



28 August 2020

SENT TO LSU AGCENTER/LOUISIANA FOREST PRODUCTS DEVELOPMENT CENTER - FOREST SECTOR / FORESTY PRODUCTS INTEREST GROUP



Full article:

https://www.lsuagcenter.com/profiles/lbenedict/articles/page1596054775005

Are Southern Softwood Lumber Manufacturers Ready for the Cross-Laminated Timber Industry?

Richard Vlosky and Mason T. LeBlanc

Richard Vlosky is director of the Louisiana Forest Products Development Center and is Crosby Land & Resources Endowed Professor of Forest Sector Business Development in the School of Renewable Natural Resources. Mason T. LeBlanc is a procurement analyst with Drax Biomass, LLC, Monroe, Louisiana.

Cross-laminated timber is a multilayer mass timber product spanning two directions with precision accuracy, resulting in a secure, airtight building solution for any floor, wall, roof or core. Serving as a significantly lighter replacement for concrete, cross-laminated timber uses wood exclusively from sustainably managed forests. Cross-laminated timber opens the door to a new, ecologically friendly way to construct mass timber buildings of the 21st century. One of the biggest benefits of mass timber panels as compared with other types of structures is the ability to prefabricate the entire project. This saves time and money on-site because the installation process becomes more efficient.

Richard P. Vlosky, Ph.D. Crosby Land & Resources Endowed Professor of Forest Sector Business Development Director, Louisiana Forest Products Development Center Room 227, School of Renewable Natural Resources Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803 Phone (office): (225) 578-4527; Mobile Phone: (225) 223-1931 Web Site: www.LFPDC.lsu.edu

