

SFI 2015-2019 – Public Summary Report

WEYERHAEUSER COMPANY AND WEYERHAEUSER NR COMPANY, WESTERN TIMBERLANDS

DESCRIPTION OF COMPANY

Weyerhaeuser Company and Weyerhaeuser NR Company, Western Timberlands Operations (Weyerhaeuser) are located in Washington and Oregon States and have a head office in Vancouver, Washington. Weyerhaeuser's corporate offices are in Federal Way, Washington.

Western Timberlands is registered as a multi-site certificate, and includes Washington's Coastal, Central, and Longview Operations, and Oregon's Coos Bay, Springfield, North Valley, and South Valley Operations.

The company's Western Timberlands Sustainable Forest Management program has been registered to the SFI Standard since August 28, 2001. The Western Timberlands SFI representative is Mr. Terry Alexander.

AUDIT

During the period of July 18 to 22, 2016, Weyerhaeuser underwent a re-registration audit to the Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI®) 2015-2019 Forest Management (FM) Standard and the SFI 2015-2019 Fiber Sourcing (FS) Standard. Registration to the Certified Sourcing Label standard was also accomplished during this time period.

The registration cycle is over three years with surveillance audits conducted annually. The audit assessed active and completed harvest operations through interviews with the company staff and contractors. The audit also assessed the SFI documentation and records at the company's office including stakeholder and First Nations communication.

The SFI program third-party audit was undertaken by SAI Global. SAI Global is an independent third party registrar that is accredited by the ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board (ANAB) Standard ensuring the integrity and credibility of the audit process.

THE AUDIT TEAM

The SAI Global audit team who performed the audit consisted of Ms. Julie Stangell, audit team leader, and Ms. Cindy Hutchison and Mr. Dave Barker, both audit team members. Mr. Ken Hall was the project manager and team member assessing the corporate office in Federal Way, Washington. All auditors were forestry professionals and certified auditors.

REGISTRATION TYPE

Certificate Type	SFI 2015-2019 Forest Management Standard	SFI 2015-2019 Fiber Sourcing Standard
Multi-site	X	X

MULTI-SITE EVALUATION

The following participating sites are included in the multi-site / group evaluation:

*FM = SFI 2105-2019 Forest management standard, FS = SFI 2015-2019 Fiber sourcing standard

SAI File #	Standard Audited*	Site name	S1 2014	S2 2015	I/RR 2016
012259	FM	Western Timberlands Coos Bay Forest Area			X
025992	FM	Western Timberlands South Valley Forest Area		X	
1614094	FS	Western Timberlands Springfield (Office)		X	X
012257	FM	Western Timberlands Springfield Forest Area	X		
025991	FM	Western Timberlands North Valley Forest Area			X
012255	FM	Western Timberlands Longview Forest Area			X
1614093	FS	Western Timberlands Longview (TOB Office)	X	X	X
012253	FM	Western Timberlands Coastal Forest Area		X	
012252	FM	Western Timberlands Central Forest Area	X		
012250	FM	Western Timberlands Vancouver Office	X	X	X
012250	FS	Western Timberlands Vancouver Office			X
013349	FM	Corporate Head Office	X	X	X

SFI 2015-2019 Forest Management Standard

FOREST LAND AND MANGEMENT PLAN INCLUDED IN THE AUDIT SCOPE

Weyerhaeuser Western Timberlands manages 1,944,865 acres of forestland in Oregon and Washington. Lands are located on the west side of the Cascade Mountains in the foothills of the Cascades and in the Coast Range of both states. Lands were historically dominated by Douglas-fir and are primarily planted to this species. Other species planted are noble fir, grand fir, Western red cedar, Sitka spruce, ponderosa pine, and red alder.

All of the timberlands managed in the western U.S. have been harvested and regenerated at least once. In some locations, the third generation of trees is being planted. Weyerhaeuser's intensive forest management includes planting seedlings produced through tree selection, breeding and their field testing program, fertilizing the soil where needed, preventing competing vegetation from overcrowding young trees in their first few growing seasons, and thinning stands during their growing cycle to support robust growth. In general, trees are harvested utilizing regeneration harvest techniques and are planted within two growing seasons with a focus on planting excellent seedlings adapted to the site. They participate extensively in research and partnerships to identify best silvicultural and management practices.

Recreational access is allowed when compatible with company operations through a recreation access permit program and through recreation leases. The recreation access program is expanding to include additional areas after a test of the program in select areas showed benefits to the company.

SCOPE OF CERTIFICATION

Forest management activities - planning, harvesting, transportation, and silviculture on private land owned by the program participant in the states of Washington and Oregon.

There has been no modification to the scope since the last public summary report.

AUDIT PROCESS

During this audit, the audit team evaluated the company against the objectives listed in Appendix 3, Table 1. The evidence of compliance observed is listed in Appendix 3, Table 2.

A sample of field review sites were chosen from a list of active sites and sites where forest management activities occurred since the last audit. The site choice also considered activity type, and risk factors, related to the audit objectives selected for review, as well as the opportunity to verify implementation of corrective actions for previous non-conformities.

The multi-site / group sampling approach used for this audit is outlined in Appendix 2.

SUBSTITUTE INDICATORS

No substitute indicators were evaluated during this audit.

COMPLAINTS

No complaints have been received; therefore the complaint handling process could not be verified.

SITES INSPECTED AND ASSESSMENT TIME

Audit Activity	Duration in days
Off-site preparation and on-site office review:	4.5
Field review:	6
Sites	Number inspected
Roads	15
Harvesting Blocks	17
Silviculture Sites	16
Operations visited: Coos Bay Millicoma Tree Farm, Longview Tree Farm, North Valley including Snow Peak, Clackamas and Black Rock Tree Farms.	

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Definitions for findings can be found in Appendix 1.

Areas of non-conformance

Not applicable.

Opportunities for improvement

The following Opportunities for Improvement were identified:

- The Company may wish to require spill kits on Weyerhaeuser Log Trucks as these vehicles may tip and spill fuel.
- The Company may wish to consider sharing best management practices around sensitive issues such as chemical storage across Western Timberlands.

Exceptional practices

The following Good Business Practices were identified:

- Collaboration on a project installing two major bridges and moving dirt on East Fork Millicoma River to return stream to historic path and restore fish passage upstream.
- Fire Protection Audits and Drills provides critical evidence of due diligence in prevention of forest fire.
- Continual improvement demonstrated in current procedures, tracking, documentation, and ability to provide evidence of meeting standards (EMS).
- The SFI Western Timberlands “Crosswalk” evidence package is a great improvement over past packages.
- Weyerhaeuser supports Mt. St. Helen’s Forestry Learning Center.
- Continuation of elk exclusion fence research in herbicide vs. non-herbicide treated areas.
- Superior sediment control around newly installed culverts including use of ditch sumps and hay bales.
- Discovery and active protection of an occupied goshawk nest.
- Health & Safety Program using positive reinforcement of safety behavior.
- Use of orange fencing to block active operations.
- Collaboration and planning with the town of Falls City on difficult unit involving harvest of unit and trees around water tank, adjacent to road with above ground power, phone and cable lines, buried water lines, public access, protection of pavement and visual sensitivity.

Status of previous audit non-compliances

No non-conformities were raised during the previous audit.

CERTIFICATION DECISION SFI 2015-2019 FOREST MANAGEMENT STANDARD

Re-registration Audit

Based on the results of this re-registration audit it has been determined that the management system is effectively implemented and meets the requirements relative to the scope of registration and audit criteria, therefore, a recommendation for registration is made to SAI Global.

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PROGRAM PARTICIPANT’S FIBER PROCUREMENT OPERATIONS

Weyerhaeuser purchases logs from private landowners and contractors logging private timber sales in order to supplement timber flowing into their mills from company owned timberlands. The audit used site visits and interviews with logging and road construction contractors to assess Weyerhaeuser’s wood procurement system. Fiber is sourced from Oregon and Washington, generally from the west side of the Cascade Range. Logs are delivered into their own sorting and manufacturing facilities, listed in table below. Facilities are located in Lebanon, Cottage Grove and Sweet Home, Oregon and in Longview, Raymond and Olympia, Washington.

SCOPE OF CERTIFICATION

Sourcing of fiber from forests in the United States Pacific Northwest Region. There has been no modification to the scope since the last public summary report.

AUDIT PROCESS

During this audit, the audit team evaluated the company against the objectives listed in Appendix 4, Table 1. The evidence of compliance observed is listed in Appendix 4, Table 2.

A sample of field review sites were chosen from a list of active sites and sites where activities were completed since the last audit. The site choice also considered activity type, and risk factors, related to the audit objectives selected for review, as well as the opportunity to verify implementation of corrective actions for previous non-conformities.

The multi-site sampling approach used for this audit is outlined in Appendix 2.

SUBSTITUTE INDICATORS

No substitute indicators were evaluated during this audit.

COMPLAINTS

No complaints have been received; therefore the complaint handling process could not be verified.

MANUFACTURING UNITS SUPPLIED AND ASSESSMENT TIME

Audit Activity	Duration in days
Off-site preparation and on-site office review:	1.75
Field review:	3

Sites	Number inspected
Roads	5
Harvesting Blocks	5
Silviculture Sites	2

Manufacturing units supplied from the sites visited:

The Springfield, OR Office (File No. 1617094) is responsible for the Certified sourcing of the following facilities: Softwood Sawmills – Santiam 30440 Fairview Road, Lebanon, Oregon 97355 USA Softwood Sawmills – Cottage Grove 77629 S Pacific Hwy, Cottage Grove, Oregon 97424 USA Plywood & Veneer Mill – Foster 6011 Hwy 20 E, Sweet Home, Oregon 97386 USA Chip Yard – Springfield Tops 785 N 42nd, Springfield, Oregon 97478 USA.

The Longview, WA Office (File No. 1614093) is responsible for the fiber sourcing of the following facilities: Softwood Sawmills – Longview 3401 Industrial Way, Longview, Washington 98632 USA Softwood Sawmills – Raymond 51 Ellis Street, Raymond, Washington 98577 USA Export Log Yards – Longview 3401 Industrial Way, Longview, Washington 98632 USA Export Log Yards – Olympia 1517 Marine Drive, NE, Olympia, Washington 98501 USA Longview Newsprint (NORPAC) 3001 Industrial Way, Longview, Washington 98632 USA Longview Pulp & Liquid Packaging Mill 3401 Industrial Way, Longview, Washington 98632 USA

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Areas of non-conformance

Not applicable.

Opportunities for improvement

Not applicable.

Exceptional practices

- Interviewed landowners participating in the fiber procurement program who were extremely positive about their experiences working with Weyerhaeuser.

Status of previous audit non-compliances

Not applicable since this is the Initial audit.

CERTIFICATION DECISION SFI 2015-2019 FIBER SOURCING STANDARD

Initial Audit

Based on the results of this initial audit it has been determined that the management system is effectively implemented and meets the requirements relative to the scope of registration and audit criteria, therefore, a recommendation for registration is made to SAI Global.

Appendices

Appendix 1: DEFINITIONS

Major Non-Conformances

Pervasive or critical to the achievement of the SFI objectives

All major non-conformances require an action plan to be implemented by the auditee within 90 days of an initial audit or registration cannot be achieved. Subsequently for surveillance audits, an action plan shall be implemented by the auditee within 60 days for the registration to be maintained.

Minor Non-Conformances

Isolated incidents that are non-critical but must be addressed before the next surveillance audit to maintain compliance to the SFI standard. Non resolved minor non-conformance will be escalated to a major non-conformance.

Opportunity for Improvement

Are not non-conformances but are comments on specific areas where improvements can be made.

Exceptional practices

Areas that are deemed to be of outstanding practices.

Appendix 2: MULTI-SITE / GROUP SAMPLING APPROACH

This multi-site / group organization maintains an internal audit program determined to be reliable, in this case SAI Global sampling approach is as follow where n = number of sites:

- i. \sqrt{n} for initial certification audits
- ii. $0.6 \sqrt{n}$ for surveillance audits
- iii. $0.8 \sqrt{n}$ for re-registration audits

The central office function is audited annually.

Appendix 3: EVIDENCE OF CONFORMITY TO THE SFI 2015-2019 FOREST MANAGEMENT STANDARD

Table 1 Objectives Audited

Objective 1	Forest Management Planning	X
Objective 2	Forest Health and Productivity	X

Objective 3	Protection and Maintenance of Water Resources	X
Objective 4	Conservation of Biological Diversity	X
Objective 5	Management of Visual and Recreational Benefits	X
Objective 6	Protection of Special Sites	X
Objective 7	Efficient Use of Forest Resources	X
Objective 8	Recognize and Respect Indigenous Peoples' Rights	X
Objective 9	Legal and Regulatory Compliance	X
Objective 10	Forestry Research, Science and Technology	X
Objective 11	Training and Education	X
Objective 12	Community Involvement and Landowner Outreach	X
Objective 13	Public Land Management Responsibilities	NA
Objective 14	Communications and Public Reporting	X
Objective 15	Management Review and Continual Improvement	X

Table 2 Evidence Observed

Environmental management system (EMS) Manual	X	Harvest unit size calculations	X
Written policies	X	Employee observation forms (species at risk, invasive plants, other values)	
Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for best management practices	X	Pre-work discussions/meeting records	X
EMS and SFI field handbook	X	Monitoring records for non-timber values	
Training records (staff and contractors)	X	Utilization records	
SFI/EMS training agenda	X	Laws, legislation, regulations records	X
Health and safety manual and/or employee policy manual		Annual management review records	X
Timber supply review	X	Internal audit records	X
Maps	X	Corrective action logs	X
Timber development standards		Education/community involvement records	X

Non-timber values impact assessments (riparian, visual, recreation, biodiversity, cultural heritage, other:)	X	Records of public inquiries and complaints	X
GIS inventories (soils, forest, land classification, non-timber values)	X	Stakeholder communications records	X
Long term management plans and sustainable harvest level calculation	X	Agreements and communications with Indigenous communities	X
Cutting/harvesting permits	X	Multi-licensee and/or government meeting minutes	
Operational plans (annual, harvest unit level)	X	Logging agreements and/or contracts	X
Wet/adverse weather plans or guidelines	X	Wood producer training programs	X
Reforestation plans	X	Wood producer information package	X
Pest management plan		SFI Annual Report	X
Fire preparedness plan	X	SFI and company websites	X
Spill prevention and response plan	X	SFI brochure	X
Silviculture surveys and reports	X	SFI Implementation committee (participation/support)	X
Standards for seed use		Climate change information and/or meeting minutes	
Chemical use/spray records and applicator certification	X	Research and discussion papers	
Tree improvement reports		Support for research and science	
Green-up records		External audit field inspections	X
Free to grow records		External audit interviews (office and field)	X
Planting program records	X		
Harvest inspection records	X		
Road and bridge inspection records			
Pre-harvest inspection records	X		
Post-harvest inspection records	X		
Government compliance records	X		

Appendix 4: EVIDENCE OF CONFORMITY TO SFI 2015-2019 FIBER SOURCING STANDARD

Table 1 Objectives Audited

Fiber Sourcing Within the United States and Canada		
Objective 1	Biodiversity in Fiber Sourcing	X
Objective 2	Adherence to Best Management Practices	X
Objective 3	Use of Qualified Resource and Qualified Logging Professionals	X
Objective 4	Legal and Regulatory Compliance	X
Objective 5	Forestry Research, Science, and Technology	X
Objective 6	Training and Education	X
Objective 7	Community Involvement and Landowner Outreach	X
Objective 8	Public Land Management Responsibilities	NA
Objective 9	Communications and Public Reporting	X
Objective 10	Management Review and Continual Improvement	X

Fiber Sourcing Outside the United States and Canada		
Objective 11	Promote Conservation of Biological Diversity, Biodiversity Hotspots and High-Biodiversity Wilderness Areas	NA
Objective 12	Avoidance of Controversial Sources including Illegal Logging	NA
Objective 13	Avoidance of Controversial Sources including Fiber Sourced from Areas without Effective Social Laws	NA

Table 2 Evidence Observed

Environmental management system (EMS) Manual	X	SFI Annual Report	
Written policies	X	SFI and company websites	
Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for best management practices	X	SFI brochure	
EMS and SFI field handbook		SFI Implementation committee (participation/support)	
Training records (staff and contractors)	X	External audit field inspections	
SFI/EMS training agenda	X	External audit interviews (office and field)	
Cutting/harvesting permits		Education/community involvement records	
Operational plans (annual, harvest unit level)		Records of public inquiries and complaints	
Wet/adverse weather plans or guidelines	X	Stakeholder communications records	X
Reforestation plans		Logging agreements and/or contracts	X
Best management practices monitoring records	X	Wood producer training programs	X
Evaluation of best management practices	X	Wood producer information package	X
Government compliance records		Policies provided to wood producers	X
Pre-work discussions/meeting records		Education and outreach to forest landowners	X
Monitoring records for non-timber values		List of qualified logging professional/certified logging professional	X
Utilization records		Agreements for purchased stumpage	X
Laws, legislation, regulations records		Program to assess and address risk of Illegal logging	
Corrective action logs		Research and discussion papers	
Support for research and science		Climate change information and/or meeting minutes	



Three Sisters from Weyerhaeuser lands in Mosby Creek, Oregon

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