

Support a Thriving Forest Product Industry in Wisconsin

THE CITIZENS OF NORTHWEST WISCONSIN REQUEST

That the State Legislature enacts legislation to give Wisconsin Forest Products a 10% preference on all state purchase contracts.

BACKGROUND

- There are 29 Counties with Forestry in the State of Wisconsin
- Forestry is a critical industry for the State of Wisconsin
- Nearly 1/3 of Wisconsin's County forest acreage is located in Douglas, Bayfield, Ashland and Iron Counties

Economic Development Impact:

1. Statewide county forests support 30,000 jobs
2. Statewide the forest product industry is a \$20 billion industry
3. County forest timber management generates county tax relief
4. County forests are open to public recreational opportunities
5. County forests are committed to wildlife habitat improvements
6. County forests enhance watershed protection

Summary:

Maintaining and supporting a thriving forest economy is critical to economic success in Northwest Wisconsin and the entire State of Wisconsin.

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