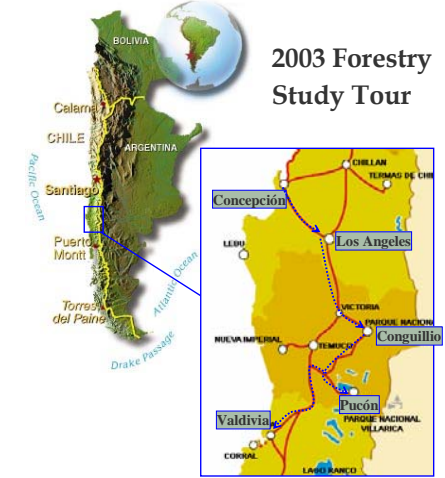


Chile Forest Resources Exchange Program



The recent free trade agreement with Chile creates new opportunities and challenges for the US forestry sector. Relative to the US South, Chile is highly competitive in the plantation forestry sector, faces many parallel environmental concerns in the natural forest sector, and serves as a laboratory for forest management and policy responses to water scarcity. An ISE grant from USDA is supporting collaborative research and education activities between the NCSU Department of Forestry and Environmental Resources and partners in Chile, including the Universidad Austral de Chile and the Universidad de Concepción. For more information:

<http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/nreos/forest/feop/Chile/index.htm>

