Tools for assessing and managing Community Forests



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i-Tree Registration Update

i-Tree users who recently requested a an i-Tree installation CD or download link probably noticed that they are now required to complete a registration form. Once the registration form is complete and submitted, the system will then allow a user to sign on to the i-Tree site to complete their request. The Login and Register option can be found in the header of all i-Tree website pages.

Google Custom Search		Search
Username	Password	Login
Forgot Username or Password?		Register

The modified registration system was implemented to improve documenting the number of the domestic and international i-Tree software requests. This important information is used by the i-Tree Team to help quantify and justify providing the tools.

i-Tree Software Updates

The i-Tree Development Team recently released i-Tree v3.0.15 updates which include numerous enhancements and address issues reported by active i-Tree users—thank you!

It is important for active users of i-Tree to periodically use the "Check for Update" tool found under the Help menu of all applications. This will ensure that you are using the most up-to-date version available. If you installed all i-Tree components, they will all be updated when performing this function and data collected will not be affected.

An updated <u>i-Tree Change Log</u> detailing changes to the applications is available on the i-Tree website.

Central Florida Climate Zone Now Available in i-Tree Streets

The <u>U.S. Forest Service</u>, <u>Pacific Southwest Research Station's Center for Urban Forest Research</u> and the i-Tree Development Team recently completed research and development work needed to integrate the Central Florida climate region within i-Tree Streets.

Users working with the latest version (3.0.12) of Streets now have the option of selecting Central Florida as their region for analysis projects. Based on Reference City data from Orlando, FL, the US Forest Service will release the i-Tree Streets companion "Central Florida Community Tree Guide" later this year which will complete the series for all sixteen climate regions.

i-Tree at ISA Trade Show & Conference, Chicago, IL July 23rd — 28th

The International Society of Arboriculture's Annual Trade Show and Conference in Chicago, IL is fast approaching. Dr. Dave Bloniarz from the US Forest Service will be conducting a half day Tree Academy workshop on Saturday, July 24th from 1:00pm—4:00pm focusing on several i-Tree elements including Vue, Species and the Pest Detection Module. Dr. Bloniarz will also discuss enhancements to i-Tree Eco, Streets and Storm.



In addition, members of the i-Tree Executive and Development Teams will be available for an informal question and answer session on Tuesday, July 27th after the educational sessions are complete for the day (Navy Pier rooms 301-304 from 5 pm - 6 pm). There will be no presentation, as this is simply an opportunity to ask questions, discuss issues and engage individual members of the i-Tree Team.

Resources for i-Tree Eco Project Managers

<u>Casey Trees</u> recently completed their second cycle of i-Tree Eco (UFORE) data collection to resample plots from their original 2004 UFORE project in Washington D.C. Project Director, Holli Howard and GIS Specialist, Mike Alonzo have put together a <u>Eco/UFORE Project Management Guide</u> to enhance consistency and ensure data collection integrity for future cycles.

Planning and managing an i-Tree ecosystem analysis can be a formidable task and this resource will be a valuable addition for others who are considering or actively managing an i-Tree Eco project.

Topics covered include: planning, timelines, equipment, staffing, training, permissions, quality assurance checks, logistics and more. Thanks to Holli and Mike from Casey Trees for developing this great resource for others.











