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Forest Health Monitoring Program  
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**Recent Happenings**

Robert Mangold (Director, Forest Health Protection, Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture) is pleased to announce that Bruce Moltzan will be the new FHP Pathologist in the Washington Office. Bruce currently works for the Missouri Department of Conservation as their State pathologist, and has been a cooperator in the FHP program for many years. He will be starting on July 22, 2008 and will be a valuable addition to the Washington Office staff.

Region 5 welcomes Zack Heath for a 120-day detail as the Region 5 Aerial Survey Program Manager beginning June 8, 2008. Walter Clevenger, who is the current Aerial Survey Program Manager for Region 5, will be leaving the U.S. Forest Service and going to another Agency. Please direct aerial survey and safety questions for Region 5 to Zack at [zheath@fs.fed.us](mailto:zheath@fs.fed.us) or 530-759-1751.

**Upcoming Events (items beginning with \* indicate a new listing or new information added)**

October 21-23, 2008. Park City, UT. The 2008 FIA Symposium. The USDA Forest Service, Forest Inventory and Analysis (FIA) program is pleased to announce the 2008 FIA Symposium. The symposium will emphasize innovative uses of FIA data that shed new light on contemporary issues, such as carbon, climate change, fire, bio-energy/biomass, forest health, and other contemporary issues. Plenary and breakout sessions from a variety of disciplines will be presented. The goals of the symposium are to: present ways that FIA has aided in policy and management decisions; provide a forum for linking issue-focused analyses with techniques development; exchange science and technology between FIA regions; showcase collaborative ventures and foster continued work with FIA partners; display state-of-the-art science and tools; and communicate utility of FIA data and analyses to the broader user community. Papers and breakout sessions on applications or technologies related to the symposium theme – *Climate Change, Fire, and Other Hot Topics* – are invited. The 2<sup>nd</sup> call for papers and other information about the symposium are available on the symposium web page: <http://www.fia.fs.fed.us/symposium>. Abstracts for papers and breakout sessions were due May 30, 2008 and should have been submitted to Will McWilliams (USDA Forest Service, Northern Research Station) at [wmcwilliams@fs.fed.us](mailto:wmcwilliams@fs.fed.us). Visit the symposium web site for updated information.

November 17-20, 2008. Hot Springs, AR. The 15<sup>th</sup> Biennial Southern Silvicultural Research Conference. The conference will consist of concurrent technical sessions, a poster session, and an optional field trip. Abstracts for offered papers and posters currently are being accepted. For more information about the conference and specifics about submitting abstracts, please visit the conference website at <http://www.srs.fs.fed.us/bssrc2008/index.htm>.

**Publications of Interest**

DeGomez, T.; Fettig, C.J.; McMillin, J.D.; Anhold, J.A.; Hayes, C. 2008. Managing slash to minimize colonization of residual trees by *ips* and other bark beetle species following thinning in southwestern ponderosa pine. Arizona Cooperative Extension Bulletin AZ1449. Tucson, AZ: The University of Arizona, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. 12 p. Available online: <http://cals.arizona.edu/pubs/natresources/az1449.pdf>

Hebertson, E.G.; Jenkins, M.J. 2008. Climate factors associated with historic spruce beetle (Coleoptera: Curculionidae) outbreaks in Utah and Colorado. *Environmental Entomology*. 37(2): 281- 292.