

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
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**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING URBAN WASTE WOOD RECOVERY AND UTILIZATION  
DEMONSTRATION PROJECT SUBMISSION TO THE USDA FOREST SERVICE**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) plays an important role in promoting green infrastructure programs throughout the region; and

**WHEREAS**, urban forests and associated street trees are a valuable and substantial portion of the region's green infrastructure and COG has a continued interest in promoting and demonstrating new, environmentally friendlier and potentially profitable techniques for reducing the region's wood-related waste stream associated with the removal of urban trees; and

**WHEREAS**, COG is a recognized leader working in partnership with various governmental, and non-governmental organizations to promote green infrastructure programs and new green technologies, including the processing of otherwise discarded timber into various useful wood products, and to further disseminate knowledge of the value of these techniques to its members, businesses and citizens in the region; and

**WHEREAS**, a regional waste wood recovery demonstration project is a vehicle to unite the growing interest in issues that affect our nation's intelligent use and recycling of its natural resources, as well as supporting new environmentally-based business opportunities close to home; and

**WHEREAS**, COG has an interest in assisting its members and their forestry and recycling programs promote new approaches leading to a reduction in both the quantity of materials which need to be land-filled and associated costs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:**

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to submit a proposal to the USDA Forest Service for the purposes of developing an urban waste wood recovery and utilization demonstration project. The grant would be in the amount of \$100,000 with a \$20,000 COG match from budgeted FY '07 funds, and \$80,000 provided through in-kind services from COG partners. The project duration is one year.

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