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Dear County Supervisor,

As we address climate change, resource conservation and economic growth issues, it is important to recognize the critical role forests and forest products can play in developing practical solutions. The enclosed recently published book *Tackle Climate Change – Use Wood* is an important educational tool that highlights the benefits of working forests in achieving the climate goals set by Governor Schwarzenegger, who is featured in the preface.

The book explains exactly how using wood can reduce greenhouse gas emissions, increase the amount of clean energy available to California and sustain forests for generations. Its message is consistent with those Governor Schwarzenegger has delivered in assuming a leadership role addressing climate change and establishing the Western Climate Initiative. *Tackle Climate Change – Use Wood* clearly demonstrates how we can help our economy *and* our environment, and that forestry holds the potential to remove more carbon from the atmosphere and store it safely for a very long time.

We hope you enjoy, display and share your copy of this publication. The book represents the joint efforts of the California-based non-profit Forests for the Next Century and the British Columbia Forest Carbon Working Group. A brief video and slide presentation produced in conjunction with the book are available at www.rethinkforests.org.

It is critical for the economic and environmental well-being of our state that the contributions of well managed forests in climate solutions be widely recognized. We hope you find these materials valuable.

Sincerely,

David A. Bischel

President

Enclosure

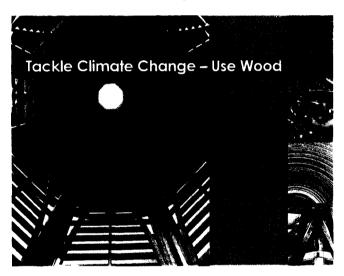
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Tackle Climate Change – Use Wood

... and use these tools to raise the profile of forests and forest products as part of the climate change solution.

To help organizations like yours promote the benefits of forests and forest products in relation to climate change, the "Tackle Climate Change – Use Wood" book has been created for use with audiences across North America.

At 80+ pages, this photo-rich book tells the story in-depth. Pass it around within your organization and order copies for all of your important contacts. The book can also be downloaded from the following website: www.rethinkforests.com



Also available on the website:

Video – Premier this 5-minute video at your next meeting, use it as part of a slide presentation, or play it in a loop at your trade show booth.

Slide presentation – Deliver this 20-minute presentation or integrate a few of the slides during your next speaking opportunity.

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