

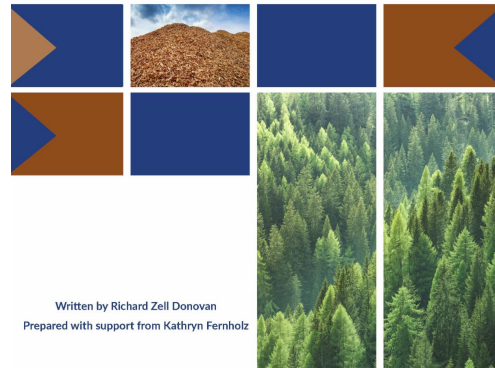


Biomass Energy: A Climate, Conservation & Livelihoods Challenge

This document is a Dovetail Partners guest author perspective on Biomass Energy: A Climate, Conservation, & Livelihoods Challenge and provides a perspective on how forest-related biomass energy can be done the right way. The author, Richard Zell Donovan, is an independent forest advisor, lives in Jericho, Vermont, and has 40+ years of field experience in 50+ countries in boreal, temperate and tropical forests. He has lived in Mexico, Paraguay and Costa Rica, has a Bachelor of Arts degree and dual major in history and romance languages and a Master of Science in natural resources management. Perspectives are meant to foster discussion and are the sole responsibility of the author.



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Dovetail intern published in the Minnesota Undergraduate Research & Academic Journal

Autumn Saign's publication, Environmental Gentrification: Urban Sustainability and the Equity Deficit, which she produced during her internship with Dovetail, was recently selected for publication! Her work explores the social impact of greening communities.

[Read Her Work](#)

Missed the Fire in Minnesota Ecosystems event? Watch now!

The recordings are now available for the 2021 Fire in Minnesota Ecosystems: Boreal Forests

virtual event, which featured [Dovetail's Community Wildfire Project Manager, Gloria Erickson](#), who shared her insight on the importance of building relationships when addressing fire mitigation work in the region. You can find this presentation, along with a broad range of others on the [Sustainable Forests Education Cooperative website](#).

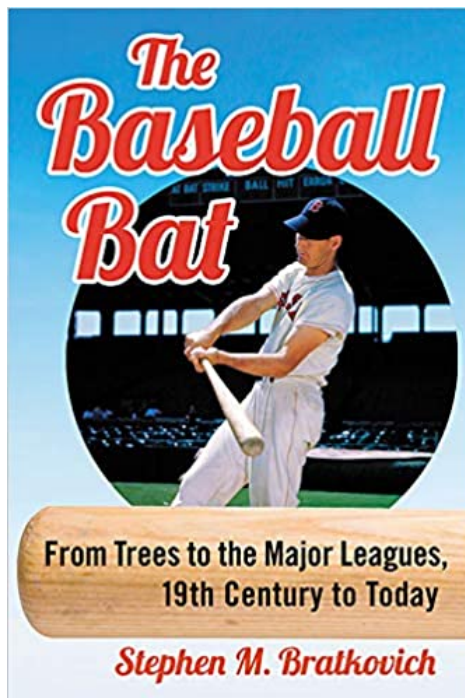


The Future of Fuel

The Future of Fuel video was recently released by #forestproud and features [Dovetail's Katie Fernholz](#) addressing future opportunities for biomass as an energy and climate solution.

Social Dimensions of Urban Mass Timber Housing Development

The [Midwest Undergraduate Geography Symposium \(MUGS\)](#) was hosted virtually by Macalester College on Saturday, April 24, 2021 and featured [Dovetail intern, Aviva Meyerhoff](#). Meyerhoff presented on the *Social Dimensions of Urban Mass Timber Housing Development*. The recording (Session 3B) can be found on the [Macalester website](#).



Bratkovich, former Dovetail associate, was recently recognized as one of the [2021 SABR Baseball Research Award](#) winners for *The Baseball Bat: From Trees to the Major Leagues, 19th Century to Today*.

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Benefits for **Wood-based Renewable Diesel** in a Midwestern Clean Fuels Policy



GREAT PLAINS INSTITUTE

Dovetail Senior Associate, [Jim Bowyer](#), was recently featured in the Great Plains Initiative's webinar: [Benefits for Wood-Based Renewable Diesel](#) in a Midwestern Clean Fuels Policy. This webinar discussed how a clean fuels policy can create markets for underutilized wood through the production of wood-based renewable diesel in the Midwest.



Congratulations Steven Immel!

Congratulations to Dovetail intern, Steven Immel, on graduation. Steven has accepted job with Battelle and their [National Ecological Observation Network \(NEON\)](#) program.

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