Sample 68 Million Acres ~ 100 Cities
Urban FIA Sample Design

Urban forest is within Census-defined urban boundary (UAUC)
Shown in blue

**Urbanized areas (UA)**
>=500 people/mi², population >=50,000

**Urban clusters (UC)**
>=500 people/mi², population 2,500 to 49,999
Intensified plots in ~100 Cities
FIA Plots in Urban Areas
Implementation 35 Cities, 25 States, 12 Statewides
A Tree is a Tree
The Power of a Story – FIA teams with i-Tree

The Nation’s *Urban* Forest Census
The Nation’s *Tree* Census
How do we quantify these benefits?
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Status Update – IM

Top Priorities

• San Diego reporting team support
• Publication data base release

• Prefield tools
• Urban GRMs.......TX will have ½ remeasure data in less than 2 years
Status Update - Reporting

2018 Focus:
Standard reporting outputs

• 2018
  • San Diego
  • Urban EVALIDator
  • Update My City’s Trees
  • Push San Antonio & Baltimore to MCTs

• 2019
  • San Antonio
  • Portland
  • Washington DC
  • 3 Cities in MO
The Power of a Story
The Power of a Story – A Universal Language

- The **right message** portrayed in a **relatable context**
- Delivered to the **right people** at the **right time**
- **Can make all the difference** in obtaining the resources needed to manage our urban forests
History of the CORE FIA Program

“make and keep current a comprehensive inventory and analysis of the present and prospective conditions and requirements of the renewable resources of the forest and rangelands of the United States”

- 1928 McSweeney/McNary Act

- 1978 Research Act
Growing the Pie
Implementation: Acceleration

Austin & Houston Texas:
• 1 yr. Acceleration
• Remeasure underway
• State crews
• State funding

San Diego California:
• 1yr. Acceleration
• Remeasure start in 18
• Federal crews
• State funding
Implementation - Intensification

Providence, Rhode Island:

- 2x Intensification
- Funded by state field assistance

Portland, Maine:

- 7 to 5 year cycle buy down
- Funded by City employee field assistance
Implementation: Intensification / Acceleration

Portland, Oregon:

• 1 yr. Acceleration
• City funded
• City crews

Burlington, VT:

• 3x intensification
• Funded by Fed, state, & university field assistance
Implementation: Acceleration

Washington, DC:

• 1 yr. Acceleration
• District contract crews
• District funding

San Antonio, Texas:

• 2yr. Acceleration
• State crews
• City funding
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