



Leveraging State Trust Forest Lands: Acceleration of Improved Forest Management to Increase Forest Carbon Storage in the US

Utilization of Improved Forest Management (IFM) as a Natural Climate Solution (NCS) on school trust lands in Minnesota and other state trust lands in the United States has the potential to substantially increase forest carbon sequestration, incentivized through potential forest carbon revenue. This project charts a course for scalability throughout Minnesota and on forested state trust lands across the US by assessing and piloting affordable and accessible mechanisms to enter the carbon market – including project development, recommended IFM practices, and favorable policy recommendations. Over 10 million acres of forested state trust lands exist nationwide across fifteen states.

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Panel Discussion: Understanding Oshkigin Spirit of Fire

A discussion with Vern Northrup and Damon Panek addressing many aspects of forest and fire, including historical suppression of Indigenous culture, impact of fire suppression policy on transmission of cultural practice, what is cultural burning, consequences of not burning historically, climate change and fire, and more. Also see the video Oshkigin Spirit of Fire here:

[Watch Video](#)[More Information](#)

Right-of-Way Stewardship Council Welcomes New Council Members

Three New Council Members Bring Environmental, Utility, and Consulting Expertise

(Mpls, MN) The Right-of-Way Stewardship Council (ROWSC) is pleased to welcome three new members to the Council. Council members represent a range of stakeholder interests and areas of expertise including industry, government, academia, and environmental NGOs. Council members are responsible for the strategic guidance and oversight of the ROWSC as well as final authority for all accreditations.

The three new members of the ROWSC are:



(L to R): [John Steelman](#), Program Analyst, Grow With Trees; [Amy N. Murray](#), Business Developer, Davey Resource Group; [Phil Chen](#), Manager of Research and Development, CNUC

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2022 Women's Forest Congress Inaugural Event: Call for Proposals

The Women's Forest Congress is looking for compelling and diverse content to inspire meaningful conversations and engagements for our 2022 event to develop strategies and solutions to address the most pressing current and forthcoming challenges for forests and women. We invite prospective session leaders, facilitators, presenters, moderators, organizers, etc. to submit proposals that advocate for and support one or more of

Be Part of Making History Support the Inaugural Women's Forest Congress

The Women's Forest Congress is a dynamic and inclusive forum to develop strategies and solutions for forests. Women throughout the forest space have come together to share personal and professional experiences, shape the latest innovations, and consider how actions informed by our perspectives can make a profound impact on the future of forests.

The Inaugural Women's Forest Congress is expected to attract up to 1,000 individuals, in-person and virtually, across the forest community: those who live in, manage, steward, work in and for, care for, play in, and love all types of forests. We will use our diverse and collective expertise to develop strategies and solutions to address the most pressing challenges for forests and women.

October 17-20, 2022 | Minneapolis, MN



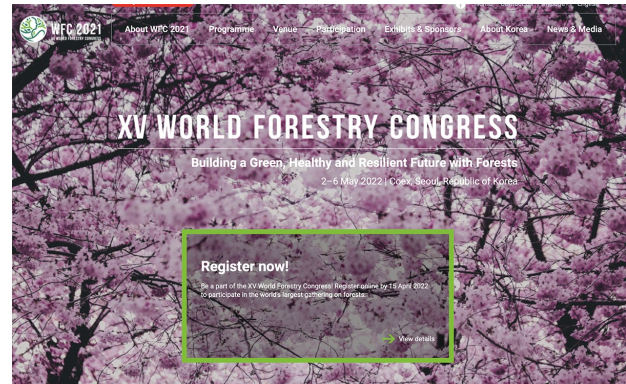
the 2022 Congress themes, and develop potential outcomes and/or resolutions for which the Women's Forest Congress can implement and act upon post-Congress. Kathryn Fernholz, President of Dovetail Partners serves on the Steering Committee of the Women's Forest Congress.

[More Details](#)

To be considered, please submit your proposal by Friday, April 29, 2022, 5 PM Eastern. [See details at the website.](#)

Dovetail Partners to present during the XV World Forestry Congress

The [XV World Forestry Congress](#) will be held at the COEX Conference Centre in Seoul (Republic of Korea) from 2 to 6 May 2022. Since the first Congress in 1926, the World Forestry Congress has become one of the most influential international fora in the world discussing forests. The XV World Forestry Congress is hosted by the Government of the Republic of Korea and held under the auspices of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), under the theme “Building a Green, Healthy and Resilient Future”.



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The Congress will focus on identifying key measures and recommendations for enhancing the role of forests in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals within the context of the Paris Agreement on climate change, the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration, the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework and the strategies for post-COVID-19 recovery. The Congress will help ensure that forests are an integral part of decisions on sustainable development because of their importance for the health, well-being and stability of the planet and its peoples. Kathryn Fernholz, President of Dovetail Partners, will be a panelist in the session on “Advancing decent work, green jobs and sustainability in the forest sector”, under Subtheme 3 “The green pathway to growth and sustainability”, which will take place on 3 May 2022 from 11:00 to 12:30 hours (KST).

The International Mass Timber Conference: Happening Now!

April 12-14, 2022

Watch social media for #masstimber and #masstimberconference for updates and posts from the event!

[Event Website](#)

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