



Oregon Board of Forestry – Public Field Tour

Thursday, March 9, 2023

The Board of Forestry is meeting in Corvallis, Oregon on the campus of Oregon State University on March 8th for a regular business meeting and on March 9th for a public field tour. An agenda for the March 8th business meeting is available on the Board’s meetings webpage and can be viewed on the Oregon Department of Forestry’s (ODF) YouTube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/c/oregondepartmentofforestry>. The following agenda is for the March 9, 2023, public field tour.

8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. The theme of the public field tour is *Innovation from Forest to Frame*. The tour will include two stops 1) TallWood Design Institute’s A.A. “Red” Emmerson Advanced Wood Products Laboratory and 2) Freres Engineered Wood facility in Lyons, Oregon. The discussion will focus on a series of integrated investments to realize a modular mass timber housing supply chain in Oregon. Each tour stop will include several stations, informal presentations from faculty and business representatives, and an opportunity for Board members to engage with the presenters. Upon conclusion of the tour, the Board will discuss key takeaways.

There will be no online option for participation, but audio from each tour stop will be posted on the department’s meeting webpage following the tour, <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/board/Pages/bofmeetings.aspx>.

Field Tour Itinerary

- 8:30 Meet at the Oregon State University (OSU), Peavy Forest Science Center, in the main Atrium
- 8:35 – 9:00 Welcome by State Forester Cal Mukumoto, Marcus Kauffman, ODF Biomass Resource Specialist, and Tom DeLuca, OSU Dean of College of Forestry. Vehicle and tour group assignments confirmed.
- 9:00 – 9:05 Groups divided and assigned walking tour guides.
- 9:05 – 10:00 **Tour Stop One: A.A. Red Emmerson Advanced Wood Products Laboratory and TallWood Design Institute (TDI)**
The discussion will focus on research, testing, and innovation in mass timber.

Speakers: Iain Macdonald, Director of TDI, Mark Fretz, Director of Institute for Health in the Built Environment and University of Oregon Architecture, Evan Schmidt, Outreach and Education Manager of TDI, Phil Mann, Technical Manager of TDI, Byrne Miyamoto, Structural Testing Coordinator at TDI, and Ben Kaiser, Principle and Owner at Kaiser + Path
- 10:00 – 10:05 Load vehicles with tour drivers and passengers – depart from tour stop 1.
- 10:05 – 11:30 Transit time to Tour Stop Two
- 11:30 – 12:45 **Tour Stop Two: Freres Engineered Wood Facility**
The discussion will highlight Mass plywood manufacturing from sustainable forests to low-carbon buildings.

Speakers: Tyler Freres, Vice-President of Freres Engineered Wood
- 12:45 – 1:00 Lunch onsite, load vehicles with tour drivers and passengers – depart from tour stop 2.
- 1:00 – 2:15 Transit time for the return trip to the OSU campus in Corvallis

2:15 – 3:00

Tour Closeout: TallWood Design Institute Foyer

Board offers closing comments and coffee service is provided.

Public Participation at Field Tour

- Please dress and prepare appropriately for local weather and a moderate amount of walking over uneven terrain. Close-toed shoes are recommended, and earplugs will be provided at the mill upon request.
- There will be no online option for participation, but audio from each tour stop will be posted to the ODF [Board meeting webpage](#) following the tour.
- Members of the public wishing to join the tour must provide their own lunch and water.
- If you require special accommodations for the tour, contact the Board Administrator at hilary.olivos-rood@odf.oregon.gov, at least 72 hours prior to the event date.
- The scheduled tour times listed on the itinerary are approximate. Oregon Department of Forestry has the discretion to modify the tour presenters, stop locations, or timing if unforeseen circumstances occur.
- Individuals confirmed to attend the tour must sign a ride-along waiver before a seat assignment is provided. In an effort to limit the number of vehicles traveling on forest roads, participants are asked to consider riding in the vehicles provided by ODF.
- In case of an emergency, please dial 911.

The Department and Board will remain in compliance with safety guidelines or measures as it relates to COVID-19, locally (co.benton.or.us), statewide (OHA.gov), and nationally (CDC.gov).

Stop 1)

A.A. “Red” Emmerson Advanced Wood Products Laboratory
3205 SW Washington Way, Corvallis, OR 97331

Parking permit is required to park at OSU campus. **To purchase an all-day pass online**, visit link
https://aims.parking.oregonstate.edu/permits/?cmd=new_non_auth

Stop 2)

Freres Lumber Co., Inc.--Mass Plywood Facility
40519 S Cedar Mill Rd, Lyons, OR 97358

Stop 3)

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