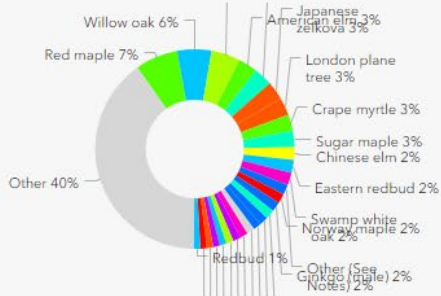
### Alexander Grieve

#### Genus (by Arborist)



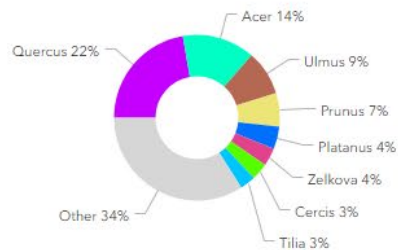
🌲 179.2k

### Species (by Selected Geography)



🌲 Trees by Selected Area: 179.2k

### Genus (Citywide)



🌲 Trees in DC: 179.2k

By Geography

Distribution

Benefits

Planting Priorities

Vulnerabilities

# Decision support tool

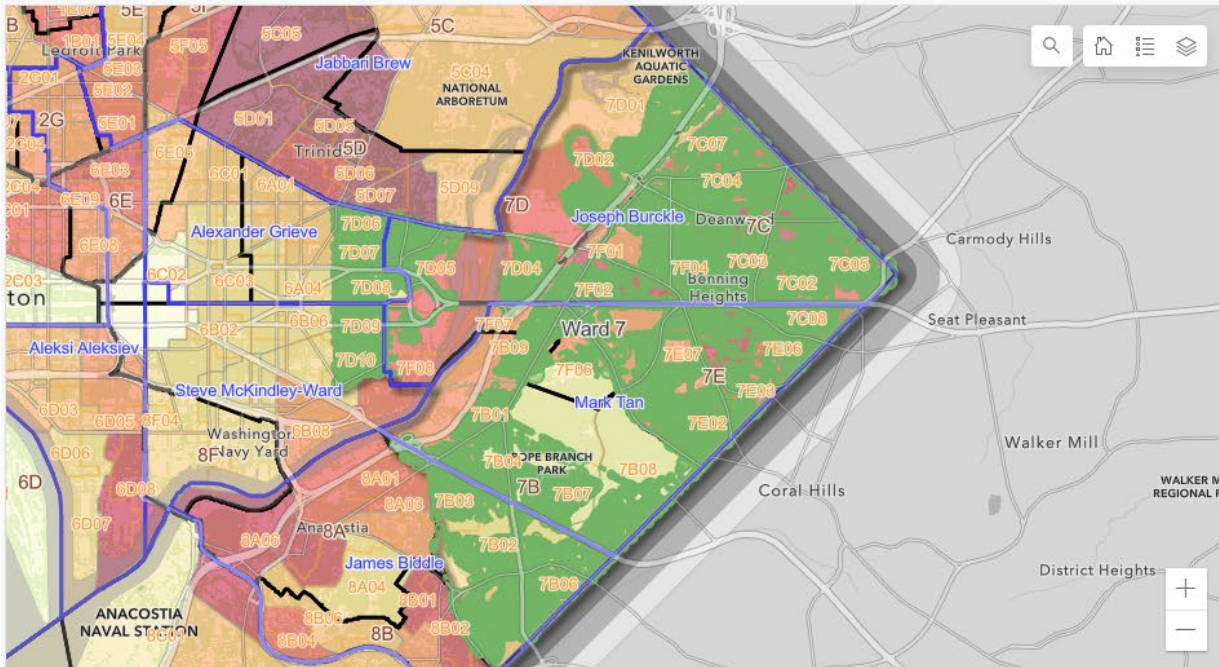
## d. Trees by Geography

Select Ward  
7

ANC  
All

SMD  
All

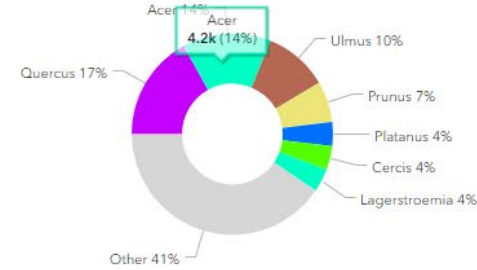
Arborist  
All



DCGIS, M, NCPPC, VGIN, Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies, Inc, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, USDA | DDOT, UFA | Berkshire Powered by Esri

### Ward 7

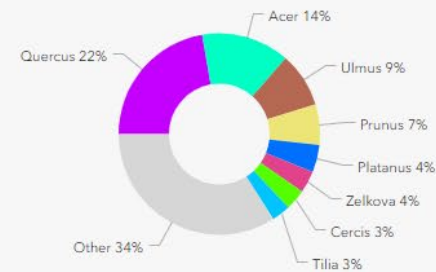
#### Genus (by Ward)



🌲 29.3k

### ANC: 1A

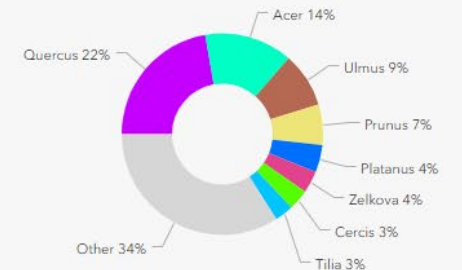
#### Genus (by ANC)



🌲 179.2k

### SMD: 1A01

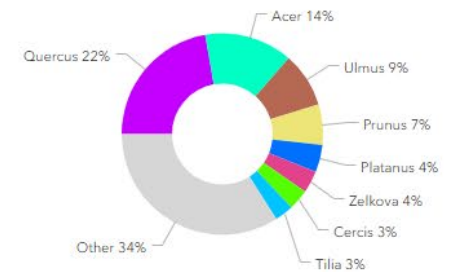
#### Genus (by SMD)



🌲 179.2k

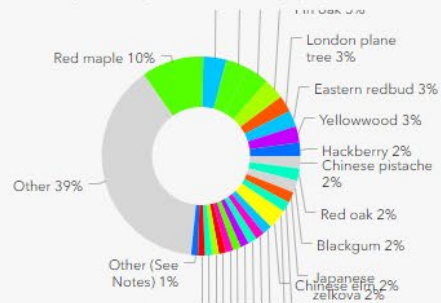
### Alexander Grieve

#### Genus (by Arborist)



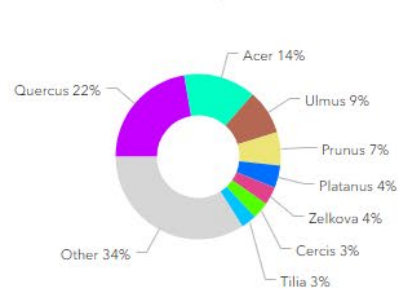
🌲 179.2k

#### Species (by Selected Geography)



🌲 Trees by Selected Area: 29.3k

#### Genus (Citywide)



🌲 Trees in DC: 179.2k

By Geography

Distribution

Benefits

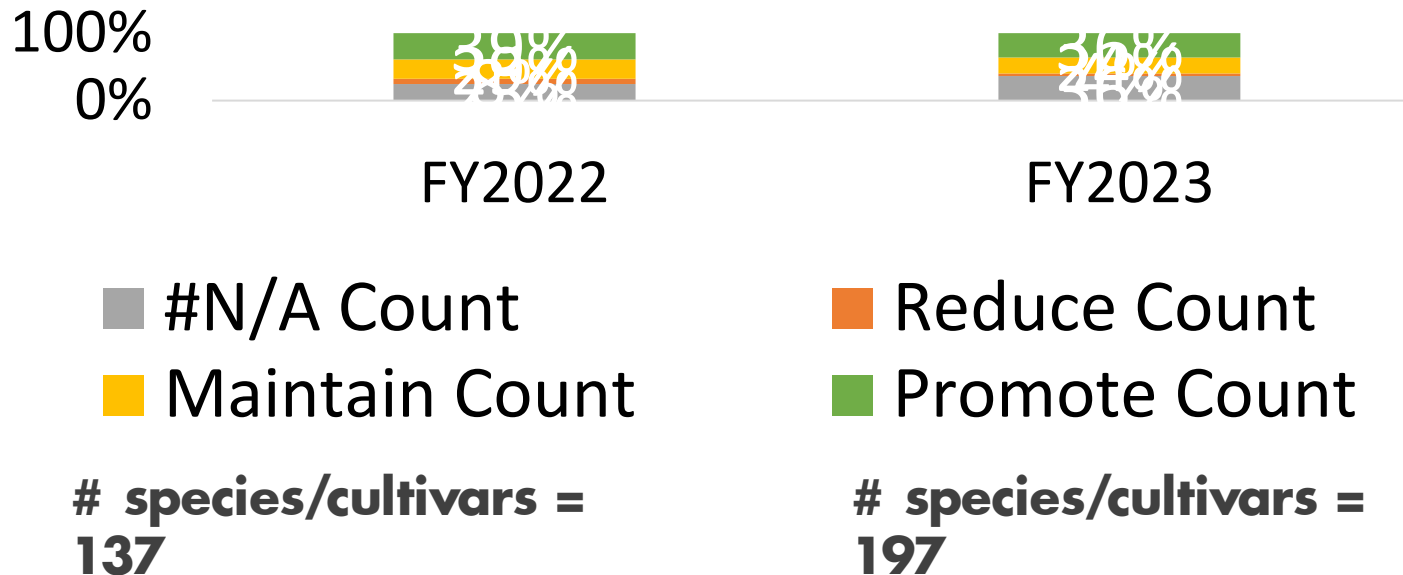
Planting Priorities

Vulnerabilities



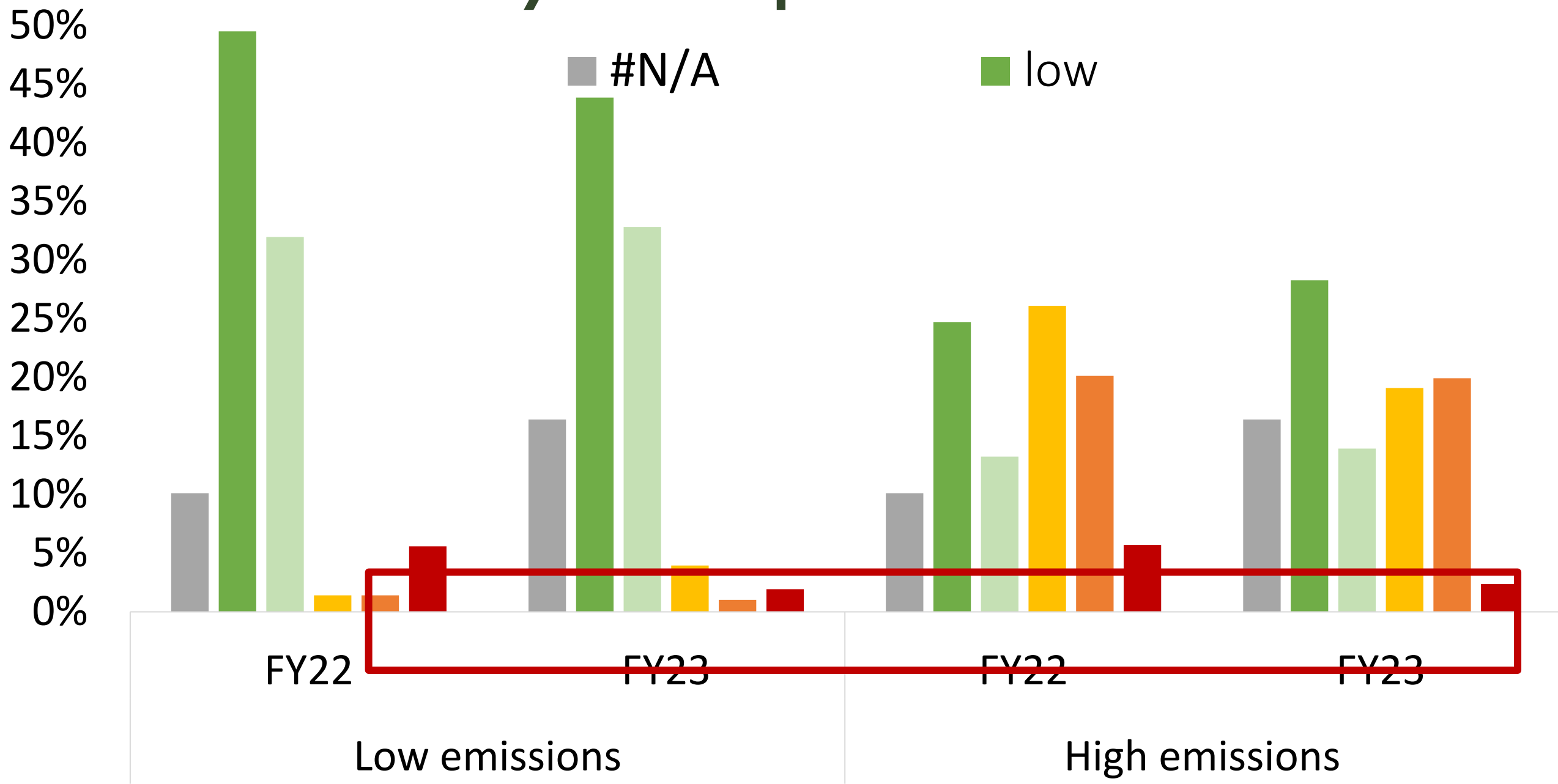
# Adoption of tree species priority list

## Tree planting selections by priority list





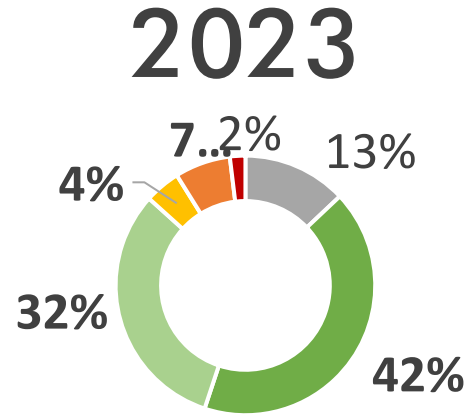
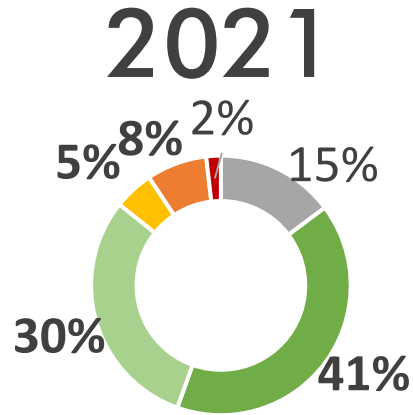
# Climate vulnerability of tree species selections





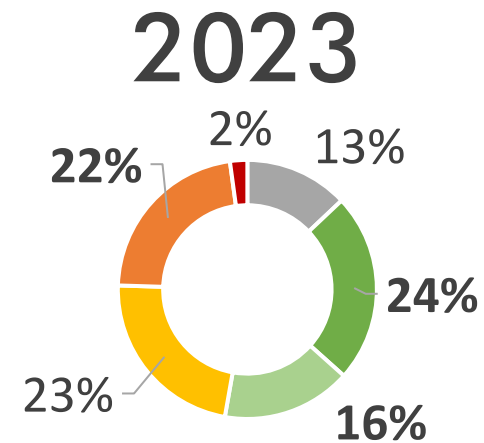
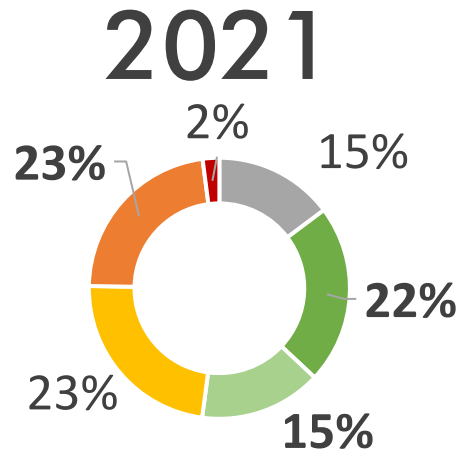
# Climate vulnerability of street tree population

## Low emissions scenario



■ #N/A ■ low ■ low-moderate ■ moderate ■ moderate-high ■ high

## High emissions scenario



## Next steps

- Annual evaluation of planting selections
- Integrate climate vulnerability into public tree inventory (Open Data DC)
- Apply climate vulnerability to Urban Forest Inventory and Analysis data
- <https://climatereddyforests.dc.gov/>





# Thank you

**Kasey M Yturralde, PhD**



Urban and Community Forestry  
US Forest Service  
kasey.yturralde@usda.gov



District Department of Transportation

Urban Forestry Division

<https://trees.dc.gov/>



Food and Agriculture  
Organization of the  
United Nations



Arbor Day  
Foundation



POLITECNICO  
MILANO 1863



International Society of Arboriculture



Smithsonian



# **2nd** **World** **Forum on** **Urban** **Forests**

**2023**



**World Forum on  
Urban Forests**



# 2nd World Forum on Urban Forests

Washington DC, 2023

**Planning, designing and managing the urban forest to strengthen its resilience to external shocks.**

Kampala Urban Tree Audit and  
Forestry Plan



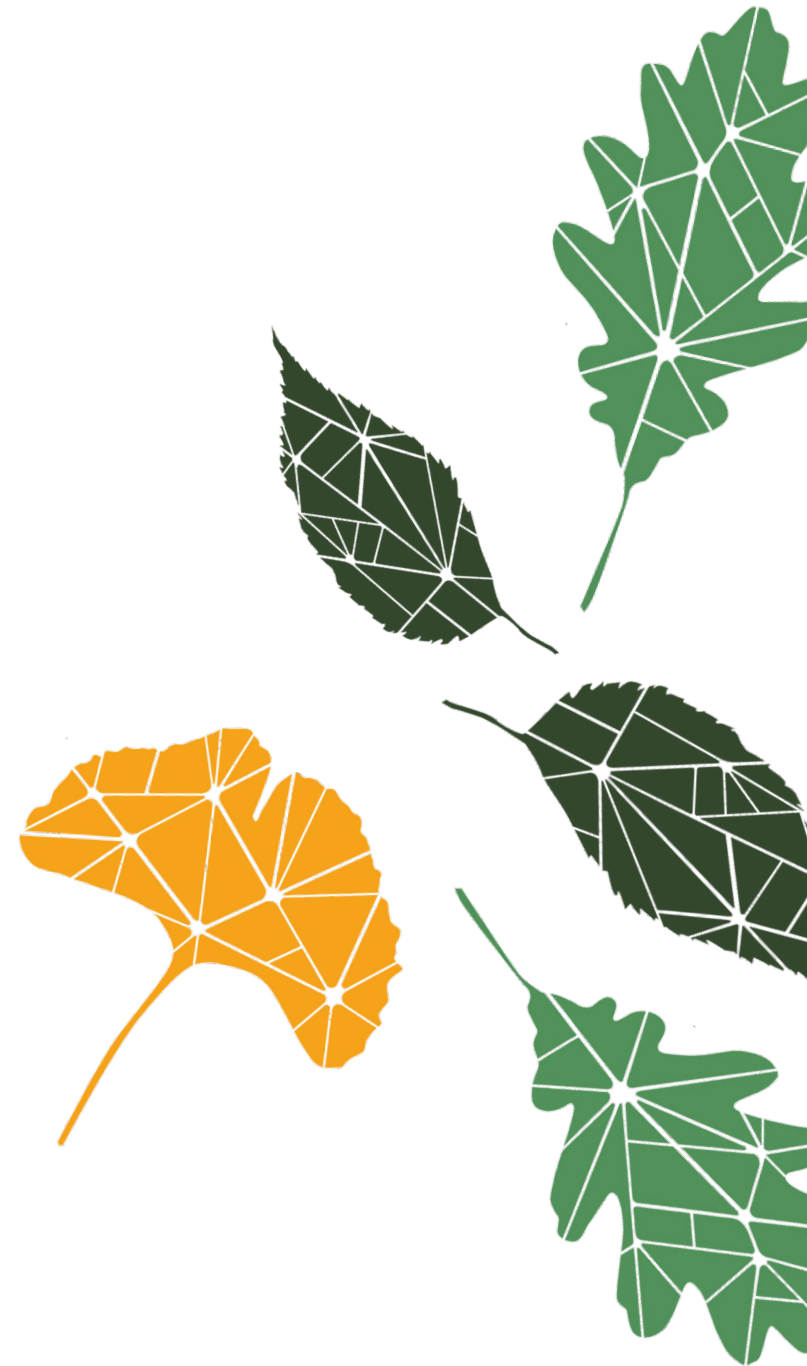
---

**Presented by**

Padde Daniel

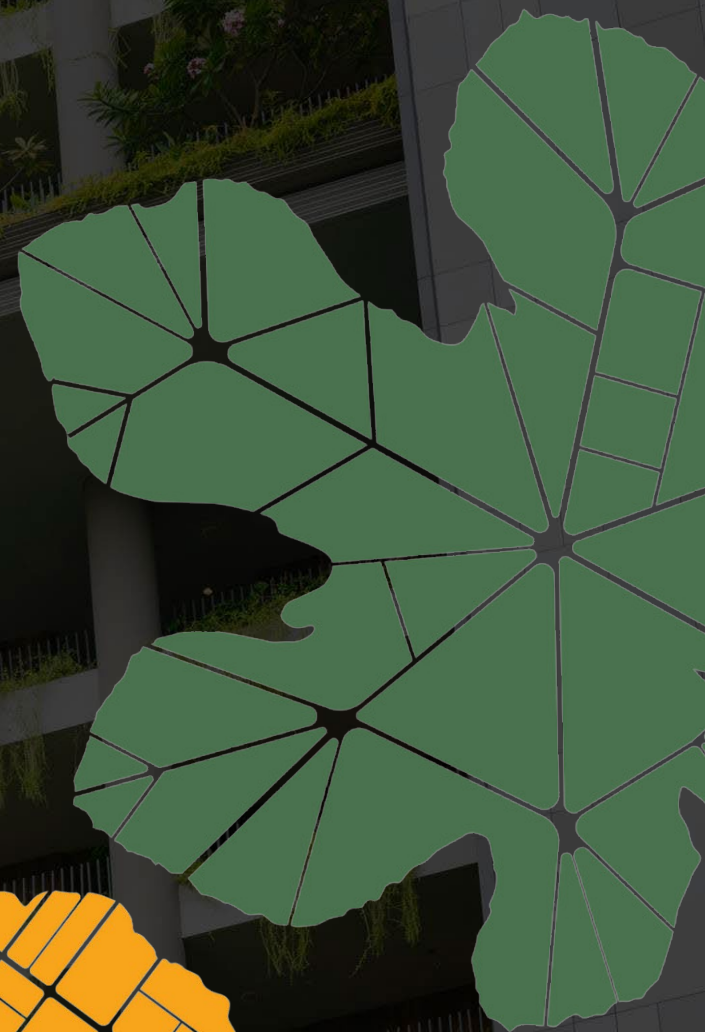
Kampala Capital City Authority, Uganda

18<sup>th</sup> October, 2023



## Kampala – Capital City of Uganda

- ❑ Total area of 189 sq. Km(4,668.3 Ha)
- ❑ Regarded the Garden city of Africa (KPDP, 2012)
- ❑ Contributes 60% of the national GDP (KCCA, 2014)
- ❑ Area size – 189 Km Sq.
- ❑ Popln: Resident: 1.65million & day time 4.5 million (UBOS, 2014)



## Kampala URBAN FOREST

□ A system of trees growing on public, private and institutional land within the city and its suburb limits. urban forest is a valuable natural resources that has a number of benefits that enhance the overall environment quality of places where people live and work

As a vital, living component of the city. Their interaction with other necessities such as buildings adversely impacts their normal life expectancy

*Limited by planting spaces, compacted poor soils, reflected heat and inadequate water, etc.*

As a result, urban trees must be treated to a sound, rigorous, and purposeful management regime in order to perform successfully in their surrounding. Provide significant community benefits while remaining reasonably safe for surrounding homes and individuals



# Benefits of the Urban Forest



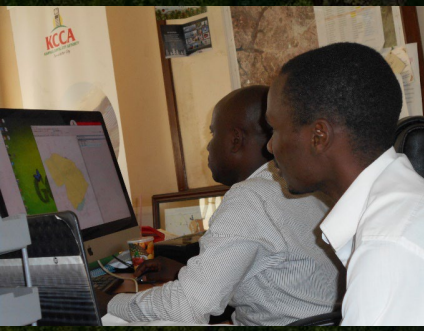
- Air quality, Biodiversity conservation, Flood mitigation, Social cohesion, nutrition supplement, UHI effect reduction



# Kampala Tree Audit : Know the trees to manage



Area Code	Name	Latitude	Longitude	Status	Owner	Assess	Checked
PAK013		0	0	03-07-2017 08:30	03-07-2018 01:00	Unassessed	✓
PAK017		0	0	28-07-2017 08:47	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK018		0	0	24-07-2017 14:17	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK011		0	0	03-06-2017 07:12	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK015		0	0	31-07-2017 12:34	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK001		0	0	02-08-2017 21:22	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK002		0	0	02-08-2017 12:33	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK003		0	0	04-08-2017 06:42	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK004		0	0	04-08-2017 07:08	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK005		0	0	02-08-2017 08:34	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK006		0	0	04-08-2017 12:08	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK007		0	0	04-08-2017 12:08	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK008		0	0	04-08-2017 12:08	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK009		0	0	10-08-2017 12:02	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK010		0	0	13-08-2017 09:39	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK011		0	0	14-08-2017 12:01	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK012		0	0	17-08-2017 09:30	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK017		0	0	18-08-2017 10:46	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK019		0	0	18-08-2017 12:02	09-02-2018 14:56	Unassessed	✓
PAK014		0	0	14-08-2017 07:01	14-02-2018 14:42	Unassessed	✓



ArcGIS  
Survey123

Sign in with ArcGIS Enterprise

Manage ArcGIS connections

Continue without signing in

esri THE SCIENCE OF WHERE

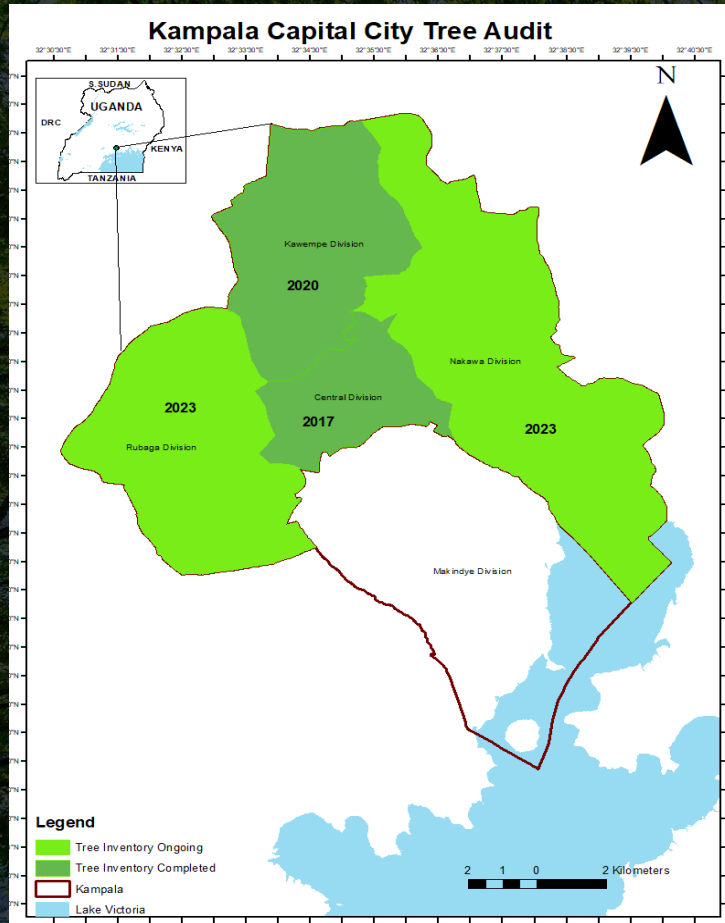
## Tree inventory

### Objectives

1. Develop tree data base for the city
2. Assessment for tree health
3. Estimate the carbon stock and sequestration potential
4. Develop an urban forestry plan



# Kampala Tree Audit



❑ Pilot in 2016/17 in Central, expanded to Kawempe in 2020/21 and Nakawa and Rubaga in 2023

105,671 trees Audited to date

- ❑ Estimated av. canopy cover of 15%
- ❑ A tree density of 13 trees/acre
- ❑ 80% Exotic and 20% Native

## Kampala Tree Audit

- ❑ Over 328 species, 13 being Nationally & internationally protected
- ❑ 43 fruit tree species, *Persea americana* is the most abundant fruit tree with 31.4%
- ❑ 125 ornamental species, Palms are the most abundant, with *Roystonea regia* at 10.67%



# Kampala Forestry Plan 2019 -2039

□ **Vision:** By 2039, Kampala's Urban Forest will be abundant, diverse, healthy, self reliant and cared for by all and will contribute to the safety of our community and creation of a lush green attractive and livable city in the region.



## Goal

Enhance and Maintain  
Conserve & protect urban tree canopy cover

## Objectives

1. Increase the tree density of the Urban forest
2. Develop an Urban Forestry framework
3. Increase the diversity of native species
4. Increase awareness of the urban forest mgt





# Tree Cities of the World Recognition- FAO, 2022

A programme of: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations **Arbor Day Foundation**

ABOUT ▾ RECOGNISED CITIES BECOME A TREE CITY ▾ CONTACT ▾

have received Tree Cities of the World recognition.

Search

- I** India (2)
- U** Uganda (1)
- S** Senegal (1)
- T** Tanzania (1)

**Kampala, Uganda**  
RECOGNISED FOR: 3 YEARS  
 17133 Trees Planted  
 425 Volunteer Hours

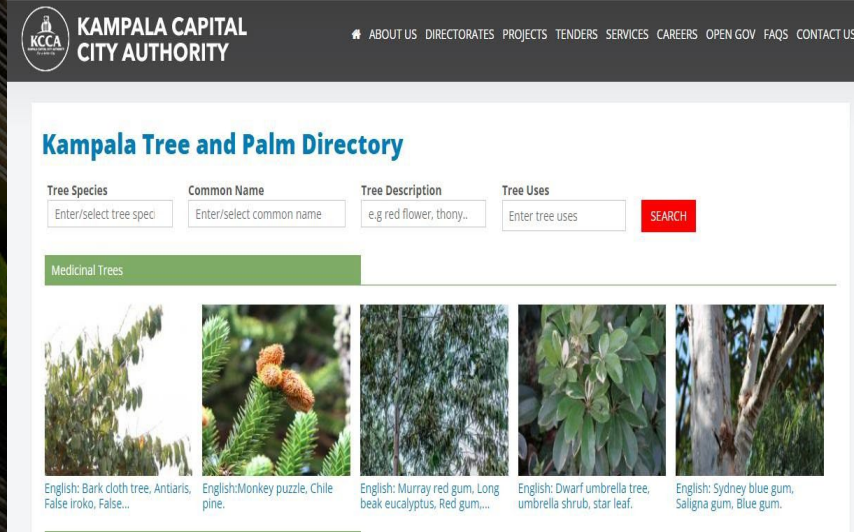
- Recognized for 3 years running on urban forest mgt standards
- 2020 – only city in Africa to attain recognition



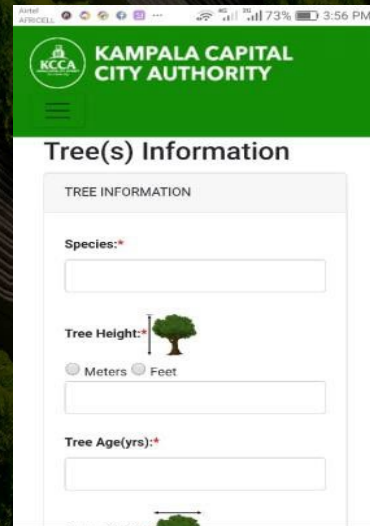
- Establish Responsibility
- Set the Rules
- Know What You Have
- Allocate the Resources
- Celebrate Achievements

# Importance of the Urban Tree Audit

## ☐ [Kampala Tree & Palm Directory](#)



## ☐ Public Tree Inventory



- ☐ Green Infrastructure ordinance
- ☐ Tree Valuation, A criteria to attach monetary value to our trees in the city
- ☐ Carbon sequestration methodology, enable us estimate annual carbon sink

# Other Projects being undertaken



Kampala Blue-Green Master Plan development

Kampala Biodiversity Survey (Fauna)







**“With out data you are just another  
Person with an Opinion”**

W. Edwards Deming- Data Scientist



# Thank you

**PADDEI Kampala Capital City Authority**

**Urban Forester**



**[danpaddeyes@gmail.com](mailto:danpaddeyes@gmail.com)**

**[ldpadde@kcca.go.ug](mailto:ldpadde@kcca.go.ug)**

**+ 256 759361867**



Food and Agriculture  
Organization of the  
United Nations



Arbor Day  
Foundation



# **2nd** **World** **Forum on** **Urban** **Forests**

**2023**



**World Forum on  
Urban Forests**



# 2nd World Forum on Urban Forests

Washington DC, 2023

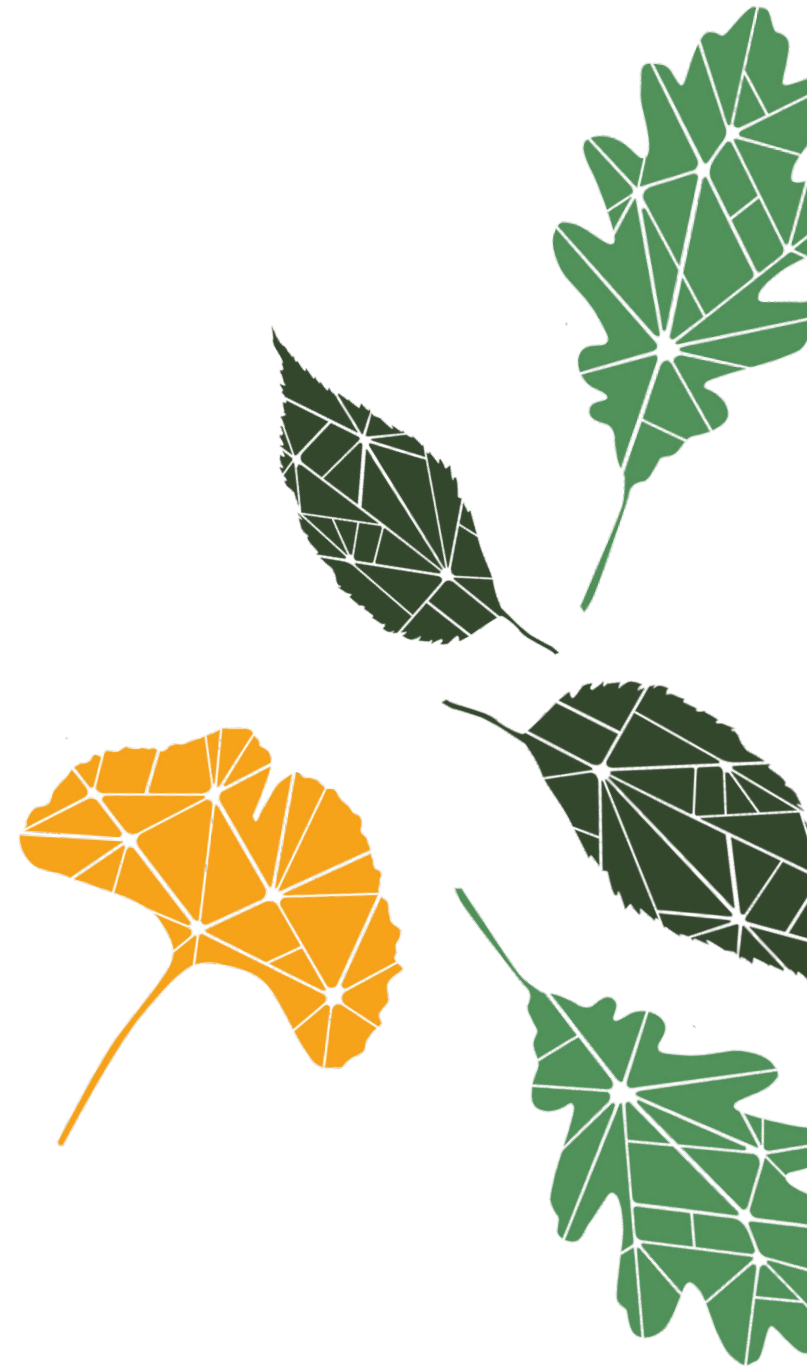
*Role of popular participation in the management of protected areas in a context of intense formal and informal urbanization pressure*



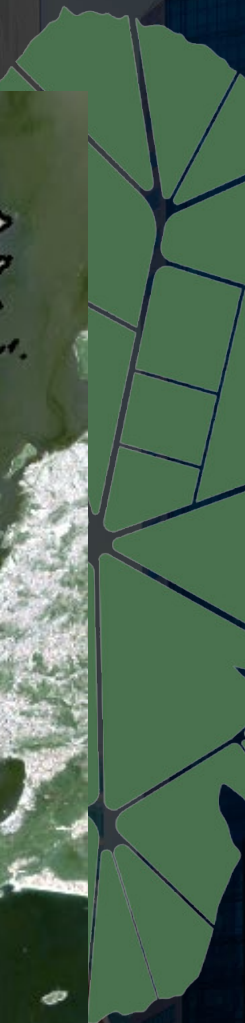
---

**Presented by**

*Luiz Octavio de Lima Pedreira*



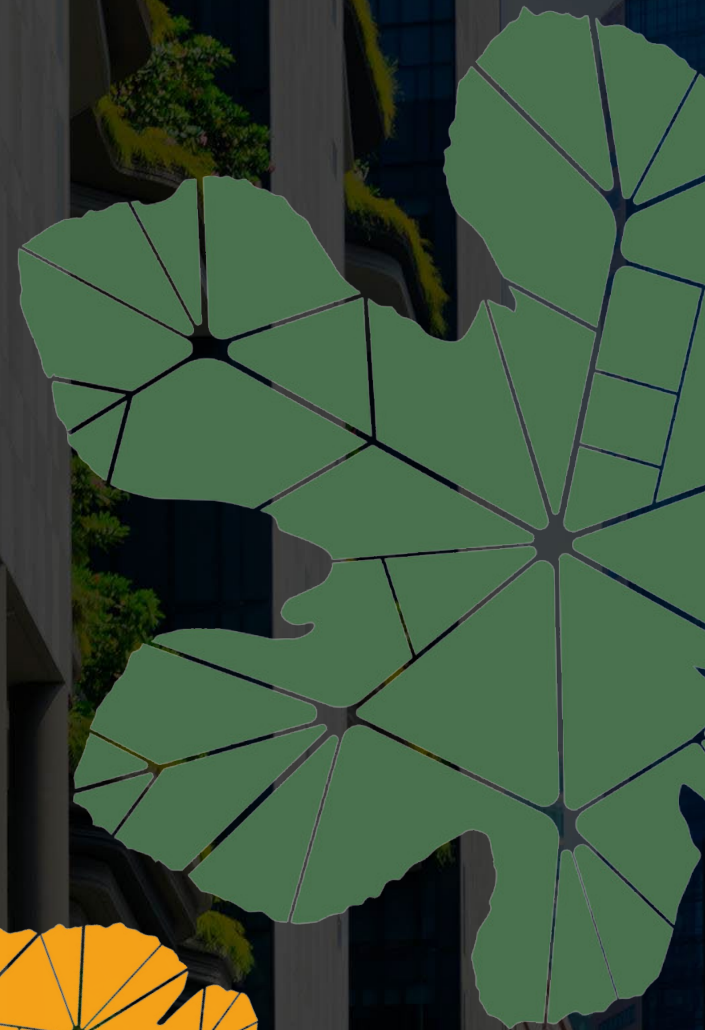
Rio de Janeiro City has 1205 km<sup>2</sup>, and 50% of green coverage



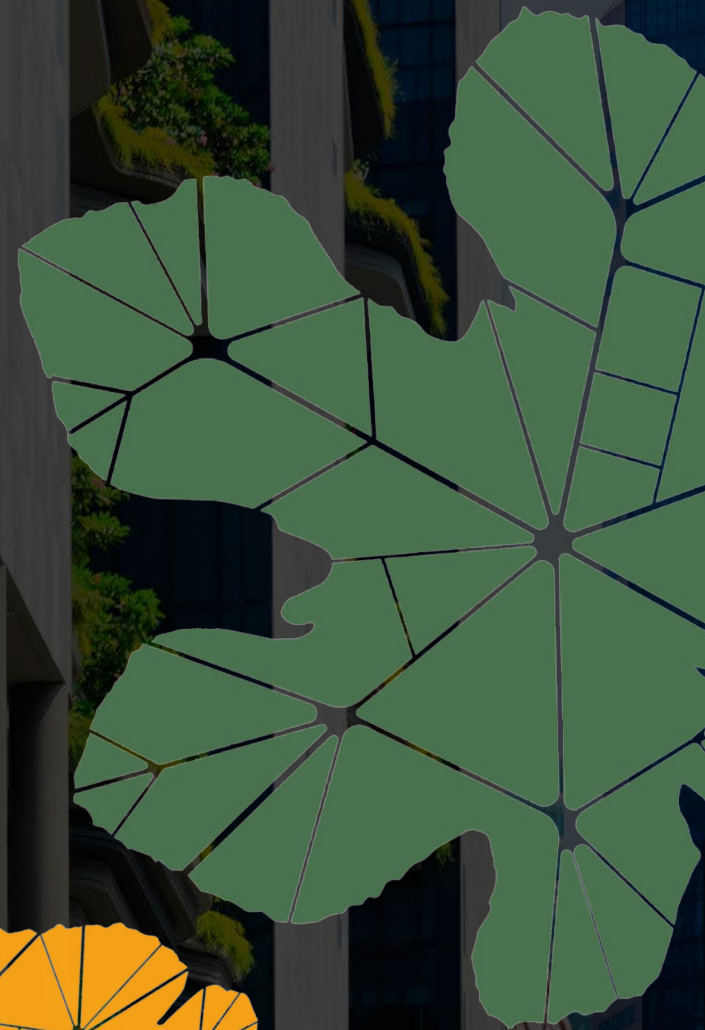
The city has 67 Protected Areas – PA under city management, many of these areas overlap each other, occupying 26% of its total area. Of these, only 15 have Management Councils, and of these only 7 are active.



PA must have a Management Council - MC, whose function is to assist the head of the UC in its management and integrate it with the population and the actions carried out in its surroundings. The MC must have representation from public bodies, both from the environmental and related areas (scientific research, education, national defense, culture, tourism, landscape, architecture, archeology and indigenous peoples and agricultural settlements), and from civil society, such as the resident and surrounding population, traditional population, indigenous peoples, property owners within the PA, workers and the private sector operating in the region, scientific community and non-governmental organizations with proven performance in the region.



We analyzed aspects of the effectiveness of urban PA creation and management implementation, in a context of severe formal and informal urbanization pressure, and the role of citizenship governance on PA management.





Environmental Protection Areas – APA (acronym in Portuguese) are a kind of PA of sustainable use, covering public and private lands. Serra dos Pretos Forros APA was created in 2000, with 27,26 km<sup>2</sup>, it has almost half of its area densely urbanized, with slumps and low-income neighborhoods, and vast areas covered by invasive exotic grasses, subject to annual anthropic fire, areas under forest restoration, and some areas covered with natural forests. Many of these areas are in a state of war between drug factions and paramilitary groups.





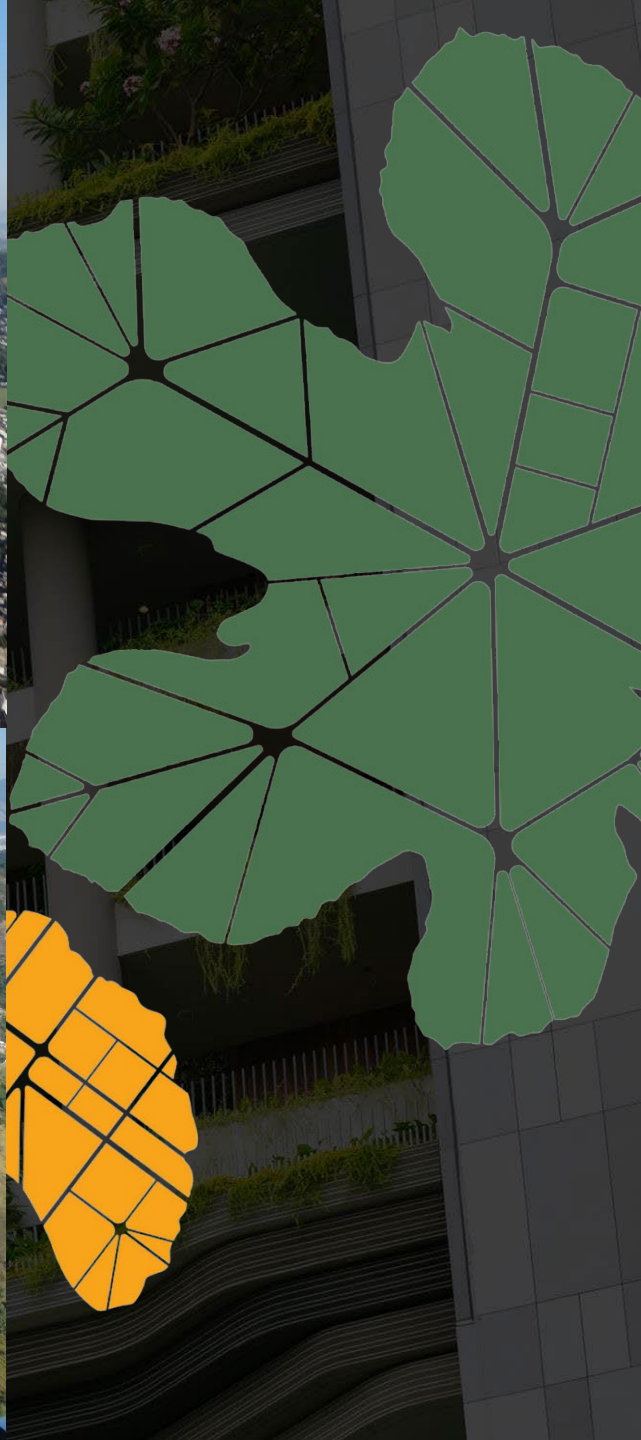
Tiroteios aterrorizam moradores da Praça Seca - 18/05/2018  
RJ2

**RJ2** Shooting at Praça Seca  
Moradores estão desde o início da tarde no meio do fogo cruzado

00:46 / 01:25





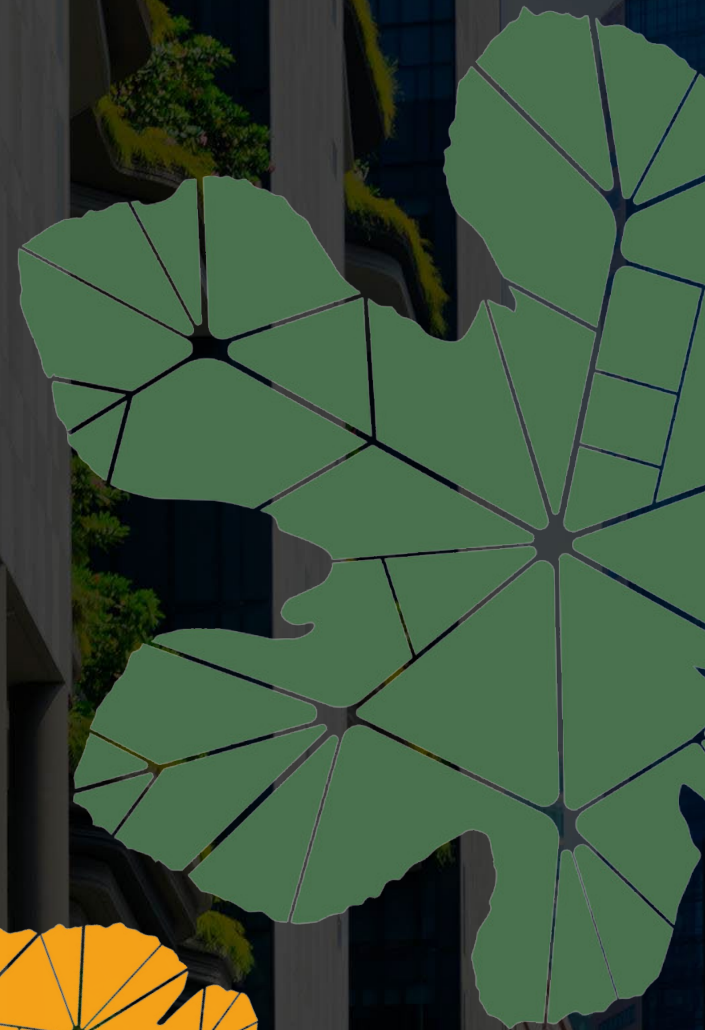




In August 2018, the City Hall was ordered by the court to implement the MC, with equal participation from civil society and public agencies, and to coordinate the process of elaboration of the area's Management Plan - MP. In November 2018, the City's Environmental Office appointed a manager to the area, with the mission to coordinate the creation of the MC and the elaboration of the MP.



One year after, the council was created, had approved its Internal Rules, and had held five meetings, and there was a group working in the elaboration of the MP, process that was interrupted some months later with the advent of the COVID19 pandemic. After changing the area's manager in September 2020, the hole process stopped, until February 2021, when a new manager was appointed, who reactivated the MC, which has been active since then, even though the process of elaboration of the MP for the area has not been resumed.



## **SERRA DOS PRETOS FORROS APA MC MEMBERS**

**Instituto Naturalis – NGO**

**ACALMA – NGO**

**AMA Freguesia - Residents' Association**

**FAM Rio - Residents' Association Federation**

**Água Mineral Santa Cruz – Company**

**SMAC - Rio de Janeiro Municipal Environmental Office**

**ICMBIO - National Biodiversity Institute**

**INEA - Environmental State Institute**

**SMU – Rio de Janeiro Municipal Urbanism Office**

**SMH – Rio de Janeiro Municipal Housing Office**





More than twenty years after, the Sertão Carioca APA was created, but its goal to protect natural remnants of the natural environment is under risk. Despite the main objective of the area being the protection of the remnants of the herbaceous marsh, dominated by the herbaceous *taboa*, *Typha domingensis* Pers., the fish of the Rivulidae family and the swampy forests, dominated by the tree *caixeta* *Tabebuia cassinoides* (Lam.) DC., the proposed zoning for the area foresees the possibility of building, with the opening of drainage channels, landfill and elevation of the grade, in more than 70% of the area, which implies the suppression of this natural environment.



## **SERTÃO CARIOCA APA MC MEMBERS**

**CBH-BG - Watershed Committee**

**IEDHMA – NGO**

**AMAVAG - Residents' Association**

**AMOR - Residents' Association**

**Ecomarapendi – NGO**

**Associação de Moradores da Santa Luzia - Residents'  
Association**

**Movimento Baía Viva - NGO**

**Alphaville Foundation**

**Rio de Janeiro Municipal Environmental Office**

**National Biodiversity Institute**

**Environmental State Institute**

**Rio de Janeiro Municipal Education Secretary**

**Rio de Janeiro Municipal Guard**

**UFF – Fluminense Federal University**

**UERJ – Rio de Janeiro State University**

**UFRJ – Rio de Janeiro Federal University**



Taboa



Rivulidae



Caixeta



# Mapa das Vargens com nova delimitação do REVIS dos Campos de Sernambetiba



## *QUADRO DE ÁREAS*

*Sertão Carioca APA*  
*Total Area: 3.247 hectares.*

*Área ZOC: 2.240 (69%)*  
*Área ZVS: 1.007 (31%)*

*REVIS dos Campos de Sernambetiba*  
*Total Area: 543 ha*

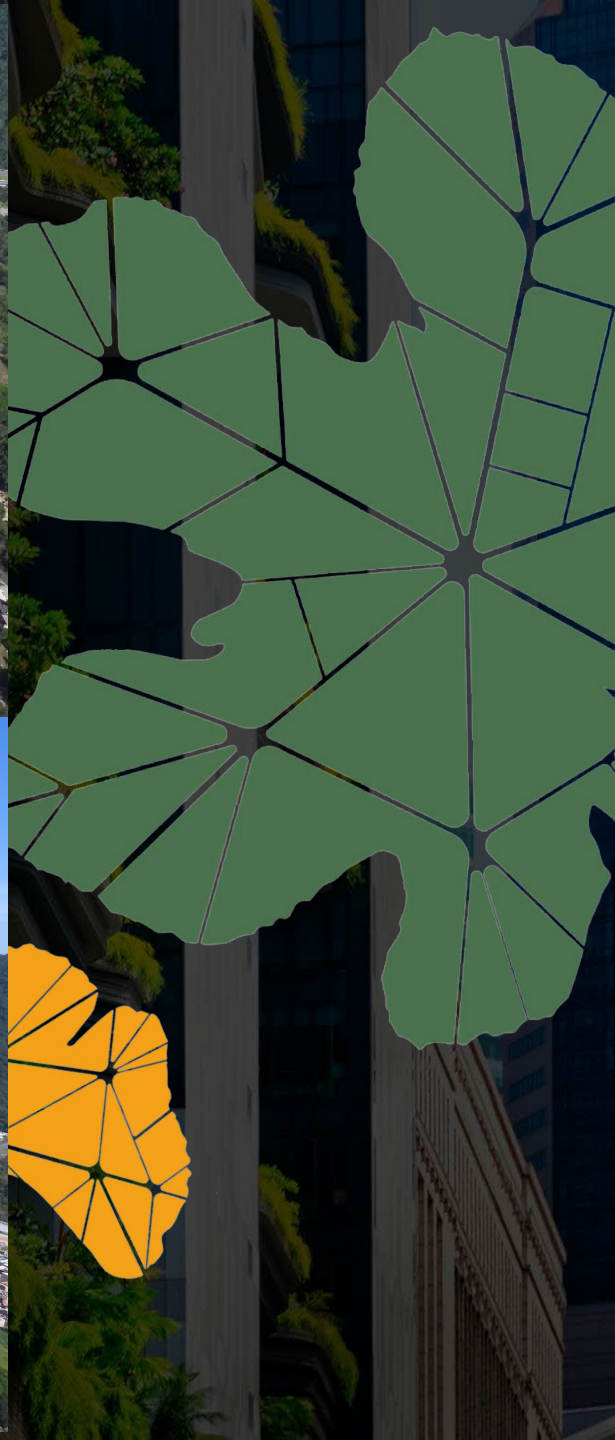
*Mosaico das Vargens*  
*Total Area: 3.790 ha*





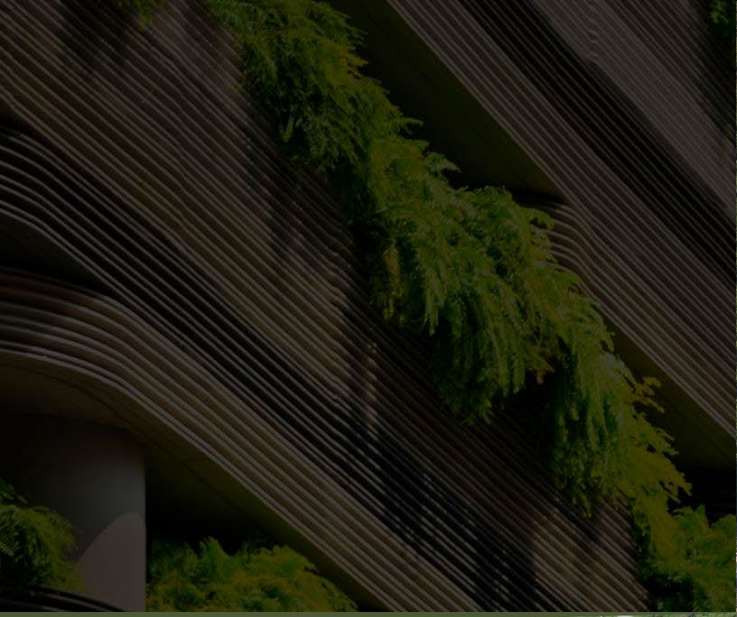
With a strong development pressure, of both formal and informal stakeholders, it seems that the reason to create this protected area will be impossible to realize. To avoid the suppression of the vegetation on these wetlands, and the flora and fauna that it supports, the civil society, organized in a MC, focus on the elaboration of the MP to revert the area zonation.











The Protected Areas Management Councils of these areas represent a civil society governance structure to ensure the implementation of the objectives foreseen when these areas were created, they represent the last hope to these natural remnants of the urban forests.





# Thank you, Let's Make a Better World, One Tree at a Time

Luiz Pedreira  
Rio de Janeiro City Environmental and Climate Office  
ISA CA

 [lolprj@gmail.com](mailto:lolprj@gmail.com)



Food and Agriculture  
Organization of the  
United Nations



Arbor Day  
Foundation



# **2nd** **World** **Forum on** **Urban** **Forests**

**2023**



**World Forum on  
Urban Forests**

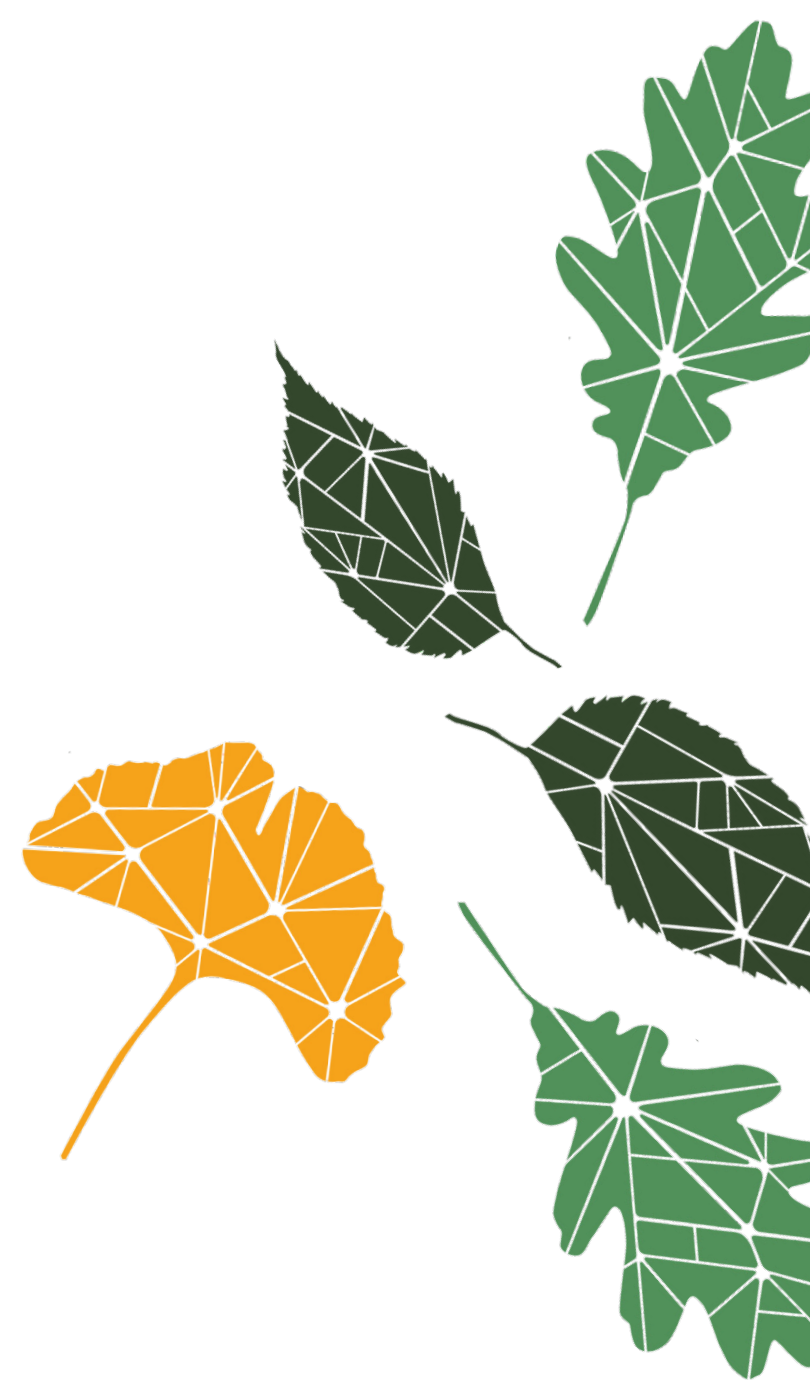


# 2nd World Forum on Urban Forests

Washington DC, 2023

## Holistic Biomass Management:

# Integrating Workforce Development & Wood Utilization in Philadelphia



---

Presented by

**Cambium Carbon**

Ben Christensen, Co-Founder & CEO

Alicia Blake, Sr. Environmental Analyst

US urban forests generate  
**46 million tons** of wood waste  
annually

Effective utilization of that wood can  
reduce greenhouse gas emissions by  
**251 million MT** while providing  
economic & social co-benefits





# Trees come down for a variety of reasons.



**MAINTENANCE**



**PEST & DISEASE**



**STORM**



**DEVELOPMENT**

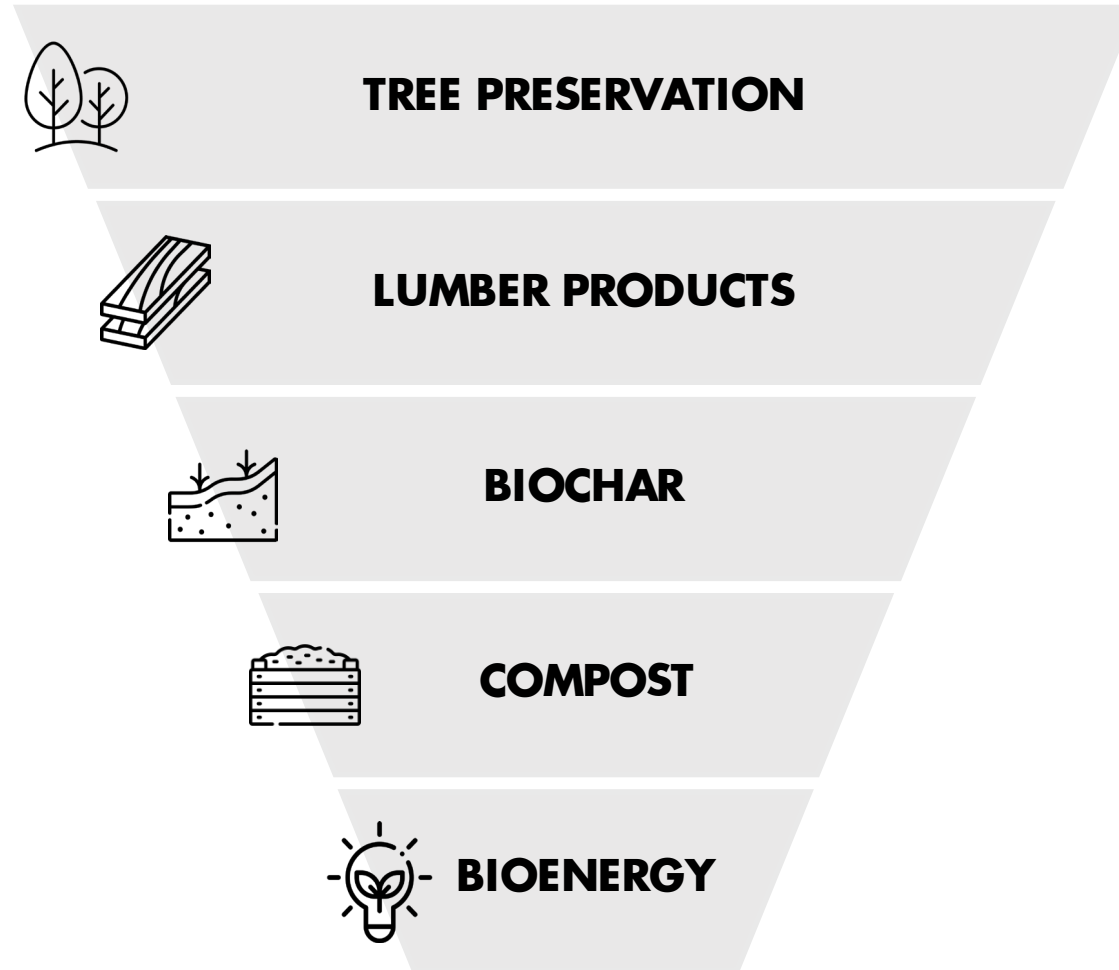






**We believe  
there is a  
way to  
maximize  
impact after  
removal.**

## HIERARCHY OF WOODY BIOMASS UTILIZATION





## 2nd World Forum on Urban Forests

Washington DC, 2023



Cambium Carbon uses technology to build local, regenerative supply chains.

We enable our partners to save wood from landfill, creating beautiful products with social & environmental impact.

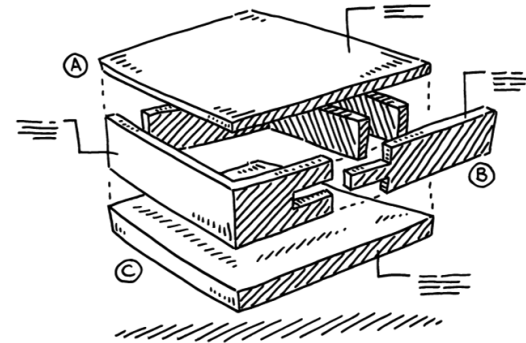
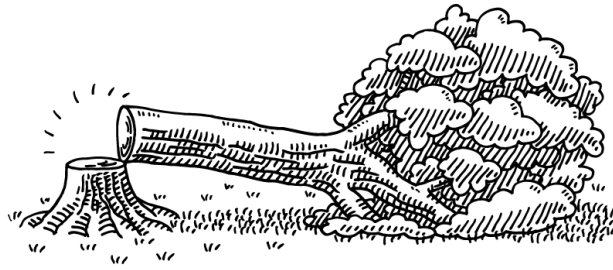
**Our team works to help cities process urban forest wood waste into value-added goods.**





# The Vision: Carbon Smart Wood Cities

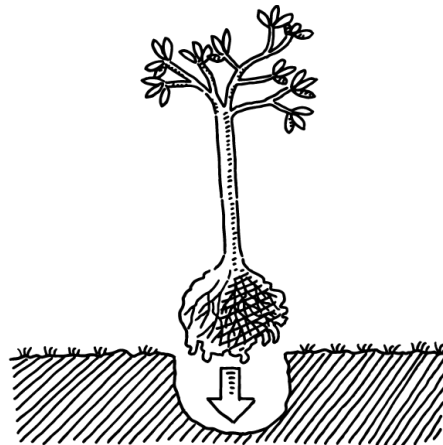
Trees require removal due to  
death, disaster,  
development, disease



Wood is up-cycled into  
value-added products



Profits support  
urban canopy  
regeneration





# This model thrives when different partners are brought together.



**WOOD  
GENERATORS**



**WOOD  
PROCESSORS**



**SECONDARY  
WOOD USERS**



**COMMUNITY  
GROUPS**





# Philadelphia Reforestation Hub

A first-of-its kind public-private-partnership model for lumber processing and job training.





**COST  
SAVINGS**



**WASTE  
DIVERSION**



**WORKFORCE  
DEVELOPMENT**





Green t-shirt with a white tree graphic.

Man in the foreground wearing a grey cap and glasses, smiling broadly.

Person in the center wearing a tan t-shirt with a name tag that says "Rorie" and "GRAMME Theyth".

Woman in a grey t-shirt with the text "URBAN WOOD RESCUE" and "SUSTAINABLE URBAN FORESTRY".

Man on the right wearing a green t-shirt with a white tree graphic and a grey bucket hat.

**TREE EQUITY**





Wlizer

O-E-C  
M-W-C  
WOOD  
SHOP

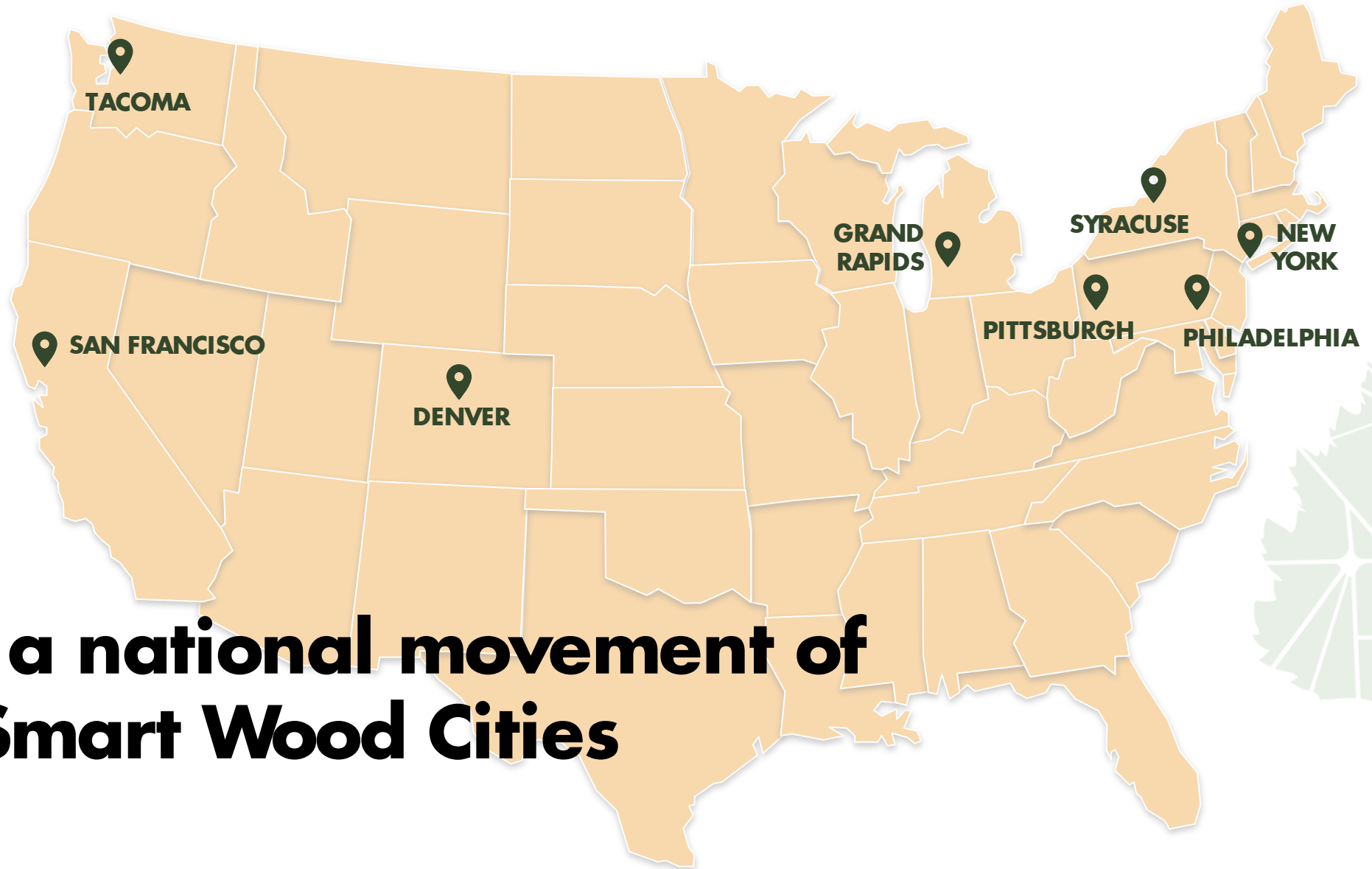
POWER  
CORPS  
PHL

POWER  
CORPS  
PHL



## 2nd World Forum on Urban Forests

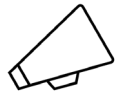
Washington DC, 2023



# Building a national movement of Carbon Smart Wood Cities

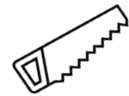
**How might you engage  
to maximize impact  
through woody  
biomass utilization?**





**City,  
Municipality, or  
Gov't Agency**

*Act as the voice,  
connector of parties,  
and policy advocate*



**Sawmill or  
Organics  
Recycling Center**

*Expertise to put  
woody biomass to its  
highest and best use*



**Designer,  
Architect, or  
Procurement**

*Key to utilizing the  
offtake and  
developing a market*



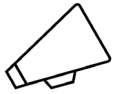
**Workforce  
Development  
Agency**

*Provides high-skilled  
jobs and tree canopy  
resiliency*



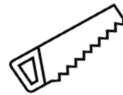


# Let's work together.



## **City, Municipality, or Gov't Agency**

Program Assessment,  
Design, &  
Implementation



## **Sawmill or Organics Recycling Center**

Technology platform  
to support scaling  
material



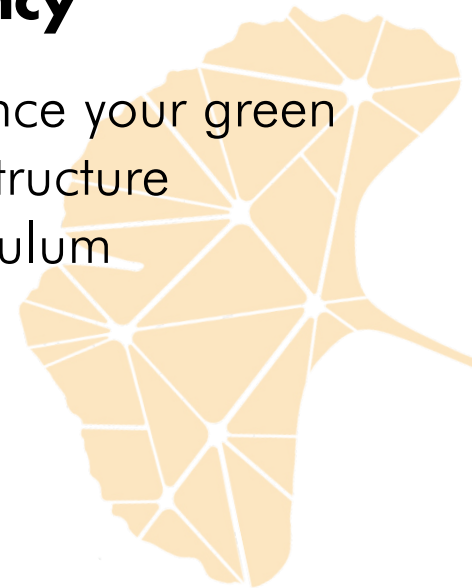
## **Designer, Architect, or Procurement**

Connect to a hyper-  
local and green  
materials



## **Workforce Development Agency**

Enhance your green  
infrastructure  
curriculum





## 2nd World Forum on Urban Forests

Washington DC, 2023



### Assessment & Design

6 to 12 months



### Pilot

12 to 18 months



### Implementation & Scaling Up

12 months +









Let us know  
how we can  
create value  
for you.





**2nd World Forum on  
Urban Forests**

Washington DC, 2023

# Thank you

**Ben Christensen** | [ben@cambiumcarbon.com](mailto:ben@cambiumcarbon.com)

**Alicia Blake** | [alicia@cambiumcarbon.com](mailto:alicia@cambiumcarbon.com)



**CAMBIUM  
CARBON**



# **2nd** **World** **Forum on** **Urban** **Forests**

**2023**



**World Forum on  
Urban Forests**

of the University of North Carolina (NCU)  
Specimen image captured for the  
Carolina Botanical Information Network (BOTNET)  
m L.  
ed by: Stephen M. Seiberling February / .2001



*Acer rubrum* L.: Orange  
AHLES 57901, UNC, Chapel  
35° 55' N, 79° 04' W.  
fide Dr. Edward Murray,  
Herbarium of the University of N  
NORTH CAROLIN  
ORANGE COUNTY

*Acer rubrum* L.  
deciduous woods, University of  
campus, Chapel Hill  
Harry E. Ahles 57901  
Collected for the "Flora of

# Selection in the City: understanding the roles of natural and domestic selection in shaping urban forests

Nancy F. Sonti, USDA Forest Service

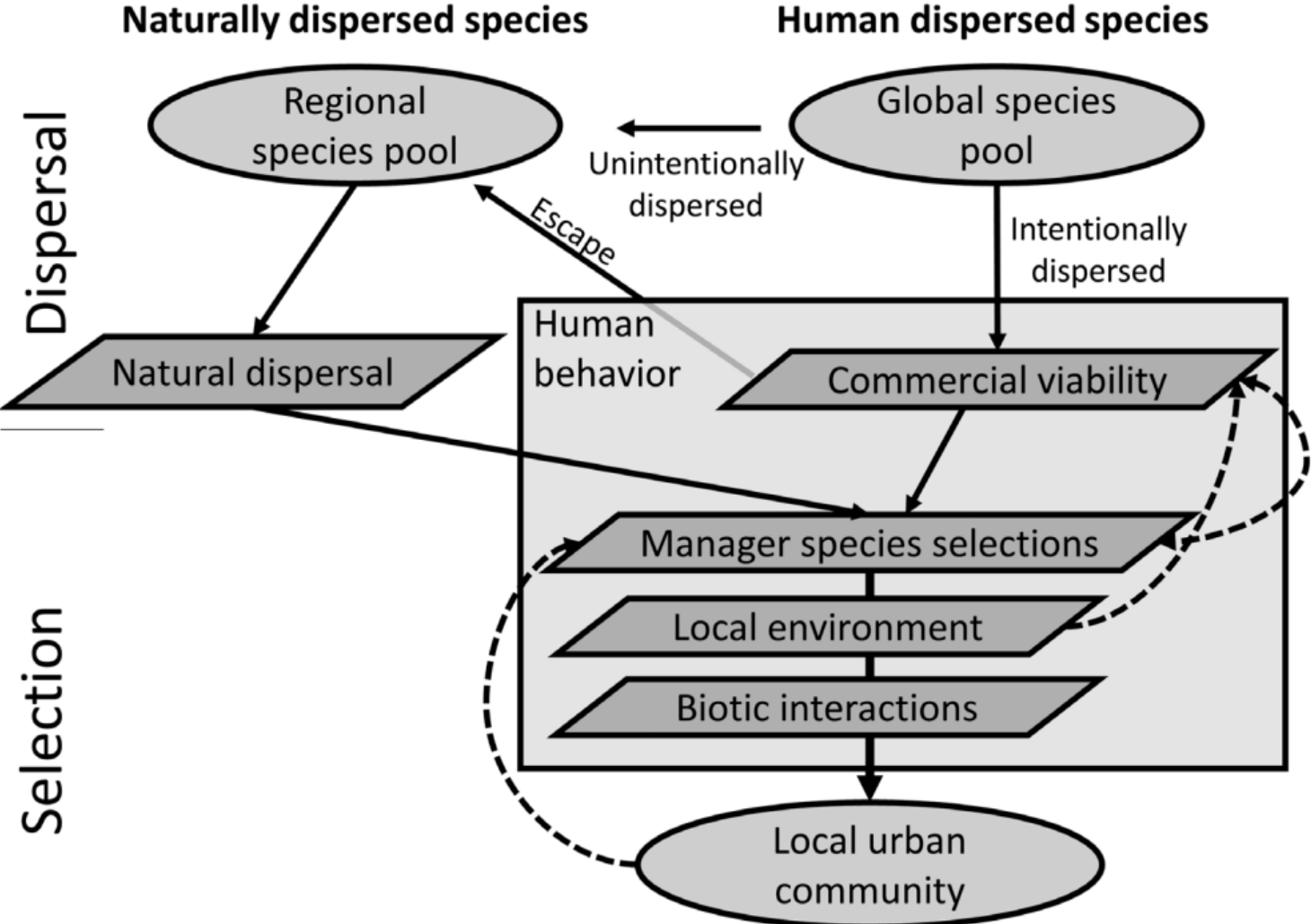
Dexter Locke, Meghan Avolio, Karin  
Burghardt, Eva Perry, Beatriz Shobe,  
Morgan Grove




SLBI

*Distributed from*  
The South London Botanical Institute.  
Ex. herb. B. Avery.  
*Acer platanoides* L.  
Norway maple.  
Naturalized on Putney Heath. S.L.C. 14.  
July 19 4. 59. Th. 23. 8. 59.  
Leg. Det.

# Natural, Artificial, and Domestic Selection



A photograph of a single, mature tree with a full canopy of green leaves, standing in a grassy field. In the background, a city skyline is visible under a clear blue sky. The tree is positioned on the left side of the frame, and the city skyline is centered in the distance.

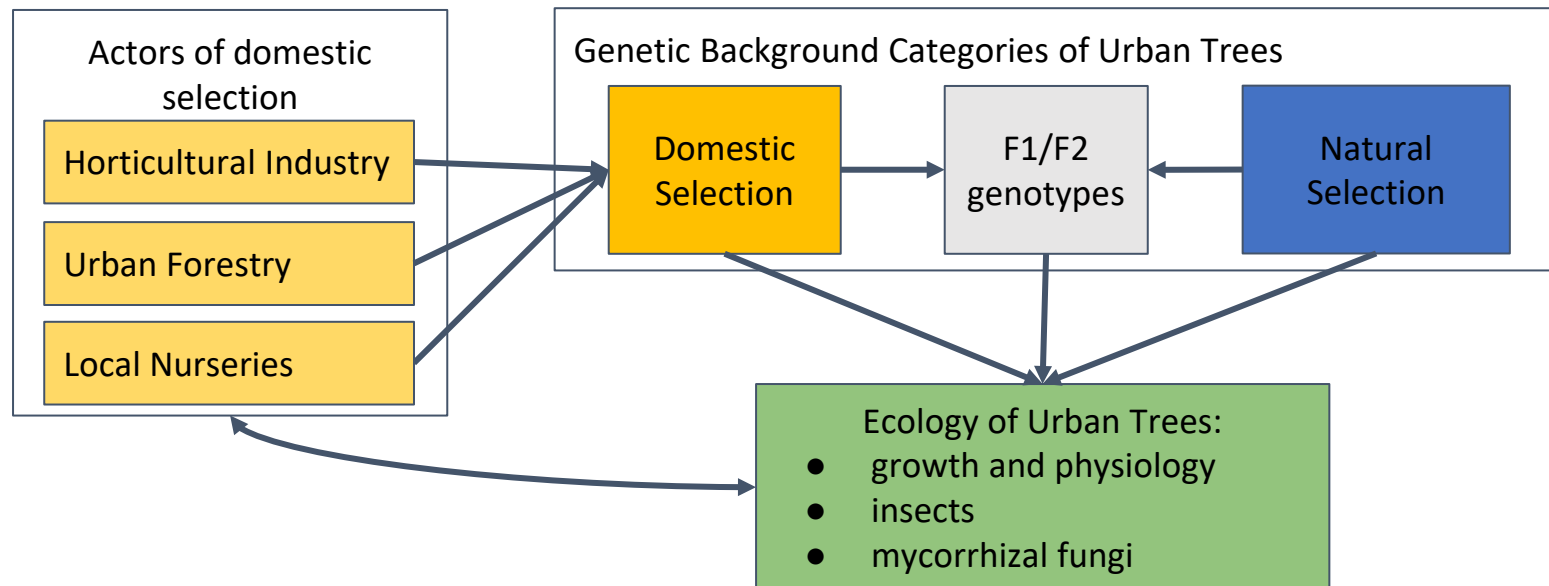
## Objective: Study the influence of domestic selection on the genetic diversity of urban trees and potential consequences for ecosystem services

- Urban trees provide many important ecosystem services
- Many urban trees are planted and sourced from nurseries
- Artificial selection is the selection of desirable traits by the **breeder**
- Domestic selection incorporates artificial selection and
  - Decisions about which trees to breed by **nurseries and growers**
  - Decisions about which trees to plant by **land managers and urban forestry practitioners**
- Planted cultivars can be clones of one another and have limited to no genetic variation among individuals



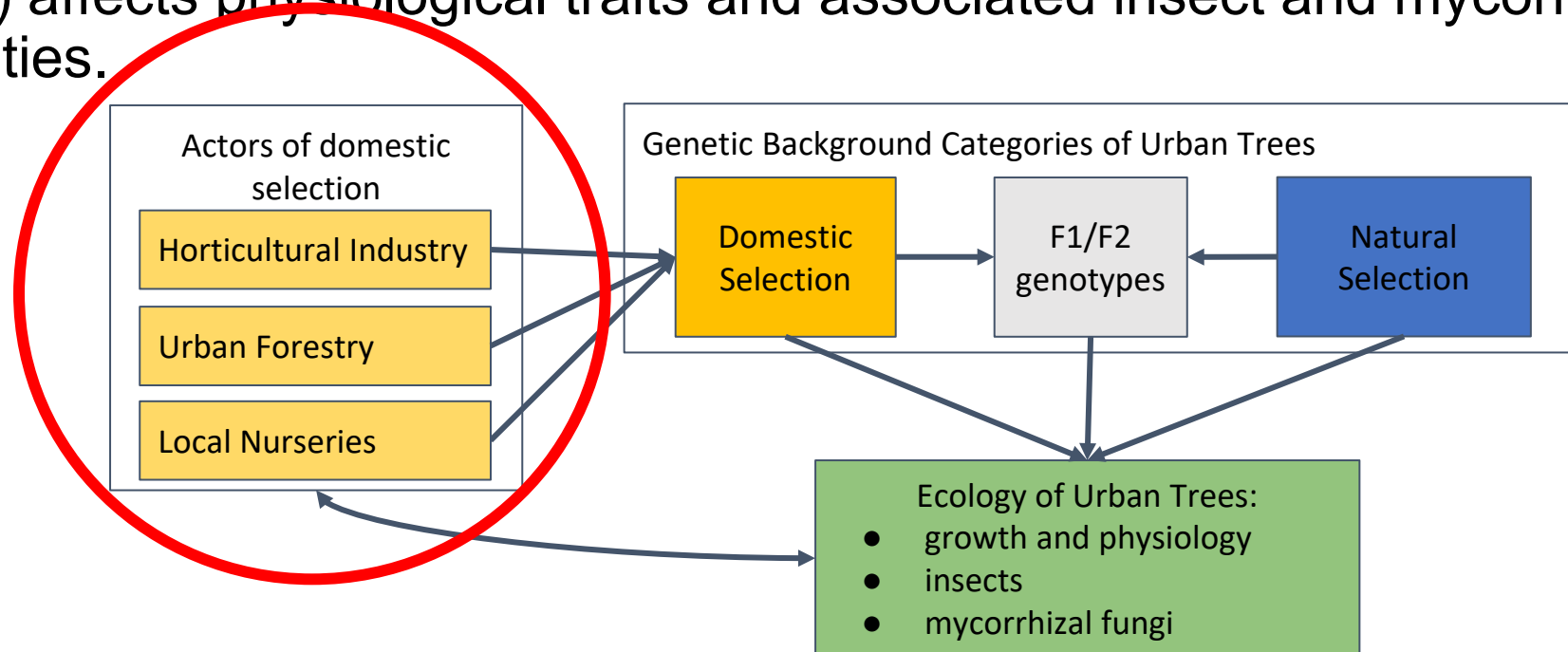
# Selection in the City: Study Objectives

- Examine domestic selection and the process of selecting and disseminating cultivars from the horticultural industry to urban tree planting organizations.
- Determine whether genotypes and genetic material from domestic selection are migrating into surrounding forests.
- Investigate whether genotype identity (e.g. original cultivar, F1/F2 generations, or wild type) affects physiological traits and associated insect and mycorrhizal communities.



# Selection in the City: Study Objectives

- Examine domestic selection and the process of selecting and disseminating cultivars from the horticultural industry to urban tree planting organizations.
- Determine whether genotypes and genetic material from domestic selection are migrating into surrounding forests.
- Investigate whether genotype identity (e.g. original cultivar, F1/F2 generations, or wild type) affects physiological traits and associated insect and mycorrhizal communities.





## Supply Chain Analysis

- Conduct a supply chain analysis for Baltimore City using snowball sampling
- Aim to interview nurseries, breeders, and tree planting organizations to **understand motivations behind choosing species/cultivars to produce and plant**

# Recent work from other regions of the US

Urban Forestry & Urban Greening 62 (2021) 127183

Contents lists available at [ScienceDirect](#)


Urban Forestry & Urban Greening

journal homepage: [www.elsevier.com/locate/ufug](http://www.elsevier.com/locate/ufug)



SOCIETY & NATURAL RESOURCES  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/08941920.2023.2175285>

 **Routledge**  
Taylor & Francis Group

 Check for updates



Relationships between consultant discipline and specified tree diversity: A case study of two Iowa (USA) communities

Grant L. Thompson<sup>a,\*</sup>, Audrey McCombs<sup>b</sup>, Marcus D. Jansen<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Department of Horticulture, Iowa State University, 2206 Osborn Drive, Ames, IA, 50011, United States

<sup>b</sup> Department of Statistics and Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Program, Iowa State University, 2438 Osborn Dr, Ames, IA, 50011, United States



## Expanding Urban Tree Species Diversity in Florida (USA): Challenges and Opportunities for Practitioners

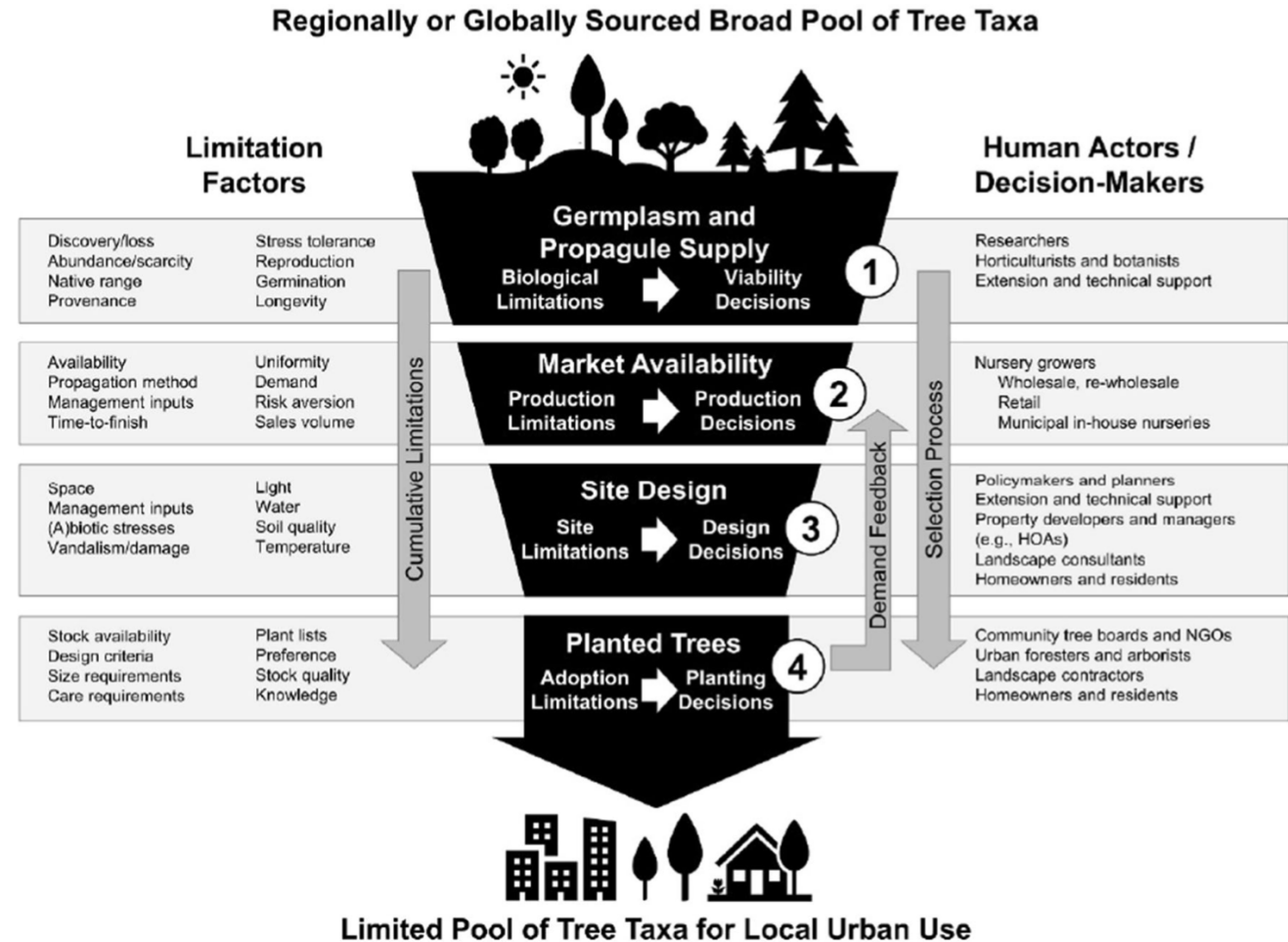
Deborah R. Hilbert<sup>a</sup> , Andrew K. Kooser<sup>a</sup>, Michael Andreu<sup>b</sup>, Mysha Clarke<sup>b</sup>, Gail Hansen<sup>c</sup> , Lara A. Roman<sup>d</sup>, and Mack Thetford<sup>e</sup>



PERSPECTIVE

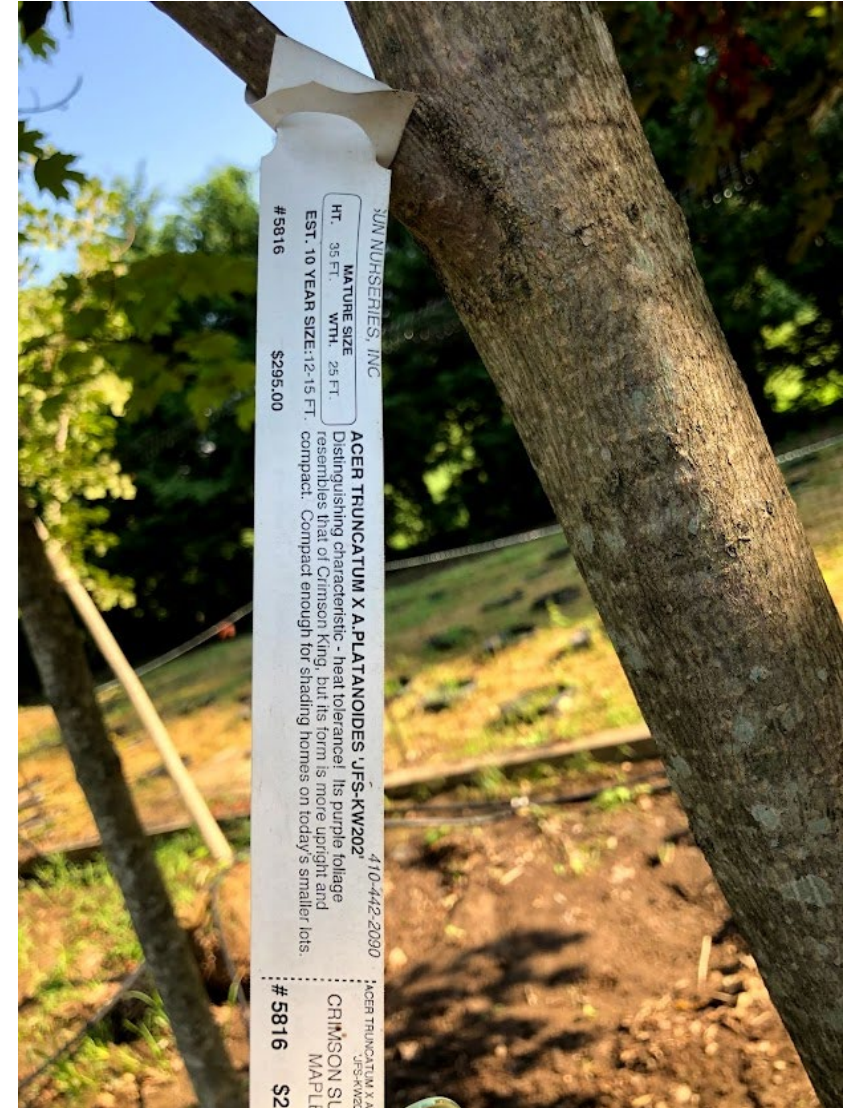
# Conceptualizing the human drivers of low tree diversity in planted urban landscapes

Deborah R. Hilbert , Andrew K. Koeser, Michael G. Andreu, Gail Hansen, Lara A. Roman, Mack Thetford, Grant L. Thompson



# Urban tree supply chain: who is involved?

- Breeders
- Propagators (whips/liners)
- Nurseries (differing clientele)
- Urban forestry practitioners
  - Direct planting activities
  - Shape policy (tree lists)
  - Tree giveaways
- Who are we missing?
  - Landscape architects
  - Contractors – tree planting
  - (Residential and other private landowners)



# Urban tree supply chain: interviews

- Understand the decisions made along the supply chain to breed, grow, sell, and plant red and Norway maple trees in Baltimore City
- Explore broader considerations of tree diversity at genetic or species level
- How do these decisions impact genetic diversity of trees planted and growing in Baltimore?
- How have these decisions changed over time?



# Urban tree supply chain: interviews

- How do you decide which species and cultivars to breed/grow/sell/plant?
- Which red and Norway maple cultivars are being bred/grown/sold/planted? Which traits are being selected for these species?
- What are the benefits/drawbacks of these two species and their cultivars?
- In addition to showy traits, do you consider tolerance to urban conditions? climate resilience? genetic diversity?
- What do customers want most when selecting trees? Why are they selecting red and Norway maple? (or why not?)
- Future plans for providing these species/cultivars?



# Maryland Tree Solutions Now Act: 5 million trees by 2030

---

How has the recent Maryland state legislation changed the conversation around:

- nursery production?
- urban tree planting?
- climate resilience of cultivars?
- genetic diversity of planted tree populations?



# Preliminary results

- Tree planting orgs and landscape architects rarely have quantitative goals for diversity, though most do strive to increase diversity in a qualitative sense
- Can be difficult to enforce goals/targets for diversity throughout the network of decisions
- Aesthetics and familiarity are drive many tree planting decisions rather than genetic diversity or climate adaptation
- People tend to grow and plant what they know

# Preliminary results

- Norway maple rarely used (only by landscape architects in projects outside the city)
- Red maple is polarizing – overplanted in Baltimore but still a landscape architect favorite
- Straight species of red maples only used in “conservation” type projects, otherwise cultivars
- Logistical challenges to expanding production of some native species (e.g., *Carya spp*)
- Seed-grown trees may have slower or more variable growth rates than cultivars or are less predictable in other ways, leading to product/resource waste



# Thank you

**Nancy Falxa Sonti | USDA Forest Service**

 **nancy.f.sonti@ usda.g  
ov**



Food and Agriculture  
Organization of the  
United Nations



Arbor Day  
Foundation



POLITECNICO  
MILANO 1863



ISA  
International Society of Arboriculture



Smithsonian



FOREST SERVICE  
US  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

# **2nd** **World** **Forum on** **Urban** **Forests**

**2023**



**World Forum on  
Urban Forests**



# 2nd World Forum on Urban Forests

Washington DC, 2023

## Building Resilient Cities 30 Years' of China's Urban Forest Development

---

**Presented by**

Prof. Wendy Y. Chen

The University of Hong Kong





## Urban Forests in China

- In ancient Chinese cities: planting trees along rivers/streets, maintaining tree stands around houses
  - Food source
  - Feng-shui
  - Scenery





- **Since 1992, urban forestry has been formally recognized as an academic discipline**
  - An umbrella term that supersedes the traditional urban-rural distinction
  - Flexible, integrative, multidisciplinary problem-solving approaches
- **Investment in urban forest has been increased**
  - From 5.3 billion USD in 2005 to 36.2 billion USD in 2018







- **Significant increase of urban forest coverage**
  - 1980-2018: 1100 km<sup>2</sup> to 30471 km<sup>2</sup>





- **A shift of urban greening strategy**
  - 1990s-2000s: beautifying urban and peri-urban landscape and enhancing recreational function
    - Green landscapes: “the face of the city”
  - 2000s-2010s: urban forests as a countermeasure to environmental stresses
    - Forest belts in peri-urban areas: sand storms





- **Since 2010s: urban forests as a visual manifestation of ecological civilization**
  - No resilient and healthy cities without urban forests
  - Constructing resilient cities for which ecological resilience and a synergistic provision of diverse ecosystem services have been emphasized





- Recreational function is enhanced: with low

S

Urban Forestry & Urban Greening 66 (2021) 127376

- 



ELSEVIER

Contents lists available at ScienceDirect

Urban Forestry & Urban Greening

journal homepage: [www.elsevier.com/locate/ufug](http://www.elsevier.com/locate/ufug)



- 

Urban forests' recreation and habitat potentials in China: A nationwide synthesis

Wendy Y. Chen <sup>a,\*</sup>, Xun Li <sup>a,b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Department of Geography, The University of Hong Kong, Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong

<sup>b</sup> Environmental Science Program, Division of Science and Technology, Beijing Normal University-Hong Kong Baptist University United International College, Zhuhai, China



ape

cities

ces





- Ecological functionality is declined in the majority of cities

	Recreation	Habitat
ln(Population)	-2.275** (1.227)	-11.944** (6.088)
ln(Land size)	0.273 (0.582)	1.808 (2.859)
ln(GDP/capita)	3.417*** (1.180)	-13.143** (5.260)
Ecozone	0.225 (0.585)	10.960*** (3.619)
Constant	-30.885*** (10.042)	73.626** (43.265)
Hausman test/Wald $\chi^2$	23.38***	18.07***
R-squared	0.225	0.278





A solid knowledge base about the multi-faceted characteristics of urban forests and comprehensive criteria for evaluating resilient urban forests and resilient cities!





# Thank you

Wendy Y. Chen

 [wychen@hku.hk](mailto:wychen@hku.hk)



CLEARINGHOUSE  
中欧城市森林应对方案



Food and Agriculture  
Organization of the  
United Nations



Arbor Day  
Foundation



International Society of Arboriculture



Smithsonian



FOREST SERVICE  
U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



# CEUs

**Session 3.2: Do the right thing:  
Planning, designing and managing the  
urban forest to strengthen its resilience  
to external shocks**



**PP-23-3570**



**World Forum on  
Urban Forests**