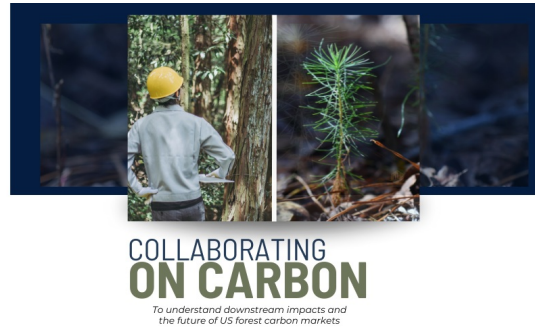


Final report on *Collaborating on Carbon* project

The *Collaborating on Carbon* project was designed to be a starting point for open dialogue about what is working within U.S. forest carbon markets, to assess existing and potential concerns, and to identify what innovations are needed to enhance benefits and minimize risks. Benefits and risks were considered in the context of the three pillars of sustainability: economic, ecological, and social values. From an economic perspective, considerations included potential impacts on access to raw materials for traditional forest-based economic activities and the diverse products that forests provide throughout homes and businesses. From an ecological perspective, forest biology, associated climate mitigation capacities and risks, and biodiversity were considered. Finally, from a social and cultural perspective, the project team considered the potential effects of carbon markets on the needs and values of local communities, employment and household incomes, state and local tax revenues, and associated quality of life considerations.



Thanks to the U.S. Endowment for Forestry and Communities for financial support to make this project possible.

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New EUDR Report

A new report is available titled, *How Voluntary Certification Systems Support the Forest and Wood Products Industry with EUDR Compliance*. As introduced in prior Dovetail articles, the European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) (Regulation (EU) 2023/1115) requires operators to exercise and demonstrate due diligence in avoiding deforestation, forest degradation, and illegal processing of seven commodities. The Regulation requires detailed data collection, traceability through the supply chain, risk assessment, risk mitigation, and reporting. The

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forest products industry has decades of experience with these activities through voluntary participation in certification programs, including the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC), Sustainable Biomass Program (SBP), and Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI). This report outlines the requirements of EUDR, their intersect with certification, and how these four certification programs have adapted their systems to support certificate holders in demonstrating compliance with the EUDR. Continue reading [here](#).

Public Consultation Open: SBP Regional Risk Assessment for Primary Biomass Sourcing in the U.S.

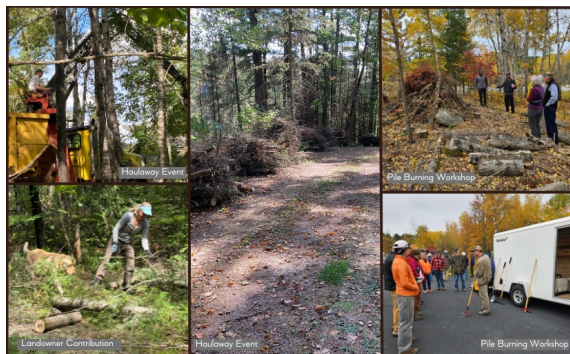
New March Strategies, a US-based forest sustainability consultancy, has been contracted by the Sustainable Biomass Program (SBP) to conduct the first Regional Risk Assessment (RRA) in the United States. From November 5 to December 6, 2024, stakeholders are invited to review the draft RRA and provide feedback to support sustainable sourcing practices. The assessment covers key sustainability criteria, including legal compliance, biodiversity protection, and carbon stock maintenance. To access the draft RRA and submit comments, visit [New March Strategies' website](#). Feedback can also be provided via the [online form](#). Your input is crucial to ensuring compliance with SBP standards. Dovetail Partners is managing the public consultation process.

Dovetail represented on 9th American Forest Congress Sustainable Forest Products Working Group

Planning is well underway for the Ninth American Forest Congress: Equity and Climate, to be held in Washington, D.C. on July 15 - 18, 2025. Associate Michael Snyder is representing Dovetail Partners in the Workgroup developing a framework for Sustainable Forest Products, one of five key pathways (along with Forest Health and Resilience, Reforestation, Land Stewardship, and Equity) for the Congress. The framework includes a vision statement, a set of desired outcomes for the Congress, and guiding principles — all in advance of and to inform the Pathway Workshops to be held in spring 2025, the next step intended to clarify and resolve consensus on key issues and opportunities to inform the content and structure of next summer's Congress itself. Learn more [here](#).



Wildfire Risk Mitigation Events in Northern Minnesota



September and October were busy months with Gloria Erickson and Teresa Floberg of Dovetail Partners coordinating multiple wildfire risk mitigation events.

In September the multiple curbside haulaway and drop off disposal events were a tremendous success. As a match to these grant funded events, private landowners contributed 2,145 hours of their time to help their properties be more wildfire resilient. This resulted in the removal of 1,540 cubic yards of hazardous woody debris. This is an increase from

similar past events.

In October, 30 participants attended a Pile Burning Workshop. Information was shared by the Forest Service, MN DNR, The Nature Conservancy, and Pheasants Forever on techniques for pile burning, the role fire plays in our forest, and equipment used when working with fire.

Upcoming Events

Great Lakes Open Source Mass Timber Collaboration



In October, folks representing a broad range of sectors and expertise, including Kathryn Fernholz of Dovetail, gathered in Detroit for the Great Lakes Mass Timber Collaborative Convening. Hosted by Bedrock Detroit in partnership with MassTimber@MSU, this event aimed to envision and plan for a regional mass timber construction and manufacturing ecosystem based on the Great Lakes region's particular strengths and opportunities.

Oregon Sustainable Forestry Report

The Oregon Forest Resources Institute's newest educational report, *Sourcing from Sustainable Forests* is now available. Kathryn Fernholz of Dovetail Partners provided insights and comments during the development of the report. You can download a digital version of the report or order free hard copies using this link from their website: <https://oregonforests.org/publication-library/sourcing-from-sustainable-forests>.

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