

<b>REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY</b>		JOB NUMBER N1-95-06-2	
To: NATIONAL ARCHIVES & RECORDS ADMINISTRATION 8601 ADELPHI ROAD COLLEGE PARK, MD 20740-6001		Date received 3-2-2006	
1 FROM (Agency or establishment) U S Department of Agriculture		NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY	
2 MAJOR SUBDIVISION Forest Service		In accordance with the provisions of 44 U S C 3303a, the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10	
3 MINOR SUBDIVISION			
4 NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER <del>David McQueen</del> RALPH WARBLINGTON		5 TELEPHONE NUMBER <del>916-640-1272</del> 916-640-1250	DATE ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES SAINT DAVID
6 AGENCY CERTIFICATION I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached ___ page(s) are not needed now for the business for this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified, and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies,  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required <input type="checkbox"/> is attached, or <input type="checkbox"/> has been requested			
DATE 4/27/06	SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE David N Pearce		TITLE Records Officer
7 ITEM NO	8 DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9 GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10 ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
	Forest Resource Database and Reports  See attached sheets		

**1. NAME OF SYSTEM:** Forest Resource Database and Reports.

**Applicability:** Pacific Southwest Region

**Description:** The Pacific southwest Region of the USDA – Forest Service manages 20 million acres of National Forest land in California and assists state and private forest land owners in California, Hawaii, and the U.S. Affiliated Pacific Islands. The Western Core Tables were developed to report basic information on land, water, vegetation, forests, and timberland on the National Forest lands of the Pacific Southwest Region. Land classes and forest type, as well as wood volume information, are organized by reserved, administratively withdrawn, special units, and available lands. Timberland availability and suitability under each National Forest Plan are also reported. Inventories are estimated and compiled using existing vegetation maps and sample plots. Table data for each forest are derived from specific GIS layers used in National Forest planning, and include information on such components as wildlife, fish, boundary, aquatic, vegetation, soil, and recreation.

- a. Inputs.** Basic vegetation, land cover and water, land allocations, and administrative boundaries stored in GIS Core layers and regional land allocation layers for each forest plan.

TEMPORARY. Destroy/Delete after the information has been entered into the master file and verified

- b. Master File.** Forest inventory, area, and volume by National Forest Timberland land allocations and special units.

PERMANENT. Copy data offline annually. Transfer an annual snapshot to the National Archives at the end of each calendar year in accordance with 36 CFR 1228.270

- c. Outputs.** Western Core Table Reports, volume files for forest per acre estimates related to STRATA inventory GIS layers.

TEMPORARY. Destroy/Delete when no longer needed for agency business.

- d. Documentation.** Western Core Table Structure and Descriptions found at :

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/rsl/projects/frdb> and

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/rsl/publications/westcore/index.shtml>.

PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives along with the Master File (Item 1b) in accordance with 36 CFR 1228.270.