## HARVEST & REPLANT FOR HEALTHER, STRONGER LOCAL ECONOMIES

# Working forests are essential for jobs and Washington's economy.

Working forests are the foundation of Washington's forest products sector, supporting 102,000 workers and generating \$5.9 billion in wages, taxes and fees annually statewide.

## By the numbers...

## Nation's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest producer of softwood lumber

- In 2022, the state harvested enough trees to build more than 327,000 homes.
- A steady supply of locally grown wood is critical to meeting our affordable housing needs.

### State's 3<sup>rd</sup> largest manufacturing sector

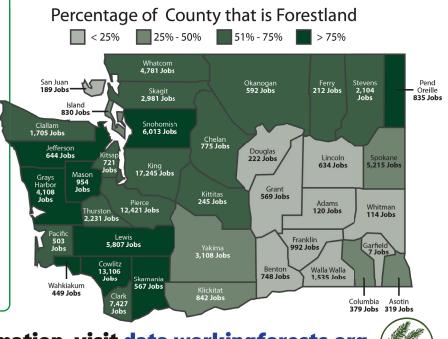
• 42,000 direct jobs are created (102,000 total) statewide.

### Provides critical environmental benefits

- 35% of the state's total carbon emissions are offset by Washington's forests and harvested wood products
- 60,000 miles of stream important to fish are protected by privately owned forest lands providing cool, clean water

#### 47% of WA forests are working forests managed to sustain a renewable supply of wood for lumber, energy, paper and packaging

Total Forestland Acres	22.9 million
Private-State-Tribal-County Restricted	2.6 million
Federal Forest Restricted	9.5 million
Working Forest	10.9 million



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