2025 SFI ANNUAL SURVEY REPORT

Washington Department of Natural Resources

1. MY ORGANIZATION'S PROFILE

PROFILE

1.1 Select the default area unit (acres or hectares) you will use for this survey, if applicable: Acres

1.2 Select the default currency (USD or CAD) you will use for this survey: USD

Sections of the SFI Annual Survey are enabled/disabled dependent on your answer to the following questions. Please answer all SFI Annual Survey questions for all of your forestland and manufacturing facilities, as relevant.

1.3 Does your organization own and/or manage forestlands? Yes
If yes, Select the region(s) where your organization owns and/or manages forestlands in: United States
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1.4 Does your organization have primary manufacturing operations/mills/log yards? No
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1.5 Select all countries in which you sell products: United States

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LEGAL & REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

The SFI 2022 SFI Forest Management and Fiber Sourcing Standards require Certified Organizations to develop and implement a written policy demonstrating commitment to comply with social laws, such as those covering civil rights, equal employment opportunities, gender equality, diversity inclusion, anti-discrimination and anti-harassment measures, workers' compensation, Indigenous Peoples' rights, workers', and communities' right to know, prevailing wages, workers' right to organize, and occupational health and safety.

Which social laws are explicitly included in your written policy as per performance measure 11.2 (Forest Management) and 4.2 (Fiber Sourcing)?
Civil rights;Equal employment opportunities;Gender equality;Diversity inclusion;Anti-discrimination and anti-harassment measures;Workers' compensation;Indigenous Peoples' rights;Workers' and communities' right to know;Prevailing wages;Workers' right to organize;Occupational health and safety

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SIC COLLABORATION ON STANDARDS REQUIREMENTS

Have you coordinated with an SIC on any SFI standard objectives? Yes

What topics should your SIC prioritize? The current core priorities for WASIC are:
-Establish criteria and identify delivery mechanisms for contractor (logger) and forester training.
-Establish protocols for addressing inconsistent practices.
-Focus landowner outreach efforts on education and technical assistance.
-Focus public outreach efforts on increasing SFI program recognition and support among local opinion leaders and forestry professionals.

-Protect the integrity of the SFI program.
-Support the efforts of state and federal agencies to report harvest and regeneration statistics.

Please select the SFI Forest Management Objective you are coordinating with an SIC (or several SICs) on:	Which SIC(s)?
OBJECTIVE 4. CONSERVATION OF BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY	**Washington SIC**
OBJECTIVE 9. CLIMATE SMART FORESTRY	**Washington SIC**
OBJECTIVE 10. FIRE RESILIENCE AND AWARENESS	**Washington SIC**
OBJECTIVE 12. FORESTRY RESEARCH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	**Washington SIC**
OBJECTIVE 13. TRAINING AND EDUCATION	**Washington SIC**
OBJECTIVE 14. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND LANDOWNER OUTREACH	**Washington SIC**

Please select the SFI Fiber Sourcing Objective you are coordinating with an SIC (or several SICs) on:	Which SIC(s)?

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2. FORESTRY RESEARCH, SCIENCE, & TECHNOLOGY

FOREST RESEARCH

Did your organization individually and/or through cooperative efforts involving SFI Implementation Committees, associations, or other partners provide in-kind support or funding for forest research to improve sustainable management of forest resources, and the environmental benefits and performance of forest products?
Select at least one of the following options to report how your organization met SFI's Research requirements in 2024 (select all that apply).

2.1 We met the SFI research objective in 2024 at least in part through our participation in an SFI grant: No
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2.2 We met the SFI research objective in 2024 at least in part through direct research funding: No
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2.3 We met the SFI research objective in 2024 through indirect funding through one or more projects or collaborations No
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OTHER SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND COLLABORATION

In order to build evidence for the value of sustainability and forest certification, SFI is collecting peer reviewed and gray (other) literature from SFI-certified organizations related to key sustainability issues.

2.4 Please share any recent progress reports, websites, grey literature, or published papers associated with reported projects or knowledge gained through collaborative research to positively influence sustainable forest

management. (Exempting any previously submitted to SFI). (OPTIONAL) No, we don't have any research papers to share.

2.5 Do you have other projects and collaborations that you want to share with SFI, to help illustrate the extent to which you collaborate to demonstrate the benefits that forests provide such as recreation, habitat provision, and other related outreach and engagement in your network?

Examples of other projects and collaborations include market engagement, community outreach, public engagement, education, etc.)(OPTIONAL) No

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FOREST MANAGEMENT

4. FOREST MANAGEMENT PLANNING

Area units for your survey are selected in your 1. ORGANIZATION'S PROFILE section.
Answer separately for USA or CANADA –certified Forestland covered under the scope of your SFI certificate

4.1 What is the total harvested area completed last year that would qualify as final harvest (the removal of the remaining trees in a stand. It is anticipated that the time between final harvests on a given unit would typically correspond to the planned rotation age of the harvested area).
Final Harvest Area (USA): 15802

4.2 Intermediate Harvest: What is the total area harvested last year associated with the following silvicultural techniques [Select type and enter total area]

X**Clearcut/Regeneration Harvest: true**
Area harvested qualifying as ClearCut/Regenration Harvest (USA): 15802

X**Seed-Tree: false**

X**Thinning: true**
Area harvested qualifying as Intermediate Thinning (USA): 2504

X**Shelterwood (Regular/Irregular): true**
Area harvested qualifying as Shelterwood (Regular/Irregular) (USA): 577

X**Single-Tree/Group Selection: false**

X**Other harvest units not classified as final harvest: false**

4.3 Average Clearcut Area: What was the average area of final harvest that were clear-cut (i. e. even-aged silviculture system)?
Average Clear Cut Area - US: 40

If the average is greater than 50 hectares or 120 acres, check all that apply and provide an explanation for each:
X**Necessary to meet regulatory requirements**. E.g., Government regulations requiring larger harvest areas: **false**
X**Achieve ecological objectives: false**
X**Forest health emergencies or other natural catastrophes: false**
X**Other: false**

Please fill in the fields below documenting the number and size distribution of clearcuts for each size distribution (optional question):

Clearcut size distribution (USA)	Select total number of clearcuts (USA)

CONVERSION OF FOREST COVER TYPES

4.4 Did you convert one forest cover type to another forest cover type as defined by Indicator 1.2.1? No

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5. FOREST HEALTH & PRODUCTIVITY

REFORESTATION

REPORTING REFORESTATION

(Answer separately for USA & CANADA –certified Forestland covered under the scope of your SFI certificate)

Activities and five-year assessment for reforestation activities for certified forest areas.

Note on the "Reforestation Clock": For even-aged silviculture, the regeneration "clock" starts after the entire harvest unit is harvested or the planned harvest unit sale has been completed (see guidance under completed harvest units above). Do not include areas that were replanted due to poor seedling survival.
Please report on the area successfully established as of the 5-year point following conclusion of harvest as defined herein.

5.1 What PERCENTAGE of area (acres or hectares) reported as final harvest experience adequate regeneration (natural, planted and direct seeding) within the five-year window?

Enter total percentage regenerated (USA): 100

The above reported percentage represents the following total AREA regenerated within the five year window - Enter total area: (USA): 15802

Reforestation Data for [USA and CANADA collected separately]

TOTAL REFORESTATION IN 2024 – (USA and/or Canada in a separate table)
Note that your area units (Acres/Hectares) are selected for this survey in the profile section)

USA	Enter area for each category
5.2 Total Area Planted in 2024	15802
5.3 Total Area with Direct Seeding in 2024	0
5.4 Total Area left for Natural Regeneration in 2024 (include area of overstory removal to promote natural regeneration).	30

MINIMIZED CHEMICAL USE

5.5 Do you use a in your operations?

The following questions seek to understand your organization's chemical use program per Performance Measure 2.2.

5.6. How does your organization minimize chemical use required to achieve management objectives? Direct stem-injection;Physical barriers;Physical vegetation removal (e.g., brushing)

5.7 How does your organization identify and use the least-toxic and narrowest-spectrum pesticides necessary to achieve management objectives? Licensed field staff assess the site and develop a treatment prescription using the Integrated Pest Management. IPM is a strategic approach to controlling pests that prioritizes long-term prevention and minimizes the use of chemicals.

SOIL PRODUCTIVITY & SOIL HEALTH

5.8 What practices has your organization implemented that protect and maintain soil productivity and soil health? Use of low pressure equipment on sensitive soil sites;Seasonal harvesting on sensitive soil sites;Designated equipment trails to reduce soil compaction;Use of logging slash on equipment trails;Use of erosion control techniques for harvest units on steeper slopes (e.g. water bars on equipment trails, skidding parallel to contours)

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6. PROTECTION & MAINTENANCE OF WATER RESOURCES

WATER QUALITY

6.1 Our organization has a program that meets or exceeds all applicable federal, provincial, state and local water quality laws and meets or exceeds best management practices during all phases of management activities as per PM 3.1 (*check all that apply*):

X***Planned temporary shut-downs:*** **true**

Please explain: The agency implements temporary shutdowns via contract clauses and in conjunction with Forest Practices Rules for winter timing restrictions and during wet weather events.

X***Alternative harvesting plans and sites:*** **true**

Please explain: The agency implements equipment limitation zones, skid plans, etc.

X***Others:*** **false**

6.2 Does your organization collect data on water quality (e.g. temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH, nitrogen, phosphorus, total suspended solids)? Yes

What data does your organization collect? Yes, the agency collects data on water quality (temperature, oxygen, nutrients, pH, substrate quality, bankfull width, etc.) in the Olympic Experimental State Forest.

WATER QUANTITY

6.3 Our organization has implemented water, wetland, and riparian protection programs based on climate, soil type, terrain, vegetation, ecological function, harvesting system, state best management practices (BMPs), provincial guidelines and other applicable factors to protect water quantity within the area of our SFI certificate as per PM 3.2. (*check all that apply*):

X***Within watersheds monitoring clear-cut area as a percentage of the total area:*** **true**

Please explain: The agency monitors clear-cut acreage of the total area of the watershed.

X***Increased riparian management areas near hydrologically active (or sensitive) areas*: true**

Please explain: The agency implements riparian management near hydrologically active or sensitive areas via contract clauses and in conjunction with Forest Practices Rules.

X***Establishment of machine-free zones:*** **true**

Please explain: The agency implements machine free zones via contract clauses and in conjunction with Forest Practices Rules as needed for riparian and wetland protections.

X***Others:*** **false**

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7. CONSERVATION OF BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

7.1 Please select the following areas that have been identified on your land (See SFI Definitions for each) (multiple choice, select all that apply):

Please describe, in a sentence or two, the forest cover types on your selection(s). (e.g., long leaf pine, old growth)
OPTIONAL: Provide the extent of these areas [Acres/Hectares]

XRare, or trending rare, , native forest cover types: true

Description: Large variety of forest cover types are located on 2.5 million acres of agency managed lands across Washington state.

Area (optional):

XForests of Exceptional Conservation Value (FECV): true

Description: Large variety of forest cover types are located on 2.5 million acres of agency managed lands across Washington state.

Area (optional):

XOld growth forests: true

Description: Large variety of forest cover types are located on 2.5 million acres of agency managed lands across Washington state.

Area (optional):

XForest critical to *federally listed* threatened and endangered species: true

Description: Large variety of forest cover types are located on 2.5 million acres of agency managed lands across Washington state.

Area (optional):

XSpecial sites *(e.g, sites that include geologically unique or culturally important features.):* true

Description: Large variety of forest cover types are located on 2.5 million acres of agency managed lands across Washington state.

Area (optional):

XEcologically important non-forest ecosystems *(e.g., grasslands):* true

Description: Large variety of forest cover types are located on 2.5 million acres of agency managed lands across Washington state.

Area (optional):

7.2 OPTIONAL: Provide the extent of conservation easements on the SFI Certified Landbase:

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8. MANAGEMENT OF VISUAL QUALITY & RECREATIONAL BENEFITS

AREA AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR RECREATION

9. RECOGNIZE & RESPECT INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S RIGHT

9.1 Has your organization implemented a program with appropriate training of personnel and contractors so that your organization is competent to fulfill responsibilities under Objective 8 of the Forest Management Standard (PM 8.1, Indicator 1.c)?
X There are no federally-recognized tribes in our State: false

Specific to 8.1.1.c, how many total personnel and contractors have received training to fulfill their responsibilities under Objective 8? 487

- **Of this total, how many of these personnel and contractors received (or will receive) this training in 2024?** 0
- **Of this total, what percentage does this represent of all personnel with responsibilities to implement Objective 8?**
- **Of this total, what percentage does this represent of all contractors working with your organization with responsibilities to implement Objective 8?** 100

9.2 Please provide more details about your training program:

- **Please provide the titles of personnel and contractors with responsibilities to implement Objective 8 who receive training specific to 8.1.1.c.** State Uplands Training Director, Cultural Resource Technicians
- **Are Indigenous rights-holders involved in the development and/or delivery of training?** Yes
- **Is training specific to 8.1.1.c tailored to your organization's different geographic locations, to reflect their unique operating circumstances?** Yes
- **Is training specific to 8.1.1.c tailored to different roles within your organization to reflect individuals' unique responsibilities with respect to implementing Objective 8?** Yes
- **In what format do you conduct your training? (select all that apply)** Online;In-person
- **Please provide more details on the format you conduct your training**
- **At what frequency do you provide training specific to 8.1.1.c? (select all that apply)** Annually;As needed/impromptu
- **What is the average length of training?** 2 days
- **Please provide more details on your average length of training**

COLLABORATING WITH SFI ON INDIGENOUS RELATIONS

As an independent, non-profit sustainability organization, SFI is committed to building and promoting forest-focused collaborations rooted in recognition and respect for Indigenous Peoples' rights and traditional knowledge. We firmly believe that inclusive, collaborative approaches to policy, program and relationship development lead to real progress on the ground and a positive difference in people's lives. You can read SFI'S INDIGENOUS RELATIONS COMMITMENT: ADVANCING RESPECTFUL FOREST-FOCUSED COLLABORATION on the SFI website. We are interested in how you are working with indigenous communities. This is an optional question.

9.3 Would you be interested in collaborating with SFI to develop case studies and/or communications materials that highlight some of your positive initiatives with respect to Indigenous Relations and Objective 8?

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10. CLIMATE SMART FORESTRY

Certified organizations will be required to report annually to SFI on progress toward achieving climate change strategies and plans (Indicator 9.1.4) and measures to mitigate climate change associated with forest operations (Indicator 9.2.4).

Guidance was developed to assist certified organizations in identifying options for addressing stored carbon and greenhouse gas emissions. Importantly, the Objective points to existing elements of the SFI Forest Management Standard that contribute favorably to the certified organization's adaptation plan as well as those that contribute to opportunities to

mitigate climate change drivers associated with forest operations.

10.1 Which of the following components has your organization included in your adaptation plan to address priority climate change risks per SFI 2022 Forest Management Standard Performance Measure 9.1? Updates (periodic) of forest inventory and recalculation of planned harvests to account for changes in growth due to productivity increases or decreases;Access to growth and yield modeling capabilities;Documented harvest trends within long-term sustainable levels identified in the forest management plan;Research, testing, evaluation, and development of improved planting stock, including varietal seedlings.

10.2 What adaptation strategies has your organization developed to address climate change risks to forests and forest operations per SFI 2022 Forest Management Standard Performance Measure 9.1?(*Note: there are more detailed questions on fire in the Fire Resilience and Awareness section of the survey.)*
Adjusted to shorter harvest seasons due to spring thaw and shorter winters;Changed road layout and design to address spring thaw and shorter winters;Changed to larger culverts or bridge structures to accommodate higher peak flows and flood conditions;Changed road layout and design to resist washouts from floods;Adjusted timing of operations due to increased peak flow, extended wet seasons or flood conditions;Adjusted timing of operations due to fire risk;Changed road layout and design to create systemic fire breaks

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10.3 What mitigation strategies has your organization conducted to address climate change risks to forestry operations as per SFI 2022 Forest Management Standard Performance Measure 9.2? Increased equipment maintenance or other improvements (age or type);Improved equipment or configuration of equipment (size and type);Identified alternative uses for forest residuals and logging waste;Reduced fossil fuel use from equipment and vehicles

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10.4 What forest management strategies has your organization implemented to mitigate and/or adapt to climate change as per SFI 2022 Forest Management Standard Performance Measure 9.1 and 9.2?
(*Note: there are more detailed questions on fire in the Fire Resilience and Awareness section of the survey.)*

X *Prompt reforestation or planned natural reforestation as per Indicator 2.1.1:* true
X *Adequate regeneration and appropriate actions to correct understocked areas, and:* true
X *Evaluation for afforestation of areas that are not ecologically important, and:* true
X *Protection of desirable or planned advanced regeneration during harvest and the retention of vigorous trees during partial harvest:* true
X *Planned thinning or other silvicultural practices to enhance forest growth:* true
X *Species selection to enhance forest resilience:* true
X *Increased monitoring of forest health (e.g., pests, invasive species, disease):* true
X *Addressed novel or emerging concerns (e.g., range shifts) in pest species or invasive species:* true
X *Implemented reforestation and regeneration strategies:* true

You selected "Implemented reforestation and regeneration strategies", Please specify the strategy: Planted and/or selected future-adapted trees to enhance forest resilience (e.g., drought tolerant, pest resistant);Selected future-adapted seed(ling)s;Protected advanced regeneration of future adapted species during harvest;Assisted migration of tree species (e.g., planted oaks north of their existing range)

X Based on risk, implemented management techniques to reduce undesirable impacts of wildfire (e.g., prescribed fire, cultural burning, thinning, hazardous fuel reduction): true
X Corrected understocked areas: true
X Modified forest harvest for climate change mitigation (e.g., carbon storage benefit): false
X Other Practices: false

10.5 Within your operational control, what sources of greenhouse gas emissions has your organization included in your program to identify and address your greenhouse gas emissions as per SFI 2022 Forest Management Standard Performance Measure 9.2.3? For each that applies, please respond: Yes/No/Inprogress

- Forest carbon pools and fluxes (e.g., aboveground biomass): *No*
- Harvested wood products (e.g., life cycle analyses): *No*
- Emissions in forestry operations *(e.g., fertilizer, fuel consumption by equipment and transportation)****:*** *In-Progress*
- Operational emissions (e.g., purchased energy for buildings and infrastructure): *In-Progress*
- Other sources of emission: In-Progress - Please add:

Does your org has a greenhouse inventory on at least part of your land base? *No*

Do you have any land enrolled in a carbon project or other type of carbon credit market-based activity? *Yes*
If yes, Comment: *The agency has 2000 acres set aside to explore this option.*

10.6 What resources / methods did you or a consultant use to inventory identify and address greenhouse gases within your operational control as per Performance Measure 9.2.3? (OPTIONAL)

URLs	References (text box for shared details)

11. FIRE RESILIENCE & AWARENESS

11.1 Has your organization developed a fire risk analysis to date as per Performance Measure 10.1? Yes
If yes, what resources / methods did you use to conduct this assessment? Fire probability, insect and disease risk, need for restoration areas, and risks related to climate change were identified by region and zone.

11.2 What management techniques has your organization used to limit susceptibility to undesirable impacts of wildfire on forests your organization owns or manages (check all that apply & enter area):
X Prescribed fire: *true*
Area: *2125.00*
X Cultural burning: *false*
X Systemic fire breaks: *false*
X Planting/Selection of fire-adapted tree species, as appropriate for the landscape: *false*
X Thinning: false
X Hazardous fuel reductions: *false*
X Other: *false*

11.3 After a wildfire, what management techniques, actions and/or policies did your organization do to promote healthy and resilient forest conditions and support restoration of forests (check all that apply & enter area)?
X Salvage logging: *false*
X Specific actions for erosion control or slope stability: *false*
X Prompt reforestation of burned areas: *false*
X Other: *false*

11.4 How does your organization take action and engage in efforts to raise awareness of the benefits of fire

management and the minimization of undesirable impacts of wildfire as per PM 10.2?
(Check all that apply, explain and provide example(s))

X Supported/participated in youth education: ***true***

Please explain and provide example(s): *The agency conducted outreach at via Youth Education and Outreach Program. (https://dnr.wa.gov/youth-education-outreach-program)*

X Included in organization's training programs: ***true***

Please explain and provide example(s): *Wildland Fire Academies - DNR hosts interagency wildland fire academies to provide quality wildland fire training at no-cost to Washington's in-state interagency firefighting partners. Each academy uses local, state and federal firefighters' expertise to teach the courses.*

X Involved in community fire prevention programs: ***true***

Please explain and provide example(s): *Community programs such as Firewise USA and Fire Adapted Communities, Wildfire Division's Community Wildfire Resilience, and Preparedness Program.*

X Participated in existing programs promoting fire management benefits: ***true***

Please explain and provide example(s): *Community programs such as Firewise USA and Fire Adapted Communities*

X Other: ***true***

Please explain and provide example(s): *In 2018 the agency participated in the Washington Wildland Fire Summit. The agency works collaboratively to provide information about large fires on Inciweb (the Incident Information System) and through the Northwest Interagency Coordination Center.*

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