

Quarterly Progress Report
April - June 2009

Project Name: Extensive Riparian Monitoring Project -Vegetation Component
Project Status: Study Design
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Sponsoring SAG: Riparian Science Advisory Group (RSAG)

Background

The purpose of this project is to obtain an unbiased estimate of the distribution of riparian vegetation types across forestlands subject to the State forest practices rules as well as identify trends over time. A stream temperature assessment component of this project is reported as a separate project.

Current Status

The contractor has made further investigations into the photography, options, and suitability of available photography for this project and concluded that the specified photography is not suitable. The contractor submitted a report on the results of these investigations and a design for a revised pilot study, given those results. RSAG has accepted the conclusion that the specified photography is unsuitable and has requested that work on the protocol development be suspended pending further discussions regarding overall project approach within the committee.

Budget

Total allocated through fiscal year 2009:	\$75,000
Total spent through June 2009:	\$14,300
Total allocated budget remaining:	\$60,700
Contract end date:	December 31, 2009
Expected project end date:	December 31, 2009