Appendix G: Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition

The Sustainable Urban Forests Coalition (SUFC) is a national coalition to advance a unified urban forest agenda for our Nation's communities. The coalition views urban forests as the aggregate of all vegetation and green spaces within communities that provide benefits vital to enriching the quality of life.

In a time of both increasing demand for urban forest benefits and tightened budgets, coalition members seek to work together to enhance the impact of urban forest organizations on communities nationwide. They have prepared concise, science-based products that are intended to inform national policy and budget leadership. SUFC also encourages or develops products that are suited for the leadership and members of a coalition of organizations with interest in urban greening.

Individually, each coalition member organization is strong and serves their constituencies well. However, a unified national coalition will strengthen relationships, take better advantage of synergies between like-minded organizations, and raise the national profile of urban forests, their benefits, and the people who help keep urban forests healthy.

More than 100 local and State organizations signed on in support of SUFC's FY 2007 funding recommendations for Federal investments in urban forests, a reflection of the broad nationwide support for U&CF.

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