Procurement and Products: Weyerhaeuser Grayling OSB

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About Me:

• B.S. in Forestry from MSU.
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• Roughly 20 years field experience.
• Approximately 14 years in the forest products industry.
• 6 years with the Michigan DNR.
• Current chair of the Michigan SFI Implementation Committee.
Weyerhaeuser Overview:

• Founded in 1900 in Tacoma, WA.
• Has grown into one of the world’s largest forest products companies, employing around 13,000 people.
• Operates under three business segments; Timberlands, Wood Products and Real Estate.
• Wood products segment comprised of lumber, engineered lumber and oriented strand board (OSB).
Weyerhaeuser in Michigan:

• U.P. Timberlands: Merged with Plum Creek 2016.
• OSB Mill in Grayling; operating since 1982.
Grayling OSB:

• Employs around 160 people.
• Produces OSB in 3/8”, 7/16”, 1/2”, 5/8”, 23/32” and 7/8” sizes.
• Products mainly used for subflooring and wall/roof sheathing.
• Distribution of finished products is regional (North Central) & subject to changes in commodity pricing.
Wood Used by Grayling OSB:

• Use a blend of all species except oak, hickory and locust.
• Basswood purchased seasonally.
• Have specifications regarding size (diameter and length), sweep, crook, branches, etc.
• Purchased by the ton.
Grayling Wood Procurement: Blended Gatewood and Purchased Stumpage:

**Gatewood**
- Purchased directly from suppliers (all must be SFE trained).
- Mix of private, state, consultant and federal sources.
- Comes from all over...

**Purchased Stumpage**
- Mainly private, but occasional state or federal sales.
Molly the Goat!
Purchased Stumpage:

• Four foresters on staff.
• Landowner Assistance Program: 10 to 1000’s of acres.
Forest Management:

- Conducted on private land.
- In the lower almost all managed land is recreational.
- Whole lotta deer management...
- Also manage for timber, forest health, finances, etc.
- Proper species management.
- Follow BMP guidelines.
Forest Certification:

• Certified to the SFI standard.
• Third party audited.
• Addresses BMPs, visual quality, wildlife habitat, invasive, T&E, special sites, etc...
Wildebeest!
Questions?

Thanks for listening!