INDUSTRY EFFORTS TO INCREASE THE PRODUCTIVITY
OF PRIVATE, NON-INDUSTRIAL LANDS

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ABSTRACT

The forest industry, through National Forest Products Association, has developed a comprehensive program to meet future timber supply goals for private, non-industrial lands. The program includes proposals to (1) enhance the economic climate for forestry investments, (2) assure adequate technical assistance and support services, and (3) provide a public climate which understands and approves of profit-oriented forest management on industrial lands. Industry is currently working to implement this program.

Basic to the development of industry's program is the FIC Forest Productivity Study, which identified all the opportunities to increase productivity on all ownerships, future demand for timber as outlined in the RPA Assessment, and on overall industry timber supply goal. Industry's goal, if met, will maintain attractive consumer prices for wood products and allow the United States to play a greater role in world trade. Current industry efforts include breaking down the silvicultural treatments needed to meet industry's goal to individual states through the state forest resources planning process.