# **New York**

June 2012



#### **QUICK FACTS**

**Number of Employees** 

21

**Number of Facilities** 

2

**Total Budget** 

\$1,738,369

Acres of Forest

18,964,000

#### Research Work Units

SYRACUSE, NY:

Northeastern States Research Cooperative NRS-08 Urban Forest, Human Health & Environmental Quality

NEW YORK, NY:
 NRS-09 People & Their
 Environments (New York City
 Field Station)

#### **Partners**

- Baltimore Parks & People Foundation
- Columbia University
- Cornell University
- Cities of Baltimore and Syracuse
- Davey Resource Group
- Institute of Ecosystem Studies
- Johns Hopkins University
- Maryland Department of Natural Resources
- National Center for Atmospheric Research
- New York City Department of Parks and Recreation
- State University of New York, College of Environmental Science and Forestry
- US EPA
- University of Maryland Baltimore County

## 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 New York have already achieved the following:

- Released version 4 of i-Tree, a tool
  that assesses ecosystem services
  and values from trees. New features
  allow users to simulate the effect of
  trees on stream flow and water
  quality, easily determine the tree
  cover in a city using Google Maps,
  and assess individual tree effects
  and values around homes across the
  conterminous United States.
- "Understanding the Dynamic
  Connections Among Stewardship,
  Land Cover, and Ecosystem Services
  in New York City's Urban Forest,"
  analyzed stewardship group activities
  and evolution of the urban forest in
  New York City over the past 25 years,
  and collected plot-level data on longterm outcomes of forest restoration
  efforts.
- NRS scientists contributed to identifying highest priority zones for tree planting within New York City based on a planting priority index developed combining three main indicators: pollution concentration, population density and low canopy cover. This new tree population was projected through time to estimate potential air quality and carbon benefits.

# **Budget for New York**

Research Work Unit	FY 11	FY 12	FY 13
Syracuse, NE States	177,793	248,754	203,399
Syracuse, NRS-08	1,121,599	1,121,599	1,121,599
Syracuse, NRS-09	413,371	413,371	413,371
STATE TOTAL	\$1,712,763	\$1,783,724	\$1,738,369

### **Grants and Agreements**

Research Work Unit	Value of Grants and Agreements (all locations)	Fiscal Year
NRS-08	1,740,641	2011
NRS-09	1,579,561	2011

