

MEETING THE FUTURE

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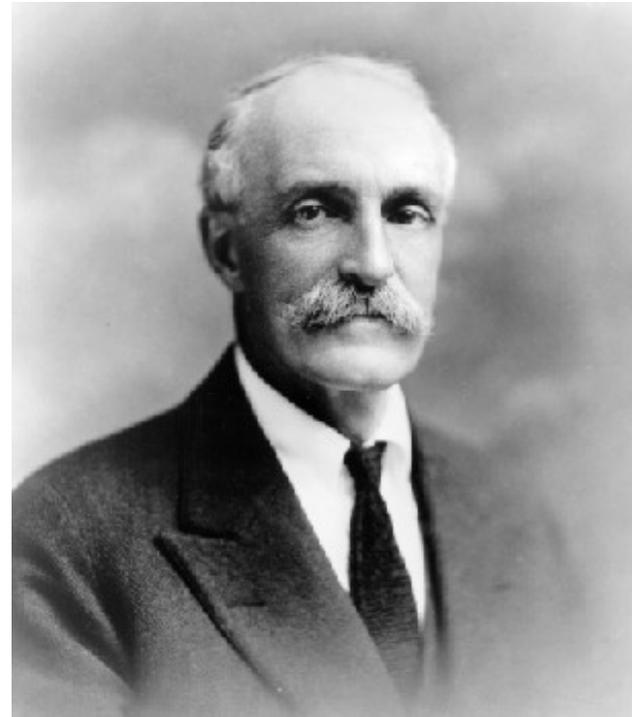
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Gifford Pinchot

The Fight for Conservation, 1910

“The central thing for which conservation stands is to make this country the best possible place to live in, both for us and for our descendants.”



Theodore Roosevelt

May 13, 1908

“We have to, as a nation exercise foresight.... and if we do not exercise that foresight, dark will be the future!”



Theodore Roosevelt *May 13, 1908 (cont'd)*

“You have come hither at my request, so that we may join together to consider the question of **conservation** and use of the greatest fundamental sources of wealth of this Nation... It is the chief question that confronts us, second only—the second always—to the great fundamental question of morality.”



National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), 1970 ...

... mandates all U.S. federal agencies to create and maintain:

“...conditions under which man and nature can exist in productive harmony and fulfill the social, economic and other requirements of present and future generations of Americans.”

“Meeting The Future” Workshop

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We have come together – nearly a century later – to consider questions of ***sustainability*** ... and to consider how research, science and technology can advance society today and protect natural and human resources for the future.

Workshop Themes

- Science and research strategies in U.S. and Europe
- Urban design and technology for sustainable cities and green buildings
- Business case for sustainability
- Future trends and emerging technologies for sustainability