

Proposed Tentative Time Line for Desoto County, MS i-Tree Eco Project - 2010

i-Tree Eco Project Step	Date Completed By	i-Tree Eco User's Manual Page	Who
Identify the type of data to collect (plantable space, energy, shrub, hydro) and how to collect the data (paper or PDA)	09/15/09	P. 5 and P. 13	County/city
Decide on stratification type: grid, randomized grid, random, etc.	09/15/09	P. 7	County/city
Create database of proposed funding sources	09/15/09		County/city
Create county GIS layer and individual city layers (city limits plus 5-year proposed annex area)	09/15/09	N/A	GIS
Download NLCD images for the county	09/15/09	P. 8-10 and Appendix 1 and 2	GIS
Generate randomized plots for county and individual cities and create Eco-ready reports needed for project set-up. Assign unique plot numbers to each plot (i.e. 1 through 250).	10/15/09	Appendix 1 and 2	GIS
Create database of parcel owners to be contacted for plot access	11/15/09		GIS
Using i-Tree Eco shell, create the project for the county	11/15/09	P. 11-12	MS Extension
Begin contacting landowners for plot access permission	01/15/10		County/city
Confirm funding sources for project. Secure funding at least 3 months before data collection is to begin.	01/15/10		County/city
Follow-up with landowners that have not given permission for plot access	03/15/10		County/city
Create database of potential volunteer data collectors	03/15/10		MS Extension
Advertise for MSU forestry student data collectors	03/15/10		MS Extension
Solicit volunteer data collector as to when they can commit to collecting data	04/15/10		MS Extension
Confirm status of forestry student availability with MSU	04/25/10		MS Extension
Confirm plot access permission with land-owners	05/01/10		County/city
Create waypoint file to be loaded onto GPS units for plot center location by unique plot number	05/01/10		GIS
Print aerial photos for each plot for data collectors and include unique plot number on each	05/01/10		GIS
Print map of all plots by unique plot number for data collectors	05/01/10		GIS
Gather all field and data collection equipment	05/10/10		MS Extension
Confirm dates that volunteers can help collect data	05/10/10		MS Extension
Data collection training workshop	05/17/10	P. 17-42	Eric
Collect field data/enter data into Eco shell	05/18/10		MS Extension
Conduct Quality Assurance Checks	throughout data collection	P. 39-41	MS Extension
End field data collection with MSU forestry students	08/06/10		MS Extension
Send data to Syracuse for processing	08/15/10	P. 45	MS Extension
Receive Report from Syracuse	10/01/10	P. 45-49	MS Extension



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