

Forested Counties - Effects of National Forest Policies on Forested Communities' Viability

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Severe reductions in USFS timber harvests over the last 20 years have dislocated the economic and social life of communities in which the major land ownership is National Forest. Skamania County in Washington presents a case study. Going forward, increased, but sustainable, timber harvest and timber byproducts capture can improve economic viability for these communities.