

# HARVEST & REPLANT

TO ENSURE RENEWABLE RESOURCES FOR GENERATIONS TO COME



## Washington is a national leader in sustaining healthy forests.

**We have the highest level of protection for habitat and water quality in the U.S. while we actively manage our forests.**

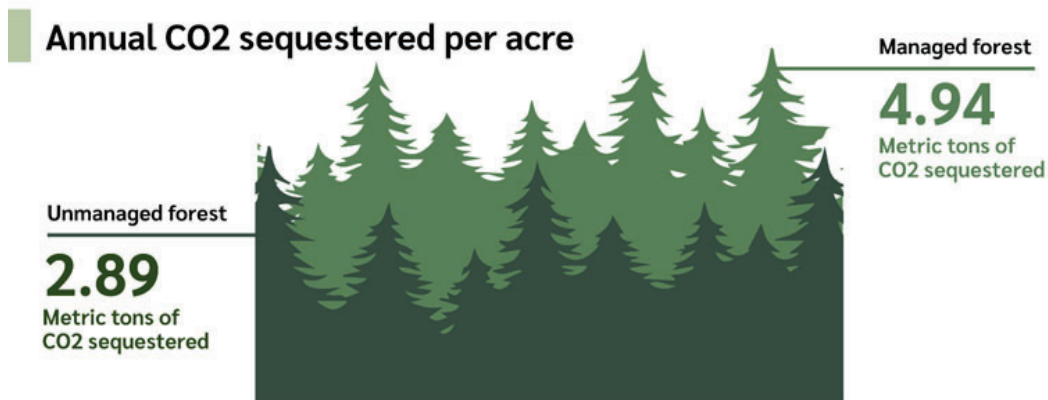
Forest practices are based in science and collaborative decision making which includes members of conservation groups, forest landowners, native American tribes, county officials and state and federal natural resource agencies.

**Unmanaged forests are more vulnerable to catastrophic wildfires.**

In 2015 wildfires accounted for 20% of Washington's carbon emissions. Studies show that managed forests are healthier and less likely to burn than unmanaged forests.

**Sustainable forest management practices prevent catastrophic wildfires by keeping forests healthy and removing damaged trees and excess underbrush that spread fires.**

Managed forests absorb carbon dioxide nearly twice as fast per acre than unmanaged forests, and store carbon in live trees and wood products 3x greater than unmanaged forests.



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