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Education:

- Ph.D.** Natural Resources Science & Management, Department of Forest Resources, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minnesota, 2005. Track: Economics, Policy, Management, & Society. Dissertation: “Community Benefits and Values Associated with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Projects.”
- M.S.** Forest Resources, Department of Forest Resources, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon, 2001. Minor: Environmental and Resource Economics. Thesis: “Effects of the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program on Backcountry Users in Grand Canyon and Everglades National Parks.”
- B.S.** Forest Recreation Resources, Department of Forest Resources, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon, 1999. Option: Environmental Interpretation. Honors Senior Thesis: ““Making Disturbance Ecology Research Relevant to Citizens.”

Selected Active Research Grants (PI and Co-PI):

- Stakeholder Research: Social Assessment of Biomass Harvests and Forest Bioproducts Industry in Maine
- The Forestry Community, Belief Systems and Consensus: Implications for Public Communication and Outreach
- Conflict Resolution through Trust and Relationship Building: Natural Resource Managers’ Perceptions
- Sustainable Lake Management in Maine’s Changing Landscape
- Building Demand for Maine’s Certified Wood and Paper Products: Public Opinion and Market Research
- Forest Certification Knowledge and Attitudes Among Family Forest Landowners in Northern Minnesota

Selected Research Publications:

- **Leahy, J.**, Kilgore, M., Hibbard, C., and Donnay, J. “Family Forest Land Owners’ Interest in and Perceptions of Forest Certification: Focus Group Findings from Northern Minnesota.” Forthcoming in *Northern Journal of Applied Forestry*.
- Anderson, D., Wilhelm, S., Schneider, I, and **Leahy, J.** “Proximate and Distant Visitors: Differences in Importance Ratings of Beneficial Experiences.” Forthcoming in *Journal of Park and Recreation Administration*.
- Kilgore, M., **Leahy, J.**, Hibbard, C., and Donnay, J. 2007. “Assessing Family Forest Land Certification Opportunities: A Minnesota Case Study.” *Journal of Forestry*, 105(1): 27-33.
- Kilgore, M., **Leahy, J.**, Donnay, J., Hibbard, C., and C. Blinn. 2007. “Evaluating Logger Certification Attitudes and Preferences: A Minnesota Case Study.” *Forest Products Journal*. 57(1/2): 84-90.
- Davenport, M., **Leahy, J.**, Anderson, D., and Jakes, P. 2007. “Building trust in natural resource management within local communities: A case study of the Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie” *Environmental Management*, 39(3): 353-368.
- Davenport, M., Anderson, D., **Leahy, J.**, and Jakes, P. 2007. “Reflections from USDA Forest Service Employees on Institutional Constraints to Engaging and Serving their Local Communities.” *Journal of Forestry*, 105(1): 43-48.
- Johnson, R., Shelby, B., Brunson, M., and **Leahy, J.** 2005. “Socioeconomic Responses to Alternative Silvicultural Treatments.” In C. Maguire & C. Chambers (Eds.), *College of Forestry Integrated Research Project: Ecological and Socioeconomic Responses to Alternative Silvicultural Treatments* (pp.88-103). Oregon State University Research Contribution #46. Corvallis, OR.
- Huppert, D., Johnson, R., **Leahy, J.**, and Bell, K. 2003. “Interactions between Human Communities and Estuaries in the Pacific Northwest: Trends and Implications for Management.” *Estuaries*. 26(4B): 997-1009.
- **Leahy, J.** 2001. “Public Recreation on Oregon’s Family Forestlands.” *Oregon Small Woodlands Association Update*. 20(5): 7.

Organizations and Professional Affiliation:

- International Union of Forest Research Organizations (Deputy, Nature Conservation and Protected Areas Working Group - 06.01.03), Society of American Foresters (Chair, Social and Related Sciences Working Group – New England SAF), International Association for Society and Natural Resources, National Association for Interpretation (Certified Interpretive Trainer)