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# Supporting America's Forests by Creating and Expanding Markets for Sustainable Wood Products and Wood Energy

### A TRACK RECORD OF RESULTS 2015–2022

\$181,378,361

in funding

across

545 Wood Innovations and Community Wood projects

**\$81,635,247** in Federal funding **\$99,743,114** in cooperator funding

## **Grants To Grow Forests and Rural Economies**

**Wood Innovations Grant Program** 

Expanding traditional wood projects, advancing wood energy markets, and promoting using wood in construction.

#### **Community Wood Grant Program**

Funding shovel-ready projects to install thermally led community wood energy systems or build innovative wood product facilities.

Wood Products Infrastructure Assistance Funding to establish, reopen, retrofit, expand, or improve wood-processing facilities like sawmills close to Federal or Indian lands.

#### **Environmental Impact**

The Wood Innovations Program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service supports agency initiatives like sustainable forest management and the Wildfire Crisis Strategy. Through its grants, the program improves forest and watershed health, reduces wildfire risk, increases climate change resiliency, and supports wildlife and plant biodiversity.



U.S. forests store more than **14 billion metric tons** of carbon<sup>1</sup>



National forests provide drinking water to 180 million people every day



Innovation.

**Economic and Social Impact** 

paths in forestry and forest products.

Sustainable forest management supports rural

communities, including Tribal communities and

underserved communities, and provides career

The Wood Innovations Program is sustaining

economies by funding projects focused on jobs,

mills and manufacturing, communities, and

The forest industry provides over 2.8 million U.S. jobs<sup>2</sup>



The forest products industry accounts for about 5% of U.S. manufacturing GDP, manufacturing nearly \$350 billion in products annually<sup>3</sup>



U.S. forests provide some of the most important **habitats for wildlife and fish** 



#### **Tribal funding** 2015–2022:

- 13 Wood Innovations grants
- \$2,725,565 in Federal funding

#### **Grant Project Case Study Highlight**

WoodWorks makes it easier to design, engineer, and construct commercial and multifamily wood buildings: The Forest Service is making an investment of over \$2 million annually in WoodWorks to expand mass timber markets and support engineering research and carbon accounting.

Funding for mass timber projects 2015–2022: 139 grants totaling \$30,990,584 in Federal funding.

## **Legislation To Help Forests and the People Who Depend on Them**

- Agriculture Improvement Act
- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law
- Inflation Reduction Act

#### **More Information**

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 2022 International Mass Timber Report

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Society of American Foresters Applauds Passage of FY23 Omnibus Spending Bill." https://www.eforester.org/Main/SAF\_News/2022/Society-of-American-Foresters-Applauds-Passage-of-FY23-Omnibus-Spending-Bill.aspx

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www.afandpa.org/about-afpa