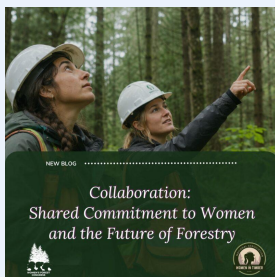




[Teresa Floberg on Protecting Homes Before Wildfire Strikes](#)

Dovetail Partners' Teresa Floberg recently joined the Paddle & Portage Podcast to discuss wildfire preparedness, community resilience, and the importance of taking protective measures before wildfire strikes near the Boundary Waters. As Dovetail's Project Director and the Firewise Coordinator for St. Louis County, Teresa works with homeowners, local communities, and the U.S. Forest Service to help reduce wildfire risk and protect structures near Ely and the BWCA.

[Watch the Podcast Here!](#)



[Collaboration: Building a Stronger Future for Women in Forestry](#)

Dovetail's Katie Fernholz co-authors a Women's Forest Congress blog exploring how collaboration between organizations can strengthen women's leadership, workforce pathways, and opportunities across the forest sector.

[Read the Blog Here!](#)



[Wood Innovation Grant Awarded to Accelerate the Great Lakes Mass Timber Collaborative](#)

A new U.S. Forest Service Wood Innovations Grant will support Dovetail Partners, MassTimber@MSU, and Team Pennsylvania in advancing the Great Lakes Mass Timber Collaborative and strengthening regional mass timber markets, manufacturing, and forest health.

[Read More Here!](#)



[Register for our Q3 Webinar "Data Centers" on September 18th](#)

Q3: Data Centers
Sept 18th 9:30-10:45am Eastern

Join the Dovetail team and featured guest speakers for a discussion on data centers.

We are pleased to welcome our speakers - Abby Smith, Team PA, and Karl Green, UW Madison Extension. Join us for a panel discussion bringing together state and local government perspectives on how communities can engage effectively and constructively with data centers. Our speakers will share examples of tools, resources, and strategies for navigating these developments, drawing on their experiences and work in their respective states.

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Dear Friends of Dovetail,

As we catch sight of our 25th anniversary on the horizon, one theme continues to guide our work: the extraordinary impact that emerges when people come together with curiosity, commitment, and a shared sense of purpose. Every day, we see how informed decision-making and collaborative action strengthen communities and improve outcomes. At Dovetail Partners, our mission—to provide authoritative information about the impacts and tradeoffs of environmental decisions—is our foundation.

Collaboration defines our approach. The Right-of-Way Stewardship Council is advancing responsible vegetation management and power system reliability through its accreditation program. The Women's Forest Congress is strengthening leadership and innovation throughout the forest and wood products sector. Our Forest to Tap initiative is reaching new communities in Northern Minnesota, deepening the connection between healthy forests and clean water.

Our Fire Adapted Communities work continues to support landowners, fire departments, and local leaders across the Arrowhead and meet the challenge of this year's wildfire season.

Every gift to Dovetail Partners grows work that is grounded in science, shaped by collaboration, and focused on practical solutions. Your support produces accessible, high-quality information; strengthens

communities; advances responsible materials and bioeconomy strategies; elevates diverse leadership; and builds bridges between science, policy, industry, and local needs.

We invite your renewed support of Dovetail Partners via an online donation or by mail with a printable form. If you wish to contribute via stocks, bonds, or securities, you can find instructions here. Please reach out to us directly as you wish: 612-414-8041, katie@dovetailinc.org or 608-445-2741, eliza@dovetailinc.org.

With gratitude,

Kathryn (Katie) Fernholz - President & CEO
& Eliza Meyer - Executive Director

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Updates & Recaps



[The Quest for Common Ground - 2nd Installment by Mark Jacobs](#)

Originally published in the Voyageur Press of McGregor

The Quest for Common Ground is a series of interviews that brings together voices from across our region, each offering a unique perspective on the issues that shape our communities. Through thoughtful conversations with individuals closely connected to these topics, the series explores where viewpoints differ and where they unexpectedly align. This second installment focuses on adapting to a changing climate, highlighting the importance of listening, understanding, and finding common ground in the face of a changing world.

[Read the Article Here!](#)



[Guest Speaker Nominations](#)

Dovetail Partners invites guest speakers to participate in monthly team meetings. It's an opportunity for speakers to share their insights, expertise, ideas, and experiences with us. We are currently seeking recommendations for our guest speakers.

If you know of anyone that should be nominated to be a guest speaker or you would like to nominate yourself please click the button below to fill out our nomination form!

Fill out the Form Here!



[Policy Identification Survey – We Need Your Insight!](#)

We invite you to take part in our Policy Identification Survey, a brief but important opportunity to help shape the direction of future policy work at the local, state, federal, and international levels. Your input will help us identify key policy activities and emerging priorities across these areas.

All responses will be carefully analyzed to generate meaningful research insights and inform future initiatives. Your voice directly contributes to smarter, more responsive policy development.

Thank you in advance for sharing your perspective and supporting this important effort!

Fill out the Survey Here!



[2025 Dovetail Partners Annual Report](#)

The 2025 Annual Report highlights Dovetail Partners' work, accomplishments, and collaborations throughout the year. It offers a look at the organization's impact and continued commitment to advancing its mission.

Read the Report Here!



In and About the Woods!

Each month, Dovetail team members are invited to share what they are seeing, doing, or experiencing in and around the woods, from personal land to public green spaces and places they visit.

August 2026



Dovetail staff participated in a tour of recent prescribed fires as part of the 2026 Northeast-Midwest Prescribed Fire Science & Management Workshop. Here, Callie Grones with the Lake Superior National Estuarine Research Reserve demonstrates the "blueberry triangle" that the project team is using to monitor how blueberry plants are responding to a prescribed fire on Wisconsin Point.

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