

#### MASS TIMBER:

PROMISE FOR THE FOREST SECTOR & THE ENVIRONMENT



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#### WHO IS OFRI?

The Oregon Forest Resources Institute was created by the state legislature in 1991 to advance public understanding of Oregon's forests, forest practices and forest products and to encourage environmentally sound forest management.





#### **OREGON'S FORESTS**

#### 47% of Oregon's land base is forested

• 29,984,000 acres



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#### Who owns Oregon's forests?

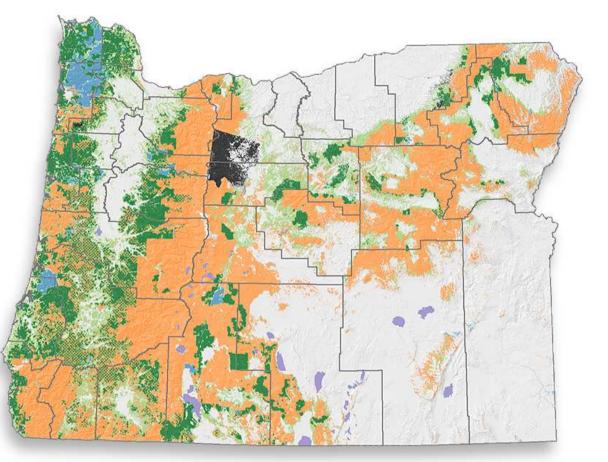






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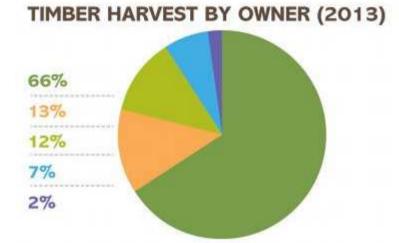
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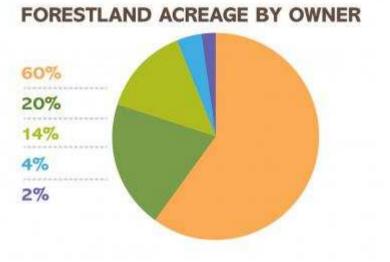




#### **Ownership vs. production**

#### Three-fourths of Oregon's timber harvest comes one-third of its forestland





#### FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LARGE PRIVATE SMALL PRIVATE STATE AND OTHER PUBLIC TRIBAL

# 100,000 acres of timberland is harvested-each year in Oregon 1/3 of 1% of the total forestrand About ¼ of that is clear eut



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### Average acres burned annually (2003-2014): 125,000



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Oregon Forest Practices Act • First an the nation • Requires reforestation • Requires protection of water quality and habitat • Updated frequently • 95%+ compliance



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#### **ASTM D7612**

- Internationally recognized standard for global wood sourcing
- Categorizes wood three ways: Legal, Responsible, Certified
- OFPA-subject wood meets ASTM D7612 Responsible



#### **State Context**

**Place:** Western Oregon is the best place in the world to grow high-value trees

**People:** How much we harvest is not as important as the economic impact created

**Position:** Oregon is positioned to compete in global markets for 'green buildings' made of engineered wood products



#### FOREST SECTOR ECONOMIC IMPACT

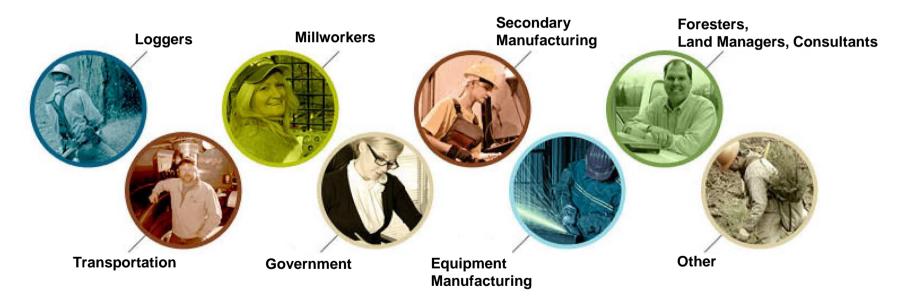
- Total Industrial Output: \$12.7 billion
- Accounts for 6.8% of state's economy
- Up to 20% in rural areas





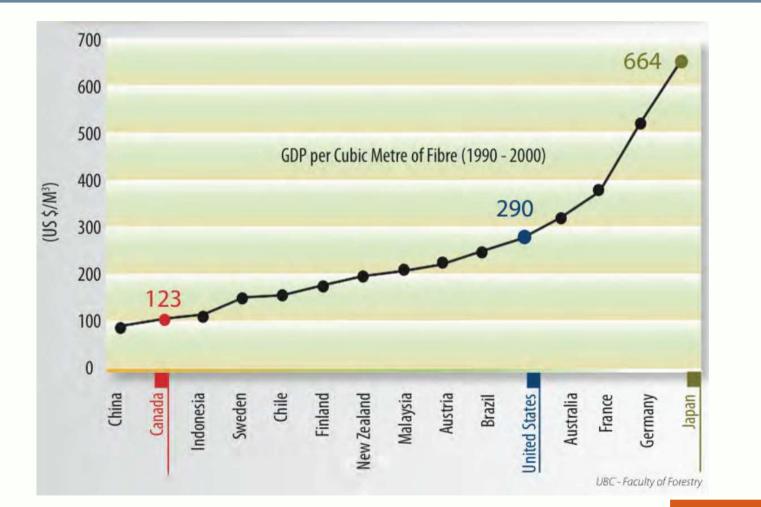
#### FOREST SECTOR ECONOMIC IMPACT

- 59,000 forest sector jobs in Oregon
- 3.4% of all occupations
- Average salary: \$49,200 per year





#### Value-added manufacturing





- Expanded wood markets
- Wood products innovation
- Rural economic development
- Carbon sequestration







#### Cross-laminated timber (CLT)



A wood panel typically consisting of 3, 5, or 7 layers of lumber oriented at right angles to one another and glued to form structural panels with exceptional strength, dimensional stability, and rigidity.



Department of Bioproducts and Biosystems Engineering, University of Minnesota

#### Complex cuts



While at the mill, CLT panels are cut to size, including door and window openings, with state-of-the art CNC (Computer Numerical Controlled) routers, capable of making complex cuts with high precision.



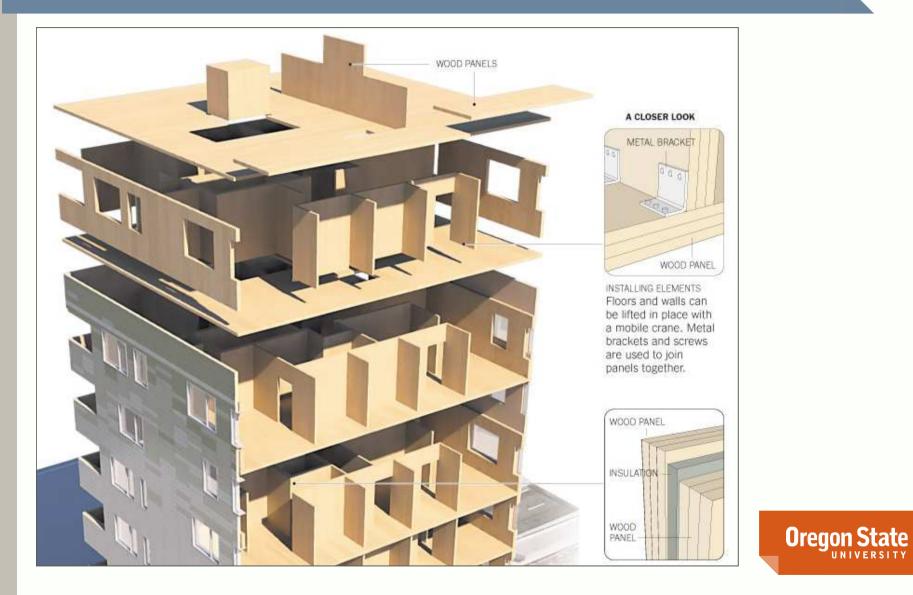
WoodSkyscrapers.com

#### Easy installment



Fat Pencil Studio

#### Use of CLT in buildings



New York Times

#### NEW MARKETS: COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION

#### **Commercial Construction Value 2015**

Source: Dodge Data and Analytics, reported by AIA December 2015

## Office\$56.1 billionHotel\$21.1 billionRetail/Other\$67.3 billionEducation\$84.3 billionReligious\$3.4 billionTOTAL\$144.5 billion



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#### **NEW MARKETS: MULTI-FAMILY**

#### Multifamily Construction Outlays January 2016 seasonally adjusted annual rate

#### \$59.8 billion

Source: National Association of Homebuilders, reported in Multifamily Executive



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Total market potential =

#### \$204.3 billion

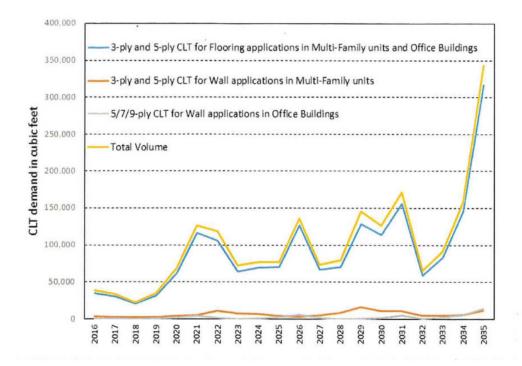
Most categories experiencing double-digit growth in 2016







#### **FORT**&RRA





Canadian study:

Total North American demand for Tall Wood is

## 280 million sf in U.S. 57 million sf in Canada »7.3 bbf of lumber

Photo: Tom Waddell, Forest Business Network



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**Clay Creative:** 

60,000 sf creative office building
350,000 bf glulam
632,000 bf dimension lumber
73,600 sq. ft. 5/8" plywood





#### **Albina Yard:**

- 16,000 sf creative office building
  61,500 bf CLT
  57,000 bf glulam
- 42,500 bf dimension lumber
   19,550 sq. ft. 5/8" plywood





#### **RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

#### A handful of jobs to run the new line



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**Direct benefits** 



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#### **RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**





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#### RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

"If increased demand from mass timber helps lumber prices stay consistently over \$200, we'd add a shift and our competitor in town would as well."

--CEO of a prominent lumber producer in Oregon











"We are faced with the two major issues of our time, man-made climate change and a soaring world population. To construct adequate housing for future generations we must reinvent constructions so that we can fulfill this need with the minimum effect on our environment." —Andrew Waugh, Principal Waugh Thistleton Architecture

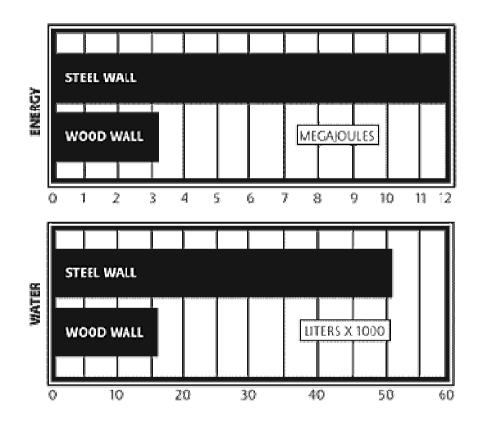
Timber can help solve our global problems. As timber grows it soaks up carbon dioxide through photosynthesis. This is surely what we have been looking for.





Wood products are

- Renewable
   and recyclable
- Less energy and water to produce than steel and cement





"Wood, unlike steel and concrete, sequesters carbon dioxide, storing it away for the life of the building it is in."

-Michael Green, Architect



50% of the dry weight of wood is carbon that was removed from the atmosphere while the tree was growing.



#### LC [13]1

#### Wood buildings are massive carbon storage units.





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#### LC [13]1 Did we want them to add text? One of the concerns I have is that the text in previous slides goes over the wood, which detracts from the message, I think. Liz Cawood, 5/15/2016

Simple Bank Building
>1,000,000 pounds carbon stored
Offsets 1,678 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e
3,574 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions avoided by using wood instead of stee and concrete

Calculations by Dr. Jim Bowyer, Dovetail Partners



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"...we identified the rise in timber net returns as the most important factor driving the increase in forest areas [in the United States] between 1982 and 1997." –

Lubowski et al. 2008





#### WHY HERE?



"The global demand for wood has increased every year since 1950 and continues to increase along with populations. Most of the places in the world where wood is being grown is in plantations. There's really only one place where trees are grown in a native ecosystem and that's here in the Pacific Northwest." —Dr. Thomas Maness, Dean of the College of Forestry, Oregon State University

This is the most environmentally sustainable place on earth to grow wood.





#### **Oregon Wood Products Working Group**

Create and Implement Strategies for development of advanced wood products manufacturing in Oregon to support rural economic development.



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National Center for Advanced Wood Products Manufacturing and Design

**Collaborative between University of Oregon School of Architecture, Oregon State College of Forestry and OSU College of Engineering.** 





National Center for Advanced Wood Products Manufacturing and Design

- Clearinghouse for information
- Product performance research and R&D
  - A true showcase for utilization of advanced wood products





#### Carbon 12:

- 8-story mixed use
- NE Fremont & Williams

#### Framework:

- 12-story mixed use
- Pearl District
- Includes affordable housing units
- Will be the tallest wood building in the U.S.



#### FOREST to FRAME



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