SUFC Steering Committee Call January 14, 2013

Participating: Steve Sinclair, Cara Boucher, Jen Hinrichs, Shannon Lawrence, Alice Ewen, Keith Cline

SUFC Annual Meeting Agenda

Thursday, February 28, 2013 DC Capitol Courtyard Marriott

Early AM:

- 8 AM Networking Breakfast & Coffee
- Introductions/Attendance Profile
- Welcome (Don Winsett, Forest Service Leadership Jan Davis*)
- SUFC State of the Union (update on activities)
 - SUFC working group updates
 - Fiscal management/projections
 - Vibrant Communities
- Advocacy Day Recap (Feb. 27th)

Mid/Late AM:

- Invited Speaker/s:
 - Jim Reeves, Deputy Chief for Research & Development, Forest Service confirming availability
 - Nancy Stoner (click to see bio), Acting Asst. Administrator for Water [PLEASE CONFIRM INTEREST]

BREAK

- <u>Urban Forest Research & Public Health</u> what are the most recent findings, SUFC research priorities and point of entry for SUFC
 - Potential presentations by
 - Scott Maco, Davey/UF Research Cmte Lead
 - David Rouse, WRT Inc.,

LUNCH! (approx. 12:30/1)

Early PM:

- Vibrant Cities:
 - Update opportunity on individual SUFC member activities under Vibrant Cities recommendations (track progress from March 2012, potential pre-mtg Survey Monkey research by Jen/Shannon)
 - Brief discussion of SUFC role/member's vision for how the organization can continue to advance the Vibrant Cities recommendations (post June 2013 SUFC grant completion)

- 2013 SUFC Priorities: [Gen'l presentation/overview followed by table break out conversations?]
 - Fundraising for SUFC operations and advocacy work (dues, corporate sponsorship, grants)
 - Set stage for further discussion and possible sub-group/cmte to finalize decisions and begin implementation?
 - SUFC focus:
 - Advocacy (40%)
 - Communications & Education Outreach (30%)
 - Urban Research (20%)
 - Collaborative projects/tangible products (5%)
 - Networking (5%)

Break

Late PM:

Present findings from break-out tables Discussion

4:45 Wrap up

*Jan Davis, Acting Director for Cooperative Forestry will provide an update on urban forestry from State and Private Forestry.

SUFC Steering Committee charged with drafting proposed business plan AND fundraising recommendations/position paper. To be issued prior to SUFC Annual meeting.

SUFC Steering Cmte will share information about Jennifer's reduced role with SUFC prior to the SUFC events in DC – in conjunction with SUFC business plan and convener transition recommendations.