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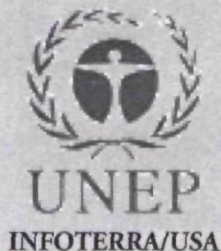
USA National Focal Point



As a component of the Global Environmental Information Exchange Programme of the United Nations Environment Programme, INFOTERRA/USA responds to requests for information on environmental topics.

The service addresses two specific needs:

- assisting **international** users in understanding U.S. environmental policy, status, and trends; and
- assisting **domestic** users in gathering information about the state of the environment around the world.



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INFOTERRA/USA is a UNEP sponsored program, supported by the US EPA.

Our Mandate
Sponsored by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, INFOTERRA/USA serves governments, scientists, non-governmental organizations, academia, industry, and concerned citizens from around the world.

INFOTERRA/USA staff currently respond to over 4,000 information requests annually; providing valuable documents, referrals, and citations to environmental information from a variety of sources.

INFOTERRA provides answers to inquiries through U.S. Government documents, technical reports, database searches and bibliographies. If necessary, referrals are made to the government agency, international organization, information clearinghouse, or environmental expert best able to respond to each information request.

INFOTERRA provee respuestas a las solicitudes de información aprovechando documentos gubernamentales de los EUA, reportes técnicos, búsquedas de bases de datos y bibliografías. Si es necesario, las encuestas son redirigidas a la agencia gubernamental, organización internacional, centro de información, o experto medioambiental capaz de responder.

INFOTERRA fournit des réponses aux questions de recherches utilisant des documents gouvernementaux, des publications techniques, des recherches sur les bases de données et des bibliographies. Autant que nécessaire, l'INFOTERRA peut transmettre les questions à l'agence gouvernementale, à l'organisation internationale, au centre d'échange d'information, ou à l'expert de l'environnement avec l'expertise dans le sujet.

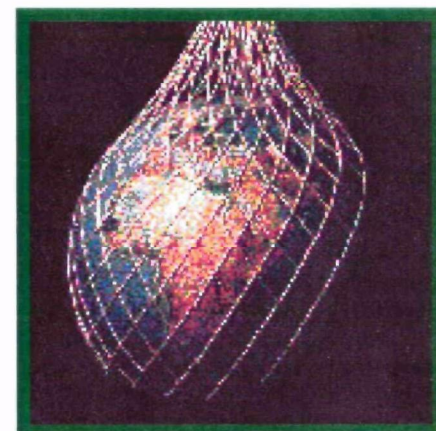
INFOTERRA/USA can ...

Provide a variety of information and related sources, as well as help locate U.S. environmental information, including:

- Links to U.S. environmental regulations
- Information on scientific test methods
- Bibliographies of selected documents on environmental topics
- Location and Purchasing information for U.S. Government reports
- Referrals to international environmental experts, including INFOTERRA partners in over 175 different countries
- EPA and commercial database searches
- EPA documents and resources
- Other U.S. Government documents, publications, and resources
- Referrals to individuals and organizations working on specific environmental issues in the U.S.

Assist international visitors by:

- Conducting tours of EPA Information facilities
- Guiding research using resources in the Washington, DC area
- Providing demonstrations of searches of selected environmental databases



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**UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT
PROGRAMME'S
INFOTERRA NETWORK**

INFOTERRA is designed to serve as a global gateway to information needed to solve environmental problems around the world.

The INFOTERRA network is comprised of:

National Focal Points (NFPs)

Network of over 175 participating nations sponsor access points where the public can seek answers to environmental questions. NFPs can draw on the resources of network partners to most efficiently respond to questions.

Regional Service Centers (RSCs)

RSCs assist NFPs in a geographical regions by providing database searches, promoting communication and offering training and support where needed.

Special Sectoral Sources (SSS)

Recognized experts in areas of environmental studies who provide custom research on issues of special environmental priority.

Programme Activity Centre (PAC)

Located at UNEP Headquarters in Nairobi, Kenya, the PAC coordinates network activities and promotion, provides training and assistance to NFPs, and publishes a network bulletin as well as other publications as needed.

More Information

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