WOOD INNOVATIONS PROGRAM
USDA FOREST SERVICE

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MISSION AND SERVICES

Mission:
Stimulate and expand manufacturing and use of biomass and wood products from NFS and all forest lands.

Services:
• serve variety of clients in public and private sectors, including FS units
• provide information and expertise
• match-making to foster partnerships and projects
• manage Wood Innovations grants
WOOD INNOVATIONS GRANTS: NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

**Eligible Activities:** stimulate or expand wood energy and wood products markets

**Examples:**
- Cost analysis, engineering design, and permitting of wood energy projects.
- Create/expand the demand for wood products.
- Assist with final stages of wood construction projects.
- Business planning to accelerate wood manufacturing capacity and markets.

**Eligible Applicants:** for-profit entities; State, local, and Tribal governments; school districts; communities; not-for-profit organizations; or special purpose districts

**Maximum Award:** $250,000, typically. A total of $7 million anticipated nationwide.

**Application Deadline:** January 22, 2018

Full application details are at USFS Wood Education and Resource Center website.

Contact me if you are considering submitting a proposal to determine eligibility and competitiveness.
Successful Recipients in Idaho:

- University of Idaho, Moscow (2017) – designing new sports arena to be built with heavy timber.
- Idaho Youth ChalleNGe Academy (2017) – installing wood energy system.
- Idaho State Wood Energy Team (2013) – provide technical/financial support to expand wood energy.
NATIONAL NETWORK

- network of State Wood Energy Teams and State Wood Utilization Teams
- USFS Forest Products Lab and Research Stations
- technical assistance on wood energy projects (old/new) available from USFS Wood Education and Resource Center
- developing communication products to promote wood energy
- promoting wood energy at ski areas/mountain communities
- FYI: Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP) is not funded for 2018
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