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### Turning Logs into Raw Wood

Watch the impressive process of turning raw logs into high-quality wood at a large-scale sawmill. This video highlights the efficient machinery and expert skills used in woodworking factories to process lumber for production. Perfect for woodworking enthusiasts and those curious about industrial processes. [Watch Video](#)

### In the News

#### The Sawdust Trail

Robert Buchanan has vivid memories of growing up amid the paper industry in the Fox Valley. The future leader of the Fox River Paper Co. in Appleton could see a paper mill from his bedroom window, and he walked past his father's factory on his mile-long trek to school, with the pungent smell of paper manufacturing in the air. "The industry is imbedded in my soul," says Buchanan. [Read More](#)

#### Warm, Dry Weather Sparks Hundreds More Wildfires Than Normal

Wisconsin has seen around 250 more wildfires this year than the average for the last decade as the state faces high fire danger due to dry, warm weather. More than 1,000 wildfires have consumed over 2,400 acres so far this year, according to data from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. The 10-year average for this time of year is 772 wildfires, with an average of under 1,800 acres burned. [Read More](#)

#### Celebrating the Importance of Forest Markets During National Forest Products Week

In honor of National Forest Products Week, we've been celebrating the value of forest products and their contributions to society. Since 1960, the week-long celebration (beginning on the third Sunday of October) has been observed across our nation. President Dwight Eisenhower was the first U.S. president to recognize this week and every president since (including President Joe Biden) has followed suit. [Read More](#)

#### Celebrate Wisconsin Forest Products With The DNR; National Forest Products Week Is Oct. 20-26

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) joins the nation in celebrating Forest Products Week from Oct. 20-26, 2024. The week recognizes the people who work in and care for our forests, the industry workers who make the forest products we depend on and the many ways forest products contribute to Wisconsin's economy and quality of life. [Read More](#)

#### Wood is Good; Wood Products Build the Way to Healthy Forests of the Future

Wood is a renewable resource with countless uses, and sustainably harvesting wood to make wood products is good for the health of forests and local economies. The Forest Service's Wood Innovations grants are investing in wood products economies nationwide. [Read More](#)

#### The Challenges to Forest Recovery and Replanting After Wildfires

The U.S. is struggling to replant forests destroyed by increasingly intense wildfires, with many areas unlikely to recover on their own. Researchers are studying which species are likely to survive — and where — as climate change makes it difficult or impossible for many forests to regrow. But they say the U.S. also lacks enough seed collection, seedling production and workers trained to replant trees on a scale needed to offset accelerating losses. [Read More](#)

#### Adaptability of Trees Persists After Millions of Years of Climate Change, Finds Study

Seven of the most common forest trees in Europe have been shown to be able to shelter their genetic diversity from major shifts in environmental conditions. This is despite their ranges having shrunk and the number of trees having fallen sharply during ice age cycles. These are the findings of a study by a European consortium including Uppsala University, published in Nature Communications. [Read More](#)