

Montana University System New Academic Program Proposal Summary

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| Campus: The University of Montana-Missoula | Item Number: 119-1007-R0503 |
| Program Title: School of Forestry | Date: May 29-30, 2003 |

1. How does this program advance the campus' academic mission and fit priorities?

There is no change in the mission of the School of Forestry nor in its relationship to the mission of The University of Montana. No new programs or elements are being proposed.

2. How does this program fit the Board of Regents' goals and objectives?

No change from the present. The organizational pattern is proposed in order to reflect modern nomenclature of "College" for complex academic units on most US campuses (including Montana State University) with major natural resource focused programs. Departmentalization will enhance the delivery of programs, administration and leadership in the school.

3. How does this program support or advance Montana's needs and interests?

The proposed reorganization assigns current faculty and adjunct faculty to one of three departments, creating a Department of Ecosystem and Conservation Sciences of 15 tenure-track, full-time research and instructor faculty members; a Department of Forest Management of 12; and a Department of Society and Conservation of 12. Administrative efficiency and leadership is thereby improved for recruiting students, delivering programs and degrees, and attracting external and research resources.

4. How will this program contribute to economic development in Montana? (Note projected annual economic impact both regionally and statewide.)

No change in the current contribution. The School of Forestry attracts significant resources, both federal and private into the state through its research activities and its connection with the US Forest Service, NASA, and other major federal funding agencies.

5. What is the Program's planned capacity?

Break-even point? FTE students

Enrollments/year?

Graduates/year?

MT jobs/year?

6. Resource Allocation

Total program budget? \$

Faculty FTE?

Staff FTE?

Does this program require new resources? Amount?

No new resources are required, no new faculty lines are requested, no new facilities are requested.

How will the campus fund the program?

From the current School of Forestry operational budget.

If internal reallocation is necessary, name the sources?

N/A