



To create awareness and appreciation for the value of trees, and encourage an understanding about the protection, management and conservation of the renewable forest

**OWIT Douglas County Chapter
2021 Forest Products Month Radio Ads**

CARBON:

When trees take in CO₂ through photosynthesis, they store the carbon as wood and release oxygen as a byproduct. About half of the dry weight of wood is stored as carbon. Unlike other building materials like steel and concrete, wood stores carbon and it also takes less energy to manufacture. Using more wood will increase the amount of carbon stored in buildings and other products. This message is brought to you by the Douglas County Oregon Women in Timber. Managed forests are part of the climate solution.

JOBS:

Did you know that more than 61,000 Oregonians are employed in an array of jobs related to forests and wood products? These jobs include positions in forestry, logging, mill work, cabinetmaking, engineering, hydrology, business, wildlife management, and research. The average annual wage for these types of jobs was \$54,000. This is 6% higher than the average wage for all of Oregon employment. This message is brought to you by the Douglas County Oregon Women in Timber. Managed forests support rural communities.

WATER QUALITY:

According to the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, the highest water quality in Oregon occurs in forested watersheds. Forest soils provide natural filtration to keep streams clean and water quality high. The forest industry plays an integral role in protecting and enhancing our watersheds through sustainable forestry practices. This message is brought to you by the Douglas County Oregon Women in Timber. Managed forests protect watersheds.

OFPA:

Did you know Oregon has the longest standing forest protection laws in the nation? The Oregon Forest Practices Act was passed in 1971 and is continually being updated to reflect the most current scientific research. It ensures forestry operations safeguard water, fish and wildlife habitat, soil, and air. It has been revised many times since it was enacted. This message is brought to you by the Douglas County Oregon Women in Timber. Managed forests are forever.

NATIONAL FOREST PRODUCTS WEEK:

The third week in October is National Forest Products Week. But Douglas County Oregon Women in Timber would like to extend that celebration to the whole month of October. We'd like to thank all of Oregon's hardworking timber industry employees for their commitment to producing sustainable forest products that are used throughout the world. Thank you for responsibly managing Oregon's 30 million acres of forestland!

Managed Forests Are Forever

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know that Oregon produces more wood building materials than any other state in the United States? Our sustainable forestry practices will continue to be number one for generations to come.

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Did you know that Douglas County has 5500 forest sector jobs? These include jobs in forestry, logging, millworking, trucking, wildlife biologists, and more. That is 12.8 percent of the county's employment with an average wage of \$52,000 a year.

FOREST FIRES

Here in the northwest, we have all been affected by forest fires. Did you know.... Loggers and other forestry workers **are firefighters** who play key roles in saving lives and property from destruction? They are in the forest every day. They invest in equipment and are trained to put out fires before they spread. Thank you to all of the heroes for keeping Oregon's forests green. This message is brought to you by the Douglas County Chapter of Oregon Women in Timber