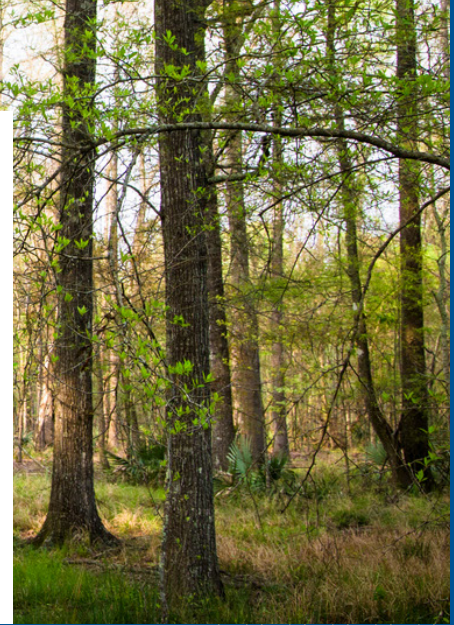




Statement on Forest Stewardship



We believe the role of business in society is to create goods and services that help people improve their lives, and to do so responsibly while consuming fewer resources. We believe in creating a good profit in the long term by providing products and services customers value more than their alternatives, while consuming fewer resources. We must also build mutually beneficial relationships with all of our core constituencies and consistently practice stewardship and compliance, especially regarding safety and the environment. As such, we see our role in forest stewardship as vital to our longevity, our customers' success and societies' well-being.

Forests provide value to society in many ways. They help protect air and water quality, supply important habitat for wildlife, sequester carbon, offer recreational opportunities and provide economic value. Georgia-Pacific relies on forests for the wood and wood fiber used to make the building and paper products society values. Therefore, we are committed to helping maintain healthy forests now and into the future, and using resources more efficiently.

Additionally, we promote the use and recovery of recycled fiber as a valuable raw material to extend the useful life of each fiber. Both recycled and fresh fiber provide unique attributes and are limited in availability; therefore, we advocate for utilizing each type of fiber where it creates the most value and is the most efficient in producing the properties and qualities our customers desire.

Georgia-Pacific's stewardship approach encompasses the responsible management of our actions and the resources entrusted to our care in a manner that respects the rights of others. This includes building mutually beneficial outcomes with customers, employees, suppliers, communities and other key constituencies.

As a result, we follow and promote good science-based [protection](#), [restoration](#), [enhancement](#), [sequestration](#) and [recovery practices](#).

PROTECT

Georgia-Pacific supports the value of protecting the world's unique and endangered forests and maintaining forest diversity. Because of these unique or rare qualities, we are taking steps to protect these forestlands.

Deforestation and conversion

Georgia-Pacific believes that forests play an important role in society. Therefore, we advocate for activities that promote an increase in forest area through sustainable market-based approaches. To this point, our wood supply is coming primarily from the United States, which has stable forest area. Other fibers, which may come outside the U.S., are procured from certified forestlands, or are accompanied by third-party verified Chain of Custody Certification. Through these measures, and our supporting policies, we are creating conditions conducive to maintaining forest area.

Georgia-Pacific does not support conversion of natural forests to non-forest. We have validated that our supply chain is at low risk for conversion of natural forests through avoidance of purchasing wood from high-risk areas and/or mitigation measures.

Endangered forests and special areas

Georgia-Pacific's Endangered Forest and Special Areas program was developed in 2008 to identify and protect high conservation value forests in the U.S.



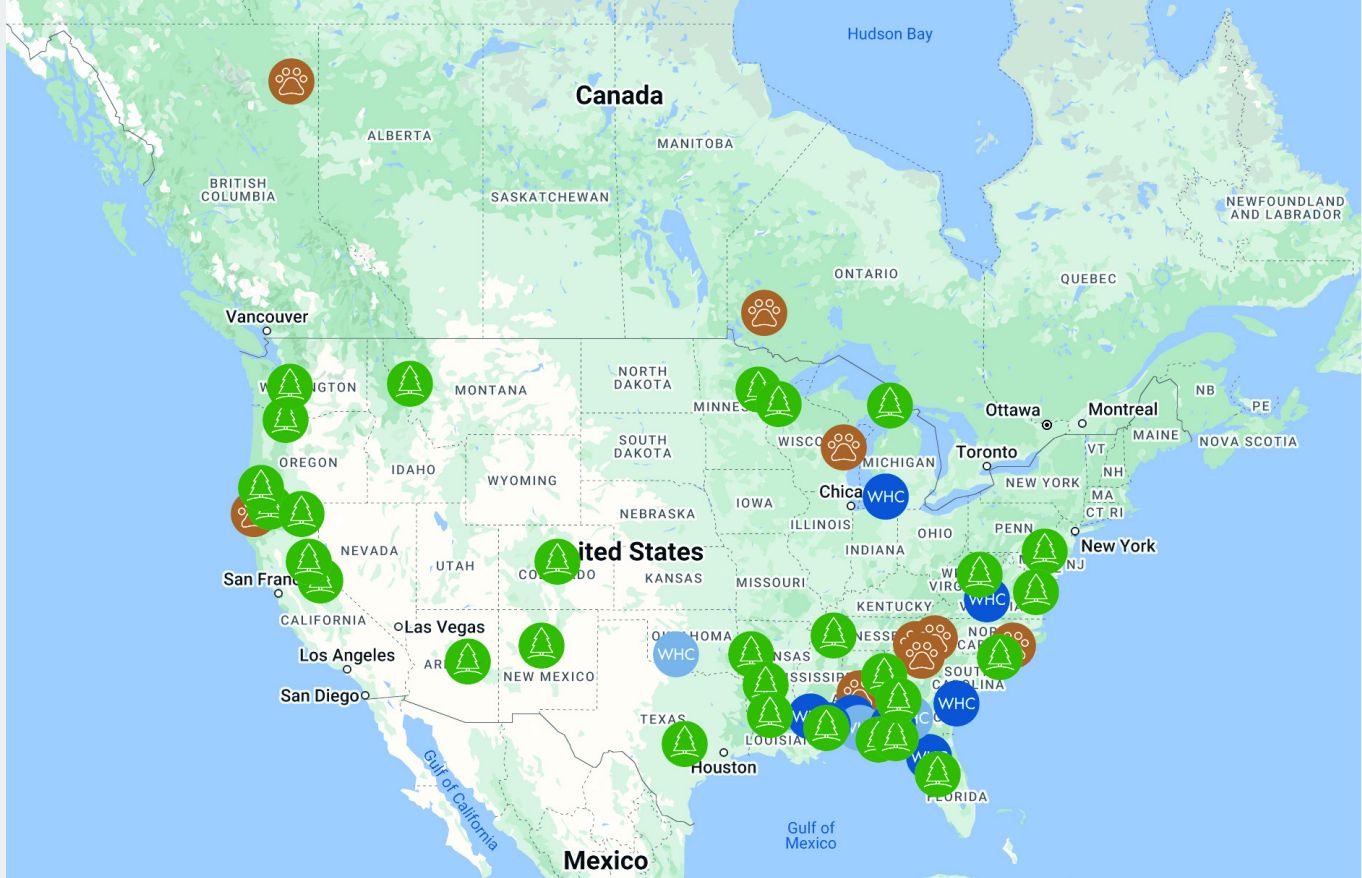
Since that time, we have mapped all of our procurement basins and identified over 6.6 million acres of endangered forests and special ecological areas across 17 states.

We use scientific methodologies – developed in conjunction with experts in ecology and geographic information system mapping from the University of Georgia and NatureServe – that considers and ranks ecological values associated with forestlands in our procurement basins. Some of these ecological values include rare and endangered species, high biodiversity, intact forest landscapes and resilient and connected landscapes. In addition, each of these areas is verified through on-the-ground visits and/or satellite imagery.

Georgia-Pacific has committed to not buy wood fiber from these areas except in unique situations when active forest management is needed to improve habitat for endangered, rare and/or vulnerable species.

As part of this process, we:

- Work with environmental organizations to understand the values they believe are important in identifying and protecting ecologically important forests. We also work with other organizations to implement new scientific data gathering and monitoring methods.
- Implement procedures to help ensure we don't receive wood from endangered forests. These procedures include employee training, an online supplier portal, satellite monitoring systems and contract requirements. In addition, as of early 2021, we have conducted individual meetings with over 700 suppliers to convey our expectations.



Wildlife Sites & Projects



Wildlife Habitat Council
Certified Sites & Projects



Forestry Sites & Projects

RESTORE

Ecosystem diversity and habitat conservation

A healthy, diverse forest landscape is composed of a variety of tree species of differing ages. The availability of both softwood and hardwood forests is important not only from an ecological standpoint but these forests also support forest industries. Softwoods, such as pine, provide the vast majority of fiber for our lumber and building materials. The fibers from hardwoods and softwoods are an important component of many of the paper and tissue products we make.

To help maintain forest diversity, we support efforts to grow and maintain forests of all types where they are best suited.

Healthy, diverse and sustainable forests provide critical habitat for wildlife and a countless other societal benefit. To that end, Georgia-Pacific works with others in the forestry and environmental community to support wildlife and forest restoration and enhancement projects in many landscapes across the U.S. and Canada. Our efforts include protection of endangered species, restoration of forest ecosystems, promotion of wildlife diversity and recovery from wildfires.

More information can be found on our website:
GP.com/EnvironmentalStewardship

ENHANCE

Georgia-Pacific is committed to knowing the sources of all the wood, plant-based fiber and forest products we buy and to understand, from a landscape perspective, the sustainability of those areas where it originates. We do not knowingly purchase illegally harvested or traded forest products, and we make sure our suppliers are aware of our expectations. Georgia-Pacific actively participates in the development, implementation and ongoing improvement of applicable certification standards that promote sustainable forest management in the United States and other countries as a way to verify responsible forestry. We view competition among these programs as important to continually improving the practice of sustainable forestry on all lands. We also promote the use of landscape approaches to provide additional assurance of sustainability.

Georgia-Pacific's stewardship approach encompasses the responsible management of our actions and the resources entrusted to our care in a manner that respects the rights of others. This includes building mutually beneficial, long-term partnerships with customers, employees, suppliers, communities and other key constituencies.

Wood fiber sourcing in the United States

Over 90% of the non-recycled fiber we use comes from the U.S., where Georgia-Pacific builds



relationships with suppliers and landowners to promote responsible forestry and incorporate these expectations into our sourcing contracts.



Most of our operations are in the U.S. South where 87% of the forest is privately owned. Therefore, strong private property rights, a free market and the rule of law create a base of sustainable practices. This is reflected in the increasing forest area within the U.S. (UN FAO 2020).

Georgia-Pacific holds several sustainable forestry certifications* including, [Forest Stewardship Council® \(FSC®\)](#), [Sustainable Forestry Initiative® \(SFI®\)](#), and [Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification \(PEFC\)](#), and maintains them through regular third-party



audits across all its operating areas. Summary results of audits are periodically made public to interest groups and other stakeholders.

In addition to following certification standards, Georgia-Pacific uses internal controls to verify the legality and sustainability of its domestic sources of wood fiber and forest products. These controls include contract requirements; our Supplier Sustainability Guidelines; our Due Care Program; extensive local knowledge of fiber basins where we have foresters on the ground; outreach to forest landowners; use of trained loggers in harvesting activities; and maintenance of long-term relationships with suppliers.

When our customers request further assurances, Georgia-Pacific works to provide wood certified by established and recognized certification systems.

*GP LLC Certifications:

FSC C108208 FSC®: fsc.org

SFI-00007 SFI®: forests.org

PEFC/29-31-221 PEFC: pefc.org



Georgia-Pacific evaluates risk levels and public concerns about harvesting practices outside of the United States by conducting a due diligence process, which includes reviewing public information, on-the-ground meetings with suppliers about sustainable forestry, Indigenous community commitments and engaging with third-party groups that have local expertise.

Georgia-Pacific will not purchase wood-fiber-based products or products derived from oil palms from tropical and subtropical areas unless potential suppliers are independently verified, and measures are in place that provide Georgia-Pacific assurance that:

- 1 harvesting is legal;
- 2 high conservation value forests, peatlands and high biodiversity areas are assessed and protected where appropriate;
- 3 areas and issues important to local communities and Indigenous people are respected;
- 4 and we avoid the sourcing of wood fiber from areas that would be deemed conflict by credible third-party certification bodies.

Where it operates or purchases fiber within the world's boreal regions, Georgia-Pacific will actively support collaborative and science-based efforts to conserve and/or protect high conservation value and intact forests. We are committed to helping achieve the recovery of species at risk, including Canada's woodland

caribou, and continue to support collaboration and dialogue to recognize and respect Indigenous peoples' rights and traditional knowledge.



ENHANCE (continued)

Wood product sourcing in other countries

Georgia-Pacific purchases market pulp and other semi-finished and finished wood-fiber-based products from other countries.

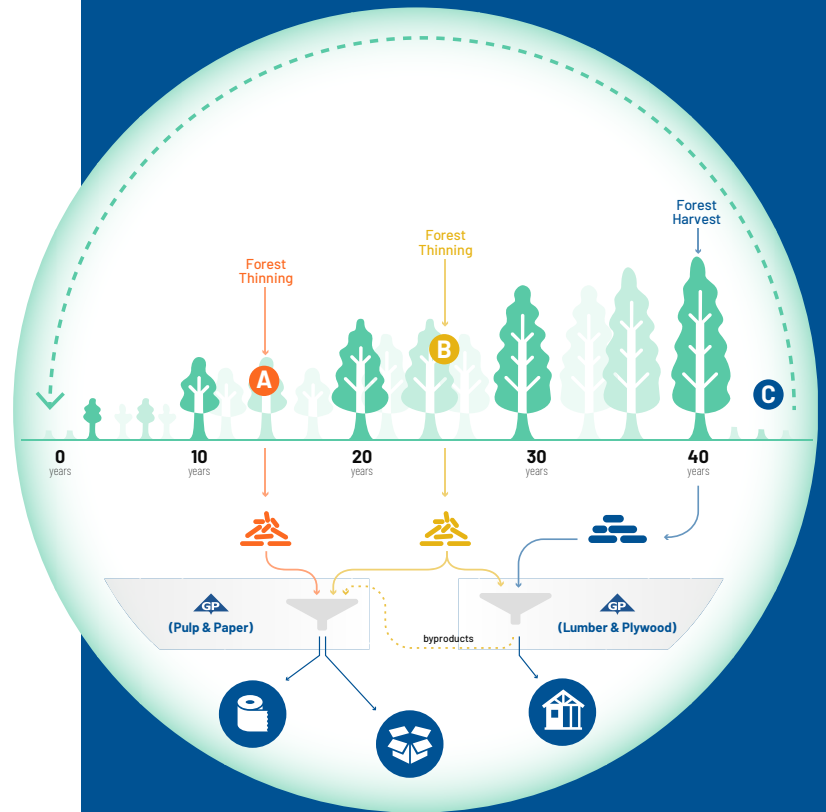
For wood-fiber-based products, Georgia-Pacific requires documentation of the species and country/region of origin, secondary manufacturers in the supply chain along with the source country's required legal documentation.

SEQUESTER

Forests play an important role in carbon sequestration. As such, we work with our customers who have established carbon-reduction goals for their supply chains. Trees are a critical element to helping them achieve these goals. Trees sequester carbon, and our promotion of healthy and diverse forests across the landscape helps to create a natural carbon sink.

- A** In working forests, trees sequester carbon throughout their growing years. In working with suppliers and loggers, we promote responsible forest management.
- B** This may include thinning the forest to utilize the trees that would naturally decay. This increases the growth rates on the remaining trees and reduces the risk and severity of wildfire.
- C** Landowners and suppliers may harvest the forest when they reach maturity so that they can be used for building products. At this point, our suppliers and landowners replant the trees, which helps ensure carbon will continue to be sequestered in these forests. The demand for forest products and Georgia-Pacific's commitment to responsible sourcing ensures that landowners are incentivized to replant trees.

Many of the products we make from the harvested trees, such as lumber, plywood and OSB, may store carbon for generations as part of the built environment. Other products have a shorter life span but still positively contribute to overall carbon sequestration and storage story.



>50%

To manufacture these products, we use biomass from facility-derived byproducts, including bark, wood waste and other organic materials, which account for over 50% of our energy needs.

CO₂

We continue to invest in the efficient use of this renewable energy. Sources like these are considered carbon neutral by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Additionally, the conservation efforts that we are actively investing in, including forest restoration and tree planting, can increase the capacity of the landscape to sequester carbon.

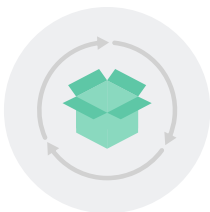


MIXED PAPER



RECYCLED FIBER

RECOVER



Our approach to circularity is to work to keep products in their highest state. We do this by focusing on positive, society-wide benefits as we look at

growth opportunities. Our stewardship vision is to find ways to continue to make the products society values while using fewer resources, including reducing waste where possible.

Fresh and recycled fiber are both critical elements of the fiber cycle. Cellulosic fibers can be recycled numerous times but degrade over time, creating the need to supplement the fiber cycle with fresh fiber.

Paper recovered for recycling allows both fresh fiber and recycled fibers to go to their highest end use. Each type of fiber has unique qualities and performance characteristics that help us to meet customers' needs while ensuring a long-term sustainable supply of fiber. In order to produce these products, we have developed operations with increasing flexibility to recover more fiber from recycled products, innovated to capture more recyclables from the waste stream, and have a business fully dedicated to the sourcing of recovered materials that are a raw material for some of our facilities.

We recognize the importance of starting with renewable materials, designing for recyclability, utilizing recycled materials and innovating to recover fibers that can create value for society. Georgia-Pacific is innovating to support stewardship efforts and conserve landfill space.