

QUICK FACTS

Number of Employees

9

Number of Facilities

1

Total Budget

\$1,303,707

Acres of Forest

4,500,000

Research Work Units

- **EVANSTON, IL:**
NRS-09 People & their Environments

Partners

- Chicago Wilderness
- City of Chicago
- DePaul University
- The Field Museum
- Illinois Natural History Survey
- Loyola University of Chicago
- Michigan State University
- The Nature Conservancy
- Northwestern University
- Openlands Project
- Pennsylvania State University
- Purdue University
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- University of Michigan
- University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Recent Major Accomplishments

The Northern Research Station will continue to implement a program that addresses a comprehensive scientific foundation, including the following strategic program directions:

Sustaining Forests, Forest Disturbance Processes, Urban Natural Resources Stewardship, Providing Clean Air and Water and Natural Resources

Inventory and Monitoring. Within this program direction the scientists in Illinois have already achieved the following:

- Examined use patterns for recreational areas and parks and surveyed residents' perceptions of safety from gang-related activities, information that will help urban planners to develop programs for inner city residents.
- Investigated existing climate friendly behaviors and Chicago residents awareness of climate change and found many opportunities to simultaneously meet neighborhood goals and mitigate the impacts of climate change.
- Defined and described the various models for ecological restoration to help guide planners of new urban projects.
- Launched a multi-year research project, with the Chicago Wilderness alliance, to help increase the ecological functioning of cities by better understanding how to conserve biodiversity and provide ecosystem services to people.
- Quantified the annual economic impact of non-native wood-boring insects on local governments (\$1.7 billion) and local residential property values (\$830 million) in the United States.

Budget for Illinois

Research Work Unit	FY 11	FY 12	FY 13
<i>Evanston, NRS-09</i>	1,303,707	1,303,707	1,303,707
STATE TOTAL	\$1,303,707	\$1,303,707	\$1,303,707

Grants and Agreements

Research Work Unit	Value of Grants and Agreements (all locations)	Fiscal Year
<i>NRS-09</i>	\$1,579,561	2011

