

# SAF Structure & Governance



# **SAF Constitution**

- **Article II. Sec. 1, Mission:**

**The mission of SAF is to advance the science, education, technology, and practice of forestry; to enhance the competency of its members; and to use the knowledge, skills, and conservation ethic of the profession to ensure the continued health and use of forest ecosystems and the present and future availability of forest resources to benefit society**



# **SAF Constitution (cont.)**

## **Article V, Sec. 5, Council:**

**The Society shall be governed by a Council comprising the president, vice-president, immediate past-president, and 11 elected members**

- **Council provides leadership and direction to the Society of American Foresters to ensure the achievement of its mission**
  - “to advance the science, technology, education, and practice of professional forestry in America and to use the knowledge and skills of the profession to benefit society.”
- **Council is responsible to SAF members for :**
  - fiduciary matters,
  - explicit governing policies,
  - vision and ends-oriented thinking and planning, operations oversight,
  - and for assurance of the Executive Vice-President’s (CEO/EVP) performance



# New SAF Leaders for 2014

## **Officers:**

- **Dave Walters – President**
- **Bob Alverts – Vice-President**
- **Joann Cox – Immediate Past-President**
- **Louise Murgia – Interim CEO/EVP**



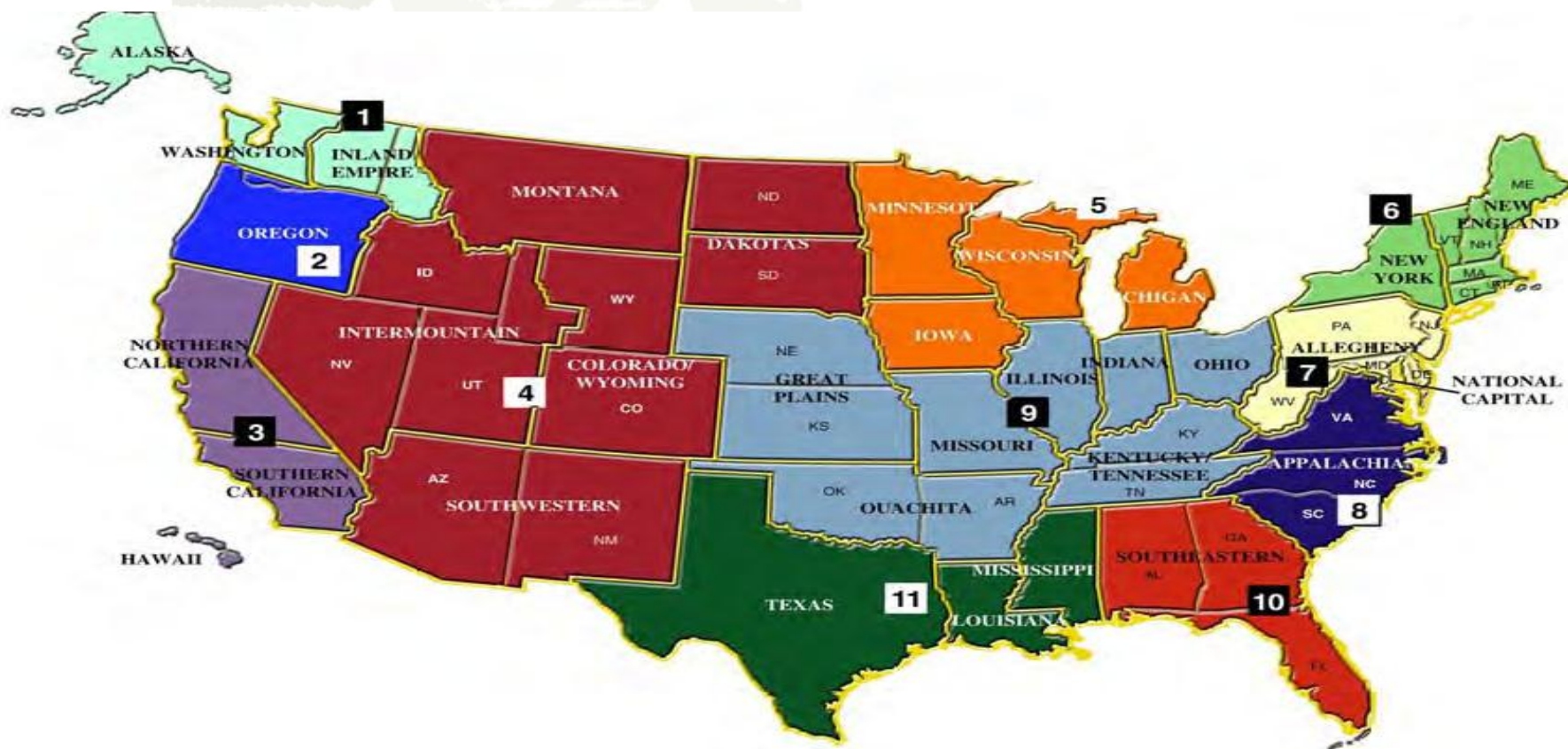
# Council Members for 2014

- **John Walkowiak – District 1**
- **Ed Shepard – District 2**
- **Jay Lopez – District 3**
- **Johnny Hodges – District 4**
- **Gary Vader Wyst – District 5**
- **Andy Hayes – District 6**
- **Kim Steiner – District 7**
- **Judd Edeburn – District 8**
- **Greg Hoss – District 9**
- **Dave Lewis – District 10**
- **Dan Grebner – District 11**





# SAF Council District Map



# **OTHERS REPRESENTED ON COUNCIL**

- **House of Society Delegates**
  - **Anne Heissenbuttel**
- **Forest Science and Technology Board**
  - **Kurt Gottschalk**
- **Committee on Forest Policy**
  - **Dennis Becker**
- **Student Representative**
  - **Sam Delano**



# Council Committees

- Executive Committee
- Strategic Planning
- Finance & Investment (Audit)
- Diversity (special relationship)





# SAF National Committees

- Accreditation Committee
- Certification Review Board
- Committee on Forest Policy
- Communications Committee
- Cultural Diversity Committee
- Educational Policy Review Committee
- Ethics Committee
- Forest Science and Technology Board
- Forest Tech School Accreditation
- House of Society Delegates
- Leadership Development
- National Convention Program Committee
- National Nominating Committee
- Professional Recognition Committee
- RNRFC Coordinating Committee
- World Forestry



# Proposed Changes to Governance

| Existing                       | Proposed                       |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1928 Articles of Incorporation | 2014 Articles of Incorporation |
| Constitution                   | Bylaws                         |
| Bylaws                         | Policies and Procedures Manual |





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