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Below, please find two links to the Virginia Tech - U.S. Forest Service housing market commentaries for May 2016. These files contain in-depth data and comments on the U.S. housing market.

Part 1: Main: <http://woodproducts.sbio.vt.edu/housing-report/casa-2016-05a-may-main.pdf>

Part 2: Economic conditions: <http://woodproducts.sbio.vt.edu/housing-report/casa-2016-05b-may-econ-cond.pdf>

The housing report is a free service of Virginia Tech, Virginia Cooperative Extension, and the U.S. Forest Service. The reports are intended to help gauge future business activity. All past housing reports are archived at:

<http://woodproducts.sbio.vt.edu/housing-report/>

Please let us know if you have any comments or questions.

Urs Buehlmann and Delton Alderman

THE FUTURE OF THE U.S. HARDWOOD LUMBER INDUSTRY Registration for the FUTURE OF THE U.S. HARDWOOD LUMBER INDUSTRY conference to be held November 2-3, 2016 at the Wood Education and Resource Center (WERC) in Princeton, WV is now open. Please use the registration form attached to this email. The event is sponsored by the Wood Education and Resource Center (WERC), Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry, U.S. Forestry Service, NHLA, Superthin Saws, AHMI, Virginia Tech, and Virginia Cooperative Extension. More information can be found at <http://woodproducts.sbio.vt.edu/futurehardwoods/>

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# TWO-DAY CONFERENCE: THE FUTURE OF THE HARDWOOD LUMBER INDUSTRY

November 2-3, 2016

USDA Forest Service Wood Education & Resource Center  
301 Hardwood Lane | Princeton, WV 24740

## NOVEMBER 2

### WELCOME AND KEYNOTE

8:00am - 9:00am Registration

9:00am - 9:10am Opening Remarks & Antitrust  
E. Cesa (USDA-FS)

9:15am - 9:55am Keynote - The Industry's Future  
T. Inman (AHMI)

10:00am - 10:25am Current state of the industry  
M. Bumgardner (USDA-FS)

### THE FUTURE OF OUR RAW MATERIAL

10:45am - 11:10am Forests of the future  
C. Becker (VDOF)

11:15am - 11:40am Future hardwood harvests  
B. Luppold (USDA-FS)

11:45am - 12:10pm Log markets of the future  
J. Wiedenbeck (USDA-FS)

12:15pm - 12:55pm Lunch @ WERC  
1:00pm Leave for Allegheny Lumber,  
Princeton WV

1:30pm - 3:30pm Tour Allegheny Lumber  
J. Chandler (Allegheny)

6:30pm - 8:30pm Dinner & Networking

### FEES & REGISTRATION

\$395 US

### LODGING & ACCOMMODATIONS

For lodging information, please visit the WERC Accommodations page  
(<http://www.na.fs.fed.us/werc/center/centeracc.shtm>)

## NOVEMBER 3

### TECHNOLOGIES OF THE FUTURE

7:00am - 7:55am Coffee

8:00am - 8:25am How does the future  
mill look like?

C. Boaz (Corley Manufacturing)

8:30am - 8:55am Scanning and Optimization  
R. E. Thomas (USDA FS)

9:00am - 9:25am Energy efficiency  
T. Wilson (WES)

9:30am - 9:55am Drying  
D. Spessert (NHLA)

### MARKETS - NOW AND IN THE FUTURE

10:30am - 10:55am CLT – Opportunity for  
hardwoods?

O. Espinoza (UM)

11:00am - 11:25am U.S. Housing market and  
hardwoods

D. Alderman (USDA-FS)

11:30am - 11:55am Hardwoods and industrial  
packaging

C. Brindley (PalletEnterprise)

12:00pm - 12:25pm Future hardwood lumber exports  
M. Snow (AHEC)

12:30pm - 1:25pm Lunch @ WERC

1:30pm - 2:10pm Conclusions and final remarks  
J. Johnson (HMR)

2:15pm - 2:40pm The Future Role of Associations  
J. Hester (NHLA)

2:45pm End of conference



## WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND

- To get an update on the economic situation and the status of the industry
- To obtain an overview of markets and conditions
- To gain insights into the future of the hardwood lumber industry and hardwood lumber markets
- To tour a state-of-the-art hardwood lumber mill
- To network and to benefit from two days of learning, discussing, and observing with leading industry experts

## PRESENTED BY:



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Please include payment with registration. Checks should be made payable to NHLA.

## QUESTIONS

For more information on this 2-day conference, contact: Urs Buehlmann at 540-231-9759 or [buehlmann@gmail.com](mailto:buehlmann@gmail.com)

For a complete schedule visit  
<http://woodproducts.sbio.vt.edu/futurehardwoods/>

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