

Pacific West Community Forestry Center Tenth Triannual Report

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Introduction and Overview

This triannual report highlights activities from May 1 through August 31, 2003. During this period, the Center focused on strengthening existing relationships, expanding networks regionally and nationally, implementing existing projects, and preparing publications. Among the achievements of the Center, in close collaboration with its local cooperators, were facilitating a successful Advisory Council retreat on the Hoopa Reservation that included dialogue with potential partners and cross-regional learning; expanding dialogues with others working with Latino forest worker communities; helping local cooperators secure funding for their projects; and completing a newsletter, a brochure, an Environmental Justice microsite on the PWCFC website, a paper on multi-party monitoring with mushroom harvesters, and the English translation of the CIDERS report on the Latino Forest Workers Leadership Group forum.

Problem Identification

The Center continued to focus its work in the following priority areas:

- Environmental Justice Environmental Justice means equal protection under the law to live, work, and play in a safe and clean environment. The PWCFC works to increase rural and forest worker participation in water and forestry discussions, particularly focused on low-income and minority communities, and to document and share information regarding environmental justice in a rural context.
- The Ecosystem Workforce: Mobile and Local Many harvesters and workers in the woods have been invisible in forestry discussions, such as Latino restoration workers and Southeast Asian mushroom harvesters. We work to identify and build capacity in these underserved forest worker communities to address their own community-identified issues.
- Traditional Ecological Knowledge We partner with Native American tribes who are recovering and applying their traditional cultural and ecological knowledge in landscape stewardship.
- Socioeconomic Monitoring and Assessment We engage in primary, applied, and participatory research to help develop important lessons about community well-being and natural resource use and jobs.
- Civic Science Understanding and practicing civic science has become central to our work in the region. We are working to build the capacity of the underserved to participate and to build the understanding and skills of researchers and agencies to practice civic science.

Problem identification within these focus areas occurred through AC meetings, conversations with AC members and regional partners, emerging regional issues, and capacity building, needs assessments, and other work with local cooperators.

Two problem areas were highlighted earlier in 2003: the salmon fish-kill on the Klamath River, and the need for a mobile ecosystem workforce assessment. These remain important areas for the Center. First, Center staff visited the Hoopa reservation in June to meet tribal members and to initiate discussions about an oral history study with Hoopa elders on changes in the river and salmon run and implications for tribal health. Second, the Center is participating in an assessment

of the restoration economy and workforce on the North Coast of California (see Regional Center Research).

Finally, the PWCFC retreat highlighted the need to explore ways to facilitate dialogue among traditional tribal harvesters and commercial harvesters of non-timber forest products, to share stewardship of the harvest in ways that honor traditional gathering areas, increase cultural understanding, and sustain livelihoods.

(Bioregional) Advisory Council (AC)

An Advisory Council retreat was held July 18-20 at the Tish Tang Campground on the Hoopa Valley Reservation. AC members took an active role in planning and facilitating the retreat. A subcommittee including 5 AC members held planning calls. Kim Rodrigues and Susan Szewczak facilitated several sessions, and Sherlette Colegrove led Hoopa cultural learning experiences.

There were 33 participants, plus local Hoopa Tribal members and Willow Creek residents who provided cultural learning experiences and meals. Participants included seven AC members/technical advisors, three staff, four local cooperators, five guests from the region and beyond who are working on similar issues in community forestry, and fourteen friends/family members of AC members. Guests included Renee Stauffer of the Karuk Tribe, Vanessa Casanova of Auburn University, Denise Smith of the Alliance of Forest Workers and Harvesters, Paula Brown-Williams of UC White Mountain Research Station, and Sarah Loose of the Jefferson Center. The PWCFC partnered with the NNFP Peer Learning Program to enable those traveling from outside the region (Alabama), and the far ends of the region (Shelton, WA and Bishop, CA) to participate and share what they are learning, particularly around issues tribal and Latino communities are facing in community forestry. Katie prepared an article on cross-regional learning at the retreat for the upcoming edition of the NNFP *Practitioner*.

The retreat was conducted in English and Spanish, with informal interpretation by group volunteers. Discussion and activity topics included cultural learning; progress and challenges community-based projects experienced since January; participatory research in culturally diverse contexts; relationships between researchers and communities; building dialogue across projects and communities; planning for the future of PWCFC; and evaluation. Retreat notes are attached.

Two conference calls were held with the AC during the reporting period. No conference call was held in August due to the late July retreat and AC and staff summer travel. Discussions focused on recent Center activities, desired outcomes for the July retreat, and how to respond to Forest Trust requests, while maintaining allegiance to the communities and respecting their cultural processes for developing, discussing, and sharing their knowledge. Conference call notes are attached.

On May 8, PWCFC staff and AC member José Montenegro participated in a meeting with local cooperators el Grupo de Trabajadores in Shelton, Washington (see Work with Partner Communities).

On May 9, AC member Rebecca Smith met with staff and Mila Alvarez, Policy Director of American Forests. Becky provided background for Mila on some of the labor issues that Latino forest workers are facing, and the legal context.

In June, PWCFC staff visited AC member Sherlette Colegrove on the Hoopa Reservation to plan for the AC retreat and to initiate conversations with Hoopa tribal members regarding an oral

history project about Klamath and Trinity river flow issues, and the impacts for tribal health (see Work with Partner Communities).

AC members Sherlette Colegrove and Carl Wilmsen (technical advisor) participated in and made presentations during the Community Forestry Week in Washington in June. AC members recommended contacts and focus for Week in Washington meetings.

AC members Kim Rodrigues, Carl Wilmsen (technical advisor), and Gary Nakamura (technical advisor) continued planning sessions with PWCFC staff and other UC researchers for a state-wide workshop on civic science/participatory research to be held with UC Cooperative Extension advisors, specialists and researchers September 15-16. AC members Gary Nakamura and José Montenegro will be presenters. Other AC members plan to attend. The conference announcement is attached.

Work with Partner Communities

The Center continued partnerships with CIDERS, Mason County Literacy, cooperators in the Crescent Lake Mushroom Monitoring Project, the Illinois Basin Interest Group (IBIG) Forestry Action Committee, the Maidu Cultural and Development Group, and the Bishop and Big Pine Paiute tribal communities to build capacity in underserved communities and conduct participatory research projects. Local cooperators provide written reports on their work twice annually, providing project background, goals, activities, indicators of progress, challenges, lessons learned, new information needs, and types of assistance needed from the Center.

El Centro Internacional para el Desarrollo Rural Sustentable (CIDERS) continued its work to help increase Latino forest worker communities' presence and participation in the community-based forestry dialogue throughout the region by facilitating and supporting the creation of both the Latino Forest Workers Leadership Group (LFWLG) and the *Grupo de Trabajadores Hispanos (GTH)*. CIDERS is developing, piloting, and documenting a participatory methodology to build capacity for Latino forest workers and harvesters to identify their own needs, create a network of leaders, to more effectively work with scientists and practitioners, and to design, develop, and implement initiatives in their local communities. Skill building includes community assessment through popular education methodologies, monitoring, and evaluating progress toward goals. During the reporting period, the LFWLG project continued to expand outreach with additional Latino forest worker communities in Aberdeen and Forks, Washington. These meetings were focused on continued needs assessment, networking, and planning a leadership forum. Efforts focused on planning for the 2nd annual regional forum of the Latino Forest Workers Leadership Group, to be held in September. In addition, CIDERS continued capacity building workshops with the Shelton, WA node of the network (the GTH described below). CIDERS/PWCFC intern Primo Sanchez continued this work focused on refining the participatory methodology and expanding the on-the-ground work of the network throughout the Olympic Peninsula. PWCFC staff secured funds from the USFS State and Private Forestry Region 6 for advancing work with Latino workers in the region. The English translation of the CIDERS report on the 1st annual regional forum of the LFWLG was completed (see Communications and Outreach).

The PWCFC partners with **CIDERS and Mason County Literacy (MCL)** to work with Spanish-speaking floral greens harvesters and natural resource workers in Shelton, WA. The *Grupo de Trabajadores Hispanos (GTH, Group of Hispanic Workers)*, meets weekly with the goal of increasing workers' access to information on relevant worker issues. CIDERS has played a lead role in facilitating the group's formation, with the support of PWCFC, MCL, and local

community resident Jenny Blumenstein. The partnership is designed to help members of the GTH to develop their capacity to access research, information, and technical training, and workshops they identify as important. In collaboration with GTH members, CIDERS has designed and is implementing a participatory capacity building process that includes continual monitoring and evaluation of outcomes. CIDERS/PWCFC intern Primo Sanchez worked with the group to refine, sharpen, and implement the strategy. In August, the group held a workshop to complete documents outlining their Internal Structure, including how to incorporate new members, and Participation Norms, including how to resolve conflicts. The group continues to meet with workers in nearby Aberdeen and Forks to share their methodology and lessons learned and to explore avenues for collaboration. This effort is helping to expand the LFWLG network (described above) while empowering local community leaders. In May, staff attended a meeting of the GTH, and participated in the capacity-building work led by Primo and José Montenegro of CIDERS. Staff introduced the group to American Forests Policy Director, Mila Alvarez. This was an important step in helping the group build their own relationships with policy actors locally, regionally, and nationally. In July, local community resident Jenny Blumenstein and GTH member José Luis Fajardo participated in the PWCFC retreat. They presented the work and lessons of the GTH and contributed to analysis of the Centers' work.

During the reporting period, the group identified two information needs: (1) gaining a better understanding of the structure of the brush (floral greens) industry and (2) identifying institutions, individuals, or community groups as potential collaborators. On May 22, the GTH held a cultural event and informational workshop with the Department of Labor and Industry (L&I) to learn about relevant labor policies and laws. Following on a lawsuit in the brush industry last year, L&I held a series of meetings in Olympia to articulate employer/employee relationships in the brush sheds to regulate the industry. In June, the GTH wrote a letter to L&I, expressing concern that workers had not participated in the meetings. The group provided comment on a series of checklists L&I developed to determine employer status. GTH is tentatively planning a participatory workshop with Columbia Legal Services and brush harvesters to map out flow of permits, money, and labor in the industry. This fall the group will focus on outreach, increasing membership, and exploring opportunities for collaboration with other groups. The group is considering conducting a survey to assess Latino community needs in Shelton, and to share information about the group. PWCFC staff may provide training and technical assistance on survey design, interviewing skills, and data analysis. In addition, CIDERS will guide the group through a participatory methodology, institutional mapping, to analyze benefits and considerations involved in collaborating with various institutions and organizations.

The Center coordinates the **Crescent Lake Multi-party Monitoring Project (CLMMP)** in southeast Oregon. The Center provides fiscal oversight and coordination to help facilitate participatory monitoring of the social and ecological impacts of the harvest and to increase information sharing and collaboration among harvesters, community members, the Forest Service, and other stakeholders. The reporting period was the off-season for the project. Nevertheless, activities focused on completing project reports (see Communications and Outreach), planning with partners for the 2003 harvest season, and securing funds. Staff attended a meeting in Stockton, CA with Cambodian harvesters focused on dialogue with Forest Service district rangers and staff from Crescent Lake. Pre-season monitoring will begin September 8 to monitor impacts of logging and digging/raking on matsutake production. The harvest season begins September 15. Staff worked with the Forest Service Office of Civil Rights and the supervisors of the Deschutes and Fremont-Winema National Forests to establish a three-year cooperative agreement for the project.

The PWCFC partners with the **Illinois Basin Interest Group (IBIG) Forestry Action Committee** in a multi-party wild mushroom monitoring project in Cave Junction and Brookings, OR. The IBIG FAC had planned to initiate multi-party monitoring for the Morel harvest, but the harvest did not come to fruition as anticipated. During the reporting period, project energies focused on continuing dialogue and information sharing with harvesters and the Forest Service regarding the Siskiyou National Forest's proposed project to eradicate a spotted knapweed population. In response to harvester and community comment, the Forest Service placed the proposed herbicide use on hold for further analysis. The project will work to facilitate harvester participation in future decision-making on the issue. PWCFC staff provided technical assistance to the FAC on proposal development for the Ford Foundation.

In June, Center staff visited the **Hoopa Valley Reservation** in northern California to initiate discussions for an oral history project. The objective of the project is to help tribal members document their knowledge about the cultural and subsistence importance of the Trinity and Klamath rivers, and the impacts of water transfers on tribal health. This work will also help link tribal water and salmon issues to larger institutional barriers in the region.

The Center partners with the **Maidu Cultural and Development Group (MCDG)** to support the restoration of Maidu Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) and its integration with Western Science for land stewardship. The Maidu, though federally unrecognized, are the largest Native American tribe in California. MCDG continued gathering public comment for the NEPA scoping process for a proposed fuels reduction project on their federal Stewardship Site. During the reporting period they conducted the written scoping process, and held a public meeting and field trip on May 3. Center staff worked with the MCDG to outline a participatory research project to develop a monitoring plan and gather baseline data for the fuels reduction corridor. The monitoring plan will integrate and reflect monitoring priorities of Western science (through the Western Science team) and Maidu Traditional Ecological Knowledge (through the MCDG). A Cooperative Agreement was completed. In July, a packet was sent to Western Science team members, soliciting their priorities for monitoring the site. MCDG prepared a draft list of Maidu monitoring priorities and plots based on community scoping activities. A Science Team meeting is planned for the fall to finalize the draft monitoring plan.

PWCFC is working with the University of California White Mountain Research Station on a participatory research project with the **Bishop and Big Pine Paiute Tribal Communities**. Tribal members are documenting their traditional ecological knowledge of native plants in the Owens River Valley in California and linking their knowledge with current Western scientific knowledge. With the passing of an older generation of Paiutes, the unique knowledge that defines the Paiute people's relationship with the land is passing with them. With few tribal members fluent in Paiute, it is increasingly urgent that traditional behaviors and language are recorded. Tribal member Qwina West is working with local botanists Daniel Pritchett and Sally Manning to begin to develop a shared understanding of important local plants along the river flood plain of the Owens Valley. Mr. Pritchett and Dr. Manning work extensively with native plants of the Owens Valley and will provide current scientific names and knowledge about these plants. Mr. West is working with local elders in plant identification and providing translational stories. Mr. West has recorded elders discussing plants associated with the Owens River. Due to the botanists' extremely busy field seasons, project field sessions were postponed until September. Edited interviews with elders will be presented to Sally Manning and Daniel Pritchett. Field sessions to locate and discuss the plants are being scheduled for September. An expected outcome will be an understanding of the different perspectives of the plants between traditional Paiute knowledge and Western scientific knowledge. Those differences and the understanding will be documented at the end of the field sessions.

Local cooperators submitted written progress reports for the July 2003 PWCFC retreat. Four local cooperators from three of the projects participated in the retreat and shared their progress, challenges, and lessons learned. Additional ideas for collaboration and dialogue among the communities were sparked at the retreat.

Regional Center Research (Staff-directed research)

Center staff conduct focused research on topics of interest in the region. These are selected and informed by the areas of focus identified by the Advisory Council for the Center (see Problem Identification), dialogue with community partners, and emerging issues in the region. Assessment of the ecosystem workforce and environmental justice have been identified as important issues.

Research associate Mark Baker, with regional partners including the North Coast Alliance for Sustainable Jobs and the Environment, Forest Community Research, and the Redwood Community Action Alliance, is conducting a **study of the restoration economy** in Humboldt county in Northern California. The PWCFC supported partnership building and proposal development; the Ford Foundation is funding most of the study implementation. During the reporting period, efforts focused on the following areas of the restoration assessment:

- 1) data collection and analysis for database of overall annual restoration investment from 1995-2002;
- 2) development of interview schedule for short and long interviews with restoration contractors/consulting firms, restoration nonprofits, agencies involved in restoration (primarily funding), and restoration workers;
- 3) circulation of draft interview schedules for comments and finalization;
- 4) in-depth interviews with cross-section of restoration organizations and individuals;
- 5) brief phone interviews with all firms involved in restoration (more than 70) to determine employment generated by restoration;
- 6) development of database to input and analyze data from phone interviews;
- 7) field trips to restoration jobs; and
- 8) initiation of a review of restoration in Trinity County.

Two interns from Humboldt State University focused their efforts on database development and investment data collection. Andrea Davis of the North Coast Restoration Jobs Initiative of the Alliance for Sustainable Jobs and the Environment conducted phone interviews. The Hayfork Watershed Research and Training Center provided support to conduct a preliminary overview of restoration in Trinity County. That work will dovetail with the Humboldt County assessment, although the final reports will be separate. Report writing will be initiated in September.

During the reporting period, a microsite for the **Environmental Justice Sourcebook** was completed and launched. During the previous reporting period, the sourcebook was made available as an Adobe Acrobat document on the PWCFC website. Technical difficulties with web programming delayed the microsite's launch until this reporting period. The sourcebook, written by research assistant Beth Rose Middleton, provides a primer on environmental justice and participatory research, a summary of laws and policies relevant to environmental justice, and a growing database of resources for communities facing environmental justice issues. The Environmental Justice microsite is accessible online at www.pwcfc.org/projects/justice.htm.

Communications and Outreach

Outreach meetings

During the reporting period, Center staff, research associates, and Advisory Council members engaged in outreach to communities and regional coalitions of community-based groups, agencies, and researchers to share about PWCFC/NCFC activities and to explore opportunities for collaboration. Meetings included:

- a meeting with Harry Salinas, USDA Office of Civil Rights, Hispanic Emphasis Program Manager and Mary Lou Martinez, Hispanic Employment Program Manager, USDA Forest Service Civil Rights Office about the Center's work with Latino forest worker communities;
- presentations of the Center's work to CSREES and the USDA Forest Service Research and Development group at Week in Washington;
- conversations with US Forest Service Asian Community Liaison, Washington Office about collaboration and expanding support of Center projects in the region;
- a phone meeting with a program coordinator for the Environmental Justice Coalition for Water about potential collaboration on a scoping workshop for environmental justice in Northern California;
- A presentation at to the Northern California Economic Revitalization Group about community development, capacity-building, and working with the underserved, California State University, Chico;
- Continued discussions with the USDA Rural and Community Prosperity Working Group on how the Center's work with underserved communities can help them advance their mission.

Outreach materials

A new PWCFC brochure and a Spring 2003 newsletter, *Pacific West Notes*, were completed. The newsletter included articles on participatory research with underserved communities, the national Environmental Justice summit, findings from the assessment of the Northwest Economic Adjustment Initiative, and updates on participatory research projects with underserved communities and the restoration economy study. The materials were distributed by mail to approximately 250 readers, including the NNFPP Board of Directors and the NNFPP Cultural Diversity Working Group. In addition, they were distributed at Community Forestry Week in Washington and other meetings, and by request.

The PWCFC website (www.pwfc.org) was updated to include the new Environmental Justice microsite, news stories, and new publications.

Responding to inquiries

Center staff tracks and responds to inquiries about the Center and its products. During the reporting period there were 13 inquiries. 4 were requests for publications. 9 requested information on the work of the Center in general, or on the work in the field with local cooperators. Four inquiries resulted in visits to the Center offices in Taylorsville. Dr. Peter Stephen of the School of Resource Management, University of Melbourne, Australia visited June 13. Community forestry is beginning to emerge in Australia, and Dr. Stephen came to learn about experiences in the Pacific Northwest. Brinda Sarathy, a doctoral student at UC Berkeley visited on August 11 to discuss her dissertation research with underserved communities in forestry and potential for collaboration with the PWCFC. On August 27, Dr. Stephen van Holde, professor of political science and environmental studies at Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio visited. Dr. van Holde interviewed Center staff about issues relative to sustainable development in the West, and the

various political, social, and economic outcomes of community forestry as a strategy. Jim Sayer, Executive Director of the Sierra Business Council, visited the Taylorsville office to learn about the Center's work with the underserved and to explore ways to collaborate in the future.

Of the inquiries, 9 were from within the region, and 4 were from outside the region.

Publications and information dissemination

During the reporting period, the report and results of the Northwest Economic Adjustment Initiative Assessment continued to be disseminated. Study results and findings were presented and informed discussions locally, regionally, and nationally:

- Continued work with the Northern California Economic Revitalization Group, specifically focused on success of the industrial parks.
- Continued to advise on the development of the Inland Northwest Economic Initiative planning effort.
- Discussed extensively at Week in Washington with Senator Crapo's office and others.

Forest Communities, Community Forests, was published by Rowman and Littlefield Publishers in August. Two PWCFC case studies, "Against the Odds: (Re-)Building Community through Forestry on the Hoopa Reservation" and "The Integration of Community Well-being and Forest Health in the Pacific Northwest: A Case Study of the Columbia Pacific Resource and Conservation District Council," were included in the volume. The case studies are also available online at www.pwcfc.org/publications/.

A summary report of the 2001 and 2002 seasons of mushroom monitoring in Cave Junction and Crescent Lake was prepared. The 15 page report entitled, *Sharing Stewardship of the Harvest: Building capacity among low-income Non-Timber Forest Product harvesters*, introduces readers to the process of multi-party monitoring with low-income harvesters, highlights key issues identified by harvesters, and describes outcomes and lessons learned from multi-party monitoring. The report was shared with partners and posted on the website.

The English translation of CIDERS' outcomes report from the 2002 meeting of the Latino Forest Workers Leadership Group was completed.

A microsite for the PWCFC *Environmental Justice Sourcebook* was launched. The sourcebook provides a primer on environmental justice, a summary of current literature and relevant legislation, and a growing database of community and policy resources related to rural environmental justice. It is accessible at www.pwcfc.org/projects/justice.htm.

Summary list of outreach materials and publications completed during reporting period and available in printed format or online at www.pwcfc.org/publications/.

- Pacific West Community Forestry Center brochure
- *Pacific West Notes*, Spring 2003 newsletter
- *Sharing Stewardship of the Harvest: Building capacity among low-income Non-Timber Forest Product harvesters*
- Environmental Justice microsite
- English translation of Report on the First Regional Meeting of the Latino Forest Workers Leadership Group 2002

Broker/Facilitate Relationships

Center staff and AC members are actively working to build bridges for future collaboration between research and educational institutions and underserved communities in forestry. A critical first step is raising awareness in these institutions of the issues underserved communities face in forestry, and sharing lessons on how to engage.

During the reporting period, Jonathan, Katie, and AC members Kim Rodrigues, Gary Nakamura, and Carl Wilmsen continued planning sessions with the California Communities Program, the UC Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Cooperative Extension, and other UC researchers for a state-wide two-day workshop on civic science and participatory research for UC Cooperative Extension advisors, researchers, and community members. The workshop will take place September 15-16. As of August 26, seventy-six participants had registered. The workshop announcement is attached.

In addition, staff worked to connect community partners with technical assistance, funders, and policy actors, and helped strategize for productive agency relationships. Center staff facilitated a meeting between members of the Shelton, Washington based Grupo de Trabajadores Hispanos and Mila Alvarez, the Policy Director at American Forests.

Staff provided technical assistance with the Forestry Action Committee on proposal development for the Ford Foundation. This is the third local cooperator during 2003 that Center staff have helped to seek funding for the sustainability of their own projects. In the previous reporting period, the Center helped CIDERS and the Maidu Cultural and Development Group secure funding commitments.

Other Activities

National Responsibilities

Center staff participated in several conference calls and a meeting focused on cross-regional learning. In May, Katie hosted a 2-day working session with the former coordinators of the Southwest and Northern Forest centers (via conference call) to begin to understand, document, and celebrate the different approaches taken to address similar issues according to regional needs and culture. Katie, Tori Derr, and Debra Mason developed a proposal to prepare a report on lessons learned across regions from the projects with local cooperators. The proposal is under review/clarification by the Executive Committee of the NCFC, and implementation is pending this clarification and availability of Debra Mason and Tori Derr.

Katie continued to participate in the NNFP Cultural Diversity Working Group (CDWG), and the subcommittee on place-based knowledge.

Katie wrote an article on cross-regional learning at the PWCFC retreat for the upcoming NNFP *Practitioner*.

Jonathan and Katie participated in the community forestry Week in Washington and presented with other centers the NCFC's work to CSREES and the Forest Service Research & Development group, among others.

The Center was represented on all but one Executive Committee conference call for the reporting period, and participated in an NCFC fundraising conference call

Administration

The Center is staffed by a team of Forest Community Research employees including Katie Bagby, full-time Center coordinator and Jonathan Kusel, FCR director and principal investigator. During the reporting period research associates Mark Baker and Beth Rose Middleton worked on selected PWCFC projects. Lorraine Hanson, Joyce Cunningham, and Amy Hafsrud provided staff support for the Center.

Staff worked to reach a mutually satisfactory Center contract with the Forest Trust and to secure contracts with local cooperators that are mutually acceptable to cooperators, the Center, and the Forest Trust. Both processes are still being negotiated.

List of Attachments

- PWCFC brochure
- *Pacific West Notes*
- AC retreat and conference call minutes
- Participatory Research workshop announcement
- Latino Forest Workers Leadership Group regional forum report – English translation
- *Sharing Stewardship of the Harvest: Building capacity among low-income Non-Timber Forest Product harvesters*