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**Report of the Silviculture Working Group**

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## I. Working Group Composition

| Chairperson                 | Country                  | Organization  |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| W. Keith Moser              | United States of America | United States Department of Agriculture-Forest Service (USDA-FS)            |
| Member Names                | Country                  | Organization  |
| Sébastien Meunier           | Canada                   | Canadian Forest Service   |
| Maryann Fajvan              | United States of America | USDA-FS   |
| Vidal Guerra de la Cruz     | Mexico                   | National Institute of Forestry, Agriculture and Livestock Research (INIFAP) |
| Silvia Murillo Cardoza      | Mexico                   | National Forestry Commission (CONAFOR)                                      |
| Rafael Luna Ramos           | Mexico                   | CONAFOR   |
| Michael Saunders (Observer) | United States of America | Purdue University   |

## II. List of Activities completed during past 2 years

| Activity   | Location | Date      | Status (Done/Ongoing) |
|--|----------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Updated Silvics of North America Project (USNAP)   |          | 2024–2025 | Ongoing               |
| Sébastien Meunier is the Canadian coordinator with the USNAP. W. Keith Moser is the US co-lead of the coniferous species team. Dr. Guerra-de la Cruz is acting as a liaison with Mexican researchers from INIFAP, who are contributing chapters on Mexican tree species. |          |           |                       |

## III. Planned Activities for the next 2 years

| Activity   | Location | Date      | Status (Done/Ongoing) |
|--|----------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Updated Silvics of North America Project (USNAP) |          | 2025-2026 | Ongoing               |
| Silviculture Working Group (WG) Meeting          | Mexico   | TBA       | New                   |

## IV. Financial Investments and/or Networking

1. N/A

## V. Requests for Funding and/or Other Support

2. The biennial meeting of the WG was due to be held in Mexico last year, however, due to challenges related to its organization, the meeting was delayed. If the meeting is to proceed, funding for the meeting would be required (USD 10 000 to USD 15 000) plus travel costs for the attendance of representatives from Canada and United States of America (~USD 5 000).

## VI. Closing Remarks

3. Travel restrictions have limited in-person interactions. Change in governments in Mexico and the United States of America have impacted travel, meetings, and finances. We will continue to collaborate on Silvics chapters and potential joint research that does not require travel.