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WoodWorks Announces 2019 Partners

Funding allows WoodWorks to provide free project support to developers and design teams

WASHINGTON, DC (February 14, 2019) – [WoodWorks – Wood Products Council](#) has announced its 2019 funding partners, whose participation in the program enables WoodWorks to achieve its mission of supporting developers, architects, engineers and others involved in the design of wood buildings.

Major funding partners include the Softwood Lumber Board (SLB), USDA Forest Service, and Forestry Innovation Investment. By helping building owners and designers understand their wood options and supporting the design of cost-effective, safe and durable wood buildings, the goal is to strengthen the market for wood products. These organizations believe that strong markets for wood contribute to healthy forests (by giving landowners the incentive to invest in forest management and keep forested lands forested), as well as the availability of skilled jobs in rural communities, and more resilient local economies. The Softwood Lumber Board is a check-off program supported by manufacturers of softwood lumber across the U.S., and the USDA Forest Service supports the program through both State and Private Forestry (S&PF) and the Forest Products Lab (FPL), which undertakes research that is made accessible to building designers through WoodWorks.

National partners are individual companies that help fund the efforts of the program. 2019 partners include: Boise Cascade, Georgia Pacific, LP Building Products, Norbord, Weyerhaeuser, D.R. Johnson, Freres Lumber, Western Red Cedar Lumber Association, Canfor-Anthony, EACOM, IB X-Lam USA, Homasote, MiTek, NY Wood Products Development Council, Nordic Structures, Rosboro, Rothoblaas, Sauter Timber, Sierra Pacific Windows, Simpson Strong-Tie, SmartLam, Structure Fusion, StructureCraft Builders, and Structurlam.

These companies participate in WoodWorks events, giving building designers regular opportunities to communicate with a variety of manufacturers. The program also receives funding support from APA – The Engineered Wood Association, and works closely with its other partners Think Wood, the American Wood Council, and the Canadian Wood Council.

“Our National Partnership with WoodWorks over the last several years has allowed Boise Cascade the opportunity to meet and develop relationships with key members of the structural design community, said Dennis Bott, EWP Business Development Manager for Boise Cascade. “These relationships have led to significant growth in our multi-family/light commercial segment.”

“The diversity of WoodWorks’ funding partners reflects our goal of helping people design and construct quality wood buildings using the most appropriate wood solutions for their particular project,” said Jennifer Cover, WoodWorks’ president and CEO. “WoodWorks is a non-profit organization staffed with architects, structural engineers and construction experts. In 2019, our staff is projected to support 350 projects that go to construction, and we’ll host nearly 400 education events across the country. None of

this would be possible without the commitment of our partners, who believe in supporting our role as the 'go-to' resource for wood design.”

About WoodWorks

[WoodWorks – Wood Products Council](#) provides free technical support as well as education and resources related to the code-compliant design of commercial and multi-family wood buildings across the U.S. WoodWorks staff have the expertise to assist with all aspects of wood building design, including (but not limited to): allowable heights and areas/construction types, structural detailing of wood and hybrid systems, fire resistance and acoustical-rated assemblies, efficient and code-compliant lateral system design, alternate means of code compliance, and energy-efficient detailing. For assistance with a project, visit www.woodworks.org/project-assistance or email help@woodworks.org.