



## Mass Timber and Tall Wood Buildings: An Update

In January 2016, Dovetail Partners released a report addressing modern tall wood buildings. In the conclusion of that report we noted:

*“The extent to which tall wood buildings will be developed in the U.S. remains to be seen, but there is little doubt that wood use will increase in high-rise structures. Wood has now re-entered the tall building discussion as one of many materials available to the design community. Its many attributes ensure a greater role in buildings of all kinds going forward.”*

Nearly seven years later, this update report summarizes policy and code changes which have occurred in recent years and the trends in adoption of mass timber. We also look ahead to consider the challenges that mass timber may face. This report focuses on developments related to mass timber construction in the United States with some references to resources and information available globally.



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### Dovetail Partners Presents on the Circular Economy at COFFI

The 80th session of the ECE Committee on Forests and the Forest Industry (COFFI) was held from 2 to 4 November 2022 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland. Kathryn Fernholz and Ed Pepke of Dovetail Partners attended the event. Kathryn presented

information addressing the contribution of forests and forest products to a circular bioeconomy.

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## Minnesota's New Climate Action Framework Released

The State of Minnesota has developed a Climate Action Framework. This plan sets a vision for how the state will address and prepare for climate change. It identifies immediate, near-term actions to achieve a long-term goal of a carbon-neutral, resilient, and equitable future for Minnesota.

Jim Bowyer and Mark Jacobs of Dovetail Partners were workgroup members.



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## Clare Boerigter presents "The Power of Storytelling"



Dovetail Partners had the privilege of having Clare Boerigter present at our monthly team meeting on "The Power of Storytelling." You can find the recording of the meeting [here](#).

Clare Boerigter is a writer, environmental storyteller, and former wildland firefighter for the U.S. Forest Service. In 2022, Clare released "[People, Fire and Pines: How Fire Use by the Anishinaabeg Shaped the Boundary Waters.](#)" In this piece, Clare explores the questions: Are there ways to live with fire, instead of suppressing it? In what ways, by attempting to live without fire, have we harmfully impacted both land and people?

In 2019, Clare wrote "[The Camp 8 Stand: The Story of the Cloquet Forestry Center's Old-Growth Red Pines.](#)" This piece tells the fire and human history of a stand of old-growth pines on the University of Minnesota's Cloquet Forestry Center. Most recently, Clare wrote "[Ojibwe firefighters restore fire to the Cloquet Forestry Center.](#)" a celebration of the return of burning to the Center as both an ecological and cultural practice, led by firefighters from the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa.

Inaugural Women's Forest Congress Resolutions a Major Milestone on the Journey to Universal Equity and Inclusion in the Forest Sector

Nearly 500 participants, in-person and virtually, from 38 U.S. states, three Canadian provinces, and eight additional nations attended the inaugural Women's Forest Congress (WFC) in Minneapolis, October 17-20.

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