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CREATOR: American Forest Congress (7th)

TITLE: Seventh American Forest Congress records

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SUMMARY: The records include correspondence, statements, planning files, evaluation forms, lists, and other types of materials relating to the planning, convening, and daily work of the Seventh American Forest Congress.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of John C. Gordon, 1997-1998.

Conditions Governing Access

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Biographical / Historical

In January, 1995, the Yale Forest Forum, a consortium of public, business, and non-profit organizations sharing common concerns about forest conservation, organized a meeting of conservation leaders. They unanimously called for the convening of the Seventh American Forest Congress, which met in Washington, D.C. from February 20 to February 24, 1996. The congress attempted to produce a working consensus on forest conservation and recommended steps for improving forest management practices, research on forestry problems, and policies guiding both. John Gordon of the Yale University School of Forestry and Environmental Studies and Rex McCullough of Weyerhaeuser served as the congress's co-chairs.

Scope and Contents

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Accession 1997-M-147: Original accession

	Administrative	
b. 1	Summary/overview handout	
	Congress background	
b. 1	American Forest Congress history	
	Yale Forest Forum	
b. 1	Meetings,	prior to 1995 January 1
b. 1	Nebraska Roundtable	1995 January 1
	Congress planning	
	Senior Sponsors Board	
b. 1	Ambassadors-at-large	
	Board of directors	
	Meetings	
	1995	
b. 1	Feb 9-10	
b. 1	Mar 23	
b. 1	Apr 13	
b. 1	May 25	
b. 1	Jun 22	
b. 1	Sep 20-21	
b. 1	Dec 2-3	
b. 1	1996 Apr 18-19	
b. 1	Transition team	
	Congress implementation	
b. 1	Committees--General	
	National Program Committee	
b. 1	Congress process development	
b. 1	Leadership program	

Congress implementation > National Program Committee (continued)

b. 1	Diversity
b. 1	Concurrent discussion sessions
b. 1	Support team
	Local Arrangements Committee
b. 1	Sheraton Washington Hotel
b. 1	Arrangement Committee handbook
b. 1	Exhibition Services (GES)
b. 1	Marketing plan
b. 1	Registration materials
b. 1	Cancellation insurance
b. 1	Signs
b. 1	Supplies
b. 1	Audio-visual
b. 1	Participant packet information
	Citizens' Involvement Committee
b. 2	Citizens' response form
	Communications Committee
b. 2	References
b. 2	Draft communications material
b. 2	Final communications material
b. 2	Education Committee
b. 2	Management Committee
b. 2	Policy Committee
b. 2	Research Committee
	Forest Constituency Committee
b. 2	Scholarships
	Local Roundtables
b. 2	Roundtables by region
	Roundtable videos
b. 2	Roundtables for the Seventh American Forest Congress [Art Smyth shortened video]

Local Roundtables > Roundtable videos (continued)

b. 2	Orientation for local Roundtables [includes video]	
b. 2	Publicity for Roundtables	
	Citizen input	
b. 2	Mail, phone, FAX	
b. 2	Cooperating organizations	
	Original material completed by participants	
b. 3	Table commitment cards	1996 February 21
b. 3	Vision elements [principles of future care for forests]	1996 February 21
b. 3	Vision enhancements	1996 February 21
b. 3	Vision elements/additional elements of vision	1996 February 22
b. 3	Vision elements	1996 February 23
b. 3	New principles affirmation sheet	1996 February 23
b. 4	Vision work	1996 February 21
b. 4	Back home, next steps	
b. 4	Advice to Board of Directors	
b. 4	Vision revisions, team notes	1996 February 22
b. 4	Individual commitments	1996 February 24
b. 4	Principle statement worksheets	1996 February 22
b. 4	Daily evaluation forms	1996 February 21
b. 5	Daily evaluation forms	1996 February 22
b. 5	Congress feedback forms	
	Laurie Wayburn's principle themes and workshop groupings	1996 February 23
b. 5	Multiple votes on single sheet [results of votes on various principles]	
b. 5	Other groupings [of principles]	
b. 5	Policy grouping	
b. 5	Global	
b. 5	Incentives/economics	
b. 5	Management and stewardship	
b. 5	Ethics/values	
b. 5	Sustainability	

Original material completed by participants > Laurie Wayburn's principle themes and workshop groupings (continued)

b. 5	Property rights and responsibilities	
b. 5	Research and education	
b. 5	Education and communication	
b. 5	Communities	
b. 5	Decision-making process	
b. 5	Research and science	
b. 5	Conflict resolution	
b. 5	Biodiversity	
b. 6	People/organizations receiving information about the congress	
	Project chronological correspondence file	
b. 6	#1 English	1995 May- August
b. 7	#2 English	1995 August- September
b. 7	#3 English	1995 August- October
b. 7	#4 English	1995 November- 1996 January
b. 7	#5 English	1996 January- March

Accession 1998-M-116: Additional material, 1995-1996

This accession includes twenty video tapes from the Seventh American Forest Congress and local roundtables that preceded it. Original video tapes may not be viewed. For information on copies created for research use, consult the Video Tapes appendix

b. 8	Map of local roundtables leading up to the congress	
b. 8	Poster summarizing the results of the Minnesota roundtable, See: CF90	1995 June
	Video tapes	
b. 1	Training session for roundtable facilitators, 1995 Jul 30-31 [tapes 1-3]	
	Local roundtables	
b. 1	Connecticut [tapes 4-5]	1995 July
b. 1	Georgia [tape 6]	1995 September
b. 1	Minnesota [tapes 7-9]	1995 June
b. 1	Montana [tape 10]	1995 December
b. 1	Nevada [tape 11]	1996 January
b. 2	Virginia [tape 12]	1995 December
b. 2	Seventh American Forest Congress [tapes 13-20]	1996 February 20-24

Appendix: Video Tapes

#	Description	Format
1	Training session for roundtable facilitators at the headquarters of the Society of American Foresters, 1995 Jul 30-31	VHS T-120
2	Training session for roundtable facilitators at the headquarters of the Society of American Foresters, 1995 Jul 30-31	VHS T-120
3	Training session for roundtable facilitators at the headquarters of the Society of American Foresters, 1995 Jul 30-31	VHS T-30
4	Haddam, CT roundtable, 1995 Jul 12, 19 [rough footage]	VHS T-120
5	Haddam, CT roundtable, 1995 Jul 12, 19 [four minutes of footage edited into a sixty minute continuous loop]	VHS T-60
6	Savannah, GA roundtable, 1995 Sep 29 [includes presentation by Eugene Odom]	VHS T-120
7	St. Paul, MN roundtable, 1995 Jun 29	VHS T-120
8	St. Paul, MN roundtable, 1995 Jun 29	VHS T-120
9	St. Paul, MN roundtable, 1995 Jun 29	VHS T-120
10	Missoula, MT roundtable, 1995 Dec 8	VHS T-120
11	Reno, NV roundtable, 1996 Jan 23	VHS 24 minutes

#	Description	Format
12	*Charlottesville, VA roundtable, 1995 Dec 15 [local television news story copyrighted by Virginia Broadcasting Company]	VHS
13	Seventh American Forest Congress, Washington, DC, 1996 Feb 20-23	BCT-20G
14	Seventh American Forest Congress, Washington, DC, 1996 Feb 20-23	BCT-30G
15	Seventh American Forest Congress, Washington, DC, 1996 Feb 20-23	BCT-30G
16	Seventh American Forest Congress, Washington, DC, 1996 Feb 20-23	BCT-20G
17	Seventh American Forest Congress, Washington, DC, 1996 Feb 20-23	BCT-20G
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19	Seventh American Forest Congress, Washington, DC, 1996 Feb 20-23	BCT-20G
20	Seventh American Forest Congress, Washington, DC, 1996 Feb 20-23	BCT-30G

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Forest conservation
Forest management
Forests and forestry -- United States --
Congresses

Names

Gordon, J. C. (John C.), 1939-

Corporate Body

American Forest Congress (7th) -- Washington,
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